



Hawk Talk

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ALL CLUB MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND THE BUSINESS MEETINGS

GENERAL MEETING:	Friday, , 2013 * 7:00 P.M. * Make-A-Wish Foundation * 11926 Arbor St.
PROGRAM:	XX
BUSINESS MEETING:	Wednesday, , 2013 * 7:00 P.M. * Make-A-Wish Foundation * 11926 Arbor St.

MAKE SURE YOU FLY SAFE

I know by looking at the calendar spring has arrived but someone forgot to tell Mother Nature. The last couple of rainy (glad to have it) and cold days is just irritating the itch I have to get out and fly. I've prepared an aircraft and have it staged and ready for the next chance the weather turns in our favor.

With that rush to get out and fly comes the friendly reminder that safety comes first and foremost. Don't be in such a big hurry

you forget or short cut the necessary steps needed to make sure you have a fun and safe start to the year. Check all your equipment to make sure it is in working order. Preflight your aircraft and make sure it is airworthy. Make sure your grown equipment and batteries are prepared and charged. Batteries are one of the biggest reasons why aircraft are lost so double check and cycle the batteries to ensure they will hold a charge. Take these necessary steps now so that you will have an enjoyable start to the year.

One last note to all, do not fly alone if at all possible. Having someone around to help is very important as I saw firsthand. I was witness to an event were a backfire caused an aircraft to start rolling backward off the stand. First instincts are to stop the airplane from rolling. Unfortunately the aircraft rolled back quickly and even with reaching over the aircraft it still caused personal injury to a fellow club member. With the help of club members the injuries were taken care of quickly, the aircraft was packed away and our fellow club member

was on his way home to explain the mishap to the better half and a possible visit to the emergency room.

If that club member would have been at the field alone who knows how this would have turned out. Luckily there was plenty of support around to help. So don't fly alone if at all possible. Accidents can happen to anybody that is why they are called accidents.

Have a safe and fun start to your year. I look forward to seeing you at the field.

- President, Bob Wheeler

APRIL MEETING AT MAKE-A-WISH

FRIDAY, APR 26

7:00 p.m.

Make-A-Wish

11926 Arbor St

Program:

TBA

Raffle:

\$100 Gift Card for
Hobbytown USA

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- ★ April 26 - General Meeting
- ★ May 1 - Business Meeting
- ★ May 4 - Build and Fly Contest Fun Fly
- ★ May 8 - Float Fly
- ★ May 18 - Old Timer FF w/ lunch
- ★ May 25 - Float Fly w/ pizza
- ★ June 8 - Old Timer Fun Fly at CB Field (w/ lunch)
- ★ Every Thurs Night 6pm to dusk - Training Night

HAWK TALK

THE MINUTES

Erik Krystoff, Secretary

General Meeting.....1/3/2011

Omahawks General Meeting Notes
March 29th , 2013

New Members or Guests: None

Membership Report: Kevin Hyde

o 94 Members registered as of March 28th – 3 more members renewed at meeting, bringing total to 97
o Membership note: Remember to renew your permit BEFORE you go flying this spring

Newsletter Report: Mike Berger

Hawk Field Update: Steve Earl

o Harry Perkons arranged for 2000 lbs of crushed rock to repair parking lot. Brad Perkons and his Boss leveled all the rock in the parking lot – big appreciation for this effort
o Safety fence to be repaired as weather permits
o Dennis Bryer's has work order submitted for immediate removal of latrine
o Also setting up a meeting with the Forestry Dept to see about options for removing underbrush around field – More to come at Business Meeting with Dennis Bryers on April 3rd

General Announcements:

o Event Funding Request:
o Boy Scout training nights (Monday June 10th and 17th), and Cleanup day August 26th – Requesting \$105 total for all three dates – Mikey motioned / Ed Paasch seconded – Club approved
o Latrine to be Removed – Work order put in to City, and should be removed soon
o Meeting with Dennis Bryers April 3rd
o Annual meeting with the Board at 6:30pm for year in review and upcoming ideas / events
o
o Labor Day Supply Sponsors (Carmel Earl)
o Carmel is looking for ways to help save money on supplies for event
o She is requesting for members to "sponsor" various items used at event – See Carmel for more info
o Doc Greenberg passing this last month. Donation made to the American Heart Association
o AMA – (Ed Paasch)
o National Aviation Day set by AMA – Saturday August 17th – Requesting a fun fly for this date
o LB412 – currently assigned to a committee, and sitting within a large pile of pending bill ? AMA is watching this and will act if this makes it out of committee
o Training Program update (Harry Perkons)
o Starts Thursday April 4th at 6pm
o Looking for Instructors, Ground Crew – See Harry Perkons if you want to help out
o Brookstone Village Presentation results (Bob Wheeler)
o Dennis and Pat Bender, Steve and Carmel Earl, Roland Lyons, Bob Wheeler attended
o Displayed micro planes, and flight simulators –

o Requested a more regular appearance by club members – Carmel to oversee this option

