

# THE CLANKING ARMOR

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AMA CLUB # 405

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*NEWS AND ACTIVITIES OF THE LINCOLN SKY KNIGHTS R/C CLUB*

## President's Message

With the season in full swing from my back deck I can once again hear the whine of electrics and the clatter of gas and glow engines. Wow it is great to have that back after the long dry spell this winter. One of the sounds I haven't heard much of is the scream of the old half/A engines. Just for the fun of it I hunted up my old box of parts and lit up one of the last cox TD.051s in my bin. It still screamed just like it used to and brought to mind the days of learning to fly with a single channel radio and a screaming .049 on a Cox EazyBee foam trainer.

Hopefully I could make it through the full three minutes of terror before the engine cut and I'd try to glide the plane down to someplace I could still see it. The bean field behind my grandparents place made an ideal landing spot and the many times the engine bay was full of mud didn't seem to make it run any worse. I don't remember ever thanking my grandpa for not saying anything about his beans getting trampled or the mess I'd leave in my room on the porch. It's all water under the bridge now and I have the memories of that happy summer. Just for the fun of it I looked up free flight on youtube. Not a surprise that most of the videos were of old guys over in Europe. The American mindset doesn't lend itself to the little stuff much anymore unless it is electric and indoor. Some time when you are not doing anything think of where you started out and see if you can find some of the kits you started with. Right now the

retro thing is in, cars, motorcycles, clothing... so why not model planes? Take a second and browse the internet just to find the kits that started it all. I went through my cupboard and granted I love freeflight and nostalgia type planes, I found over thirty planes that I haven't built yet. Time has a way of getting away from us, so take time now and build those planes you always meant to but thought, "maybe someday." It's an excuse anyway to put off work and play. It's good for your mental health if nothing else. Maybe it will make it so we hear the scream once more of the good old half/A engine at our field once again. Keep flying it's good for you.

## Secretary's Report

The meeting was called to order at 7:31 by President Wilson Hardy with 17 members present.

## VP/CD Report

Sig is having a fly in June 12-14 in Montezuma Ia.

Indoor flying final total income was 63 dollars. Of that 60 dollars was proposed to be set aside of AMA sanction next year but no vote was taken on that.

The club will be doing display and flying demo or the Boy Scouts at Mahoney park in Lincoln on Saturday may 25 from 1-4. We have a small flying area so only small electrics will be able to fly, but bring out your display plane for them to see.

## **AREA EVENTS**

May 2<sup>nd</sup> Phil Holman's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday at Eastmont Towers 1pm – 5 pm  
May 10<sup>th</sup> Mother's Day  
May 16<sup>th</sup> Western Flyers Old Timers & Glider Fun Fly  
May 16<sup>th</sup> Omahawks SPC Pylon 11 am – 3  
May 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> Lincoln Sky Knights Fun Fly  
May 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> Performance Flyers La Vista Days  
May 25<sup>th</sup> Memorial Day  
June 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, and 14<sup>th</sup> Sig RC Fly-In at Montezuma Iowa  
June 13<sup>th</sup> Omahawks SPC Competitive Fun Fly  
June 13<sup>th</sup> Western Flyers Old Timers & Glider Fun Fly  
June 14<sup>th</sup> Western Flyers Club Fun Fly  
June 14<sup>th</sup> Performance Flyers Local Fun Fly  
June 19<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> Grand Island Modeler's Annual Big Bird Fun Fly  
June 21<sup>st</sup> Father's Day  
June 25<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> Cornhuckfest Twin Cities Eagle Squadron's field in Council Bluffs, Iowa  
June 28<sup>th</sup> Performance Flyers Regional Helicopter Fun Fly  
July 4<sup>th</sup> on Saturday  
July 11<sup>th</sup> Omahawks Annual Float Fly  
July 12<sup>th</sup> Western Flyer's Open House Fun Fly  
July 18<sup>th</sup> Omahawks SPC Combat 11 am - 3  
July 18<sup>th</sup> Western Flyers Old Timers & Glider Fun Fly  
July 19<sup>th</sup> Performance Flyers Local Fun Fly  
August 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> Omahawks Pattern Championship  
August 15<sup>th</sup> Western Flyers Old Timers & Glider Fun Fly  
August 15<sup>th</sup> Hastings Skylarks Annual Fun Fly  
August 22<sup>nd</sup> Western Flyers Bud Hall Large Aircraft Fun Fly (23<sup>rd</sup> rain date)  
September 6<sup>th</sup> Western Flyers Annual Swap meet  
September 7<sup>th</sup> Labor Day

