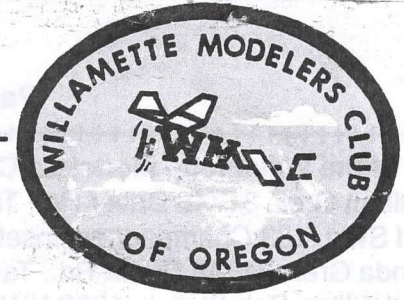


WMC Patter

Willamette Modelers Club

Official AMA Charter Club #536



**Next WMC Meeting March 9 -
2 PM at the Grell Farm.**

Fun Fly - Weather Permitting

The next regular meeting of the WMC will be held on March 9 at the Grell farm. If the weather permits, a funfly will be available before the meeting. Contact Glenn Grell in advance for specifics. No agenda is available at this time, but a review and approval of the CD meeting results will be on it. Mark your calendars

...Around Dist. XI...

Indoor Season is here. Full details of the meets at SAHS are on the event sheet in this issue of Patter. The dates are: Dec. 3, Jan.21, Feb. 18, March 24 and April 6 & 7.

The proposed dates for our outdoor meets are also set. Mark your calendars.

NWFFC/5 Days in Tangent. Aug 14-18 (includes Tangent FAI Challenge), SPOT Meet - Sept. 6-8; Fall Annual - Sept. 27-29. More details on these meets after the CD meeting in January..

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Moffet Event in Brief

Bill Swift presented at the last meeting a brief review of the Moffet event. We have, in the past, hosted this event on our schedule, but it was dropped for lack of participation. In brief, this is a small rubber model with a maximum combined wing and stab area of 202 sq. in. It has no restrictions on the amount of rubber, but it does have a cross section rule. Weight is 50 grams per 100 sq. in. ROG from a three point takeoff is required. Two minute maxes plus flyoffs as needed. Look up Event #128 in the AMA Rulesbook for specifics. A winning Moffet three view is elsewhere in this issue of Patter. Or, you could always find a kit of the Midwest Dynamoe (see 3 view on back cover). The Dynamoe meets the requirements as well.

Outerzone Funding Request - by Ben Strauss

The attendees at the latest club meeting discussed the WMC making a donation to Outer Zone (outerzone.co.uk). It was decided the club would donate two hundred dollars from the club treasury. Hopefully individual club members that appreciate the value of Outer Zone can add to this by making a donation too. Anyone not familiar with Outer Zone should visit the website, it is a massive repository of modeling information! Outer Zone has over fourteen thousand plans, probably a third of which are Free Flight. Plans are free to download, no registration is needed and two new plans are added every day. We will be sending our club check in early December, so if you wish to help the cause, please send your check to the WMC by December 1. Let's support this valuable resource, make your checks payable to the WMC and send them to:

Bob Stalick

1930 NW Heron Point CT
Albany OR 97321

Short Issue This Month

This issue of Patter is shorter than the usual 10 page version, but it was important to get it out soon after our recent club meeting. So, just to be clear, you're not missing a page or two this time, it's just a shorter version of the usual stuff.

Jack Shafer Update

Jack Shafer, who is a long time club member and flying buddy, moved to a retirement home in Monmouth in July, and now, after some episodes there, has been moved to a memory care home in Sheridan. I visited with him about 6 weeks ago in Monmouth, and it was clear that he was having difficulties remembering common things. I understand he is not able to receive visitors in his new place just yet. If there are any changes of note, I will keep everyone posted via this newsletter..

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**Inside: Moffet 3-Views....Editorial on Rules making....Indoor Contest
Flyer..More. Read on!**

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Subscriptions and memberships: Dues for WMC membership is now \$15 per year, which begins in January.

Subscriptions are also \$15. Membership give you a member card and decal, and the right to vote at WMC meetings. An AMA ,membership is required. No AMA required for subscriptions. Send your dues or membership \$\$ to Bob Stalick or to Linda Grell (addresses above), and thanks for your support.

