

# the L.A.S.S. Edition

September 2009

## Secretary's Notes

by Wilson Hardy

President Tom Wild called the meeting of the Lincoln Area Soaring Society to order on the front steps of the Willard Community Center at 7:35pm. The minutes from the last business meeting were accepted by the members present. As Treasurer Jack Barry was absent there was no Treasurer's report.

President Wild moved on to Old Business: Jim Baker gave an information update on the planning of the next Tom Neill Days in Lucas, Kansas at Wilson Lake. He, Kelly, Thane, and Carol set the next 'Tom Days' for the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> of September. Friday grilling is BYOM (bring your own meat) while Saturday is Brats and Dogs on the grill. As always bring extra side dishes to round out the meals. The campsite is down at the Point in Lucas Park next to the Shelter. Thoughts ran to renting a boat for the evening, for now just thoughts. In the future there may be a need for all the food to be brought instead of provided.

Events talked about are Tom Days, Columbus Day at Wilson Lake, and LINOMA on the 14<sup>th</sup> of August. Plan to attend. Loren talked about a Cross Country event last meeting. He wasn't present to discuss it at this meeting.

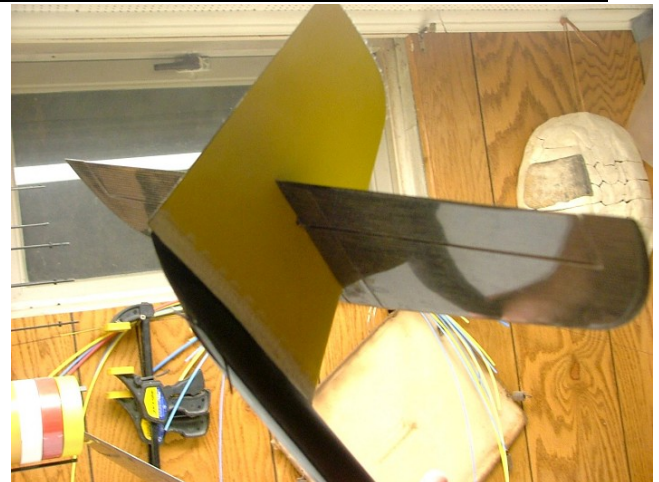
**New Business:** President Wild brought up the subject of a new membership roster. He had asked Allan Worrest to e-mail a copy to all who wanted one and Allan's reply was that there needed to be a different way to do it as he wasn't comfortable sending the roster through e-mail.

**Model of the Month:** This month the models were amazing! Jim brought his Thane Kirchhoff designed Kiona. With a 65.5" wing span a DS 19 airfoil and a platform patterned after an Extreme it is one slippery ship. The tail is the same set up as the Extreme as well. The works come out in a complete cartridge, ballast and all when the wing is loosened. The switch is rod activated through a small hole on each side. Thane used his carbon-sock method to pull the fuselage and the results are spectacular. As of yet the weight is still secret. Nice plane Jim.

The meeting adjourned at 8:19pm.

## Jim Baker's Kiona

Jim sent the following note about the plane he brought to the August meeting: "Here are some pictures of my Kiona. DS-19 airfoil, 42 ounces, 64 3/4 span, 8 1/2 chord, lands nice with spoilers, turns like a dream, no rudder, handled 15 to 20 mph wind at Wilson with style."



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**CLUB MEETING Tuesday**  
**September 1, 2009**  
**7:30 p.m.**  
**Willard Community Center**  
**Folsom & West B Street**  
**Lincoln, NE**

# Tom's Days

Hello friends,

It's almost time again for our memorial camping trip, "Tom's Days." Hard to believe it's year number three. For the last two years, in mid-September, we had a great time in one of Tom's favorite places, Wilson Lake in Kansas. The LASS (Lincoln Area Soaring Society) Club and I hope that you can join us again this year, on Friday and Saturday, September 18th and 19th.

