

Salem R/C Pilots Association

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AMA Charter # 535



Salem R/C Pilots Assn.

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December 18, 2025

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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.



Merry Christmas

In Case of Emergency:

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

Next Meeting:

Thursday, December 18, 6:30 PM

Garmin Industries

2345 Turner Rd SE, Salem, OR

Please wait at the main entrance for an Escort into the building

	Treasurer's Report		
From			
11/01/25	Balance Forward		\$2,390.92
to	Income		0.00
11/30/25	Expenses		103.00
	Balance		2287.92
	Dedicated Funds		0.00
	General Fund		2287.92
	Total Income This Year		75.00
	Total Expenses This Year		512.40

	Treasurer's Report		
From			
12/01/25	Balance Forward		\$2,287.92
to	Income		1200.00
12/12/25	Expenses		0.00
	Balance		3487.92
	Dedicated Funds		0.00
	General Fund		3487.92
	Total Income This Year		1275.00
	Total Expenses This Year		512.40

**SALEM R/C PILOTS ASSOCIATION
GENERAL CLUB MEETING
November 20, 2025**

The November meeting of the Salem R/C Pilots Association was called to order by President Alan Lasneski at approximately 7:30

PM in the Great Hall of Garmin. There were 25 pilots in attendance NOT bad. The minutes were approved as written and published in the newsletter.

Treasurers Report: Al Cleveland told the group that we had \$2,390.92 in the bank. BUT, if you have not sent in your dues, please do it NOW. Send your money to Salem R/C Pilots Association, PO Box 13214, Salem, OR 97309-1214. Also, the youth membership is now \$0 no pay.

Old Business:

Ted Foster will again do his short take and landing event when the weather gets better. This is a fun event so watch the calendar.

The boat for the float fly's will be cleaned in the spring, good wash, oar locks, batteries and electric motors to be ready for the pond and float fly's next year.

The **Winter Build Challenge meet** (**Ted Foster** again) will be held this year May 30th, 2026

NEW Meeting place: **Alan Lasneski** says that he is going to retire so we will have to find a new meeting place. **Terry Brown** says that he will get us the Scottish Wright building where we met a few years ago and it is a good venue. This will be next Fall for our Winter meetings.

CHRISTMAS PARTY: It is that time of year again and we will be having our annual Christmas get together on OUR meeting night on the third Thursday of the month. Bring a dish to share and a gift for the pilot gift exchange. Also, this year the women should bring a Christmas ornament of their gift exchange. Keep the

price down. **Alan Lasneski** will have his aircraft throwing contest and there may be other surprises. The date is December 18th at 6:30 PM. The club will supply ham, rolls, soda, plates etc. See you all there.

POLAR BEAR FLY IN: The annual Polar Bear fly in is on January 1st so plan to attend. There will be a signup sheet for food and we will start around 9 PM.

REMEMBER THE RED BARN to the South and stay to the East of it for your line of infinity.

Joe Miller, our VP of AMA, was at the meeting to let all know that the **AMA NW Jamboree** may be moved to **the Umpqua Valley Modelers field**. This is near Yoncalla, Oregon, July 10, 11 and 12. More on this as it comes about.

Merle Hoem says the **McMinnville Swap Meet** will be the 21st of March and put on by the McMinnville Club.

NOMINATIONS: We had nominations for Officers, and the same slate of guys were reelected: President, Alan Lasneski, VP, Matt Myatt, Treasurer, Al Cleveland, Secretary, Pete Melin

Tech Time: **Ted Foster** had a Mini Drone from DJI and a 4K camera, and he says it flies real well. \$230

Ted Foster also brought his new (small) Heli that he got from **Tyler Gray**. Flies really well almost like our aircraft. It has GPS. Cost is \$720. It also has a come home button and lights.

Dan Anderson brought his re-done **Sea Master** that is now Electric, will race on water, foam wing. It can also fly off dirt or water.

Greg Meyers: flying wing, spring skid on bottom.

AL Cleveland: New F-4 phantom jet with Gyro. Has not flown yet but should be a beauty. All foam, one day to put together. \$800 with lights.

That's all so we adjourned at 8:45 PM. See you all at the Christmas Party'

Respectfully Submitted
Pete Melin, Secretary
December 11, 2025

This month I have a bunch of different videos in no particular order for you to pick and choose from. Enjoy.

[Bizarre Flying Machines That Actually Managed to Fly.](#)

[The Most Bizarre RC Aircraft. You Won't Believe It.](#)

[LARGEST RC FLIGHT DAY IN SWITZERLAND - FLUGTAG
HAUSEN a.A. 2025](#)

[Ultralight Aircraft Shocking the World!](#)

[RC B-24 LIBERATOR "WITCHCRAFT" DEMO FLIGHT](#)

[EPIC XXXL F-14 TOMCAT SKYMASTER RC TURBINE JET FLIGHT SHOW](#)

[World's biggest RC Boeing 777X, reveal and test flight](#)

[Flying the World's BIGGEST RC Plane, Boeing 777-9X Best landings](#)

[From the Tower! USAF Thunderbirds - Battle Creek Airshow 2025](#)

[Collection of super plane takeoffs and landings](#)

[Epic Giant Scale RC Stuka Dive Siren in Action!](#)

[Testing A CARDBOARD Airplane for Human Flight!](#)

[The Most Extreme RC Vehicles Ever Built - You Need to See This!](#)

[Going UP!!! Flying A VTOL For Real - Pivotal's Unique Take on Accessible Aviation](#)

[Building an Airplane TAIL from 100-Year-Old Blueprints!](#)

[This '\\$2,000 Jet' Seduced Thousands of Pilots... Then Turned On Them](#)

[Brewster F2A Buffalo 3D Printable Airplane RC Model](#)

[This Massachusetts company has been making model airplanes the same way for 100 years](#)



Salem R/C Pilots Association Christmas Party

This month's meeting, Thursday, December 18th, is the club Christmas party, at Garmin Industries, 2345 Turner Rd SE, Salem. Remember, it starts early, at 6:30 pm instead of 7:30 pm. This meeting is always one of the highlights of the year! The White Elephant (for the flyers) and the Christmas Ornament (for the ladies) gift exchanges are always a lot of fun! I suspect Alan Lasneski has an event or two planned involving paper airplanes. This year the club is providing Ham, Rolls, Soda, and a few other things. You bring one of your special dishes, salad or desserts to round out the meal. Come prepared to share Christmas cheer (no alcohol) and have a good time. Hope to see you there!