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Minutes of the Willamette Modelers Club Annual Meeting, October 21, 2023.

The meeting was called to order at 2:08 pm by President Glenn Grell. There were 19 members and guests present.

Glenn asked the guests to introduce themselves: Debbie Origer was a guest representing the Albany Air Museum Youth Model Airplane Club. Hal Hewitt introduced himself as a new member.

The minutes from the May 13, 2-23 (un)meeting were read and approved by voice vote.

The Treasurer's Annual report was distributed and presented by treasurer Bob Stalick. It was approved as presented by voice vote..

Old Business

Outdoor Contest Discussion:

It was decided to keep ROW at the NWFFC.

A presentation by Bill Swift on the Moffet event was made. A recommendation to add it to the contest schedule in 2024 was suggested to be made at the annual CD's meeting.

No other changes or additions were suggested, other than to keep the phone number of the power company on the scoreboard.

New Business.

1. Election of officers for 2024.

2. Mark Baxter moved to nominate the current slate of officers for 2024 and to cast a unanimous ballot. The motion was seconded. A unanimous voice vote followed. The motion passed.

Officers are: Glenn Grell, President; Bill Swift, Vice President; Linda Grell, secretary' Bob Stalick, treasurer, and Bruce Grell Safety officer.

2. Request from SAM 8. Glenn Grell reported that SAM 8 president, Steve Dona, requested club input for them to consider as improvements to their contests, After some discussion=n, these suggestions were proposed: Make sure all meets are sanctioned by the AMA, Register all meets with the NFFS contest list for National Cup points, study which events draw the most contestants from our list . consider adding small field events such as E-20, P-20, and Small Sport rubber (all have 90 second maxes).

3. CD Meeting. Glenn announced the annual CD meeting will be held at South Albany High School at 1 pm on Jan. 21. An agenda will be sent to all CDs before the meeting.

4. Outdoor Contest Dates for 2024: NWFFC/5 Days in Tangent -Aug 14-18 (includes Tangent FAI Challenge), SPOT Meet - Sept. 6-8; Fall Annual - Sept. 27-29.

5. A request from NFFS President David Lindley for support of the US Indoor FAI Team. After discussion, Bob Stalick was moved to contribute \$300 to the indoor team. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously by voice vote.

6. Glenn suggested the club investigate sponsoring a National Cup award for Vintage FAI Power, Vintage Wakefield and. possibly Vintage Coupe. These will be a financial cost if it is accepted. Glenn will investigate and report back at a future meeting.

7. Next WMC meeting. Date to be determined, but likely in late February/early March

Meeting Minutes Continued

8. Bob Stalick announced the indoor dates at South Albany High School. They are Dec. 3, Jan.,21, Feb. 18, March 24, and April 6 & 7.
9. Ben Strauss introduced a request to help fund "the outerzone" plans service. After discussion, it was decided to request donations from members and local supporters and add \$200 from the club treasury to help the cause. A motion was made by Mike Altig to expend \$200 from the WMC plus any donations received by a certain date (Jan. 1, 2024) to help fund the outerzone, Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote..

Reports

1. Freeflight Contest Board Report by Glenn Grell. Glenn reported that the General Rule regarding records was passed by the AMA Contest Boards, and the same rule was [passed by the outdoor FF CB. This requires any AMA record to be set only in an event in which the flier has entered and may not be applied to any other events with the same series of flights. A rule to change motor run time, and flyoff maxes in E-36, Electric A and B, has apparently failed, as not all CB members voted.
2. NFFS Rulesbook Bob Stalick reported the revised NFFS Rulesbook would be posted on the NFFS website by early December. He announced he was stepping down from the NFFS Rules committee chairmanship.
3. WMC Dues are now due. Cost is \$15 per year. Subscriptions are the same cost..13 members joined after this meeting plus one subscription.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:25 PM. for show and tell.

Show and Tell

Glenn Grell showed off the results of not using a blast tube when winding a rubber model
Desserts and refreshments were provided by Linda Grell.

