



# BARNSTORMER NEWS

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## President's NOTAM Scott Price

The first outdoor meeting of the 2009 flying season was held on Monday night, May 18th and was well-attended, with a significant number of members coming early to catch some good flying time. As a reminder that this was still Spring, the temperature did manage to drop 20 degrees before the meeting ended at around 8:30.

At the May meeting, a motion was made and approved to amend the bylaws to clarify the section dealing with the membership size of the club. Currently, under Article III., MEMBERSHIP, Section 3.11 A membership limit of 100 members is in place.

The proposed revision would clarify that "membership limit" means 100 dues paying members with current officers for whom dues are waived, life-time members, honorary members and junior members being in addition to the 100 member limit.

This does have the effect of raising that actual number of club members by about 9 or 10 (by my count), but shouldn't have a noticeable impact on airspace demands at the field. From a budgetary standpoint, it does assure us a dependable dues income expectation of \$7500 for the 2010 fiscal year.

Per the sections of our bylaws governing amendments to the bylaws, Will Smith will present the proposed revision at the June meeting, we will discuss and take any suggestions and hopefully receive final approval to implement the revision at that meeting or no later than the July meeting.

On a "fun" note, those of you at the field last Saturday afternoon (30th) were witness to something that few if any clubs anywhere can lay claim to: True full-scale aerial reconnaissance and recovery services for members that have suffered separation of key airplane parts that then deposit themselves in the tall grass of Haner's Farm. Thanks to Brad Eaton for furnishing the airborne technology and expertise to conduct a successful recovery coordinated via radio link with an able crew on the ground.

That's all for this month. See you at the field.

Scott





## Vice President's Report Brad Eaton & Robert Ehrhart



I am going to say wow; we have had some really nice weather! This is the time every year all of us Oregonians wait for, so get out there and take advantage of it.

On a slightly different note, I just got a note from the training director for the US Scale Masters. They have a need for modelers who love to watch airplanes. If you like to watch airplanes the training team will teach you how to judge. So in laymen's terms, they

are recruiting flight and static judges. In addition to judging staff, the board would love to have additional contestants involved. To be involved all you have to have is an airplane, and a willing heart. It is ironic that it is not even necessary to have a scale airplane for beginner classes. The Evergreen Qualifier will be held at Molalla on July 31, Aug 1, and 2.

Also there is one additional item I would like to float for some thought. My family and friends put on quite the fireworks show on the fourth of July. This would be a great opportunity for the Barnstormers to put together a potluck and fun fly on the evening of the fourth. Then when 10 pm approaches you can take a walk towards the shop and enjoy a professionally shot fireworks show.

This is something that can be discussed at the next meeting. Even if the club decides not to organize the event feel free to join us for the show.

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## Special Announcement

This is a proposition amendment to the bylaws governing membership, we will discuss and vote it at our next meeting :

Article III., MEMBERSHIP, Section 3.11 A membership limit of 100 members is in place.

A membership limit of 100 dues-paying members is in place. This membership limit does not include currently seated officers for whom dues are waived, lifetime members, honorary members and junior members. These membership classes will be in addition to the 100 member limit.



## Minutes of the meeting 5/18/2009

### Will Smith

Scott opened the meeting @ 7:31 PM with 32 in attendance.

Minutes: Approved as published.

**Guests:** Jim McCord  
Fernando Stalker  
Kent Blair  
Dennis Vanassche

#### New Members:

Rich Waldron  
Larry Trow

All approved by unanimous vote.

**Vice Pres:** No report

**Secretary:** Minutes approved as published.

**Treasurer:** Account is still in the black with a good balance.

**Recycle:** \$ 18.10 for this month.

**Newsletter:** No input.

#### Field Committee:

1) Great job on mowing & runway sweeping.

We have an outstanding runway and surrounding facility and want to keep it that way.

**Webmaster:** No report just continue to keep him current with your current email address.

**Historian:** No input

**Safety:** No report but be very careful on the wet surfaces. Remember that the runway material is a plastic based material and can get slippery.

**Membership:** We are at the maximum allowed membership level for the club. (includes dues paying and non-dues paying)

Suggestion that an amendment proposal be made to allow for 100 dues paying members in addition to our list of non-dues paying members.

#### Old Business:

1. Marion County Inspection: BRAD presented his report of doing registration business with Marion County:

Our first submission of \$500 was done at a time when the Exclusive Farm Use land provision was being tightly enforced. That fee has been "used up" by the county during that time frame.

Due to a very large challenge to that provision and a big lawsuit several years ago, our club and others like it can now use the land due to a rules change.

We now will need to spend approx \$640 more on a re-submission to Marion County. This is still very important for the well being of our club and the use of the land. See Brad for any additional details.

#### New Business:

1) US Scalemasters; This years event will be held in Wenatchee, WA. The Scalemasters organization wants to know if our club wants to sponsor a "Best of Category(XX)" award. This would cost approx \$150.

This needs to be voted on at the June meeting.

2) Gate lock combo; In several weeks there will be a change to the gate combo.

3) Summer Training; Starting after Jun 1 thru September 3rd week on Tuesday evenings there will be training offered for those not so-loed yet.

