

The Inside Loop



Work Started on New Field!

We are waiting for rain to till, and the county to approve our development permit. We can't fly nor will the mat be laid until the permit is approved. Work parties will be scheduled after notification from the county.

Work has started on the new field! The entire site was surveyed and the runways staked out. After the stakes were in place it was obvious there's lots of room, so the grass runway will be increased in width from 25' to 35'. So, we will have parallel grass and geotex runways, both 35' X 500'. Glenn White started the tractor work. The entire area was mowed, and the runways scalped as short as possible. There's lots of wheat chaff that's in the way. Glenn did the best he could to rake it off the runways. The chaff in the pit areas will get mulched with each future mowing until it disappears. The runways need to be tilled and floated in preparation for laying the geotex surface and seeding. It's way too dry to till at the moment. The dirt just turns to powder. We are waiting on Mother Nature to provide adequate rain to allow us to till.

Lot's of tree trimming, pruning, and brush clearing has been done along the tree line on the south side of the site and at the gate. New member Dave Crisman hauled his tractor over and took out the tall grass along the road with a brush hog. It's starting to look very park-like! The porta-potty and 5 rolls of geotex have been delivered. The road is rocked.

The gate is locked...all paid members will be provided the combination.



**Next meeting 7:00 PM September 21, 2010
North Plains Fire Station**



Brush Cutters



Flight Ops Center Open



Tractor Work



The new runway

2010 Dues Challenge



This contest is closed! All paid members as of September 1 will be entered into the drawing for the Airtronics 2.4GHz radio shown. Winning member to be drawn at the Grand Opening Ceremonies for our new field, date TBD. Thank you to all who have joined and renewed.

It's true that we'll have a very short flying season this year, but your 2010 membership assures that Fly-A-Ways has a flying site that will be here for us long into the future.

Win a lifetime membership in Fly-A-Ways

That's right! A \$50.00 contribution towards developing our Dersham Road site earns one chance at winning a lifetime club membership. No limit on number of entries per person. This membership raffle is also open to the public. Information displays have been set up at local hobby stores. Winning entry will be drawn at the grand opening ceremonies of our new field this Fall. The entry form can be found on the club site at www.flyaways.org.

Incorporation

A motion was made and carried at the August meeting to incorporate the club. Articles of Incorporation have been filed with the Oregon Secretary of State. The filing is for Fly-A-Ways to become a Not for Profit Corporation, Mutual Benefit with members.....the state's way of identifying us as an incorporated social club. Our Federal classification is a 501(c)(7) social club. Sorry...that's not a tax deductible classification. A new EIN will be required for banking purposes.



Meeting with Willamette Valley Soaring Club

The meeting between Fly-a-ways Pres, Safety Officer and the Glider club Pres happened on Friday the 6th of August. Gary (the Glider Pres) Took Scott and Cliff for a short tour of the Glider Port and after a quick visit to our field we sat down for some very fruitful discussion on how to integrate our operations. As it now stands there should be no interference between operations if every body flies their standard patterns , both directional and altitude wise. At a later date the glider folks will do some demos showing us what their patterns look like from our flight line and we will do the same, possibly have both type aircraft flying at the same time... Meeting was very cordial and evident that the willingness to cooperate is there.



Soar with the Eagles - Field Development Fund Raffle

Go for a ride in this high performance sailplane. Soar over the western Willamette Valley with the Willamette Valley Soaring Club. The winning ticket in this raffle entitles you to go for ride in this or a similar high performance glider. Tickets are \$5.00 each. The ride is valued at \$120. All proceeds go to the Fly-A-Ways Field Development Fund.

Tickets on sale at club meetings and events or by phone (call Scott E. 503-662-3398).

Drawing to be held at our field dedication ceremony.



August Meeting Minutes

Fly-A-Ways RC Club-General membership meeting August 17, 2010

Meeting was held at the North Plains Fire Station. 17 members and one guest attended. Call to order 7:00pm.

Scott C. reported on the status of the permits. The access permit has been approved. The development permit is still under review by the county. The county does not provide estimated completion dates....Scott will continue to check the status of our application online and will occasionally bug the planning office by phone. The permit will not be denied, as state land use planning law permits RC use on farmland. The county could impose unknown conditions of use. A signed affidavit was submitted on Aug 6 stating the public notice sign was posted at the Dersham site. The notice is required to be posted for 2 weeks minimum.

Dennis provided the Treasurer's report. We are starting to spend on the new field. The lease has been paid and development expenses have started. The club currently has 38 paid members for 2010. There are 24 entries in the Lifetime Membership Raffle.

Scott E and Cliff P met with Gary Gross, president of the Willamette Valley Soaring Club, on Aug 6. Basic flight patterns and safety issues were discussed. The glider folk thought our field location was further east than it actually is. Under normal conditions there should be no conflicts. An agreement was reached to continue with future meetings to hammer out any concerns that could

arise, and establish safe operating procedures. Gary extended an invitation for a future glider flight to make observations from the air.

Development has started on the field. The site boundaries have been marked. Glenn White has been contacted to schedule the tractor work. A work crew was scheduled for Aug 21 to start pruning the tree line and the bush at the gate. The Porta-Potty is scheduled to be delivered on Aug 20. Scott E will call and schedule delivery of rock for the road and delivery of the geotex.

Dave Fox is liaison with emergency services. There is no street address for the Dersham site. If emergency services are called, they should be instructed to go to Dersham Road at the first curve west of the cemetery. This is better information than use of GPS coordinates. This information will be posted at the field. Dave agreed to provide club location info to WACA.

Members were reminded that FAW members can fly free at OMAS (with current AMA) until our new field opens.

A motion was made and carried to vote on incorporating the club. The vote was unanimous in favor (well, Al is always there in spirit).

Ron Bacon donated a 3-channel Telemaster. It was decided to hold off on raffles until more members were present. Also, this could become a new club trainer.

Meeting adjourned approx 8:45pm.

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