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September 2010

Secretary's Minutes

by Wilson Hardy

The Lincoln Area Soaring Society's meeting for August 3, 2010 was called to order by President Tom Wild at 7:34 pm. First up was the acceptance of the minutes from the last meeting as printed in the past newsletter. On the plate was a report from the last Fun Fly at the Lancaster Event Center. No Omaha guys showed up but Loren Blinde, Tom Wild, and Jack Barry showed up to make for some good flying. Jack got the best flight of the day.

OLD BUSINESS:

At this juncture President Wild changed the direction of the meeting and forged on to Old Business. There has been some talk of losing our flying field in the next few years and a question was raised as to what would happen if we paid for a whole year and only got half or just several months' worth. Mr. Baker brought a copy of the field agreement and stated that the query was groundless as the contract with the Event Center has a clause in it stating that if either party breaks the agreement, a prorated amount of the years rent would be returned to the club's coffers.

NEW BUSINESS

President Wild questioned Mr. Baker about the up coming

Tom Neill Days at Wilson Lake, Kansas. Mr. Baker filled us in that the scheduled camping, flying, swimming, playing music, eating too much, enjoying friends, and all round general outdoor time would be September 18th at the same campsite as last year. Everyone is welcome and is encouraged to come and enjoy the fun atmosphere at the lake.

On a different note the Willard Community Center is in jeopardy of losing its funding from the city. A letter to the City Council letting them know how important the Community Center is to us would be appreciated before August 9th. As secretary I volunteered to write this letter to the City Council.

To continue New Business, Loren Blinde brought up that it might be advantageous to join the LASS and SWIFT clubs to make one club to the benefit of both clubs that have problems with waning membership numbers. One more note is that one more LINOMA contest is unlikely for this year.

OTHER STUFF:

In the end of meeting discussion that always makes the club meeting a delight, Mr. Baker shared with everyone how he had found a great place to slope soar at Mahoney by the tracks. There is really no place to land but that is just a small inconvenience compared to the great flying. The meeting broke up roughly 8:00 pm with everyone lamenting that Thane skipped out to lay up a wing.

August 29 Contest Report

by Loren Blinde

Despite months of waiting, we finally managed to have an actual LASS event at the field this year. There were three fliers each from LASS and SWIFT. Although this was originally intended to be just an individual event, it was retroactively declared to be the LINOMA of the year since we had an equal representation of fliers, plus LASS was ahead after the first round :-)

The wind forecast was intimidating, but in reality it didn't get in the way of some good flying. Well, other than the occasional landing a hundred feet short of the circle. We set the task at seven minutes and Tom Wild had the best flight of the day with a 7:05 / 70, including aerobatics one

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Tom's Days

The 4th Annual Tom's Days, held in honor of Tom Neill's memory, will be on September 17 and 18. More Information about the event is on the website <http://www.billiardbuyersgroup.com/tomsdays/> There is a tab on the site that you can use to send an RSVP if you plan to attend.

CLUB MEETING Tuesday
September 7, 2010
7:30 p.m.
Willard Community Center
Folsom & West B Street
Lincoln, NE

August 29 Fly-In

All of these pictures were taken by Tom Wild with the exception of the one of Mike Meyers launching his plane and the one of Tom launching. These two were by the editor.



Bob Turner launching his plane with his brother timing. Right, Bob scoring landing points.

Regional Events

9/11/2010 - 9/12/2010 -- Blakesburg, IA (AA) RUSTY SHAW MEMORIAL. Site: Antique Airfield. Charles Fox CD PH: 309-521-7149 Email: fox104@mchsi.com. Events 441, 442, 444, 460(O). Sponsor: EASTERN IOWA SOARING SOCIETY

9/17 - 9/18 Tom's Day's, Lake Wilson, KS More information is on <http://www.billiardbuyersgroup.com/tomsdays/>



Above, Jack Barry launching his plane. Center, Jack's plane in flight. Right, Allan Worrest



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the way down. Those who stayed home because of wind were overrating Mother Nature.

The flying moved along nicely and we were done before noon. Here are the final results:

- Loren Blinde 1119
- Jack Barry 943
- Tom Wild 787
- Bob Turner 673
- Mike Meyers 557
- Terry Lamm 394



Mike Meyers launching with Terry Lamm timing



Left, Tom Wild launches his plane with Jack Barry timing. Right, Terry Lamm with Mike timing.



Left and above, Loren Blinde launches and about to land.