**Next meeting: Monday, 6/15/09  
7:30 PM at the Flying Field**

Another bunch of minutes  
by WILL SMITH



## Barnstormer Officer reports



### Treasurer's Report

Lee Hopper

No Reports



### Flight Training Program

Dan & Brian Phillips

Come to the fly on Saturday at noon , weather permitting, for flight help or just to have fun. Our big trainer & radio control unit is FREE to members & guests. If the weather is a poor, call Dan 503-692-5917 before coming. We are also recruiting for additional training staff. If you are gifted in this area contact Dan or Scott. **Summer Schedule with training on Tuesday evening Starting June 9th!**



### Field Committee Report

John Muir, Doug Snapp & Brad Eaton

The club wants to thank —Dan Arrington / Don Fisher / Steve Nicholson / Brad Eaton for the great job they have done in keeping the field mowed. Never looked better!!!

**Club Work Party** scheduled for Saturday June 20th – followed by hamburger / hot dog cook-out and of course open flying afterwards.

Start time 8:30 AM

- Runway – More nails and spikes.
- Roundup - spray around fences /runway seams / taxiway etc.
- Clean up North side of roadway inside of field gate.

- Remove dead trees west of picnic area.
- Dirt fill field mouse holes.
- Clean / spray / nail / Helipad
- Paint Jobs:
  - Rolling flight tables
  - Paint flight table tops
  - Paint red shed

Club will Supply : Roundup / Paint / Spikes & Nails / Food for Lunch

Asking club members to bring: Large hammers / paint rollers & brushes / weed-eaters for edging / chain saw / gloves / sunscreen and for Sure - something to fly!!



### Recycle Officer

Dave Tozer

Keep up the good work & bring waste paper to the meeting or leave it at the field in the old shed.



### Safety Officer

Kent Buse

No report



### Membership Chairman

John Borelli

No Report



### Historian

Leonard Mei

No report

**Next meeting  
At the field  
Monday June 15th 7:30 PM**



## Scale model and history: Chance Vought F4U-7 Corsair for the French Navy



An other column content that will hopefully inspire other members to provide content for the newsletter! I seen on the field numbers of fellow taking about their scale model with passion and give lot of



details about the history of the reference plane. Let me give a shot on the corsair which finish his carrier in the french navy while the US navy started to use jet plane.

The F4U-7, built for the French Navy, completed the venerable Corsair line. Essentially the same as an F4U-4 in an F4U-6 (AU-1) airframe, it was equipped with a Pratt and Whitney two-speed, two-stage

engine (R-2800-18W), making it a high-altitude fighter. The very last production Corsair was the "F4U-7", which was built specifically for the French naval air arm, the Aeronavale. It was something of an odd hybrid variant, with the R-2800-18W Double Wasp and inlets in the lower lip of the cowlings of the F4U-4, the downward-sloping engine installation of the F4U-5, and the five small stores pylons under each wing of the AU-1. It lacked the heavy armor protection of the AU-1.



Initial flight of the F4U-7 was on 2 July 1952. A total of 94 F4U-7s was built for the Aeronavale in 1952, with the last of the batch, the final Corsair built, rolled out in December 1952. The F4U-7s were actually purchased by the US Navy and passed on to the Aeronavale through the US Military Assistance Program (MAP). The French used their F4U-7s during their bitter little war in Indochina in the mid-1950s (the Corsair's third war), where they were supplemented by at least 25 ex-USMC UA-1s passed on to the French in 1954, after the end of the Korean War. For 13 years (1940 through 1952), F4U Corsairs were produced for the U.S. Navy. The last of the Corsairs (the F4U-7) was delivered to the French Navy early in 1952, making it the last piston-engined fighter to be

built in the United States. 96 Planes has been delivered and operated within 4 different Floats in the French Navy. The last operation was in 1964 after different campaign in Indochina, Algeria and the Suez Canal. When the last Corsair rolled off the production line it had the number 12,571.



average speeds of 396 and 397 miles an hour over closed courses

The Corsair thus completed the cycle: from fighter to dive-bomber, to fighter-bomber, to attack plane, and back to fighter.



dochina. Over there, it made its first victories from 1954 over Diên Biên Phu and the Delta of Tonkin. 1,422 missions, 1,834 flight hours, 1,565 t of bombs, 120,000 20 mm shells spent over Indochina !!!



Never before had a fighter enjoyed such a long production life. Nor was the Corsair's glory all of battle origin. Commander Cook Cleland, USNR, flying the Vought-designed airplane as a civilian, captured the Thompson Trophy event in 1947 and again in 1949 with



#### History of "14 Flotille" With Corsair

The unit was born on January 15th 1953 and led by LV Ménetrier. It received several F4U-7 Corsairs, and was sent to In-

See below the picture of the Corsair restored by a group of fan and piloted by the "admiral" a ex deck officer of a french carrier in South of France and the picture of my model thank to Mark Shugert



## Newsletter Editor Eric DuFossé

Thank you for the president and officer report with nice pictures. Unfortunately the contribution from the members is very limited. I am running out of gas for content !

Unfortunately ( or fortunately), I am getting again very busy with my job an travel a lot. I can not attend the meetings but please consider a discussion to provide more content.

Please send me some inputs or contributions.

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