September 12<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> GI Modeler's 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Warbirds over the Platte  
September 13<sup>th</sup> Performance Flyers Regional Helicopter Fun Fly  
September 19<sup>th</sup> Western Flyers Old Timers & Glider Fun Fly  
September 27<sup>th</sup> Lincoln Sky Knights Fall Fun Fly  
October 17<sup>th</sup> Western Flyers Old Timers & Glider Fun Fly

<http://www.lincolnskyknights.org> or for area events check the Metro R/C site at <http://metrorcflaying.com>

## **Treasurer's Report**

Normal bills were paid.  
The auction netted \$1350 this year.

## **Safety Officer's Report**

The safety officer reported he had no calls.

## **Old Business**

1. The option of haying the field is still being looked into. Dave Riber hopes to meet with the guy who is interested in the next few weeks.
2. Glen Lau reported that Phil Holman has at 90 closed the case on his transmitter for the last time. He will stop by to make sure we are doing it right but his flying days are over.

## **New Business**

1. The runway is cracking again and new member Gorden Wisbey will check on materials to repair it and get in touch with Alan.
2. The water is turned on.
3. There were some questions about how accurate the weather station on the club web site was, but no suitable was forthcoming.

## **New Members**

Gordon Wisbey and Jacob Smith

## **Models of the Month**

Wilson Hardy brought a ridiculously small quad copter.

## **Meeting adjourned**

Meeting ended at 8:11

## **Boy Scout Event**

A very windy and cold Saturday for the event. Rich Kuenning, Alan Zinnecker, Don Dickey, Steve Rogers, Milt Oschner, and Leonard Akert brought some airplanes for static display. There was no place to fly near the display area but Milt Ocshner and Leonard Akert made some flights on ½ of a sand volleyball court surrounded by trees. Many scouts came by and asked questions about the RC aircraft we brought.



# Celebrating 90 Years Jay Philip Holman

Come Join us at an open house  
Saturday, May 2, 1-5PM

At Eastmont Towers

Seasons Bldg

The Atrium

6305 O St.

Lincoln, Ne 68510

**No Gifts Please**

Send cards to

Mr J.P. Holman

6335 O St Apt.526

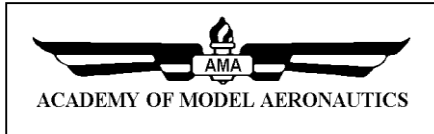
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We look forward to seeing you  
and sharing this occasion

Jim, Barb, Pat, Linda, Matt, & Grandchildren

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For information on the web about  
local events and activities

<http://metrorcfllying.com/>

#### **WHO TO CALL FOR HELP!**

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#### **2015 Event Schedule**

LSK Fun Fly – May 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>

59<sup>th</sup> Fall Fun Fly – Sept 27<sup>th</sup>

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**PLEASE REMEMBER!! IF YOU ARE THE LAST PERSON AT THE FIELD IN THE EVENING, PLEASE BE SURE THAT THE CLUBHOUSE AND THE GATE ARE LOCKED!!!!**

Tuesday night flying will run from May thru September. Guests can receive introductory flights from our members.

Meetings are the first Friday of every month at the LSK field 7:30 PM

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