# the L.A.S.S. Edition

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## **President's Message**

By Wilson Hardy

The October chill is coming and with it comes the building season for us here on the Prairie. I've been contemplating some scale crunchys. I have plans for a 30" span Kirby Cadet that I have been looking at the last few years wondering if it would up size easily. I read the threads from across the pond and it is a big thing over there to build great big scale planes. Third scale or larger doesn't seem to phase them. It could have something to do with the much bigger landscape they possess. Sloping on Wagon Train Dam isn't the same as Alpine soaring I'm afraid and it may be that I just have to leave this one on the plans table. In the meantime I'll just have to try to get all my flatlands thermal ships put back into shape after this season's abuse. Enjoy what good weather we have left this year and just keep flying.

### **Regional Events**

Oct 17

Western Flyer's Old Timers & Glider Fun Fly - Starts at 9AM to 3PM, Mead, NE

#### 2016 Nominations

According to the constitution, club officers for the following year are nominated at the October meeting. In addition to the officers, the position of club newsletter editor is open. A sure way of being nominated is to not attend the meeting.

Next CLUB MEETING
Tuesday, October 6
7:30 p.m.
Willard Community Center
Folsom & West B Street
Lincoln, NE

#### **Minutes**

Meeting Minutes, August 4, 2015

The August LASS meeting was called to order by President Wilson promptly at 7:30 with five members present. The meeting was held on the Willard CC steps. Impending rain seems to keep a meeting moving. The previous meeting minutes and Treasurer's reports were approved.

First item of discussion was the condition of our flying field. The southwest portion of the ground is the only area that has been mowed, raising the question of whether the rest will be mowed, as well as further deepening the layer of chips and such on the mowed area. There was mention of scheduling a club event, but it was left as a possible email notification if someone wants to organize it. The tone of the discussion was general disappointment with the condition of the field and the value received for our money.

The next Western Flyers event will be August 15 and might be our next occasion to fly together. The Tom's Days gathering at Wilson Lake was mentioned but no one present knew the date. Also noted was the suggestion by Greg Hine to organize a fall event there.

John Doe, the mystery member recruited by Jim Baker, was approved for membership, possibly for the second or third time.

Show and tell included a renovated Soprano by Wilson, a Whipit micro hand launch by Darin and a Witch Doctor free-flight converted to electric RC by Loren.

Meeting adjourned and we were still dry.

Loren Blinde, acting for the acting Secretary



## **August Show & Tell**

To the left is President Wilson Hardy with his Soprano RES sailplane. In the lower left corner, Darin Kelstrom holds his E-flite UMX Whipit. Below is Loren Blinde with his electric powered Witch Doctor.







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