

OMAS NEWS

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEETING NOTICE!!!

The next scheduled general meeting will take place on July 23rd, 2006 at the OMAS Picnic.

Always fly with a buddy, and please observe all AMA and OMAS rules while flying at the field.

Absolutely no flying before 9:00 A.M.

Stay clear of the houses!

And remember, if you are the last one to leave the field, **PLEASE LOCK UP!**

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President's Hangar

By Fred Hostetler

The weather is improving and the days are getting longer. It's the perfect time to break out the models and head out to OMAS. The (official) clean up for the field has been scheduled for May 20, 2006. Some of us were out on Friday the 12th and Saturday the 13th. The speakers have been set in new positions to avoid blasting people out of their seats. Also, we'll look into putting a type of awning over the bleachers to provide shade. The club house will need a bit of cleaning to remove a lot of winter dirt that has accumulated. Weed spraying, dead branch removal, and general site clean up will wait until the 20th.

The next club meeting is scheduled for Sunday, July 23 at the club picnic. The Board will meet on June 20th (members invited) place TBD. The Board will discuss improving the north end of the runway. Several comments have been made about the grass being too rough and planes flipping over or damaging landing gear if they should run off the asphalt. Some tilling might do the job, but a more permanent solution may be called for. If you have any suggestions as to how to deal with this issue, please let a Board member know. I'd like to see this resolved as soon as we can. New grass can be planted now and ready in plenty of time for our "OMAS RC Airshow" on August 12/13.

The latest update on the OMAS RC Airshow (formerly Fun Fly) is that we have changed the name to reflect a show and demonstration of RC Aircraft. The reasoning was that a Fun Fly is targeted to RC pilots who come out and fly whenever and whatever they want. This will happen at our club picnic in July. The format this year has been made more formal so that the public can see a variety of RC Aircraft at a specific time. This, hopefully, would hold their interest for a longer period and we could raise more money. Cliff and Kathy Yee have spent a good deal of time and effort to help the club come up with good ideas to promote our Airshow. We will still need OMAS members and other club's members to come out and fly in the Open time slots which are scheduled each hour for a minimum of 20 to 30 minutes.

We all need to pitch in to put this RC Airshow together. Areas that need folks are parking, impound, snack shack, set up, and clean up. I hope to see many of the membership flying their planes. After all we are the ones who benefit from the proceeds of this effort and it is really nice to see the public enjoy what we just have some fun with.

The club picnic is set for July 23, a Sunday. We could use a few volunteers to help cook. Maybe the Board members could wear an apron for a day? Now that would be a good picture.

Happy Landings,

Fred Hostetler

New OMAS Logo & Stuff

By Scott Enochs

I hope it's there.....on the front page of this newsletter..... the new OMAS logo. How about that.....a squadron of Corsairs flying across the state. The club's name does include "Oregon". There's some contention as to how "Miniature" some of our models are these days. OK...a Corsair is an "Aircraft". I suppose a flight of 3 aircraft could be a "Squadron". And our flying site is in Banks.... with water ...and trees. There you have it. Hope you like it.

Next step is to pick out some apparel that we can all get behind, and into, and get that new logo in circulation. Best bet is to look for hats, polos, and pullovers in the near future. Long sleeve denim shirts and jackets can wait until late summer, early fall. I'll get to Masters, Inc. in Hillsboro soon and start to pick stuff out. I'm also trying to arrange for any club member to go directly to the Masters showroom and get the logo and their name (if they want) embroidered on the item of their choice....details to follow.

Look for a posting in next months' newsletter for what's up.

-SE

OMAS RC Airshow

By Scott Enochs

Lot's of work has gone into developing our annual RC Airshow Program this year. After all, it is the 25th anniversary for the event. Here's the line-up of main events so far. We have at least a tentative "yes" for all of them except the Grand Finale (see plea for HELP below). This is just the list of events.....there's nothing here about how the show is being promoted.....that's a subject for continued meetings and another newsletter update.

