

the L.A.S.S. Edition

June 2018

President's Message

By Wilson Hardy

Well I just noticed that the alfalfa fields are being swathed for hay. That in itself isn't a reason to celebrate, but we can get excited about the chance to get out and fly. We spend our time working on our jobs or on things that add stress to our lives. We forget to take time out and enjoy life. I can only say this just so many times before it will start to sink in. To maintain our mental health, once in a while we will have to get excited about playing. To tell you the truth that is what it is all about. Some enjoyment and play will do wonders for a tired existence. I'm right there with you let's go fly some toy airplanes.

Midwest Slope Challenge

By Tom Wild

The 2018 Midwest Slope Challenge is now just a fond memory. Some said it was the 25th, but others said the 24th. No one present could recall or do the math in their head. The winds were up the main slope on Thursday but a bit light. Most all got their fill of flying light and thermal gliders.

Come Friday we started the day with a south wind changing to north, to null, to light with a more east south east direction as far as I can tell.

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Next CLUB MEETING
Tuesday, June 5
7:00 p.m.
Greg's Restaurant
1202 North Cotner Blvd.
Lincoln

Next Scheduled Meet after Current - August 7

Meeting Notes

By Tom Wild

President Wilson Hardy called the April 3, 2018 LASS meeting to order at 7:40 pm at Greg's Restaurant. There were no objections to the minutes from the February meeting.

NEW & OLD BUSINESS:

Upcoming events; Midwest Slope Challenge May 17-20, 2018.

Wilson asked if we should schedule a club contest and no one present was able to suggest a date. Someone mentioned that the height of the alfalfa would be an issue so it was decided we would wait until it is cut and the weather is right. Then emails will be sent out with a day and time. Most likely a Sunday morning around 9:00 am with a break for a sandwich run.

It was also suggested we publish the phone number of the flying field contact and to remember to call before we go out to fly.

The field is east of 70th and Arbor Rd. next to the motocross track. It is an alfalfa field. If the wind direction is south, you can park on Arbor Rd. If it is dry enough, we may drive the perimeter of the field to set up for another direction.

Thanks again Thane and Jim for setting this up for us.

The June meeting will be held at Greg's Restaurant unless we hear otherwise.

The meeting adjourned around 8:00 p.m..

Regional Events

6/2/2018 -- Waverly, NE (C) ANNUAL FUN FLY. Site: Club Field. Leonard Akert CD PH: 402-489-6277 Email: rakert@neb.rr.com. Visit: lincolnskyknights.org. Sanction #18/1266. Location; 134th and Waverly Rd. Gates open at 9am. Sport, Scale, Twins, 3D, electrics, whatever participants are ready to fly. e have 450' x 40' paved and grass runways. Free camping area with power. Sponsor: LINCOLN SKY KNIGHTS **Rescheduled to Sunday, June 3**

6/15/2018 - 6/17/2018 -- Grand Island, NE (C) GI MODELERS RC AIRPLANE & FUN FLY. Site: Club Field. Steve Blayney CD PH: 308-390-7439 Email: rcflyergi@gmail.com. Visit: gimodelers.club. Sanction #18/166. Location; West Husker Hwy & Alda Rd. \$20 Pilot fee. 540' Petromat, 800" Grass runway. Air conditioned clubhouse, elec hookups, primitive camping. aircraft hangar, concessions stand, pilot prizes. Opening ceremony Sat 6/16 @ 11 am. Sponsor: GRAND ISLAND MODELERS ASSN

6/16 Western Flyer's Old Timer & Powered Gliders - 8AM to Noon Contact Nelson Carpenter

6/27/2018 - 7/1/2018 -- Council Bluffs, IA (C) 2018 CORNHUCKFEST. Site: Club Field. Robert English CD PH: 402-331-2357 Email: reenglishjr@aol.com. Visit: cornhuckfest.com. Sanction #18/972. The Twin City Eagles Squadron announces the 8th annual CornHuckfest of the Midwest. The event will be held June 27th through July 1st at "the Field" located in Council Bluffs, IA. Visit website for more info. Sponsor: TWIN CITIES EAGLE

7/21 Western Flyer's Old Timer & Powered Gliders - 8AM to Noon Contact Nelson Carpenter

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The combat guys duelled it out on airport hill in the morning. Sometime in the afternoon it was decided to move the pylons west of the main slope. The "One Design Race" was well attended with 24 pilots each running four races. We had a few pilots DQ by snagging the protruding ground between race pylons or in my case just flying into the side of the hill. In the end our hometown boy Thane Kirchhoff took home first place by beating Joe Chovan.

I am unable to report on the Unlimited racing as it started around 6:00pm which interfered with my dinner plans. I'm told Thane again took first place beating Joe.

We had hoped to run the warbird race on Saturday but the light winds reduced us to flying electrics around the lake with most pilots roosting on Lawson's pasture.

Tom Wild's MWSC Pictures



Andrew Kirchhoff leading Chance Cooper at the east pylon.



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Combat Colorado style running about an hour with everyone keeping track of their score.



Typical day at the races with pilots awaiting the tap on the shoulder from their trusted caller.



Our slope coordinator Erik Faton giving questionable advice to pilots with CD Mark Dennis (in red) looking on.



Bruce Brandt "launching one" for David Lorentzen.



Tom Wild's MWSC Pictures

Jim Baker "launching two" for Andrew Kirchoff.



Andrew Williams "launching three" for Chance Cooper.



Thane Kirchoff gaining on Joe Chovan



Thane takes the lead from Joe to win ODR



Unknown pilot testing the wind conditions on the slope before flying.

