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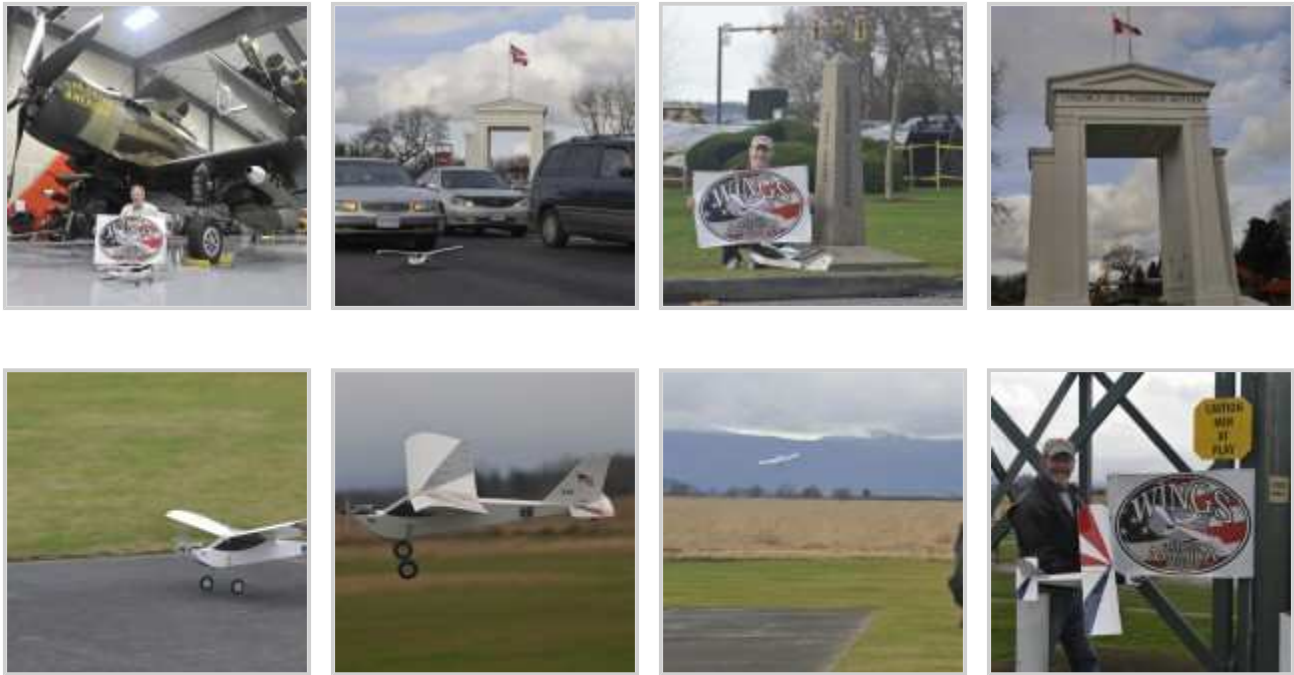
Wings Across America...

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Wings Across America visits [Whatcom County](#). In 2008 **Frank Geisler** of Gloucester, Virginia started a project called "Wings Across America" with the goal of flying a r/c airplane in each of the lower 48 United States. Bill Stevens of Stevens AeroModels donated a small parkflyer called the **SQuiRT (Simple Quiet Reliable Trainer)**, Horizon Hobby donated a Spektrum radio and others built a traveling container for the model. The mission was for pilots to sign up with the promise to personally hand the model off after flying it, and the SquiRT was on it's way.

I signed up to participate along with over 360 other pilots and hoped the model would arrive in Bellingham during good weather. For most of 2010 I was on the disabled list with a bum knee, and watched day after day of beautiful flying weather

go by while SQuiRT slowly made it's way up the west coast. My knee finally recovered enough that I was able to return to work, right as SQuiRT and our winter weather arrived in **Washington State**.



I had hoped to make SquiRT's flight a club event, but regretfully due to my work schedule and the rain I had to grab the first day of acceptable weather I could so I could get it to the next pilot without delay. On 28 December the weather broke, the photographer and I ran to the field and (watched by 2 bald eagles) I was able to log 2 quick flights.

We also took photos at **Peace Arch State Park** at the US-Canada border, and **Heritage Flight Museum** Executive Director Greg Anders kindly allowed SQuiRT to pose next to the **AD-4 Skyraider** and **P-51D Mustang** at **Bellingham Airport**.

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