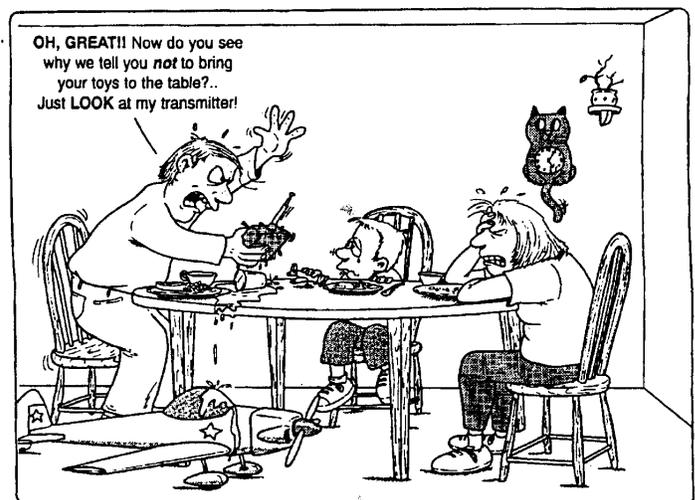
1. Giant Scale: Bill Ensley's P-40's flown by Darin Miller or Bernie Boland and/or Ron Campbell's Grey Goose and/or other large scale aircraft.
2. Snoopy's Flying Doghouse and the Red Baron: yup...Joe Salus is building the doghouse and Mike Rostal has the triplane...pending test flights etc etc... this show could be set to music. If we convince Mike Ripley to come along Snoopy could be seeing double...triplanes that is.
3. Combat: At last count we have 8 known combat pilots in the club.
4. Electric Flight: Paul Susbauer is planning to be here with his electric airforce...which includes a twin engine Wellington Bomber.
5. 3D Helicopter: Peter Haley's magic 3D flying. Paul Susbauer has also volunteered to back up Peter.
6. Giant Scale Aerobatics: Dave Davis and/or Darin Miller get airborne with smoke and 40% giants.
7. Open Flying: 30 minutes per hour are preserved for open flying (except the noon hour). This is where we encourage everybody to get flying. Float planes. Squadrons of warbirds. Fly everything. Flown by OMAS pilots and Visiting Pilots.
8. Stick Time: Peter Halay and Paul Susbauer have volunteered to repeat their act of 2 years ago and give flight time to visitors on the club trainer. A half hour at noon.
9. Runway Static Show: Everybody. Half hour noon time line up of aircraft and pilots on the runway.
10. NW Regional Manufacturer's Demos: Invitations have been sent to Venom Racing/Aircorps and Proctor Enterprises to demo their electrics. This is for the visiting public and pilots. Venom is just introducing their Aircorps park fighters, a P-51 and Zero, as well as helicopters.

