

Salem R/C Pilots Association

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Salem R/C Pilots Assn.

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**YOU DON'T STOP FLYING
WHEN YOU GET OLD**



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WHEN YOU STOP FLYING**

Courtesy of Ted Foster

In Case of Emergency:

Tell the 911 operator you are at the radio control model flying field.

SR/CPA FLIGHT INSTRUCTORS

Matt Myatt CFI	(503) 881-5155
Al Cleveland	(503) 910-7786
Ralph Duncan	(503) 910-5021

If you need flight instruction, call one of these instructors and find out when they are available to help you. Please make arrangements to meet them at the field. Do not assume they will be available when they are at the field.

Meeting night, bring any project to show and tell. Visitors are always welcome and encouraged to attend. For more information about the club, attend a meeting as a guest or contact any of the club officers. Club dues are \$75.00 per year. We are listed with the local hobby shops.

Next Meeting:

Thursday, May 15, 7:30 PM

Turner Flying Field

Turner, OR

Treasurer's Report		
From		
04/01/25	Balance Forward	\$3,806.68
to	Income	300.00
04/30/25	Expenses	166.00
	Balance	3940.68
	Dedicated Funds	0.00
	General Fund	3940.68
	Total Income This Year	4582.77
	Total Expenses This Year	642.09

Treasurer's Report		
From		
05/01/25	Balance Forward	\$3,940.68
to	Income	0.00
05/10/25	Expenses	555.00
	Balance	3385.68
	Dedicated Funds	0.00
	General Fund	3385.68
	Total Income This Year	4582.77
	Total Expenses This Year	1197.09

SALEM R/C PILOTS ASSOCIATION GENERAL CLUB MEETING April 12, 2025

The April meeting of the Salem R/C Pilots Association was called to order by that OLD **President Alan Lasneski** in the very comfy conference room at Garmin Industries at approximately 7:29 PM. There were 20 of us in attendance. REMEMBER, Next month we will be at the field so get a plane ready and we will fly like birds or something.

Treasurer's Report: Our new **Treasurer Al Cleveland**, was somewhere detained so there was NO report for tonight. WE have money so relax as we can pay our bills.

Old Business

The **Float Fly** schedule has now been published on our website, and we will have approximately 12 meetings at the pond. Starting with the first Saturday in May. So, get out the water planes and join us soggy flyers at the pond. YES, we have the retrieving boat so you can get your downed plane without getting wet. And thanks to **Ted Foster** for setting all this up for the summer.

Winter Build Challenge: It is on May 31 and will start at around 9:30 AM with Alan Lasneski as the announcer. There is an added category this year and that is Open Class, repaired or ARF, but still a maiden flight that day. Come out and enjoy the day and see first time flying aircraft defying gravity.

Melon's Follies the 34th will be on the 28th of June, same fun with plaques, etc. Also, there will be food at the food shack. Come out and fly with a buddy and have fun. This might be the last. You never know.

GAME the 27th Annual event will be held on the 11, 12, 13 and 14 of September with the setup on the 10th. Same great 4 days of flying so get out the good stuff and plan to attend. YES, there will be the Saturday night BBQ and night flying each night. See you there.

The AMA Jamboree is on June 20 in Wenatchee WA and a few of our guys will again be attending.

The McMinnville Vintage fly in will be on July 12, and there is a flyer on it on our web site. If you have questions call **Merle Hoem**.

Heli Palooza will be held on July 26, lots of great helicopters and great flying by some of the best, so come out and watch the whirly birds and there will be food. This is at the **McMinnville** field.

War Birds will be held again this year on July 26th at our field. If it looks like a warbird, bring it out and fly. It will be a blast, and you can bomb anything you like. (Really?? Ed.)

Racing again this year will be on Tuesday night and should start soon, so start getting your fast moving plane ready and show us what talent you have at going around in a circle.

Rock of Ages at Valley View Retirement Center. Not a big flying area but can be done, so again talk with **Merle Hoem** who knows all. This is on August 9th. Small electrics would be the perfect choice.

Plat I in Roseburg is a great float fly event, and not too far to drive if you are interested. This is on Father's Day so take your dad and go fly off the water.

Big Foot Hobbies will have a full-size shop coming in late summer at the **Keizer Station**. They have donated lots of STUFF to our events so it will be great to have them in town where we can purchase goods.

Jet Jam is August 23rd and there will be an array of really great Jets and spendy toooooo. Come out and watch as it should be a blast.

Kent Garrett is again doing his magic at the field and it looooooooooooooooooks so goooooood. WE thank him from our bottom. (Huh ?? Ed.)

New Business

On June 6th there will be a little fun fly at the Turner School, BUT it is a very limited flying area so if you are planning to show your stuff to the kids bring a very small electric. I will be from 9:30 AM to 1:30 PM. There may be other STUFF going on but a great way to show the kids the hobby.

The height we may fly is now 700 feet AGL as dictated by the ruling bodies. So still be careful but go up a little higher, NOT out of sight. This will also apply to the float fly pond. If you want, you can look further into the thing on the AMA website.

John Stroup brought his almost finished ducted fan jet that he has built using his 3D printers. It is a Plane Print L39 Albatros with a better and stronger internal structure and painted with Rustoleum 2X rattle cans.

Dave Dibble brought some older **High Flight** magazines from the IMAA days for those who might be interested in large aircraft. Thanks Dave.



Ted Foster, the scientist, brought his home-made foam cutter. It is made out of PVC pipe and wire to cut the foam. He says it cuts great with 5 amps and 12 volts.

Merle Hoem brought more windows to show for his C-47 aircraft. **John Stroup** is making them on his printer, and they look great. A total of 14 windows are needed and are glued in with RC56 glue.

There was NO MORE so we adjourned at 8:10 PM. AGAIN remember we will be at the field for the next Meeting.

Respectfully Submitted
Pete Melin, Secretary
April 9, 2025

I wonder when it stops being a model??

[\(3667\) WORLDS LARGEST RC MODEL!! 149KG 10METERS CONCORDE WITH 4x JET TURBINES! - YouTube](#)

Or when does it start being a model??

[Smallest RC Messerschmitt Me163 with COX Engine](#)

How do airplanes fly?

[How Airplane Wings REALLY Generate Lift](#)

Some more ideas:

[\(3667\) Multi-Element Wing Design? - YouTube](#)

The Mediocre, the Bad, the Ugly... and the Weird:

[\(3667\) E-Flite SR-71 Black Bird Maiden almost lost - YouTube](#)

[RC Biplane - SE-5A](#)

[BEST COMPILATION of BAD \(and CRASH\) RC LANDINGS #5](#)

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[2025-05-01 Dolphin XXXL Maiden - All Flights](#)

And some history:

[History of Curtiss Pt 1 - Powered Flight and Patent Fights](#)

[WW2 Luftwaffe Ace Flies RAF Spitfire For the First Time](#)

[The Plane That Accidentally Ended Up in Space](#)



Junkers JU-37 Candy Bomber

See you at the meeting.

