

BALSA DUST

Newsletter of the
Fergus Falls Regional R/C Flyers
PO Box 224, Fergus Falls, Minnesota 56537



WORDS FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hi, to all!

There is not much to report on this month. The weather has really been something during October! Rain, snow and then more rain, snow. I do want to thank Eric Lunos, Jerry Johnson, Brian Franklin and Al Olson, who shingled the shed last Sunday. I know it was raining before Church and was still sprinkling after, but these guys managed to get the job done regardless! Thanks, guys! We really appreciate your hard work and efforts. I heard it's going to be 60 degrees this weekend and nice. Good luck to all the deer hunters and anybody that wants to get out and do some flying.

I went to the landfill this past Saturday, and they are starting on the new cell for sure. We are meeting at the airport at 7:00 p.m. next Thursday. Some of us are eating first at Hunan Springs at 6:00-hope to see you all there!!!

Michael

Notes from our last meeting

We met at the Hunan Spring restaurant on October 8th with the following members present: Larry Simonson, Jerry Johnson, Floyd Lee, Roger Simonson, Don Martinson, Mike Drouillard, Paul Johnson, Shelby Haukos, Eric Lunos, Dennis Trudell and Howard Lueck. We discussed the Fun Flys of the previous month, Bemidji & ours. Our Treasurer Jerry A. reported on the results of the costs and donations for

our Fun Fly and we came out ahead and he also gave the Treasurers Report which we approved. Mike Drouillard & Jerry L.

Member Profile Larry Simonson



Larry had a career of installing and servicing business telephone systems. He along with brother Roger is now raising beef cattle and enjoying flying both full scale and R/C.

Larry got his start in model aviation by building free flight models from balsa and tissue and using Cox .049 for power back in the 1960's. Brother Roger and neighbor Ed Schmidt joined him in hand launching the planes on a frozen pond in the winter time. Ed's step dad Byron Osander was a full scale pilot and got them interested in flying.

Larry, Roger and another familiar name Dale Thompson learned to fly R/C on the local county roads in the late 70's. His first R/C plane was a foam Cessna Cardinal and favorite plane is the Piper Cub.

Larry has been a part of our club for about a year now and along with Roger was quite active in flying this past summer.

As was mentioned earlier Larry also flies a full scale J3 Cub and a Piper Cherokee.

Thanks Larry for being a part of our club.

Flight Training

As President Mike D. mentioned we had much wind and rain so there was no training activity, although several of us got a little flying in from time to time.

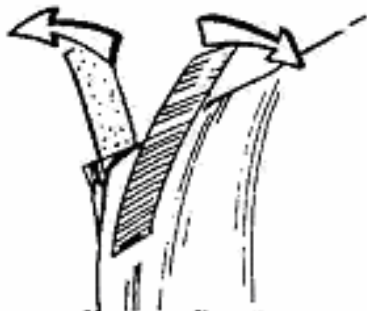
jlj

Vapor Flying

We have been doing some flying of the Vapors and other slow indoor planes as well as some small electric helicopters at the Westridge Mall on Wednesday evenings. At this meeting at the airport next Thursday we will try it up in the meeting room there. We will also discuss changing our indoor flying night to Thursday. I will be at the airport by 5:30 if you want to come and try flying before the meeting at 7pm..

jlj

Hints & Tips



Sometimes the backing on some covering film can be difficult to separate. This can be simplified by applying a small strip of masking tape to each side to get it started.

From the newsletter for the
First Weed Wacker Aerosquadron,
Lakeside, California

Club Officers

Mike Drouillard President
mikesplanes@hotmail.com

James Graffeo Vice President
James.Graffeo@acs-inc.com

Tom Kalvik Secretary
pinsncat@prtcl.com

Jerry A. Johnson Treasurer
jajsaj1@msn.com

Directors

Don Martinson

Dennis Trudell

Orvin Fossen

Newsletter Editor

Jerry L Johnson jljflys@aol.com

<http://web.prtcl.com/jljflys>

MEETING at Airport Meeting Room

We are going to meet at the airport this month. We hope to see many of you there this next Thursday November 12th at 7 pm.



PO BOX 224
Fergus Falls MN 56537