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SANDERSON FIELD R.C. NEWS



March 15 - indoor flying

CLUB MEETING

This months club meeting will be held on Thursday March 14th. at

PUD #3

2621 E John's Prairie Rd Shelton, WA

Treasurers report was given by Dave Windom, Dave noted that we will be loosing money without more fund raising.

Bob Beatty shared the new interim rule, the biggest change is the your FAA number must be on the outside of your airplane now. No exceptions. Dave noted that the mood in Washington about regulations is ugly and reason and logic mean nothing.

A group went to the PBY museum in Oak Harbor, consensus was it would be OK to visit if you are there but not worth a special trip. The same group went to Paul Allen's museum, the Boeing restoration museum and the Flying heritage museum. Well worth a

special trip.

Field repair, the morning side is getting especially bad. Dave will check with the port about getting other groups to help but we have a mandatory runway repair date April 28th

There is a swap meet in Wenatchee on April 6th and 7th.

Winter build challenge web site is up (not facebook) For some reason the link below doesn't work although if you type it in it does... strange.

http://www.winterbuildchallenge.com

Events Planned:

April 14th - we will try to have a Hunter Field season opener if it has dried out enough.

June 1st - Winter build challenge at Sanderson field.

June 2nd - Jets and ducted fans + regular flying at Sanderson field.

July 4th - Club fly in at Sanderson.

July 6th - Dawn Patrol and golden age - at Hunters field

July 19th - Scale practice in preparation for the scale rally at faro field.

July 20th and 21st - 2 days of fun fly. bring it and fly it.

August 10 - Hunter farms fly in.

September 2nd - Labor day fly in at Sanderson Field.

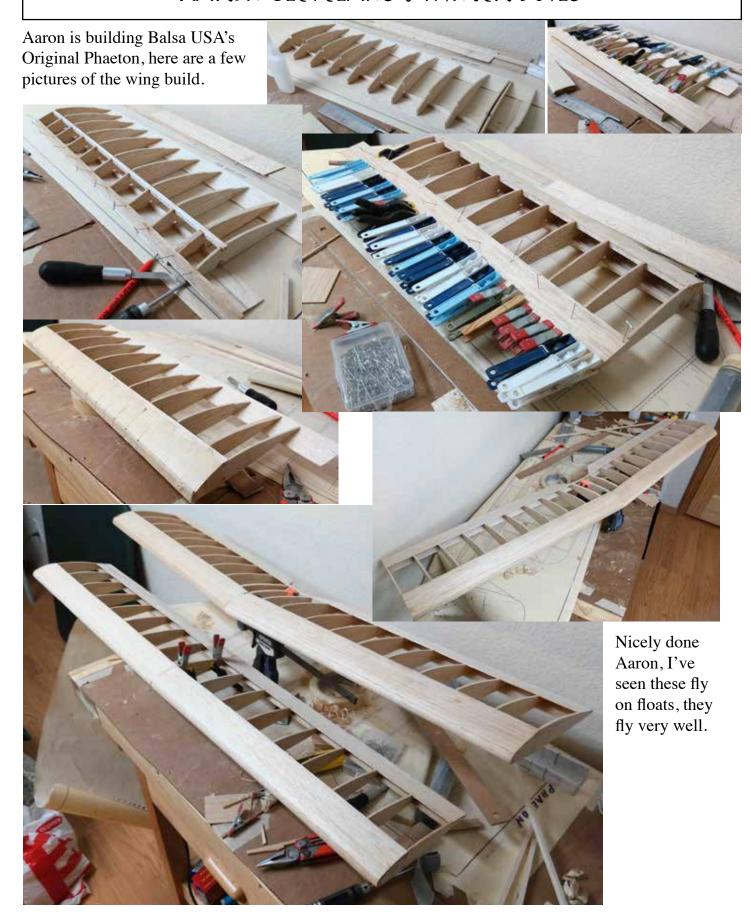
By law changes votes were counted and it was a tie again 7 votes for B, 7 votes for C, 5 votes for D and 1 for A.

Dave showed his Jet Hanger Hobbies F-86 which he has done complete redo and is repainting and detailing.

Meeting adjourned 7: 40

The last indoor fly of the winter will be March 15th. 6:30 at the Transit center.