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A Puzzler. Editorial by Bob Stalick

Those of us at the recent WMC meeting were informed by our /FFCB member, Glenn Grell, that one of the rules proposals for outdoor freeflight had not passed because 4 board members did not vote. The rule was a change in the motor runs for E-36, A electric and B electric. It would have reduced the run for the first 3 flights from the current 10 seconds to the new 7 seconds. Flyoff flights would have a further reduction to 5 and then 4 seconds with the max eventually increasing to 150 seconds. I wanted to see for myself which of the CB members had not voted, and so I checked the AMA website and noted several familiar names, among them the FFCB Chairman, Jerry Mutphy, This rule change was long overdue, but it apparently failed because 4 members chose not to vote.

My thought was, "I wonder why they didn't vote?"

Just for kicks, I checked the new AMA outdoor free flight rulesbook online and there in the front was listed the change in motor runs for E-36, A Electric and B Electric. I looked up each of those rules in the new book, and sure enough, the rules were changed to fit the proposed rules change that had just failed because of 4 members who didn't vote.

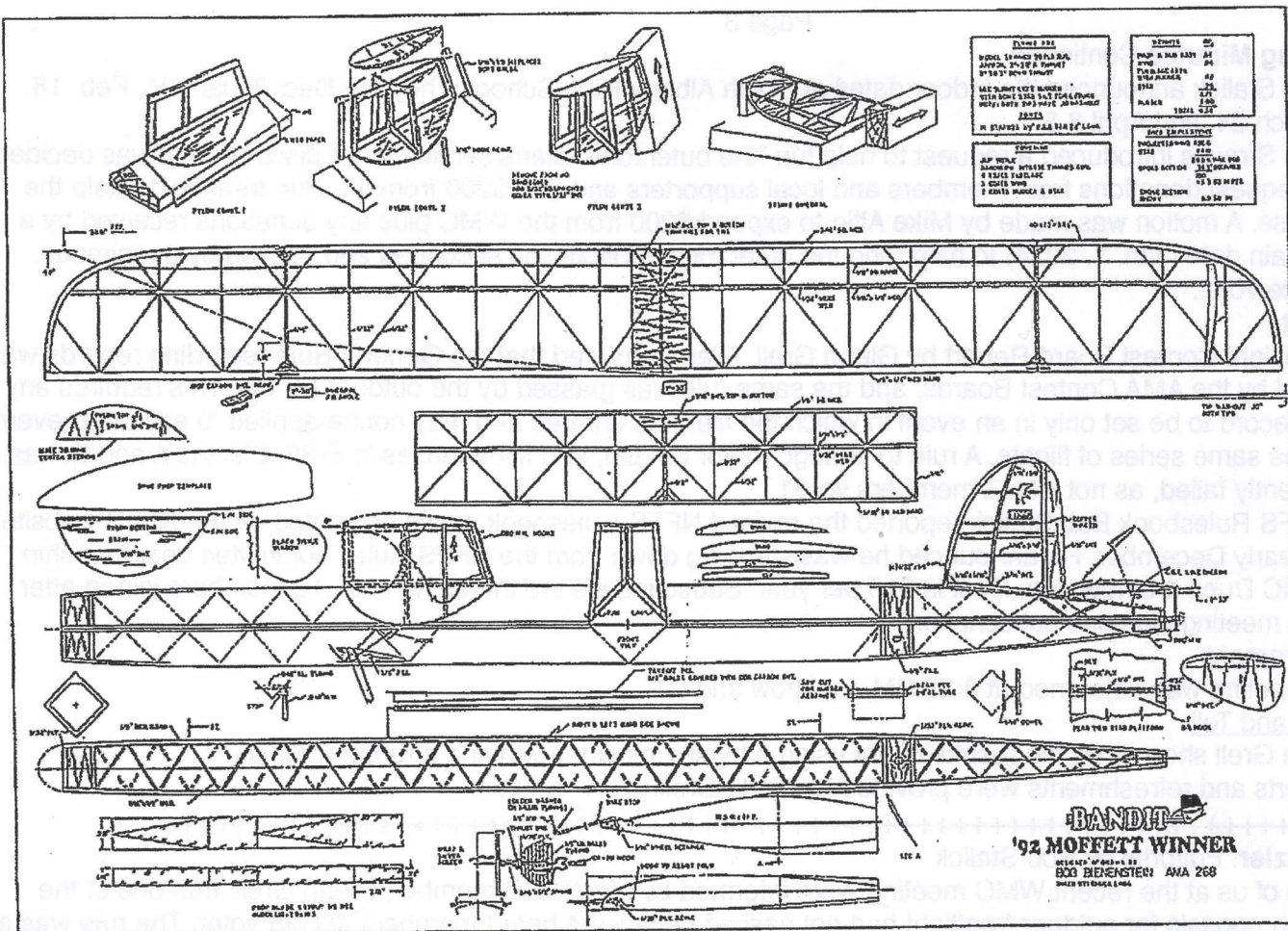
Now, I am curious. If the rule actually changed as indicated in the new rulesbook, but the FFCB didn't pass the rule change. what gives?*

