

# 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

In the past several years there has been a trend in the type of aircraft showing up at the field. This isn't bad or good it is just a change. First the ARFs started showing up then the bind and fly and now not only bind and fly but completely set up and ready to do their stuff straight from the box. Kind of cool in a way, but it has got me wondering... Will it get to the point that there is so much prefab that there isn't much point in our having a hobby? Some will argue that I'm old-fashioned. That may be true, but I'm sure there is still a place for those modelers that still build what they fly. A case and point here, I was searching on eBay for 72 MHz receivers and came across a kit for a Sig Ninja. I haven't seen that kit for close to twenty years. There were thirteen bids on it at the time I saw it. So for giggles I started looking up vintage kits. WOW there are a lot of old kits plane and helicopter both for sale and are being purchased on R/C groups, Craigslist, and eBay. So maybe some of the old stuff isn't so far out there. I guess it all comes down to one thing... Creativity. We love to fly, but flying in itself may not be the outlet we need. In steps the building board and away we go with a new project. Awe now that is much better, whether it is something we designed and fly or something we assembled and put in the air a need has been met and our lives are better for it. I love watching the model of the month segment of our club meetings, I can only hope it gets better with each month. Quadcopter to old timer they

are all exciting and bring a wealth of entertainment and satisfaction to each of us. So until next time not only keep flying, but see what you can build that isn't just like everyone else's.

## Secretary's Report

The July meeting was called to order at 7:25 pm by V/P Leonard Akert with 11 members present.

The minutes of the June meeting were approved.

## VP/CD Report

Leonard mentioned with the unpredictable weather we been having this year we will have a Fun Fly on the Fly. So watch your email because Leonard will send out a message Thursday or Friday if the weather looks promising for a Saturday event.

## AREA EVENTS

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://metrorcflying.com>

### **Treasurer's Report**

Kelly emailed that the bills are up to date and due to his building a new house and selling his present one he won't be at any more meetings and is looking for someone to take over his duties if they wish. He is willing to stay on and keep up with the bills but won't be able to make meetings and pay bills that club members bring to the meeting in person.

### **Safety Officer's Report**

No report of problems

### **Old Business**

The well pump was fixed by Rich and Delmar. Thank You!

The tractor gas tank is contaminated. A fire on the engine block burned one plug wire and took out the tach. John Cuba may be able to work on it.

Crack sealing is still being held up by the weather.

### **New Business**

An amendment to the club Constitution to remove the 2 term limit for club officers was proposed by Rich and seconded by Jupe. Motion carried. Vote on this Will be taken at the Sept. and If successful Oct. meetings.

Bill Davis has talked to the County about giving us the gravel that they have to take out of the ditch after the road wash out so we can repair our road.

### **New Members**

Nick Gruber, Michael Jango and Rick Buckhus were voted in. WELCOME!

### **Models of the Month**

There were no models of the month

### **Meeting adjourned**

The meeting adjourned at 7:44

### **FUN FLY**

Saturday July 11<sup>th</sup> we had our make-up Fun Fly. We had 25-30 pilots show up and the wind was blowing right down the runway. We had a good number of spectators that also came to the event. One of the highlights of the fun fly was the food. I went and got some buns, chips, burgers and Wayne Nguyen's wife (Marivic) said she would run home and make us some shrimp fried rice. When she returned she brought a large container of shrimp fried rice, a pasta dish with chicken, a salmon fillet, and even cut up a watermelon for us. We ate like kings and queens. Some of the guys commented the food was better than any restaurant they have eaten at. Thank you Marivic and Wayne. Maybe the Fun Fly on the Fly is not a bad idea.

Leonard Akert

### **Pictures**

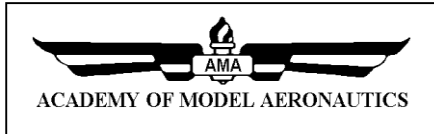
Alan Zinnecker working on the weather station and the July 11<sup>th</sup> Fun Fly. Thanks to all that attended!





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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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