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

President's Message



SAFETY – Father's Day afternoon. Phone call, "there has been an accident at the field...", Will Rausher at the emergency room with one left finger one-half inch shorter and the remaining sliced up. Milt Ochsner was there to help him until the fire department arrived. NEVER FLY ALONE. It is not a constitutional rule. However, each pilot is responsible to himself and it is only commonsense.

I have received e-mails both thanking and complimenting Gary and his crew on the operation of the Huck Fest. All club members should be proud. Rob Lyman won one of the big raffle planes---he needed it as one of the 3-D pilots' lost his plane and it wiped out Rob's biplane when it crashed in to the pits.

A half a dozen of us made it to Grand Island Saturday, June 18th. They had a great big turnout. Their runway is 400 feet long and there were airplanes tip to tip from one end to the other. I have never seen more War Birds at a fun fly. It was really neat. John and Bill Boord taxied their unflown 10 foot plus Super Constellation (Columbine/Eisenhower Air Force One). It

was one fine looking and sounding plane. They did a fine job. One of the best things was the not a lot of 3-Ding. So if you wanted to fly a real airplane instead of a plane impersonating a helicopter, you could fly most any time. And everyone did.

Dave

Secretary's Notes

President Dave Reiber called the June Lincoln Sky Knights meeting to order at 7:30pm on June 3, 2011. The first item of business is the prior month's minutes and approval. A motion was made by Don Saiser and all approved.

VP/CD Report

Tim O'Brien gave the VP/CD report in Gary Dunkel's absence. Tim provided an update about the upcoming CornHuckFest fun fly. There are 50 pre-registered pilots and more than \$3,000 in raffle prizes, most of which were donated. Thank you sponsors! The funfly event is open to all types and sizes of planes, but expect a lot of aerobatic aircraft. Volunteers are still needed so please see Tim or Gary.

The time for field clean-up was changed to 10AM on June 5th.

SPA is set to go on July 24th. Event patterns are posted in the clubhouse. The event flier is posted on the website and contact Allan Worrest (aworrest@aol.com 402-466-5264) or Mike Yearly (firstchar2@hotmail.com 402-475-1609) if you have questions.

A motion was made to approve the VP/CD report, all approved.

Treasurer's Report

John Willman provided the club with the treasurer's report. He said there were a lot of expenses for clean-up, concrete, and dirt movement/prep. The total was about \$4,000 and actually a little less than budget. The tractor was also fixed. A motion was made and approved to accept the treasurer's report.

Safety Officer's Report

No issues

New Members

There was one new associate member and Richard Feldman is back getting into the hobby. The new members were approved by the club. Welcome!

New Business

An update on wind socks was provided and we might be on our last one. Don Reger thanked everyone for their hard work with the concrete and field improvements

Old Business

Jim S. provided an update about the Don Neill event on August 20th. More volunteers are needed, so please see Jim or Gary D.

Dave R. had a couple calls about bringing guests to the field. He said it's ok as long as guests have AMA. The LSK constitution states guests can visit 3 times a year. Please do not take advantage of this.

Justin Gebes had a friend who is interested in the 8N and is offering \$1200. The sale of the tractor had been discussed in a prior meeting and the club was looking for \$2000. A fairly lengthy debate went on if the club should keep the 8N or not and what maintenance costs would be accrued. Don Svobda expressed his thoughts of keeping the 8N and attach the sprayer on it permanently. Rich K. asked if should be put on Craig's list. Dave R, said we made motion to put on Craig's list in a prior meeting when the weather warmed up.

Good photos of the 8N are needed to go with the posting.

Reminder!! Check the new tractor's oil each time it is used.

Glen Lau donated a very nice Avistar that is ready to fly with great equipment in it for club for training. Thank you!!!

Models of the Month



Jim S. showed off a Taser jet. He said it's from England and the second one to hit the US. Jim said it's very well built and as you ordered you can customize it. It has a 110mm fan and runs on a 12S 5000mah. Jim thought it might be fun to have an EDF event sometime this summer.



Don Saiser brought his brand new Hanger 9 Spitfire powered by a Magnum 91 4 stroke. He was impressed by the quality of the ARF and it went together nicely and has retracts.

A motion was made by Rich K. to adjourn the meeting at 7:57pm, all approved.