Click on the link below to go to the website for specific information, including maps.

<http://www.billiardbuyersgroup.com/tomsdays/>

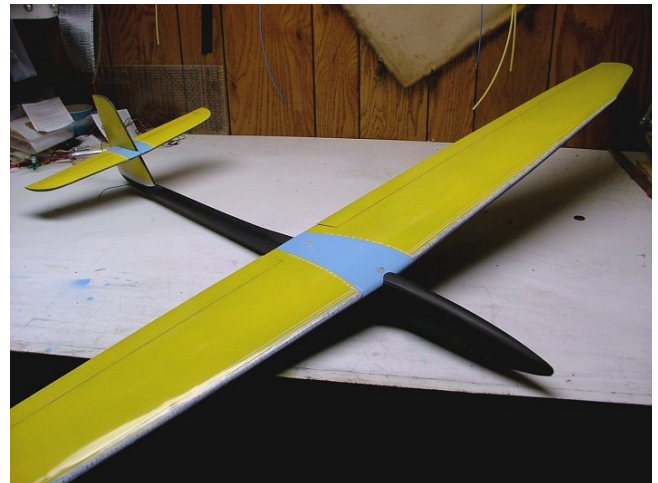
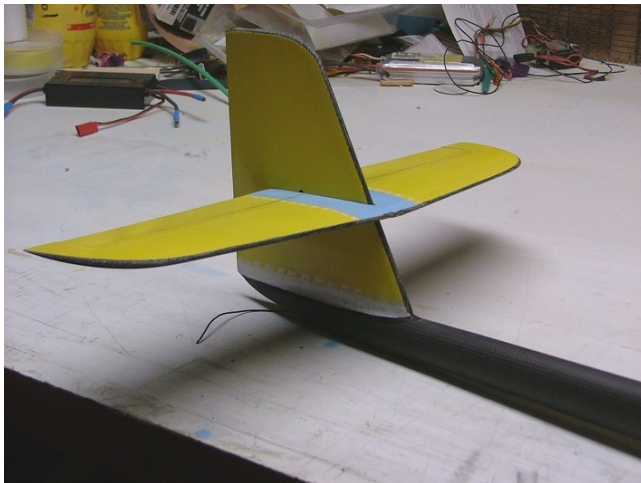
If you aren't able to click on the link and get to the site, you can copy the URL and paste it into your browser. If you have problems past that, please let me know and we'll get them resolved.

Please send us an email (there's a place to RSVP on the website) to let us know whether or not you can join us.

Hope to see you at Wilson on September 18th and 19th.

*Jim Baker sent this e-mail to the members on August 11. It is reprinted should you have overlooked it.— A.W.*

## Kiona (Continued from page 1)



Photographs were provided by Jim Baker

# Regional Events

- 8/30/09 Rescheduled SWIFT's Midsummer Event, Mead, NE For info contact Dan Lorimer at [dl\\_thermalchaser@yahoo.com](mailto:dl_thermalchaser@yahoo.com)
- 9/6/09 LSK Indoor flying at Calvert Recreation Center, 4500 Stockwell Street, Lincoln. See the April newsletter for details.
- 9/12-13/09 EISS Fall Soar In, Blakesburg, IA (AA) EISS Fall Soar In for 441, 442, 444, 460, 517(O). Site: Antique Airfield. John Lindsay CD, 1001 Robin Road Muscatine IA 52761 PH:563-260-5215 email: [jslindsay@machlink.com](mailto:jslindsay@machlink.com). Open electric fun fly and banquet on Saturday night, raffle for some great prizes, 517 any scale like glider is allowed to enter, no documentation is required, scoring 35% static, 75% flight time with in/out landing. Sponsor: EASTERN IOWA SOARING SOCIETY
- 9/18-19/09 Tom's Days, Lake Wilson, KS For info <http://www.billiardbuyersgroup.com/tomsdays/>



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