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# November 2023 Newsletter of the Portland Area Sailplane Society

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### **New Club Website**

Passoaring.org

# **PASS Club News**

Note: The FAA approved FRIA field is located in St. Paul across from the rodeo stadium. See the detailed map on Page 2 of this newsletter for field details and flying restrictions.



## **NEW MEETING LOCATION**

## **PASS Meeting Notice November 14th:**

The club meeting will be on Tuesday the 14th. Gather about 6:30 and meeting starts at 7:00pm.

Round Table Pizza 16444 Boones Ferry Road Lake Owego, OR 97035 503-636-3350

West Wind

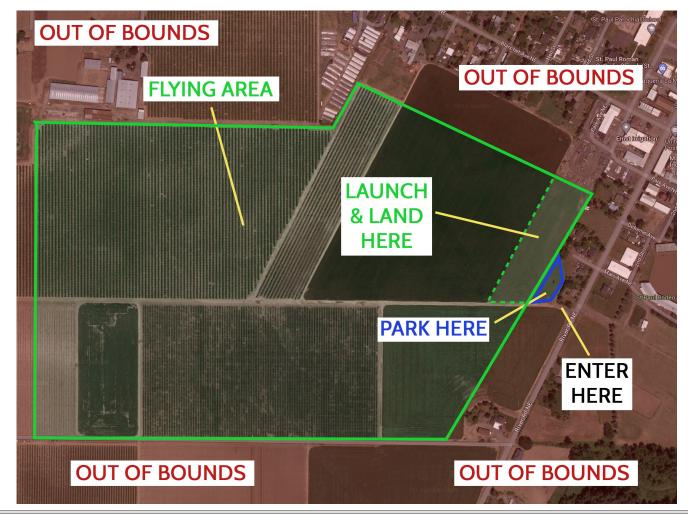
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### St. Paul Field





Out of Bounds-Revised 08-01-2023



## October 15 RES Classic Contest— Report by Dan Fiedler

Well once again October was nice to us and let us have one more contest to end the 2023 flying season. The field was in great shape and there was no wind the whole day, but there was also very little lift, and it was very hard to get your times on the 9 minute rounds. We had 7 pilots and flew 7 rounds, a 5 minute, a 7 minute, and five 9 minute rounds

It was a fun day and a great end to our flying season, and everybody took their planes home in one piece. Competition was very close going back and forth for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place all day with the Master of RES class Mr. Ken Eaton showing us all how it is done. He was the only pilot that got all of his times and was in first place all day.

1 Ken Eaton	6,835
2 Bill Keenan	6,702
3 Jim Gibson	6,573
4 Dan Fiedler	6,366
5 Richard Van Dijk	6,258
6 Tom Culmsee	6,060
7 Terry Erickson	5,314







1st Place Ken Eaton 2nd Place Bill Keenan 3rd Place Jim Gibson



## Portland Area Sailplane Society 2024 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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### Time to Renew Your AMA Membership AMA Insurance Summary



### 2023 Individual Member Insurance Summary - The facts about AMA's insurance benefits

#### Please report all incidents to AMA as soon as possible!

### General Liability Coverage (Effective March 31)

- AMA's Liability coverage is not limited to flying at chartered club sites or sanctioned events. The coverage
  also applies to model operation on private or public property.
- AMA Liability Protection applies to bodily injury or property damage caused by an AMA member. Any AMA
  member who causes an accident resulting in an injury must report that accident immediately to AMA HQ.
- Applies to accidents arising from the modeling activities of model aircraft, rockets, cars and boats, in accordance with the AMA NATIONAL Safety Code(s).
- The 'per occurrence' limit of coverage available by this policy is \$2,500,000 involving bodily injury and/or
  property damage. These limits are for claims occurring during the policy period. Coverage is provided only for
  accidents arising from the model activities.
- A separate policy covers participation in FAI events outside of the United States and Canada. This policy has a \$2,000,000 limit.
- There is no coverage for injury to a member to his own family (Household and Relative(s) living in the member's household) for claims or suits.
- The policy does NOT cover business pursuits; that is any activity that generates income for a member beyond reimbursement of expenses, except this business pursuit exclusion does not apply to individual members providing modeling instructions for pay to AMA members.
- . AMA insurance is "excess" to any other applicable coverage, such as homeowner's.
- Has a \$250.00 deductible (property damage only), which is the responsibility of the AMA member causing the
  accident

### Accident/Medical Coverage (Effective January 1)

The Accident/Medical coverage applies to injuries while engaged in model activity regardless of who causes the accident. It reimburses an AMA member in accordance with policy terms and conditions for only medical expenses (also the beneficiary for loss of life) incurred within 52 weeks of the accident. The Accident/Medical coverage works as follows: Provides up to \$25,000 for medical expenses and \$10,000 for dismemberment or death.

