

UMPQUA VALLEY MODELERS MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES May 14, 2025

The May meeting of the Umpqua Valley Modelers was held at Abby's Pizza in Sutherlin, Oregon on Wednesday May 14, 2025 and was called to order at 7:05pm by President Dale Bensen. There were 18 members and 1 wife in attendance.

The minutes from the April meeting were read by Secretary Chuck Johnson and accepted by the membership as read.

The April treasurers report was then read by Terry Thomas. It was reported that the beginning balance for the month was \$3,448.80. The only activity reported was that we received \$240.00 for new membership renewals. The ending balance for the month after the dues receipts was \$3,688.80. The treasurers report was accepted as read.

The sheep fencing for Kingery field is not needed at this time. We will need to look at having a work party to get it set up in mid to late July when the sheep are turned back onto the field for grazing.

John Piri reminded us that there will be a swap meet up in McMinnville on Saturday April 12th. The flier is posted on our website.

Alan Rader made a request to possibly have someone come up with a design for an access ramp or a floating step anchored at the bank of the lake to provide an access for easier launching of models. Bob Campbell said that he had a steel stair that we could have and possibly modify it for that purpose.

John Piri provided the documentation for the proposed motion sensor for the area around the picnic shelter and the porta-potties. It was determined that there would need to be three units to cover the intended area. Each unit supposedly covers about 2000 sq. ft. and a projected range of 30ft. At a 110 deg detection range. The units sell for 79.00 with discounts for multiple purchases, is buy 2 get one free, buy 3 get 2 free.

John Piri reported that the kids summer safety fair at the YMCA was a great success. There were approximately 600 kids and parents in attendance. John had his collection of blimps there and were constantly being flown with the assistance of Alan, Mike and Gary. The flight simulator at the club booth got a lot of attention too.

An authorization was previously approved by the membership to obtain estimates to get the roads repaired at Schrum Field and Kingery Field by adding rock, grading and possibly rolled or compacted. We haven't received any estimates with an intended commitment to do the work.

The lawn mower for Schrum Field is in need of some repairs beyond the normal tune-up. The mower keeps throwing belts. A motion was made and approved by the membership to take the mower to Diamond for repair.

There was a one day float fly at Lake Selmac in May, sponsored by the Rogue

Eagles in Grants Pass. The contact information and date was posted on our website.

Doug Petok, Barry Wilson, John Olsen and David Zorn are all new members that were welcomed to the club.

President, Dale Bensen adjourned the meeting at 7:58pm.

The next meeting will be held at Abby's Pizza on June 11th, 2025, hope to see you there.

Chuck Johnson, Secretary