

# The Monthly Newsletter of the Eugene RC Aeronauts Flying Club



# RC AEROGRAM

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Next Club Meeting – Tues, February 18, 2025  
at River Road Abby's Pizza.

## ***From Our President***



Hey All,

I have some sad news to report.  
Our friend and fellow club member,  
**Dale Williams** passed away this week.

Dale was a longtime member of the RC club. We will miss him.  
A service is planned for April, and I will pass on details as I  
get them.

Our ERCA Swap Meet will be on Saturday, the 15th.  
It will be located at the Irving Grange #377  
at 1011 Irvington Dr. Eugene, Oregon 97404, *In Santa Clara.*  
*Doors open at 9:00 AM, and we will finish up at 1:00 PM. A 5-*  
*dollar entry fee for all coming to browse! Come and join the*  
*fun of watching grown men falling in love with other grown*  
*men's stuff!*

We hope to make this an annual event.  
See you soon!

Rog

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# Secretary and Treasurers report

## Martin Booth

Secretary / Treasurer [martin.booth@live.com](mailto:martin.booth@live.com)



### ERCA Members 2025

Officers (4):

- President: Roger Dahl
- Vice President: Al Barrington
- Treasury/secretary: Martin Booth
- Safety Officer: Brian Ostlind

As of **February 8th, 2025**: **35** Members renewed

Members (35):

Bell, Cecil	Hoard, Wayne	Risbrough, John
Berger, Andrew	Hokenson, Ron	Schiltz, Don
Burgess, Mike	Jenkins, Nolan	Sinclair, Dan
Carlstrom, Dave	Leavitt, Lester	Thomas, Dave
Cook, Doyle	Lutz, Jeff	Thomas, James
Corbett, James	Madison, Rod	Von Moos, Larry
Edwards, Warren	Mattox, Monty	Walsh, Adam
Fenner, Dave	McClellan, Gary	Webster, Wade
Firth, Peter	Milbrett, Ken	Willis, Pat
Graham, Mel	Monsen, Samuel	Winz, Roger
Hansen, Donnel	Petrie, John	Yarbrough, GERAL
Hiner, Kurt	Rawson, Paul	

The following members from 2024 have not renewed for 2025 (29):

Anderson, Wally	Funk, Robert	Shay, Tristan
Bailey, Aaron	Giessen, Mark	Smith, Gary
Bergeron, Rick	Goracke, Carl	Stuart, Jim
Blain, Frank	Gutierrez, Samar	Thompson, AJ
Bruckner, Cale	Hansen, Augustus	Werneth, Brad
Carmichael, Jesse	Hiatt, Sam	Willis, Hudson
Clark, Jefferson	Johnston, Gerald	Willis, Oliver
Clark, Shaun	Lee, Mike	Wilson, Kyle
Dalebout, Anthony	O'Donnell, Chuck	Wilson, Sean
Funk, Brian	Ostlind, Ben	

### Treasurers Report February 2025

Balance:	January 11th, 2025	<b>\$8,310.32</b>
Expenses:	Swap meet venue balance (note, \$200 of this is a refundable cleaning deposit)	\$525.00
	Abby's Pizza - Club Meeting	\$189.41
	OR DoJ Charities annual filing fee	\$20.00
	AMA Club Charter fee	\$130.00
	USPS PO Box renewal	\$192.00
	Float for swap meet	\$50.00
	Oregon Business Registry filing fee	\$50.00
	<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$1,156.41</b>
Income:	2025 Dues & new member fees	\$674.86
	Swap meet table fees	\$281.90
	<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$956.76</b>
Balance:	February 8th, 2025	<b>\$8,110.67</b>

Hello fellow flyers,

Here are the notes from the finance and admin side of the club this month:

- 35 members have renewed for 2025 so far.
  - With our 4 club officers, that gives us a membership count of 39 people.
  - Nolan Jenkins and Adam Walsh have joined ERCA. Welcome to the club!
- 29 members from 2024 have not yet renewed.
  - Per Article 3, sections 5.3 & 5.4 of the by-laws, if you have not renewed by the February meeting, a \$10 late fee will be added to your renewal dues.
  - If you have not renewed by the March meeting, you will be dropped from club membership and not allowed to fly at the ERCA field.
  - If you renew after that, you will be required to pay the initiation fee again.
- Also, we have several members who have let their AMA membership lapse. You will not be able to renew your ERCA membership or fly at the ERCA field without current AMA membership.
- Martin is proposing a change to the club's bylaws to move membership to a 12-month annual membership, rather than the current calendar year based model. See the details elsewhere in this newsletter. This was first presented to the club membership at the January meeting. It will have its second presentation at the February meeting. We will vote on it at the March meeting. This proposal has several advantages:
  - It reduces the workload for processing membership renewals, as they will not all happen in the same couple of months each year.
  - We can investigate things like multi-year membership renewals (like the AMA offers).
  - We do not have to prorate membership at all.
  - Members could renew their club membership at the same time as they renew their AMA membership if they wish.
  - We can move to creating membership badges and mailing them out on receipt of member dues.
- Martin has done the required paperwork for 2025:
  - Renewed the AMA Charter Club status (including renewing the Silver status level).
  - Filed the IRS 990N, e-postcard annual report for the club.
  - Renewed the Club's charity status with the State of Oregon.
  - Renewed the Oregon Business Registry filing with the Oregon Secretary of State.
  - Renewed the club PO Box.

Thanks,  
Martin

View [Proposed By-Laws change](#)

### From our Safety Officer:

I would suggest checking your lipo batteries. Storage voltage is 3.80 volts per cell.

Thank you. **Brian Ostlind**



## Field Maintenance Jim Corbett

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Field care/News: **WINTER FLYING RULES**

During November, December, January and February on Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays no flying is allowed prior to NOON  
**DO NOT ARRIVE AT THE FIELD BEFORE NOON**

*My thanks to last year's watering and mowing crew: David Fenner, Jeff Lutz, Dave Carlstrom, Martin Booth, Dave Thomas, Wayne Hoard, Al Barrington, Brad Werneth, Don Schiltz, Roger Dahl and Les Leavitt.  
We could use a couple more volunteers for the morning put away crew.*

*We have had a visit from the local Elk herd, use caution where you land with small wheels.*

### Coming Events: Save these dates

- **Sat, February 15th** - Swap Meet  
- Venue: Irving Grange  
- 8am-9am load in time, 9am-1pm open to public  
- Tables will be \$25  
(table fee includes admission for one person)
- **Tue, Feb 18** - Club meeting (At Abby's)
- **Tue, Mar 18** - Club meeting (At Abby's)
- **Sat, Apr 19** - Club meeting (At the airfield)
- **Sat, May 17** - Club meeting (At the airfield)
- **Mon, May 26** - Memorial Day fun fly
- **Sat, Jun 21** - Club meeting (At the airfield)
- **Fri, Jul 4** - Warbird fly in
- **Sat, Jul 19** - Club meeting (At the airfield)
- **Sat, Aug 16** - Club meeting (At the airfield)
- **Aug 22-24** – MonsterFest
- **Mon, Sep 1** - Labor Day fun fly
- **Sat, Sep 20** - Club meeting (At the airfield)
- **Sat, Oct 18** - Club meeting (At the airfield)
- **Tue, Nov 18** - Club meeting (At Abby's)
- **(No December Club meeting)**

**Swap Meet, Feb 15th**  
See you all there.  
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Thanks,  
Ken



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