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

President's Message



If this weather doesn't straighten up we will be flying indoor until July. The last scheduled indoor at Calvert Rec Center was this past Sunday, March 27th. Leonard Akert rode herd on indoor. Be sure and thank him for a job well done.

Neil Walter, the Director for the Eastern Nebraska 4-H Center, is having a seven day summer camp for youngsters on all things aeronautical in Gretna the week of June 27th thru July 1st. He would like to bring the group down to visit our field and to see our airplanes. I have suggested Tuesday, June 28th for their visit as this is our Trainer Night and depending on daylight and weather we could do some ground school, show and fly some different airplanes, and if time allows, maybe some stick time. Neil will get back to us for coordination, etc. It's a way off so there is time for planning.

Have you sent letters to your elected Representatives as per AMA web site? Your right to fly may depend on it!

Dave

Secretary's Notes

President Dave Rieber brought the Lincoln Sky Knights meeting to order at 7:30pm on March 4, 2011 with 21 members present. Dave opened the meeting with the discussion of the prior month's minutes; a motion was made and approved. Tim O'Brien noted the minutes are also posted on the club website. If you are not receiving club emails, please email timobrien1@gmail.com with your correct address.

VP/CD Report

Secretary Tim O'Brien gave the VP/CD report in Gary Dunkel's absence. Tim discussed the 2011 events and stated a committee approach would be helpful rather than one or two people leading each event. Please contact Gary Dunkel if you are interested in helping organize an event.

Tim provided a detailed overview of the June 9-12th "CornHuckFest" event. There continues to be substantial interest about this event and a committee was formed to help lead the preparation process. Tim thanked the committee as everyone has been working diligently to ensure the event is a major success and fun for all. Tim O'Brien and Gary Dunkel are leading the event. Tim stated that the event flier is available and a special section of the LSK website was created just for this event. The page can be viewed at www.cornhuckfest.com A pre-registration form will also be posted on the website to provide a discount for early registrations and to help the club with some money up front for event expenses and

prizes. There will also be an early bird raffle item. Event registration is \$30 until May 1 for 4 days, or \$35 after May 1, or \$10 a day. The 4 day registration will include a steak supper on Saturday night. Lastly, Tim mentioned that there would be substantial prizes and raffle items for the event. We have received some donations and also able to buy planes from the main event sponsor 3D Hobby Shop for a major discount. Club members commented on the importance of good prizes.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer John Willman provided an update to the club and said we are in good standing. John stated the net for the auction was \$2900 and \$1300 came from donations. Most of the donation dollars came from the Dick Britton. A motion was made by Don S. to approve the report, all approved.

Safety Officer's Report

No issues

New Members

No new members this month

Old Business

Tyler Brown provided an update on the potential car track development. The gentleman interested in the development has decided not to pursue it at our field.

Dave Rieber provided a detailed report of insurance options and passed out copies of the quotes. Forsythe insurance total cost was \$799 for same coverage and Copple was \$524 per year. Some replacement costs were obtained and it was found \$48,000 for clubhouse, metal shed \$2,200 or \$3000 for the steel building. The 8N tractor can be taken off the policy when sold in the near future. The policy also included vandalism coverage. Don S. made a motion to go with Copple Insurance. All approved.

Riley O. brought up that a date is needed to be set to insure the concrete is completed early this year. The attending members chose the weekend of April 30 and May 1.

Many club members will be needed to pull this task off, mark your calendar.

A motion was made by Rich K. to pay Don D. \$232 for a bug sprayer.

Debate about the use of the 8N took place. Some thought it might be possible to permanently mount the sprayer onto it. Others felt that it is another thing the club needs to maintain. Aaron C. said we should set a price and see what happens. Ray made a motion to accept an offer above \$1800. Tyler B. provided a second with all approving, motion carried.

New Business

Tim O. discussed the need to set an authorized dollar amount to be spent on the June CornHuckFest that would be managed by the event committee. A majority of the funding will be used for prizes and raffle items. This authorization will provide reimbursements for expenses as they arise. Tim conducted a lot of research about event budgets and other clubs hosting this event have spent substantially more money, but he felt \$2,000 was appropriate to ensure a successful event. With most of the funding being used for prizes and raffle items, these items will provide a good level of insurance. The pre-registration funding will also help bring in more money up front for the event, but without knowing exact amounts an approved event budget is needed. Tim O. made a motion for a \$2,000 authorization for the event with a second by Don R. All approved, motion carried.

The club also mentioned a new HobbyTown will be coming in a few weeks on 27th and Superior. This new store will focus on RC related items.

Models of the Month



Tom brought a Nutball that his daughter in Florida painted for him. Very cool!

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:09pm by Rich K. Motion approved.

CornHuckFest Update

June 9-12

By Tim O'Brien

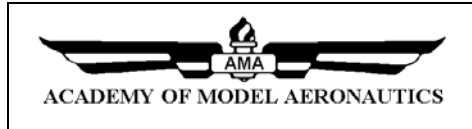
- A special website for the event that links to the club website - www.cornhuckfest.com or go to lincolnskyknights.org
- Committee formed and lead by Gary Dunkel and Tim O'Brien
- We also setup a pre-registration system to help get money up front for prizes and such. Right now we have \$300+ in registrations! We haven't fully begun promotion either! LSK members please register early and support the event
- I will be printing fliers and registration information and mailing out to area clubs. If anyone would like copies, please contact me. Also they can be found electronically here <http://lincolnskyknights.org/lskdocs/2011-Lincoln-CornHuckFest.pdf>
- The event is sanctioned with AMA
- I have received several donations for raffle items and other prizes
- We will be purchasing some large raffle items from 3DHobbyshop.com They are a major event sponsor and are allowing us to purchase planes at a

- substantial discount to be used as raffle/event prizes for the club only.
- Steak supper on Saturday will be the only food LSK is responsible for (we plan to have pop and water). We are looking into food vendors as it's too much of a pain to cook meals for all the attendees and visitors. This also requires a lot of upfront money for food. If we do get a vendor, we will give pilots a discount. Another idea is to have folks share their interest in food and order pizza or sub sandwiches. This will be further discussed by the committee
- I heard from a couple club members that the event budget of \$2,000 was too much or risky. I do appreciate you're the concerns. Frankly, I can confidently say the amount is about right. Other clubs I have been talked to have spent \$5,000+ I don't see that we need to do that though, the pre-registrations will help bring in income. Half of the money will be going for prizes and with most being planes bought at a discount and if weather were to happen, we can easily sell the planes or hold a raffle. I would gladly take one plane off the clubs hands for a price too. 😊 The rest of the money will be used for odds and ends, like perhaps another port-a-john for the weekend, pop/ice, etc. In short, because most of the money is for prizes, and with up front registrations, we are fiscally setup in a good position. Bottom line, we want this event to be fun for everyone and the club will certainly recoup all costs.
- The event is open to all types and sizes of AMA approved aircraft. Please mark your calendar for June 9-12!

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local events and activities

<http://metrorcflying.com/>

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UPCOMING EVENTS

CornHuckFest June 9-12

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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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