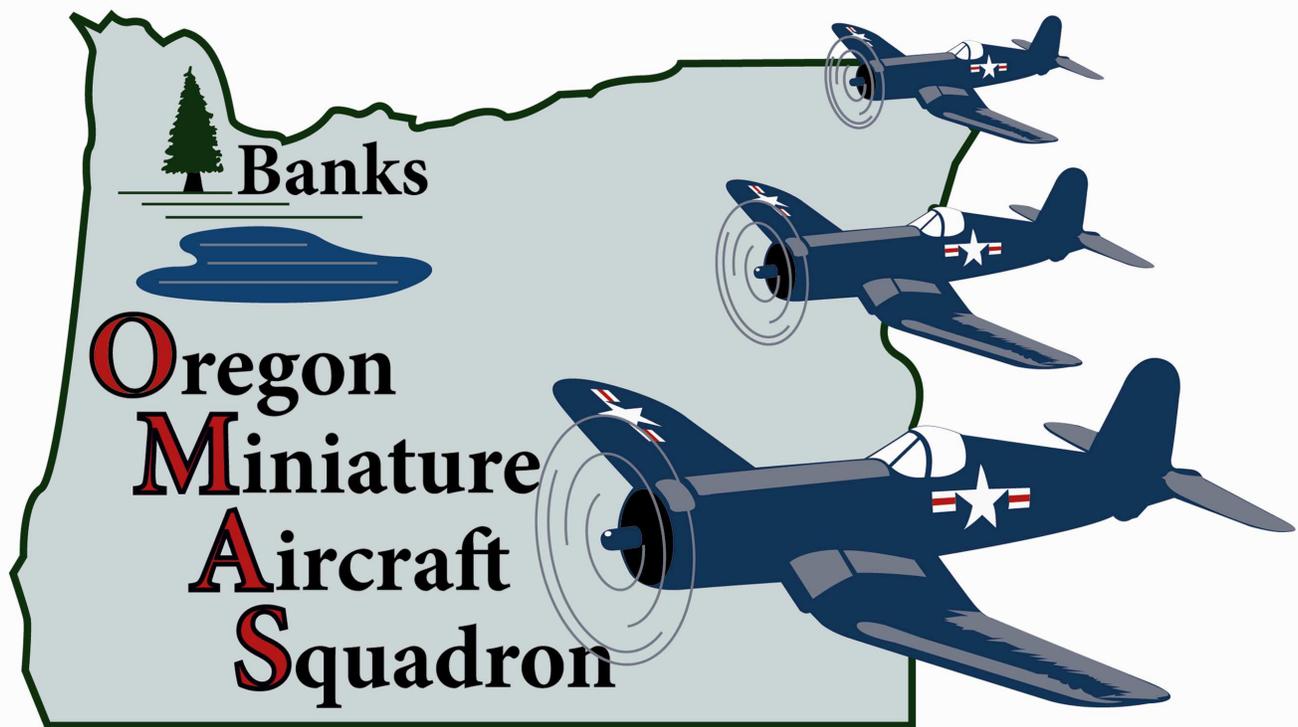
Proctor has come out with the Micro-Antic, an electric ARF version of one of their popular glo kits. Hoping that a Venom fighter or heli and a Proctor Micro-Antic will find their way to the raffle table.

11. Grand Finale: Want to get 6 to 8 planes airborne simultaneously. This worked great at last year's Dawn Patrol in Moalla. It's pretty impressive. Basic plan is to get aircraft flying a conservative pattern that would keep constant traffic down the runway. Also want a variety of aircraft...including a helicopter so long as it's in the pattern. We could set up a pattern with different types of aircraft at different altitudes. We probably need to limit size (don't want to go smaller than a .40 or larger than about a .90 size). HELP!!!! Need volunteers to fly in this. If you want to be part of it please sign up through Scott Enochs (503)662-3398, scottenochs@aol.com Let him know what plane (or heli) you'd like to fly and your frequency. This one will need planning, and we need to get the volunteers out in advance for practice.

And.....to keep all of these program events on track and on schedule we are looking for volunteer(s) to bePIT BOSS. This is not the MC on the mic. This is someone who can get the next scheduled flier on the line to prevent dead air and keep scheduled events on schedule, and to kick butt to make sure all pilots get air time in open flying. Volunteers please contact Fred Hostetler.

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New OMAS logo detail

OMAS RC Airshow Planning Update

By Cliff & Kathy Yee

As a fund raising event for our club, there are two primary ingredients we felt were the most important for success: attracting a large attendance and entertaining the audience.

Attracting a large attendance meant an integrated marketing approach. So we are trying to recruit 'guest aviators' from other clubs with interesting aircraft believing that they will pull other flyers from their club along. We also created color posters with a tri-fold invitation to be located at clubs and hobby shops. Invitations will be handed out at the Hillsboro Air Show on July 15. We will be working on the Westside newspapers and other media to attempt further publicity build up. We're using our 25th Anniversary as part of the publicity scheme to get human interest behind our event. Lastly, we are planning to hand

out a questionnaire at the parking entrance with a drink or candy incentive to return it at our snack shack. From this questionnaire, we'll find out where they heard about our event and get their mailing/email address so we build a database to invite them next year, and invite the year after, etc. for a directed marketing program that will build upon itself.

