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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

Spring Is Officially Here!

Even though spring is officially here, what happened to the weather? We were spoiled in February and the first half of March. Weekends were dry with temps in the 55 to 70 Degree range. Well that's Nebraska, and we are all used to it by now.

What we are not used to, is the NEW NORM. Covid-19 has us all restricted in one form or another.

My wife and I are working from home, as well as all the school kids. Internet services have been severely tasked. Worse, I'm still concerned where I'm going to score 2000 to 3000 rolls of TP!

Kidding aside, I hope this letter finds everyone in good health.

If you received the email blast, you already know that our monthly meeting for April has been canceled. We will most likely have to cancel a few more before this is over.

Even though they haven't shut down our Club, we want everyone to follow the CDC guidelines I'm not sure how the 10 people rule applies to our club, I'm still researching. Here are the Lincoln/Lancaster guidelines from their site:

Not Allowed

- **Gatherings for any reason of more than 10 people in single spaces.** This includes schools; fitness centers and conference rooms; meeting halls; theatres; and libraries. Daycare and childcare facilities will be allowed

with groups of 10 or fewer children. If more than one group of children is cared for, each group shall be separated.

- **Gatherings for any reason of less than 10 people in single spaces, where a minimum of six feet between all individuals cannot be maintained.** This includes but is not limited to, tattoo and barber shops, beauty and nail salons, and message establishments.
- **Food and beverage sales at any dine-in establishments including restaurants, bars, taverns, and private clubs are restricted to drive-thru, carry out, and delivery only.** This does not apply to food service in health care facilities. Alcohol sales are restricted to carry-out sales and delivery only, to the extent permitted by the law. No on-site consumption of alcohol is permitted.

The staff of a business is excluded from the 10- person limit, which only applies to customers, patrons, and other invitees.

I suppose one could say we are all "Staff" of our club, others would argue that those rules pertain to indoor activities or outdoor arenas where patrons gather in close seating arrangements.

If anyone knows for certain how these apply to us, please let me know ASAP. Either way, to be on the safe

side, let's try to limit club usage to ten people at a time. Avoid clubhouse use/gathering, and maintain the 6 foot rule. Let's also try to limit visitor's until further notice.

Another good practice; bring a small notebook and keep track of people you come into contact with and at the time of day you are at the field. This will help in notifications to other members in case you start feeling sick, or find out you had previous exposure.

Hang in there, we'll all get thru this together. Most importantly, if you feel sick for any reason, **STAY HOME**

If you are interested in online group flying using Real Flight, contact me for RF-8, and Cliff for RF-9.

**SAFETY IS A CHOICE U MAKE!
THE LIFE YOU SAVE MAY NOT
BE YOURS!**

Secretary's Report

The March 6th, 2020 meeting of the Lincoln Sky Knights was called to order by President Ric Feldman at 7:30 P.M. with 27 members present. First off, the minutes for the last meeting were accepted and added to the archives.

VP/CD Report

The VP/CD Tyler brown said the "Big Event" for this summer is in the planning phase. He has started a pre-registration already and wanted the club to know that the Wednesday before the event will be included as part of the show, but will be used as a practice and warm-up day.

Treasurer's Report

Up next was the treasurer's report. John knop said that there are 69 paid up members this year so far. This is with a new member this month.

Safety Officer's Report

There was no Safety Officer's report other than, "No news is good news!"

Old Business

After all the reports were done, President Feldman opened the first business part of the meeting, Old Business. He stated that Al Lydman, Wayne Nguyen, and John Knopp fixed the garage door with only an outlay of \$30 to \$40 instead of the \$700 that was quoted for a completely new door. Thank you, gentlemen for the door repair. The next bit of old news that is pretty exciting for two young men in the club. The trainer plane give-away that has been building up to this month was won by Ryan Olson and Mitchell Torrey. Congratulations to both of them, and good luck with flying. Jaxon Flemming, don't give up hope. The year isn't over and your turn will be soon. On one more point from the past, Bill Davis asked that anyone that is interested in mowing this next season to give him a call and get the training so they can be signed off to use the mower. While old business is being discussed, the runway will need to be sealed this summer. Secretary Wilson hardy will look into possibly using a tar kettle from his work to get the sealant prepared to put down. With all the talk of field repair and upkeep, a big thanks to Larry Haisch for paying the tire bill for the Ford Tractor. Also, Bill Davis had mentioned that he could get the plans for new flight stands for a build off later this season.

New Business

With the topic of Old Business being exhausted, President Feldman moved the meeting into fresher topics with New Business. Keith and Tristan gilbert along with Ryan Meintz visited our meeting this month. They are the representatives for the Lincoln Drone Racing Club. With only 10 members and a huge online follow, they are an up-and-coming big thing for our area. They are in need of a safe and accessible place to practice and hold once a month invitational races. Keith asked if LSK would be favorable to host club for their club. The details of the merging could be worked out

at a later date. Right now, they were just asking if LSK would be interested. Tyler brown answered a bunch of AMA related questions as to how this merging could easily be done and that the AMA is in favor of the idea of more flyers to bring more support for our sport. One outlined plan was that they would join the LSK club and pay dues just as usual, and have a separate club within the LSK club. One other option was that they would have a separate club and rent a section of the LSK field. There were several other options discussed, but the overall was a leaning toward the LDR to just join LSK and be a separate club within the LSK club. That way they could use their practice and racing area and still be able to join with the rest of the LSK club and use the full field for normal flying. They would also be responsible for their own sanctioned events and the AMA insurance that goes along with that. So, there are a few little details for the two Executive Committees to hash out, and an overall acceptance by both parties before any merge happens. On to other new business... A request was made for a visual roster to be added to the clubhouse in the form of a poster board or a card file that has an up to date roster with member pictures included. Secretary Hardy said he would come up with something that could be done on a voluntary basis for anyone that would like to participate in the picture directory. The last item on the list of new business was the vote for the Day of the Week that the meetings should be on. Friday passed and for the next year, the meeting for the LSK club will be held on the first Friday of every month.