AARON CLEVELAND'S WINTER BUILD



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COUNTER ROTATING PROPS PROJECT PART 1

March 13, 2018 by Paul Fleming

In 2016 Jim Lake and myself were discussing the possibilities of building a Douglas XTB2D Sky Pirate as a plane to enter in scale competition. As far as we

cost was prohibitive and there was no guarantee it could meet our specification. The only thing left was to build our own.

Jim undertook to build the gearbox. Over the next few months a gearbox came together.



can tell the last time someone entered one was in 1960. The plane was a torpedo bomber that was designed late in WW II and only two prototypes were built before the project was cancelled.

Three things make this a desirable plane to model. Tricycle landing gear, light wing loading and counter rotating propellers.

We want to build this plane with a 96" wingspan and a weight of no more than 28 pounds. I have the old Model Airplane News published plans and can convert them to modern materials and corrected for laser cutting.

We decided the airframe would be the easy part. We know we can build the landing gear, but the power train was going to be the tough nut to crack.

We looked around on line to see what was available. There are some units available but the



We decided to use an AXI 5345/16 for power. Ok now we need to test this monster. Earlier we had built a test stand to test motor and propeller combina-PAGE 3



tions. We conducted many tests at progressively higher power settings. The first time we ran it, it started rolling down the driveway.

We experienced a few problems had some bearing failures, loose gears that type of thing. We even had the propellers come in contact once.

Eventually Jim got it all worked out. Here is a link to a Youtube video of one of our last test runs. https://youtu.be/Ypbw_v1RM0g After another teardown and finding no internal problems we decided it was time for flight testing.

We ordered a Telemaster as a flight platform. When the ARF arrived we determined it was too lightly built to function as a test bed. So we beefed up the forward fuselage with 1/8" lightply installed carbon fiber rods in each longitudinal stringers in the aft fuselage. For CG purposes due to the weight and size of the gearbox motor combination we moved the firewall back 4 ½", moved the main gear aft and installed a nose gear.

To change the angle of attack on

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the fuselage we ordered a new wider, taller and stronger aluminum main gear from TNT Landing Gear. The aircraft in now ready for flight test.

January 18, 2019

Flight Testing started in March of 2018. https://youtu.be/Fxca2UeuDNk

The "Telemonster" as it became

known to us turned out to be less than an ideal test airplane. I suppose most of the problems encountered were the result of the changes we made to the airframe, but it was a real pain in the butt

The cool looking tricycle gear was the first thing to go. The darn thing kept tip over if turned to tightly. Then we had a difficult time controlling the direction of take off until the tail came off the ground. We doubled the size of the rudder and that helped some. We even tried a gyro on the rudder, nothing was ever really successful. Till the end it remained a difficult airplane to take off.

During the flight testing we experienced several failures of the number two propeller. Each time the aircraft maintained level flight and landed safely. The only indication of trouble was the propeller sound changed dramatically. In the construction of the gearbox Jim used an adhesive to bond the final drive gear to the shaft. The Lock Tight bonding agent built for that purpose was not up to the job. Both the gear and shaft were re- machined to accept a woodruff key. To be continued...



Dues are \$75 if paid before Jan 1st, \$100 Thereafter.

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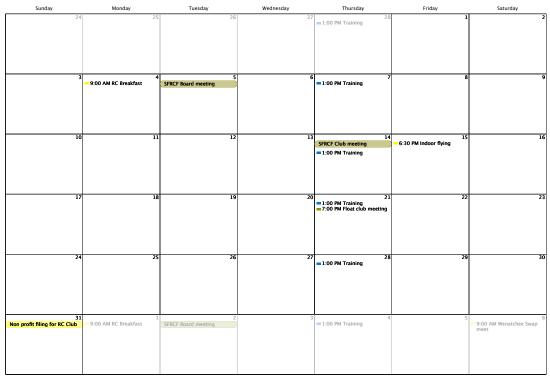
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Training nights are ALWAYS weather permitting, check the weather at the field before leaving Sold days can change, check out the website before heading to the field.

http://sfrcf.quintex.com/event/events.html

Club Scheduled Events for 2019

Event dates in black are scheduled. Events in gray are complete.

The new contract allows us to schedule non-exclusive days again, however if the car clubs don't go to the new track we may not keep many.

dues \$75 before January 1st and \$100 on or after

Check out our web site at http://sfrcf.quintex.com