The key to entertaining the audience was discussed at multiple planning sessions of OMAS member and it was decided that a structured, tightly scheduled flying program of various types, from various clubs, but featuring our own members, was the better format. That's the reason for the event called a RC Airshow instead. Scott, Fred and Darrin have been primary coordinators of this program. More of this will be shared in the next newsletter.

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R/C Events

Date	Event	Location
June 20	OMAS Board Meeting	TBD
July 15-16	Hillsboro Airshow	Hillsboro Airport
July 23	OMAS Club Picnic & general meeting	OMAS Field Banks, OR
July 27-30	IMAC	Molalla
August 4-6	Evergreen Scale Rally	Molalla
August 12-13	OMAS RC Airshow	OMAS Field Banks, OR
August 18-20	Dawn Patrol	Molalla

OMAS Club Officers

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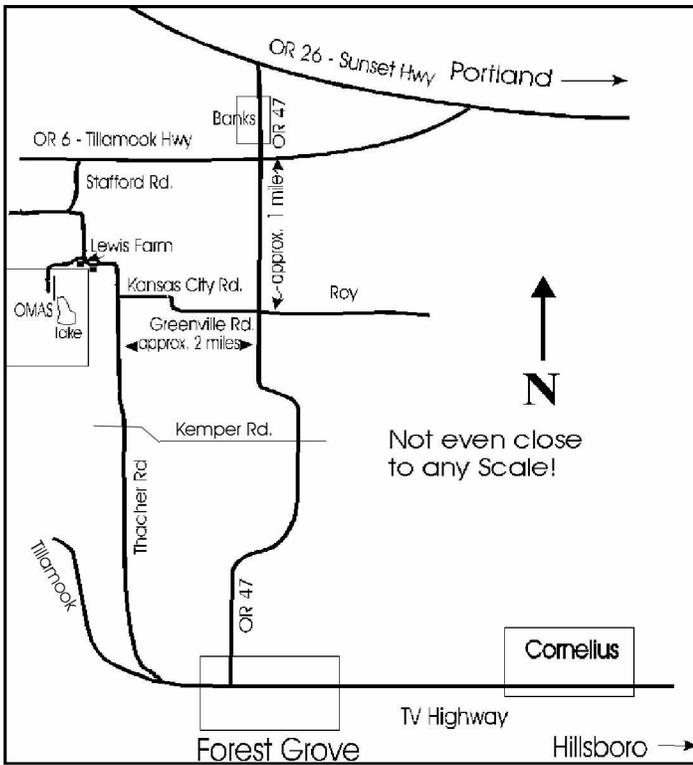
Flight Instructor Info

The following members are official OMAS Flight Instructors.

Please direct any prospective new members to one of the below listed instructors to arrange flight training.

Joe Slivinski	503-647-2687	Mode 2
Dave Davis	503-359-4978	
Peter Halay	503-515-8611	

OMAS Field Location Map



Meeting Notice

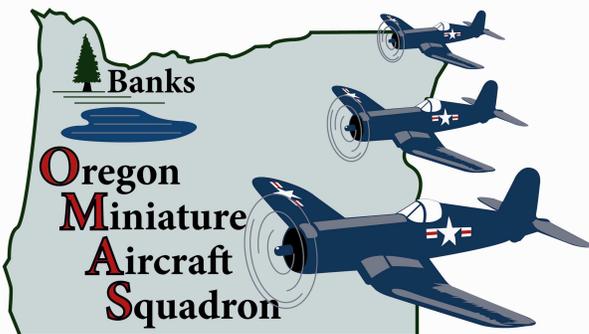
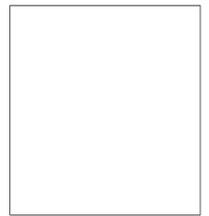
Next Regular Meeting

The next Club board meeting will be on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm at the OMAS field in Banks, OR.

Come early, rifle through the video tape library.

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