Upcoming Events / Dates:

o Next Board Meeting – Wednesday April 3rd , 2013 @ 7pm at Make a Wish building
o Training Season Begins – Thursday April 4th @ Hawk Field – 6:00pm
o Old Timer's Fun Fly – Wednesday April 24th @ Hawk Field – 8:30am - Noon
o Next General Meeting – Friday, April 26th , 2013 @ 7pm at Make a Wish building

Show & Tell:

o Bob Wheeler – Hobbyzone Electric Cub
o Jere Ferrazzo – recovered
o Steve Peck – Hk RC Paraglider o Harry Perkons – Buzzard Bombshell kit build
o Carmel Earl – Lanzo Bomber kit build
o Keith Paskewitz – Dirty Bird Kit build
o Jeff Jacobs – Crack Yack foamy
o Scott Rathman – GP Ultrasport kit build
o Mike ??? – New Blade 500x Heli
o Jeff Pintt – FPV Bixler setup
o Autry Aires – Duraplane Kit build
o Ed Paasch – micro P47 from Nine Eagles

Raffle Prize

o HobbyTown USA Gift Card - \$100 – Harry Perkons is the winner
o Omahawks Baseball cap – Sonny is the winner

Program:

o No Program this month

Meeting Adjourned

Business Meeting.....1/3/2011

Omahawks Business Meeting Agenda
April 3rd , 2013

Board Members in attendance: Bob Wheeler, Bob Zitzlsperger, Dennis Bender, Kevin Hyde, Steve Earl, Carmel Earl, Gary Vohnout, Mikey Furrow

Officer/Chairman/Editor Reports:

o Treasurer's Report – Kevin Hyde – Looking good for this time of year
o Membership Chairman Report: – N/A
o Membership Count: – Count as of 97 as of 04/03/13

Hawk Field:

o Parking Lot looks great – Awesome job to Harry and Brad Perkons for taking care of this
o Retaining wall is crumbling – to be looked at in upcoming months
o Discussion underway to consider a second flying field
o Gary Vohnout volunteered to form a small committee to push this effort forward
o Bob Wheeler to join committee, and is looking at a possible location
o Board requested monthly updates on this progress and about possible locations
o Upcoming board agenda's to have spot open for this discussion

Old Business:

o Brookstone Village – March 20th update
o With the success of the previous event, they have requested a more regular appearance, and asking for the 4th Wednesday of the month for volunteers to come and assist with

this. Carmel Earl to head this up

o Steve Earl requested a consideration for a possible donation of a flight simulator package to donate to this facility. Steve to check into various options and bring to General Meeting

New Business:

o Dennis Bryer's Visit tonite – brief synopsis
o A lot of information was discussed, and City is happy with management of field.
o 2012 Year in Review of field improvements and events held
o Overview of projects on tap for 2013 (parking lot, retaining wall, ect)
o Latrine to be removed ASAP as weather permits
o Dennis and Forestry Dept to come out to field to see about options for removing underbrush
o No Complaints received at this time
o New foundation setup to receive donations on behalf of Omaha Parks, including Hawk Field – see <http://omahaparksfoundation.org> for details
o Special Projects Coordinator mentioned – Board to submit club events to be posted on Omaha Parks current events circular and website
o Field Contract renewal – to be reviewed by board over next several meetings
o 2013 Events:
o Casey's Cross Country Flight from Mead to Waverly – Saturday May 11th @ Noon - A request was made for \$100 for lunch to be made at Waverly field – Dennis Bender volunteered to cook – Board approved – to be brought to General Membership for approval
o Council Bluffs Library Presentation – Monday June 17th at 10:30am-11:00am presentation for ages 4-7 and approximately 150 kids – Mikey Furrow and Dennis Bender to coordinate this event
o Gold Leader Club - paperwork has been submitted, and pending approval. Club Safety meeting to be held at field at May General Membership meeting at Hawk Field

o Raffle Prizes: \$100 HobbyTown GiftCard
o Program: To Be Determined

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Omahawks
Proudly support
The
Make-A-Wish
Foundation

BUILDERS' CHALLENGE FUN FLY—MAY 4

For those who accepted the challenge of building a plane over the last winter season, the time is coming up pretty fast for the opportunity to fly what ya built. The Builder's Challenge Fun Fly will be held on Saturday, May 4th from 4pm - dusk, and will be a great time to display and fly what you spent the winter season building.

