

the L.A.S.S. Edition

April 2011

Secretary's Minutes

by Tom Wild

President Loren Blinde called the March 1st, 2011 L.A.S.S. meeting to order at 7:35 pm. The minutes from the February meeting were accepted as written.

OLD BUSINESS:

Jim has had his yearly visit with the management at the Lancaster Event Center to pay our yearly field lease and to touch base with the LASS / Event Center relationship. The topic of checking in at the front office before flying was discussed. Oftentimes we are flying when there isn't any staff present to check in with. The Event Center staff has noticed people on the field and it is possible they were not LASS members. Jim mentioned he spoke with Ron Snover, and Ron said that one of our signs has fallen down. The club members then had a discussion on how many signs we have posted and their location.

There will be one less non flying activity to share our field with this year; the horse and buggy crowd have taken their show to a different location.

Loren asked if Jim had learned of any long term plans or our field and Jim he had no indication of any changes. If we should lose the use of our field, we have written into the lease agreement a prorated return of fees. Jim did take a look at the field and reports that it looks like something has been planted over the fresh dirt left over by the pipeline that was installed down the center of the field.

NEW BUSINESS:

Allan Worrest mentioned he read the latest AMA Insider about the FAA upcoming rules affecting RC flying. Allan said it will probably be July or August when we find out what the new rules entail. Loren mentioned he received an email from Dave Reiber, President of LSK with a link to use to contact your senators and representative to state your opinion and concerns before and after the ruling is announced. (See the link below).

<http://amagov.modelaircraft.org/4077/this-is-placeholder-call-to-action/>

The 2011 Midwest Slope Challenge on May 12th thru 15th is coming up. The pre-registration will be ending on March 31st, so act soon.

Hobby Town is opening a new Lincoln store April 16th in a mini-mall on the south west corner of 27th and Superior.

NEW MEMBERS:

Joe Mock has rejoined LASS so welcome back Joe.

MODEL OF THE MONTH:

Jim brought in one of Paul Wright's early slope combat warbirds for Darin Kelstrom to take a look at. Jim removed the dead battery leaving behind the battery heat shrink behind to form a nice pocket for new cells. Discussion followed on how to access the stripped servo gears and the extra active rudder function.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:07.

Odds & Ends

Bob Turner, a member of LASS and the president of SWIFT, sent this message (paraphrased by the editor) to Loren Blinde. — A.W.

At the SWIFT meeting I was asked to inform LASS of a new development.

Over the winter someone from another club suggested an event for 2011 using the Radian Pro electric glider. I think

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CLUB MEETING Tuesday
April 5, 2011
7:30 p.m.
Willard Community Center
Folsom & West B Street
Lincoln, NE

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you know of it, if not then it is easy to Google. It's a 2-meter foamy available as bind and fly on 2.4 GHz for \$250. That gets you everything but the transmitter. (As Plug 'N Play, it's \$185. - editor)

Anyway, no rules are set or dates picked but three clubs will sponsor a contest each through the year.

The others are strong on a low key contest and fun event.

All of the above is because of a Swift member suggestion that this event may be of either interest to LASS or it might be combined in some way with LINOMA.

Jim Baker sent the following email reminder to LASS members:

Hi Guys,

You might want to make plans to come to the April meeting. Amy Birky, Dick Britton's widow has allowed me a chance to "go thru" Dick's shop. She wanted me to take whatever could be of interest or be put to some good. At the time I didn't have a plan for the stuff I found but now I do.

At the April meeting we will have a giveaway game in honor of our friend Dick. It could be fun.

See you there,
Jim

Regional Events

4/30/2011 - 5/1/2011 -- Solon, IA (AA) MISTY MEADOWS SOARING CLASSIC. Site: Club Field. Terry Edmonds CD PH: 319-624-2822 Email: terry-edmonds@uiowa.edu. Events 442, 444, 460(JSO). Sponsor: EASTERN IOWA SOARING SOCIETY

5/12/2011 - 5/15/2011 -- Lucas, KS (AA) MIDWEST SLOPE CHALLENGE #18. Site: Wilson Reservoir. Michael Tallman CD PH: 316-305-6241 Email: miketallman790@yahoo.com. Events 451, 452, 453, 454, 458(JSO). Sponsor: WINGS OVER WILSON SOARING CLUB

6/9/2011 - 6/12/2011 -- Waverly, NE (C) CORN HUCK FEST. Site: Club Field. Gary Dunkel CD PH: 402-469-5291 Email: gary-dunkel@hotmail.com. Visit: www.lincolnskyknights.org. 5th stop in the Flying Giants.com 2011 Huckfest Tour! 4 big days, 2 runways asphalt 40x450' and irrigated grass runway 80x450'. Club house, sun shelter, and RV hook ups. Lots of open flying with airshows, demos, prizes and raffles. Giants preferred, 3D, scale, heli and turbine jets. Visit website for more details. Sponsor: LINCOLN SKY KNIGHTS



March Meeting Show & Tell

To the left, Jim Baker with one of Paul Wright's warbirds.



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