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Club Meeting

Tuesday, March 8, 7:15 PM at Methodist Church basement.

The church is on the Northwest corner of Willson Ave. and Olive St. Use the Alley side entrance.

Hello

Is it Spring? I know it is too early for the weather to last. The runway is in good shape, the parking lot is a little muddy but not to bad. Get out and enjoy the weather!

Our bank window display is coming up April 11-18 and the Mall Show will be Saturday April 23. So dust off you planes for display. Just a reminder, it is always nice to have some help at the mall to talk to people and keep an eye on the airplanes. So if you can put in a couple of hours to come out it would be appreciated. I will be working on some advertising to get a good turn out.

There was some talk of trying to put together a spring swap meet. Any thoughts? Maybe an indoor RC swap meet with all RC? Or we can wait and just do it in September like last year out at the field.

We are working on an updated web site, I am really excited on how it is coming together. Our club member Tony Covert's father has been working on putting it together, he is doing a great job! I will send out an email when it is ready. There will be a fee for his service but i believe it to be money well spent to keep our club up to date. I sent out an email if you have any good photos for the first page of the site please send them to me. We will be getting some club photos, officer photos and member of the year.

Good stuff coming! Destry

First Security Bank Window Display

A chance to display your planes and promote the club. Please bring to the bank between 12 noon and 4pm on April 11th and removed on the 18th between 9am and 1130am.

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Plane Nutz

Our daughter is working as a reference librarian in Butte. Each two weeks, she has three days off and, in between, she has one day off. She comes over here on the 3-day weekend and we go over there on her 1-day weekend.

This week, she has one day off and we'll go to Butte on Saturday. The model club over there (Butte Plane Nutz) meets at Arby's at 10:00 am on Sat mornings for coffee and BS. I plan to meet them there this Sat. Their field is dirt and is too wet to fly off right now.

Later on, I plan to to take a plane with me to fly . If anyone wants to go sometime, let me know.

We leave for Arizona on the 11th of March. The Scale Master's meet is the 2nd weekend we're there and I'll take lots of pictures. We'll also hit as many hobby shops as possible.

Chuck Curtis

FPV Exhibition

As many of you know Vision Aerial co-hosted a FPV race & drone exhibition last year at the fair grounds. We're gearing up again this year and I wanted to give you all advanced notice in case you needed time to get your aircraft ready.

A few Eagles, myself included, raced last year and it was an absolute blast. Alan and I have also spoke about setting up a weekly drone racing meet-up starting this spring, so there should be ample opportunity to practice before the cup.

www.bridgercup.com/

If you have any interest in participating this year please reach out to me and I'd be happy to chat further.

Cheers!

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Events in 2016:

March

26 Helena AELS

April

11th-18th First Security bank window 30th Helena AELS

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21st Helena fly-in

28th Helena AELS

28th Bozeman fly-in

June

4th Missoula, Hobby Town swap meet

4th Shelley, ID R/C Combat

11th-12th Billings pylon race, 424 and 426 class

16th-19th Paradise Valley fly-in

18th-19th Spokane war bird fly-in

25th Helena AELS

25th Great Falls float-fly, Ft Benton

July

9th Helena float-fly

16th-17th Great Falls fly-in / open house

23rd Bozeman Combat meet

30th Helena AELS

August

6th Missoula fly-in / swap meet

11th-14th Paradise Valley fly-in

20th Shelley, ID R/C Combat

20th-21st Helena AELS

27th Great Falls scale fly-in

September

3rd-5th Helena pylon race, 424, 426, EFI class

10th-11th Kalispell fly-in / swap meet

17th Missoula scale fly-in

24th Helena AELS

25th Helena float-fly

October

8th Great Falls float-fly

29th Helena AELS

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Giant Scale

Hey all! I found an article on RC groups that gives a "top ten items to have in your flight bag". The best one by far is the Hobby King 12v hot glue gun. Plugs right into a 2200 mAh (or less) XT60 plug. Could make those repairs you were going to have to do at home viable at the field. Out of stock right now, but should be back in soon. http://www.hobbyking.com/hobbyking/store/flash_sale_rc_hobby_products.asp

Ron Banta and I put together this Giant Lanier Stinger that we got from Chuck Curtis! *thanks Chuck! We found a few ways to save some \$\$ on putting a 90" plane together with a 45cc gas rc engine. Outside of the air

frame, we have somewhere around \$275 into it! So if you are looking to get into giant scale gas, I'm happy to provide any guidance I can (Brad Moholt also knows larger scale stuff). It flies really well as you can see from the video link, but we've got a bit of work to do to strengthen the gear! I tried out the airopult starting apparatus, and it worked like a charm. It will find a permanent home once the runway is re-done. http://www.airopult.com/



The runway is pretty much clear, and should be for the foreseeable future, so get out and fly!!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6kGhLARFdEY *Chuck Banta gets the video credit.

Cheers,

Mike

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- Michael Hutchinson

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