Newsletter articles are needed! Please send them to timobrien1@gmail.com

CornHuckFest Synopsis

The CornHuckFest event on June 9-12th was a very successful event with 85 registered pilots from all over the Midwest. There was a mix of fog, rain, and wind, but there was still a lot of good weather for flying. Flying continued into the evening under the lights. Our visitors were extremely impressed by the condition of the field and the hospitality of our members. A good time was certainly had by all.

There was more than \$3,000 in sponsorships, with most of the items being donated. Thank you sponsors!!!!!!

Raffle Items

- 3D Hobby Shop - 103" Extra 330SC (retail price \$949)
- 3D Hobby Shop - 89" AJ Slick (retail price \$679)
- 3D Hobby Shop - 71" AJ Slick (retail price \$389)
- 3D Hobby Shop - 41" Edge 540 (retail price \$99)
- Desert Aircraft Gift Certificates (4 x \$25)
- Tower Hobby Gift Certificates (3 x \$10)
- 2 - UMX Extra 300 BNF (retail price \$139)
- Huckfest T-Shirts (5 x \$25)
- Troy Built Models T-Shirts (4 x \$20)
- Higher Plane DVDs (2 x \$25)
- Higher Plane Calendar and CD (\$25)
- Smart-Fly – Ignition Regulators, Optical Kill, Equalizer 3Ds, Sport Reg, Gift Certificates (retail over \$300)
- Hitec – HS-7955 servos, hats, banners, mouse pads (\$300)

Sponsors

- **Lead Sponsor 3D Hobby Shop**
www.3DHobbyShop.com
- Smart-Fly - <http://www.smart-fly.com/>

- Troy Built Models -
www.troybuiltmodels.com
- Horizon Hobby -
www.horizonhobby.com
- Tower Hobby -
www.towerhobby.com
- Higher Plane Productions -
<http://www.higherplaneproductions.com/>
- Desert Aircraft -
www.desertaircraft.com
- Hitec – www.hitec.com

Thanks to the landing fees and sponsorships the event brought in \$4,191.37 with expenditures of \$2,640.44, netting \$1,550.93 in revenue.

Rather than rambling on about the event, pictures and video tell the story (see below and more will be posted on the club website soon)

This event took months of planning by the event committee and in all turned out to be a lot of fun. Thanks for everyone's help and support! Well done!

Tim O'Brien and Gary Dunkel – Event Coordinators

Videos at

<http://www.youtube.com/user/obriendigital>





















LSK Legacy Pattern Contest

by Allan Worrest

On Sunday, July 24 the club will hold its annual Legacy Pattern Contest at the club's field. If you have an airplane and able to takeoff and land by yourself, you are invited, if not urged, to enter. Don't let the term "contest" scare you off. Think of it as a fun fly where you can prepare in advance. We plan to fly three rounds. Weather permitting, we will start at 10:30 A.M. There will be the normal three classes: Novice, Sportsman, and Expert. Trophies for first, second, and third place for each of these classes have been ordered. If we're lucky, we will have other items to give out.

The contest is based on the Senior Pattern Association rules. But you are not required to have a special aircraft nor SPA membership. If your plane is legal to fly at the field and can do the maneuvers, you can use it. You will have to have your AMA paid up.

The fly-by maneuvers we use are not hard. You simply perform one maneuver as you fly by. It is much easier than AMA precision aerobatics. The maneuver lists and their

descriptions are in the red folder in the box next to the south door of the club house. The schedules have changed slightly from last year.

For those who have no previous experience with our past Legacy contests we have added an extra class, B-Novice. The maneuvers for this class are very easy and you probably flown them all. It starts with a takeoff, followed by straight flight out, procedure turn, straight flight back, stall turn, Immelman turn, 1/2 Cuban eight, inside loop, one horizontal roll, and landing.

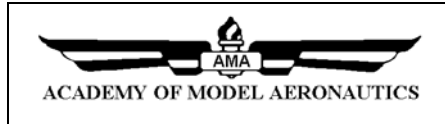
The contest announcement with some more details is taped to the club house window. Give either Mike Yearley or me a call if you have questions. I also plan to be at the field on Tuesday evenings until after the contest is held.

Hastings Skylarks will be holding a similar contest on July 3. I've posted their announcement in the club house.

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For information on the web about
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<http://metrorcflying.com/>

WHO TO CALL FOR HELP!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Warbirds Over Waverly July 16
SPA like Pattern Contest July 24

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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 except December at the LSK field at 7:30 PM

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