Other

After New Business, Brian Johnson asked if anyone could help out with the Midwest Aerobatic club, or MAC 80 as it is called with their contest season. Volunteers are needed for the following categories. Line Judges, Score Keepers, etc. this is the perfect time to get involved in full scale aviation aerobatics and all that it entails. If being up close with the full

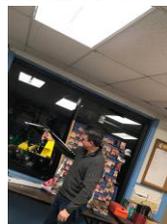
scale aerobatic planes and their pilots is your thing, then give Brian a call (402) 432 – 0917, and be a part of the best show in the Midwest.

New Members

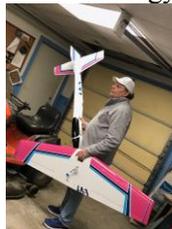
Brian Johnson brought Mitchell to the club meeting and is working with him to get up to speed with every part of model aviation. Welcome Mitchell!

Models of the Month

Models of the month were brought in by Mike Marcsisak and Cliff Schroff. Mike brought his patter plane, an LA-1 powered by a YS .61 and push pull controls that make this 7.9 pound glass and foam beauty an awesome flyer. Cliff had the attention getter with an electric autogyro from MIA Microflight. It uses the gear from the HobbyKing Auto G and is a great flyer. Thank you gentlemen, for bringing these eyeopeners in for all of us to see.



Cliff's Autogyro (Above)



Mike's LA-1 (Above)

Adjournment

The Lincoln Sky Knights meeting for March 6th, 2020 was called to a close at 8:45 and adjournment soon followed.

Wishing you happy flying,
--Ryan Olson

If you have any questions, or concerns,
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Planes for sale



Ken Pierson's Corsair
Retracts, Flaps, servos installed
Times flown: Never
Power System: Not installed (.60 2 stroke)
Price: \$550
Contact: 402-440-4935
Shipping: NO pickup only

If you have a plane for sale, go to this link :
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LSK FIELD RULES

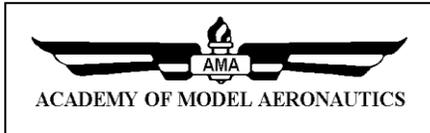
1. The AMA SAFETY CODE must be followed at all times.
2. All pilots must be current members of the Lincoln Sky Knights R/C club, or their guests, and have current AMA card.
Guest pilots are allowed to fly three non-contest dates per calendar year if a current Lincoln Sky Knight member is present and they must have a current AMA card.
ALL PILOTS MUST HAVE A CURRENT A.M.A. CARD.
3. All aircraft with fuel burning engines larger than .051 must have a functional muffler system.
4. Frequency Control Procedure for radios other than 2.4: After determining that your frequency is not in use, take your radio from the impound (if used) and place your current AMA and LSK card or a photocopy of them on the frequency control board. Do this by raising the tag corresponding to your frequency number and pinning it to the cable above your pin. At completion of flight, remove your pin from the tag and place your radio back in the impound (if used), making sure the switch is off.
5. Pilots must use one of the six flying stations and remain behind the safety barrier while flying. Pilots are allowed to stand behind the plane on the runway, only during take-off, if they feel it is necessary.
NOTIFY OTHER PILOTS when you are taking off, landing, going onto the runway, or if you are in a dead stick or other emergency situation.
6. **NO FLYING** over the pits, spectators, or parking area at any time! **WARNING!!!** This rule is strictly enforced!
7. All flying is to be done to the East of the asphalt runway (or West of the camping hookups for heli and park flyers) and do not fly within the field boundaries; that is the runway, except for take-off, landing and practice approaches.
KNOW AND OBEY THE DIRECTION OF THE PATTERN.
8. **NO SMOKING IN THE PIT AREA.**
9. All aircraft and field boxes (when not in use) must be kept in the pit area. No spectators, children or pets in the pit area without escort.
10. Aircraft must be restrained while starting and running.
Taxiing only East of the red safety line.
Walkways between the runways and pilots stations must remain clear.
11. Do not start engines in the pits. Engines must be started in the designated starting area.
12. Discharge of firearms is prohibited on club property!!!
13. Please, remember to be courteous to both your fellow pilot and the club field!

**THE AMA SAFETY CODE AND CLUB RULES MUST BE FOLLOWED AT ALL TIMES!
THESE RULES ARE IN PLACE FOR YOUR SAFETY AS WELL AS THE SAFETY OF
OTHER PILOTS, SPECTATORS, AND PROPERTY.**

Every club member is a Safety Officer. Please do your part. If you see a rule violation, politely confront the pilot. It is your responsibility as an AMA and LSK club member to inform offending pilots of a rule violations. Politely explain to the pilot the rule and how they violated it. Most pilots want to fly safely and obey the rules; however, if the pilot continues to violate the rule, you may file a formal complaint. Contact a club officer for information on filing a formal complaint. We take safety very seriously. Repeat rule violations or filing false formal complaints may result in the loss of flying privileges and/or club expulsion.

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For information on the web about
local events and activities

<http://metrorcfllying.com/>

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2020 Event Schedule

Indoor Flying – Cathedral of the Risen
Christ Gym @ 7pm, every other Friday,
starting November 8th
Annual Fun Fly – June
Don Neill Scale Fly – August
Fall Fun Fly – October

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**PLEASE REMEMBER!! IF YOU ARE THE LAST
PERSON LEAVING THE FIELD, DAY OR
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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