For the pilots involved, I would ask that you send me a short write-up on your build, such as any modifications made, how you felt about your build, and overall impressions of your experience, and also include a photo or two of your plane. I will be making a small "booklet" of these projects to be shared at the event. These booklets can be used to help other's decide on their decisions for the pilot's choice ballots that will also be handed out later that evening. These booklets will also serve as a basis for upcoming events and possible newsletter publications as well, so send me a writeup as soon as possible, but no later than next Wednesday, May 1st so that I can have time to put this all together. You can send these submissions directly to me at: [dakoris73@gmail.com](mailto:dakor73@gmail.com) and I will see you at the field for this builder's fun fly.

Any questions? Send them to:
[dakoris73@gmail.com](mailto:dakor73@gmail.com).

Thanks,
Mikey Furrow
Builder's Challenge Organizer



Love to fly *Love to build*



WANTED THIS YEAR:

One or two volunteers with a boat who will serve as a backup to retrieve downed planes on the water at a few of the six scheduled float flies. Russ Ault, who has been the primary retriever during recent years, has taken a different job and is no longer available to retrieve. Contact Dick Behrens at rbehrens@yahoo.com or 402-451-6397.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

May 8 - Float Fly
May 15 - Old Timer Fun Fly/
lunch
May 25 - Float Fly/Pizza
Jun 8 - Old Timer Fun Fly/
lunch at Co Bluffs "Field"

HAWKS SPREAD THE FUN OF R/C FLYING

The Omahawks were invited to the Brookstone Village by Life Enrichment Coordinator Janie York. Dennis and Pat Bender, Steve and Carmel Earl, Ed Paasch, Roland Lyons and Bob Wheeler participated in an evening of fun on March 20th to give the Brookstone Village community a overview of the hobby we all love, Bob



Wheeler give a presentation about the club, Dennis and Pat explained how the Airplanes work and the rest of the club members took time helping with the simulators or showing off a Quad Copter. The resident members enjoyed an interactive evening with a flight simulator.

The event was a such a success according to Janie and the Brookstone Village CEO who came to watch. The Omahawks sent a thank-you card to the Village thanking them for allowing the Omahawks to come out and entertain their residence members. Jane also asked if the Oma-

hawks can come back again.

Janie was so impressed with the flight simulator she is looking at purchasing one as a way for the local residents to have fun and to use as a tool to help keep them active. A number of club members plan on returning sometime in April for more flight time with the Seniors.



It really was worth the time to attend this event. If

you have the opportunity in the future please thing about volunteering some of your time to a good cause.

*Bob Wheeler
President of
Omahawks*



AUTOGYRO FUNFLY

June 1st and 2nd, 2013

The Spirits of St. Louis RC Flying Club
73 Amrein Road, St. Charles, MO 63303

Distributors around the country are meeting in your backyard to show the Midwest their stuff! Many autogyros, plans, and other items for sale and opportunities to learn to fly them and see them in the air! If you know someone that has one or would like to join the fun, please send them our way! **ALL ARE WELCOMED TO FLY!**

- June 1st 11-12pm Flying Demos (only autogyros)
- Open flying and sales 9am to Dusk!
- Must be a current AMA member to fly.
- Raffle of an Autogyro Kit at 2pm
- Free Parking, Restroom on Site, Concession Food
- Visit Club Website: www.spiritsofstl.com



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Why I want to be a pilot

Editor's note: The following brief composition was written by Tommy Tyler, a fifth grader in Jefferson School, Beaufort S. C., and first appeared in the "South Carolina Aviation News."

When I grow up, I want to be a pilot because it's a fun job and easy to do. That's why there are aso many pilots flying around these days.

Pilots don't need much school, they just have to learn to read numbers so they can read their instruments. I guess they should be able to read road maps, too. So they can find their way if they get lost. Pilots should be brave so they won't get scared if it's foggy and they can't see. Or if a wing or motor falls off they should stay calm so they'll know what to do.

Pilots have to have good eyes to see through

clouds. And they can't be afraid of thunder and lightning, because they are so much closer to them than we are.

The salary pilots make is another thing I like. They make more money than they know what to do with. This is because most people think that plane flying is dangerous. Except pilots don't because they know how easy it is.

I hope I don't get air-sick because I get car-sick and if I get air-sick I couldn't be a pilot, and then I would have to go to work.

(Thanks to Bob Z for submitting this.)