#### OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF SANDERSON FIELD R.C. FLYERS SHELTON, WA

# SANDERSON FIELD



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### CLUB MEETING

This months meeting will be held on Thursday November 13th at 7:00 p.m.

*at PUD #3* 

At 3rd & Cota

Treasurers report was read and accepted as read.

Minutes were read and accepted as read.

Paul Hunter has been paid.

Jody said it was time to remove the port-a-pot from Hunters, Chuck Kentfield will call and have it removed next available time.

The Port's Autumn festival went well and we had lots of people come over and try the buddy box. We got a thank you card from the Port for our participation.

It's time to get a letter to the Port of our intent to renew or lease -Secretary will do that.

The question of food came up for the Hunters fly-in. Chuck will buy dogs from Costco, Gordy had condiments and dogs and a BBQ, I have a couple of packages of buns left over. Burt will bring coffee and pop. The student who got our scholarship, Torrie Peckem has entered Walla Walla university and has started flying.

The Christmas party will be at PUD #3 auditorium on the regular meeting night in December. Which would be December 11, Dick Robb said he was getting a group together to go to Paul Allen's museum. Dick will check in February.

Northwest Model Hobby expo in Monroe is 6th, 7th, & 8th of February.

Meeting adjourned 7:25



We've had another issue with one of our club members locking the gate so the Port people can't get in. Please be sure to lock our lock into the other lock and NOT into the chain. The last time I gave you a reminder there were 3 locks on the gate and there are only 2 now but the idea is the same.

Lock our lock into the other lock, **never** have both ends of the chain in our lock

## Another one bites the dust...





Burt Daggett's new plane didn't last long... It took off great but he got bit by the reversed aileron bug.

Thanks to Terri Oberg for the great photos. She really has a knack for catching the action.



#### CLUB OFFICERS

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#### **D**UES ARE \$100.

If you pay by mail send your dues, proof of 2008 AMA membership and a self addressed stamped envelope to the Treasurer:

> CHUCK KENTFIELD 3122 Madrona Beach Rd. Olympia WA 98502

Make checks payable to SFRCF

## Flying over Hunter Farm

by Royce Tivel

SFRCF scheduled a flyin at Hunter Farms for Saturday, October 11, 2008. SFRCF maintains a grass field at the farm.

Early Saturday morning, it was foggy outside. I wondered just how much flying would be possible during the day. A quick check of the weather observations showed that the weather at Sanderson Field was calm and clear. Since both Sanderson Field and Hunter Farms are located north of where I live, it was possible that the weather at the grass field might also be calm and clear. So, I packed up my trainer and headed for the flyin.

Hunter Farms is located in Union, Washington, in the Skokomish River Valley. The Skokomish River drains the southeast corner of the Olympic Mountains in Mason County. It is the most flood-prone river in Washington State and is the first river to flood during heavy rainfall. In fact, our grass field has, at times, been under five feet of water.

Since the fishing season for Coho or "Silver Salmon" began on October 1, the road to Hunter Farms was lined with cars and anglers. The Skokomish runs through Hunter Farms and is just a short walk behind the flying field.

At about 10:00 a.m., I arrived at Hunter Farms. After searching for the field awhile, I was guided by another club member through a locked gate and to the field. Driving through the gate was a challenge because a large number of cattle were crowding the other side.

There were some traces of an earlier fog around the field but it was calm and the sky was almost entirely blue. The sun was up and



promised a warm and perfect day for flying.

As we discussed the morning over cups of coffee, a pickup truck loaded with hay crossed one end of the field leading a long line of cattle into an enclosed pasture. As the truck and cattle entered the new pasture, a huge flock of geese rose from the ground and circled the area for several minutes.

After assembling our aircraft, the flying began. As the day progressed, other club members arrived and all enjoyed perfect flying conditions in a beautiful setting.

It is the Halloween season, and since a region-wide popular event at Hunter Farms is a tractor ride to the pumpkin patch, tractor-trailers ferried families back and forth to the pumpkin patch throughout the day. The road to the pumpkin patch ran along one side of the flying field. The flying aircraft added an extra thrill to the families on their way to and from pumpkin hunting. Most of the day, from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., three tractor-trailer rigs, filled with families, traveled slowly to and from the patch by our flying field. As we ate our lunchtime hot-dogs and

potato salad, we enjoyed watching them pass by as much as they enjoyed watching us.

After my training flight and lunch, I decided to walk about the area with my camera. I first visited the pumpkin patch. The excitement and delight of the children as they jumped from the trailer and ran into the pumpkin patch was wonderful.

After a short time in the patch, I walked by a field of dry corn stalks and then to the Skokomish River. At the river, I watched awhile as wading fishermen tried their luck for a salmon.

