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President's Message

By Wilson Hardy

I've just been going over the things that are happening in the world of remote controlled flight and truthfully the whole thing is getting to be a bit tiring. I started flying free flight chuck gliders when I was old enough to not break them the first time I threw them into the wild blue. Well usually into a wall, the floor, a bush, at the cat . . . you get the idea. The overall experience was one of complete self-indulgence in unadulterated joy.

Time has passed, many planes have met their demise due to one more turn on the rubber band powering the skyward journey of my latest creations. Forward to, "Oh man, I've got controls in this plane!" and then one more plane rekkited for the builder mill. Still, that joy of flight though brief fills me. Onward and upward to, "Hey I get to bring this one home!" without a repair session imminent. All joy again on that day. Are you getting the idea? In all this I didn't once think of all the garbage that comes about with just pulling a plane out to fly it today.

Somewhere in there the Joy is still hiding and it is up to us to keep it alive. Don't forget why we started, why we still are in awe at the joy of flight, and why it means so much to us to see our creations bouncing about the clouds. Keep your chin up. We'll all get through this once again with flying colors.

Meeting Notes

OLD BUSINESS:

The Willard Christmas paper airplane session put on by the club was successful although somewhat chaotic at the end.

NEW BUSINESS:

The field situation was discussed.

Wilson decided not to CD the Slope Challenge.

AMA District Nine will be holding a meeting in KC, MO to discuss FAA and AMA matters.

Talked about holding another Boy Scouts flying event.

Discussed having club fun flies. Possible dates May 22, June 19 (*or June 26?*), July 17, August 21, and September 18. Dates are subject to weather conditions.

Discussed AMA and FAA regulations.

SHOW & TELL:

Thane Kirchhoff brought a Zagi wing. Jim Baker brought a 2-meter Highlander EPP sailplane.

Meeting concluded at 8:25 PM.

Next CLUB MEETING

Tuesday, April 5

7:30 p.m.

Willard Community Center

Folsom & West B Street

Lincoln, NE

Regional Events

- 4/16 **Western R/C Flyers *Old Timers***
Fun Fly with Glider Fly - Starts at
9:00 am with flying until 3:00 pm,
Mead, NE
- 5/12-15 Lucas, KS (AA) **Midwest Slope
Challenge.** Site: Wilson
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#16/938. Events; 451-454, 458.
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WILSON SOARING CLUB
- 5/21 **Western R/C Flyers *Old Timers***
Fun Fly with Glider Fly - Starts at
9:00 am with flying until 3:00 pm,
Mead, NE
- 6/4-5 **Lincoln Sky Knights June Fun Fly.**
LSK field Waverly, NE
- 6/25 **Western R/C Flyers *Old Timers***
Fun Fly with Glider Fly - Starts at
9:00 am with flying until 3:00 pm,
Mead, NE



February Show & Tell

Above, Jim is unpacking
his Highlander. On the
right, Thane and Jim
with the Zagi .



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