

Olympic Radio Control Modelers

Dear New/Prospective Member:

Olympic Radio Control Modelers (ORCM) is a group of R/C model airplane enthusiasts which several years ago (1988) formed a club for the purpose, primarily, of having fun and enjoying the sport/hobby of flying model airplanes, as well as the company of each other. The club is a chartered AMA club and rents from the Port of Port Angeles a grass flying field located on Critchfield Road. To find the field from town, go out highway 101 (to the west) to Dry Creek Road, turn right (north) and follow that Road until it “tees” into Edgewood Drive, turn right (east) and go about a city block to Critchfield Road on the left (north) turn left and follow that road around the 90 degree left turn and go about 100'. You are there! (1520 Critchfield).

You are most likely to find club members there on Wednesday and Sunday between the hours of 10:30 AM and 2:30 PM (weather permitting). Come in and introduce yourself, if you haven't already done so, as a new/prospective member (or just an interested spectator). The people there will make you feel welcome, as indeed you are.

Club business meetings are held once a month at 7PM on the second Thursday of the month, currently in the meeting room (first door on the left after entering the main doors) of the new Library (2210 South Peabody).

Accompanying are materials pertinent to the club and its operation.

- 1) A club membership application;
- 2) An AMA membership application (as a chartered AMA club, the terms of our charter require that all club members be AMA members);
- 3) A copy of the current ORCM FIELD RULES AND SAFETY REGULATIONS. These are in addition to the FIELD RULES and AMA RULES (both posted at the field). You will be required to be familiar with all of them before flying;
- 4) A club roster (*current club officers and flying instructors are indicated on the roster. If you are unable to visit us at the field, please call one of these persons for more information about the club;*
- 5) A list of fun-fly events (we customarily have an informal fun-fly on the Sunday preceding the meeting and two trophy events each year, usually in May and September. Four events are drawn at random from this list for each of these fun-flies;
- 6) An “inspection sheet” (each pilot wishing to participate in a fun-fly must have his aircraft inspected by the safety officer for the items listed. Additional fun-fly rules are posted at the field.
- 7) A listing of flying abilities required to become a club certified pilot. Only club certified pilots are allowed to fly at the field without supervision.

If you are a beginner, you should know that active club members (without cost to you) are very willing to help you get started in the hobby with advice on selection of equipment, models and building practices, and that club flight instructors are available to help you learn how to fly. Instructors are identified in the club roster. **With particular respect to instructors, they will not be waiting around at the field for you. It's up to you to initiate contact with one of them and make *advance arrangements* to receive flying instructions!** If you are an experienced pilot, you should be aware particularly of club rule 5(a), which requires that you be club certified, by an instructor, as a competent pilot *before* you can be permitted to fly at the field other than under the immediate supervision of an instructor or club certified pilot. All seeking to become club certified pilots will be required to pass an oral or written examination on the rules mentioned in subparagraph 3, above. This rule exists for safety reasons and to protect our tenancy at the field; it will not be waived or overlooked for anyone.

You should be aware that one of the unwritten expectations of members is that each club member will assist with field maintenance and will serve as an officer when requested.

WELCOME TO ORCM!