I returned to the flying field after my walk to watch the last flights of the day and to soak up as much of the warm sun as possible.

Even without the flying, I can highly recommend a trip to Hunter Farms if for no other reason than to experience the atmosphere and scenery of the Skokomish River Valley.

For a full color version of this article with images, check the SFRCF "Articles" section for the link.

http://sfrcf.quintex.com/articles.html

## SOMETHING ΤΟ THINK ABOUT

In most clubs, virtually all the work necessary to keep the organization going is done by a small percentage of the membership. The Spirits of St. Louis are no different. Whether it is cutting grass, being field chairperson, activities chairperson, a contest director, a board of directors member, maintaining a club Web site, or being president, treasurer, secretary, or newsletter editor, we are all volunteers. The pay scale is the same.. zip.

Most members who have never been involved in any of these jobs have no appreciation of the effort that goes into doing them. Many club members have no idea who does what for the club. Some seem to think it all happens automatically and, since they've paid their dues, they're entitled to a free ride in all other aspects.

The people who recognize and assume the responsibilities do so for a variety of reasons. Most want to do something to feel like they're doing their share to support the club. Some have unique skills that enable them to make special contributions. As long as the volunteers do their jobs, the people who recognize what they're doing

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Have extra, long Allen wrench's? Cut the angle off and use in a cordless drill for speedy installation of those long servo screws. Just be sure to finish tightening them by hand or the drill will strip them.

Have limited building space? My wife was out garage saling and found this rolling cart. I didn't know what I would do with it, then it struck me. I could put my building board on it and use it for building and covering. It's great for getting all the way around while building or covering and you can roll it out of the way when not in use.

For a good non-slip hobby knife handle try putting a piece of heat shrink tubing on it and shrinking it. It increases the size of the handle and makes is non-slip too!

When splicing two or more

wires, offsetting the wires will yield a smaller splice joint.

If you have a broken nylon wing bolt that you can't get at, try heating a flat bladed screw driver hot enough to melt a slot in the nylon. Let it cool and screw it out.

Having trouble getting that glow plug in your 4c engine? Try slipping a piece of fuel tubing over the starter end first.

One way to keep that ammonia water handy for wood bending is to use a length of 4" PVC pipe with a cap glued on one end and a press fit on the other. Pop the cap off and stick the wood in when you want to soak it. Stick the cap back on and put it out of the way for storage.

Storage for small items If you can find a kitchen appreciate and occasionally thank them.

Whatever the reason, eventually the workers feel it is time to move on and let someone else carry the ball for a while. Maybe they're burned out, tired, have developed physical problems, or have family or business responsibilities that precludes donating the time necessary to do a club job. Maybe they feel they've done enough. Eventually, all will quit doing whatever they do. If you don't think that being a club officer takes its toll on time and patience, think about how many past presidents are still active members of the club. Of those who are, how many are willing to be president or hold another office?

Appreciate the people who spend their time making your club work. Pat them on the back occasionally. Don't resent them when they quit doing it. Ask yourself if you would have done that job.

from Flight Lines Spirits of St. Louis R/C Flying Club

Walt Wilson

spice rack at the flea market, get one to put your CyA and epoxy glue bottles in. The kind made for small bottles works very well. Empty bottles can be used to store small hardware items.

#### Rotary film cutting

Those miniature, rotary fabric-cutting tools from the fabric or sewing store are ideal for cutting covering film. Use a straightedge as a guide, or make curved trim pieces freehand or with a French curve.

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This month so far the calendar is clear...Be sure to check the Events page on the Web Site. <u>http://sfrcf.quintex.com/Events.html</u>

## Club Scheduled Events for 2008

January 1stFirst fly of the year (success in the rain)				
January 6thPylon Race - Come out and help officiate				
February 17thPylon Race - Come out and help officiate				
March 9thPylon Race - Come out and help officiate				
April 19thSanderson Field RC flyers annual swap meet 9:00 to 12:00 SHS Sub				
May 3rd & 4thSeason opener Pylon race - Locked				
May 10thFly-In - 9:00 a.m. to ?????				
May 31stForest festival Parade float				
June 1stPublic Fly-In 9:00 a.m. to ?????				
June 7thOpen House Fly-in/work party - Hunter Farms				
June 8thPublic Fly-In 9:00 a.m. to ????				
July 19thScale fly-in/Public/potluck BBQ - 9:00 a.m. to ?????				
August 16thFly-in/potluck BBQ				
Sept. 6th & 7thPylon Race - Locked				
September 13thFly-In 9:00 a.m. to ????				
October 11th				
December 11th . Christmas Party 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. (potluck)				
It's time for 2008 dues, dues are \$100.00				
Check out our web site at <u>http://sfrcf.quintex.com</u>				

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