- Insures AMA member directly does not require claim action by another person.
- Pays for eligible expenses upon submission of bills or other documents certifying cost of treatment and that
  injury was caused by model activity.
- · Reimburses medical expenses only after submission to any other health plan, including Medicare.
- Has a \$750.00 deductible.

### Fire, Vandalism, and Theft Coverage (Effective March 31)

- Provides up to \$1,000 for loss of aircraft models and accessories, including RC equipment. All theft loss claims must be accompanied by a police report. NOTE: Theft has to occur from a locked vehicle or residential dwelling. There must be physical evidence of violent forcible entry.
- Has a \$100.00 deductible.
- Is "excess" to any other applicable coverage, such as homeowner's.

To report an incident, request claim forms, or inquiry about filing procedures please call (765) 287-1256 or e-mail <a href="mailto:claims@modelaircraft.org">claims@modelaircraft.org</a>. Regular business hours are Monday—Friday, 8 am—5 pm EST.

To report an incident that involved serious injuries to individuals outside our regular business hours, please call (765) 749-9210.

This information is merely a brief summary. Complete details of coverage, reporting periods, and exceptions are contained in master policies available at <a href="https://www.modelaircraft.org/documents">www.modelaircraft.org/documents</a>, Safety & Member Benefits tab, documents #500-LA, 500-M and 500-N.

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## **AMA Insurance Summary-Continued**



## 2023 Park Pilot Membership Insurance Summary Benefits The Facts About AMA's Park Pilot Insurance For Individual Members

### General Liability Coverage (Effective March 31)

The AMA Park Pilot Liability Protection applies to bodily injury or property damage caused by an AMA Park Pilot member. It is not limited flying at a chartered club site, but also applies to model operation on private or public property. It responds to accidents arising from the operation of model aircraft (as defined for the Park Pilot Program), in accordance with the AMA Park Flyer Safe Operating Recommendations, as well model cars, boats, and rockets.

- The "per occurrence" limit of coverage available by this policy is \$500,000 for claims involving bodily injury and/or property damage. These limits are for claims occurring during the policy period. Coverage is provided only for accidents arising from the model activities.
- There is no coverage for injury to a member to his own family (Household and Relative(s) living in the member's household) for claims or suits.
- The policy does NOT cover business pursuits; that is any activity that generates income for a
  member beyond reimbursement of expenses, except this business pursuit exclusion does not apply
  to individual members providing modeling instructions for pay to AMA members.
- AMA insurance is "excess" to any other applicable coverage, such as homeowner's.
- Has a \$250.00 deductible (property damage only), which is the responsibility of the AMA member causing the accident.

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### What's On Your Workbench?

(Send photos and details to: jimgibson6237@gmail.com)

### By Jim Gibson

I've always liked the looks of the Slingsby T13 Petrel and drooled over the full size that is located at WAAM in Hood River. The WAAM Petrel is one of two left in the world. I have a 1/3 scale(5.8 meter) short kit that I have had for several years but with the gull wing and plywood sheeted fuselage maybe something smaller would be wise to build first. So, last winter I started a 1/4 scale(4.3 meter) Petrel from a short kit that I purchased from Laser Cut Sailplanes in the UK (<a href="https://lasercutsailplanes.co.uk/">https://lasercutsailplanes.co.uk/</a>). The kit includes plans by Chris Williams, laser cut parts and canopy. At my request Laser Cut Sailplanes also supplied a set of blade type wing joiners.

It took some time to do a material takeoff and purchase all the needed sheet and stick wood. Last winter I was able to get the tail surfaces and half of the fuselage bult. It is now back on my building bench with fuselage construction continuing. Here's some construction photos of the progress to date.





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# **Upcoming Events:**

Tuesday, November 14, 2023				
PASS Monthly Meeting @ Round Table Pizza – 7:00pm				
Tuesday, December 12, 2023				
PASS Monthly Meeting @ Round Table Pizza – 7:00pm				

NOTE: Event calendar subject to change. Changes to the calendar will be sent via email as they become available. Contact Jim Gibson at <a href="mailto:jimgibson6237@gmail.com">jimgibson6237@gmail.com</a> or the event CD with questions.