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## CLUB MEETING, MARCH 2008

This year is going by fast and we aren't even into the flying season full swing.

Eric von Barga has made up new pins for the 27 mhz and Spectrum radios or the frequency board. These are mainly to continue the habit of picking up a pin for the radio you are flying on. Thanks Eric for doing a great job!

We'd like to thank all those that have picked up and cleaned the field. John Czarnicki has done more than most when it comes to the field cleanup. Thanks John!

Renewals are in full swing with more than 60% of the memsahib renewed. We have had many new members and so far have about 56 members renewed with another 30 to renew. If you are planning on flying throughout the year, get your dues paid, or be hounded relentlessly until you do!

We have purchased a new push lawnmower that works great. Easy to start and push, anyone can operate this baby, so if you have the time and the imitative, do some mowing around the table and under the trees.

The extra battery and charger that we have installed for additional power to the tables seems to be working great. We are looking at finishing this project next month, so that there is continuous power to all the tables.

We have had an estimate for graveling the parking lot, but at about \$900 we decided to wait.

We have gopher bait in the lawnmower shed,

and it looks like the gophers need some attention. Roy Lightle can give you the information about dropping pellets, so see Roy for any other help on this matter.

We have a new bunch of Anderson Power Poles and Zip Cord. The Zip cord is a new offering for the club. It is insulated wire that is molded together rather than individual wire. It is 14 gauge, in red and black and is priced at \$1.50 a foot. Great for connecting batteries, making up special cords or arming switch harnesses.

The outhouse is out at the field again this year. We are looking into partial support from the City as there are no toilets available close at hand in the north end of the park.

The drawing for the first raffle was done at this meeting. The raffle was for a Triton Jr. battery charger from Tony's Hobby and was won by Pat Sharkey. The new raffle is for a Spectrum 6xi radio from Frog Hollow RC. Tickets can be purchased at the field or from the hobby shops.

The BBQ's are being held as needed at the field. Hot Dogs or Hamburgers are being cooked, with chips. We will be having potlucks on weekends when club meetings are held at the field during the warmer months.

We will probably have the May Club meeting at the field. So stay tuned!!

We had another meeting attendance raffle. Actually we had two of them this meeting. We have had props, servos, wheels and glue available for selection if you win the raffle.

## APRIL 3, 2008 CLUB MEETING

**The next regularly scheduled club meeting will be held Thursday, APRIL 3, 2008 at College Place Fire Department. The meeting will begin at 7 pm SHARP!!!**

## WHY WE DO WHAT WE DO...

Since we have had an increase in new members into the club this season, it seems to be a good time to talk about our field and how we operate.

Most people in the area know about the Fort Walla Walla Park, which is a public park. The question and / or comment has come up as to why do we have to be a member of the club and pay dues, to fly in a public park? GOOD QUESTION!!

Yes, our airfield is in the Ft. WW park complex, however, the City, who maintains the park, does NOT maintain the airfield. The WW Valley PropTwisters pays ALL expenses to maintain the field. These expenses include but are not limited to fertilizer, gas, mowers, labor, improvements and last but not least INSURANCE. The City requires the Club to have a current liability insurance policy on the field and those that fly there, that covers the City. While individual homeowner policies and/ or AMA insurance may cover the individual, it would not cover the City in case of a lawsuit. Our liability policy covers the filed, the City and the individual when flying at the field.

During the year, we have varying expenses. For the last 2 years, we have rented a portable out-house which you will plainly see and appreciate when you're at the field.

## ELECTRIC DECEPTION

With the advent and piranha like take over the RC hobby by the electric revolution, there is a BIG deception going on. You may be subject to this very sneaky and unobtrusive rascal but some of you are seeing the "teeth" of this unscrupulous demon. Be aware that without the knowledge and awareness of this culprit, you may be victim to its unhealthy appetite.

While wearing the disguise of small, innocent "cute" little model airplanes, being too close to them can cause you injury and harm.

**CAUTION: DON'T BE DECEIVED!!**

Learn from the experiences of others!! There has been infrequent incidences of ER visits when models plug in their batteries into their small electric planes, without noticing that the throttle stick is in the up or full throttle position. Upon connecting, these little, harmless motors rev instantly, whirling their razor sharp blades that make short work of fingers and arms.

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## POWER POLES AND ZIP CORD

You may remember that the Club has Anderson Power Poles for sale. Our first batch sold out very fast. We have re-ordered another 100 sets, PLUS we have order ZIP CORD. This is 14 gauge soft and flexible cord, similar to lamp cord, in that both the red and black wires are molded together and can be separated when needed. The wire is priced at



Anderson Powerpoles



Seriously, these small blades have sent several members to the hospital with serious injuries. Performing a pre-flight inspection of your airplane before you plug in the battery can save you from injury and embarrassment!

There have been reports of this happening in several circumstances and yes, these members have gone to the hospital for 12-15 stitches.

So remember, even though these cute little airplanes seem harmless, they can still cause severe injury when you least expect it.

## TRITON CHARGER WINNER!

Pat Sharkey won the first raffle this year. His ticket was drawn at the last club meeting. This charger was purchased from Tony's Hobby and RC in Milton-Freewater.



The new raffle is in swing and is for a brand new Spectrum 6xi radio/ receiver combo. This radio was purchased from Frog Hollow RC in Touchet. This is a new 2.4 GHZ radio and is great for upgrading your system or if you are graduating from a Super Cub to a better interchangeable system. Tickets are available from Jim Jones or Delbert Danly.

When you are at either of these local hobby shops, you might let them know that your are a member of the club and that you appreciate their participation in our club activities.

## WE NEED CONTENT

If you are reading this newsletter over the Internet, you have already seen the new website. Both the website and this newsletter need content to fill up the space. While it seems easy enough to find something to put into these pages, time is usually the task master we have to deal with. There seems to be a lot going on and sometimes there isn't enough time to put this newsletter together, when there is little or no content.

Some members have asked why the newsletter doesn't come out every month? The answer is, it would if there was more content and perhaps more help. Photos are used to fill up space, and that's nice to have. Articles and other written text is preferable, but not always available.

So if you have photos, articles or news releases please forward them to Loren Jennings either by mail or email.



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## MIKE BLUE'S NEW GIRL FRIEND!

We wanted to congratulate Mike Blue and his new relationship with a very beautiful gal, who, at one time was crowned Miss America!! Very shapely, eye appealing and very nice to be around, this new beauty, is a pleasure to see in action!

Mike met her on a winter visit to Frog Hollow RC, and struck up a working dialog with her. You know that old line about, "Have we met somewhere before?" and "How 'bout coming over to my place". Well, Mike swept her off her feet and before you could say "P-51 Mustang", she was in his truck, heading for home.

Mike recently was heard saying that he doesn't usually hook up with "fast women", but this gal hit 104 mph on a radar gun, which made Mike start shaking a wee bit.

Mike isn't into sharing details about his women, but he is willing to share a few common characteristics of Miss America that she even OK'd. Her measurements are 65 1/2" wingspan, weights 9.25 lbs. (Soaking wet), factory installed retracts, Eflite Power 110 electric motor, Castle Creations ESC, Spectrum DX7 radio and 9 total lipo cell battery.

Mike wanted to let everyone know that she is very smooth, docile, predictable and a pleasure to the touch.

He also wanted to thank everyone for the nice comments about her and for the warm welcome she has received from everyone at the field.

He said that she even has a couple of sisters!!