I am sure there is a back story here, and I'd like to hear it. As it stands, it seems a puzzler to me.

A similar puzzler is the recent vote to allow a model in one event to set a record in a related event with the same set of flights. This rules proposal was recently approved by the Indoor Contest Board. This same rules proposal was just voted down by the Outdoor FF CB, Now, as it stands, if you enter an event, such as Limited Pennyplane and set a national record, you can also claim a national record, if the times are good enough, in Pennyplane as well with the same set of flights.

From my vantage point, it seems that you should enter one event for record setting purposes, and if you want to set a record in another event, you should enter it separately.. I don't understand the logic behind the Indoor CB ruling. Maybe it's just me!

* **Last minute note:** Glenn informed me he had contacted AMA about the E-36 motor run confusion and was told the rulesbook was in error and will be corrected.



assembled, sand it to shape. Leading edge tapers from $\frac{3}{16}$ thickness to $\frac{1}{8}$ at the trailing edge. Before gluing the wing sections together, make sure they check to proper height as shown on plan. If not, adjust by block sanding (see sketch on plan).

Elevator: The elevator is constructed in a manner similar to that used for the wing.

Fuselage: Since the fuselage is symmetrical, you can build two sides on top of each other. I prefer to make a right and left side as shown. Because the sides are straight, it pays to make a

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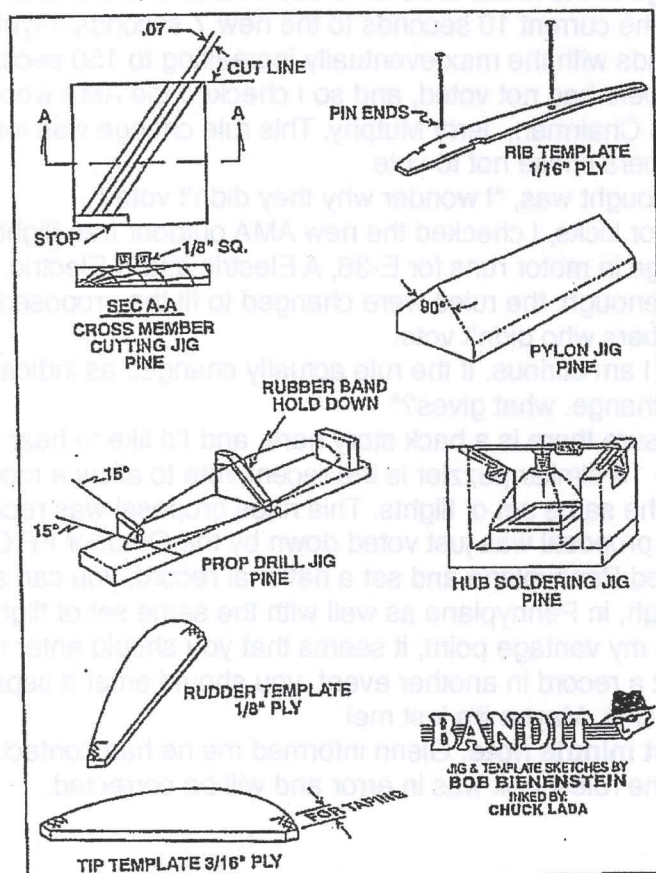
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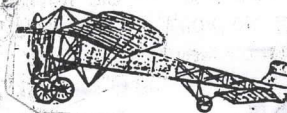
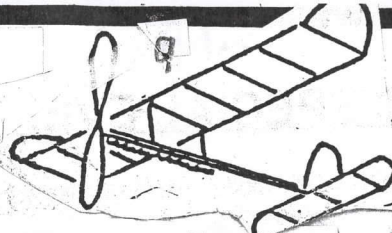
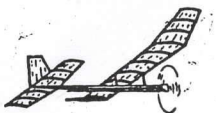
Recommended motor size and type: 18 strands $\frac{1}{8}$ -inch FAI tan

