

February 2009

The  
**Inside Loop**



## Safety is our most important Product!

The flying season is slowly approaching. Now is a good time to review your 2009 preflight process. Review the [Training Manual](#) it may save you an airplane.

### President's Soapbox

The year has just begun and we're already having too much fun! The first club meeting of the year was just two weeks ago and we had great turn-out. I don't have an absolute count, but attendance was probably 18 - 20. We had two guests....Zachary Rabin, a future youth member, was there, and Scott Carrigan had a long discussion with him on the fun of RC. Larry Hoffman, also a future member was there with his Parkzone T-28 Trojan, looking for insight into the hobby and flight training. Larry's father-in-law is a long time RC'er from Chicago (if I remember correctly) and is drawing Larry into the hobby. Here's hoping that both Zachary and Larry join FAW and enjoy this hobby for a long time!

Hey, even Alan Harris was there!.....sorry Alan, have to pick on someone. I'm pleased to report Alan was in fine spirits and Safety Officer Cliff Pemberton reported that all was well at the field...but

that Alan hadn't flown yet this year. Indoor flying is in full swing for some of our club members with those wimpy little electrics. I thought we'd trained Charlie Hagen to handle the wind at the field, but the word on the street is he's bouncing one of those wimpy little electrics off the walls at indoor flying.... turbulence from the heat ducts too much for you Charlie? That's ok, Charlie....even Hugh Christian couldn't keep his plane in the air.... seems the wings on his "cheap Hong Kong glider"... (Hugh's words)....decided to fold up in flight. I know that folding wings are featured on Hellcats and Corsairs...but on gliders? I want to throw in a thank you to Kelly Martin for advising me on how to replace the bearings in my OS 4-stroke....I actually have the engine disassembled and the old bearings removed...and, yes, the rear bearing was shot. If you missed the meeting, come on out next month. We do review club business, but the meetings offer a great way to socialize and share information and advice with other club members...and I think we have a lot of fun.

There's also some sad news this month. I've

Hi Guys, it's time to fly, in 5 or 6 months. Got an e-mail from my cousins Willie & Waylon Earl. They wrote a song for the people of Portland, "Mamas don't let babies grow up to be Interns." See ya..... Sq Earl V

**Meeting February  
16th, 7:00 PM**



heard that R/C Reports is out of business...last issue will be March. Increasing costs, loss of advertising revenue, and inadequate subscriptions may all be to blame. Also, there will be no Flying Model Exhibit at the Evergreen Museum this year. This would have been the 8th annual show, but lack of participation in last year's show has caused the Evergreen Club decide to call it off this year.....maybe next year.

In the meantime, keep your engines running and get ready for drier and warmer flying weather ahead!

Let's fly!

*Scott E.*

### **The Winter Term PCC RC Class Visits the PCC Aircraft Facility**



**Robert conducted the tour**



**A model one of the students built**



**Huges helicopter the students learn maintenance tasks on**



**Allison engine out of a P40**



**Jet engine, maintenance training**

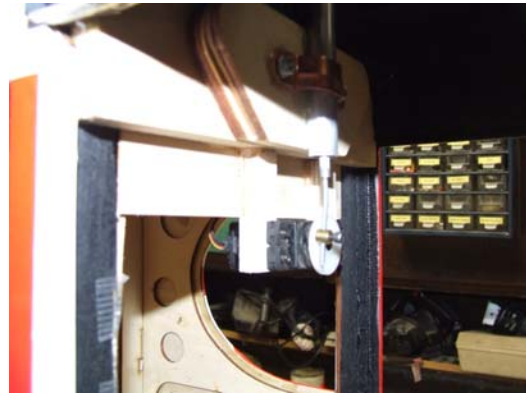


**Bell UH-1 "Huey"**

The PCC aviation courses are quite complete. All of the instruction is directed to general aviation. The hangers are packed with ARF's ranging from the Cessna 150 to an Aero Commander Turboprop plus a whole bunch of helicopters.

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*Don S*



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