Expected flying weight: 4.31 ounces

Type of construction: Stick-and-tissue

Type of covering/finish recommended: Japanese tissue and clear nitrate dope





Indoor-23/24

The Willamette Modelers Club announces the 2023-2024 Indoor Contest Season at South Albany High School.

The Dates: December 3, January 21, February 18, March 24 and a 2 day extravaganza on April 6 & 7

Times: On Sundays, the site will be open around 8:15 AM with competition beginning at 8:30 AM and ending at 3:30 PM. We are expected to be out of the gym by 4 PM. At the 2 day contest, we will begin at 10 AM Saturday, and continue into the evening.. Sunday will be a regular scheduled day. We will break on Saturday around 5 PM for dinner, reconvening at around 6:15 for a symposium, hosted by Robert Hauk, followed by night flying.

Sunday Schedule for All Meets:

8:30 AM - HLG and Catapult Glider-continues until finished or 9:30

9:30 to 11:55 AM - Specialty Events.

Noon - Mass launch for P-18.

12:10 until 3:30 - Duration events.

3:35 PM. Prizes awarded. (you must be present to win)

Note: Saturday's schedule will be set by the CD at the meet depending on entry.

The CD reserves the right to alter this schedule to accommodate event entries.

Contest Events

Specialty: Peanut Scale, AMA Scale, NoCal Scale, Pistachio Scale, P-18, Bostonian, and Moorhead Event.

Duration: EZB, F1L, Ltd Pennyplane, A-6, Ornithopter, Ministick, and Jr. Intermediate Stick (X-16). No touch rule in effect for all contests.

Entry Fees

\$10 per Adult member and \$0 for Junior and Senior age contestants. A site donation is requested from all who use this facility. Entry Fee for the 2 day contest is \$10 for one day and \$18 for both days. Juniors and Seniors are \$0 for both days. Contestants are requested to assist with cleanup.

Contest Prizes

Nominal merchandise awards presented to all contestants in order of placing. Awards are made at 3:35 PM each Sunday.

Site

South Albany High School is located at 3705 S. Columbus St. in Albany, OR. The gym is located off the 37th St. parking lot next to the swimming pool. The gym has a 36 foot ceiling. Please wear gym shoes. No smoking is allowed on campus.

Contest Sanctions and Directors

All contests will be AMA sanctioned record trials. AMA membership is not required for entry. C.Ds are: December 3- Bob Stalick; January 21-Bruce Grell; February 18- George Gilbert, March 24- Ben Strauss, and April 6 & 7 - Glenn Grell.. Further Information, contact Bob Stalick, 1930 NW Heron Point Ct., Albany, OR 97321. Ph: 541-928-8101 <freefliter@aol.com>

It is suggested that each contestant brings his own chair and table.

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