



Hawk Talk

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NEXT GENERAL MEETING: Friday, April 24th, 2015 * 7:00 P.M. * Make-A-Wish Foundation * 11926 Arbor St.

PROGRAM: New Omahawk website preview (Mikey)

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Wednesday, May 6th, 2015 * 7:00 P.M. * Make-A-Wish Foundation * 11926 Arbor St.

ALL CLUB MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND THE BOARD MEETINGS

Hawk Field Update

Bob Wheeler – Field Chairman

“Spring has finally sprung and it’s time to do some work around Hawk field. There are a number of projects that need taken care of, so I’m putting out the request now for volunteers who can help. Once the head count can be accounted for we can plan the dates to get the work done. If you can help with one of these projects please let me or another Board member know. There will also be a sign up sheet at the April General Meeting.

Shelter roof - Last fall Brad Perkons procured singles and felt from Menards at a very good price. The club will probably need to purchase some plywood for the roof once the singles are removed and we see what the wood looks like. Brad is busy racing these days but I understand he still plans on helping out. If we get enough volunteers this should not be too big of a job. (Need volunteers)

Bulletin Board - The Bulletin Board needs some serious rework. It needs new backing, Plexiglas and a new paint job. The Bulletin board can be taken down and taken to a home or garage to be worked on. Probably need one or two volunteers for this one. (Need a volunteer or two)

Storage Shed – The Door will need a little work now that the weather has warmed up. Trim on the left side of the door needs replaced after it was broken into this last year. What is there now is only temporary. As a side note, the Board of Directors is looking at Storage Containers as a possible, more secure replacement. Once the Lease with the City is completed the Board will look into getting a more secure storage unit. (Need a volunteer or two)

Fence Repair - A couple T-posts are needed below and to the north of the shelter. I will pick those up and get them installed if someone has a T-Post installer. (Need a volunteer or two)

Parking Lot – Speaking of the parking lot, the City put in a work order to grade the Parking Lot graded. I will be following up with the City to see if they will be getting around to that any time soon. (City to take care of)

Gate – The Gate was rammed a couple months back. It still works but doesn’t look the best. This will be brought up to the Board to see about getting it replaced. (TBD)

Area on the East of Hawk Field - You may recall the Club hired out gentlemen last year to clear out the brush growing on the east side. This is going to be an ongoing issue with weeds and volunteer trees and brush going forward. I talked with Bill Andersen the City Parks Manger. He confirmed the Parks Department will be mowing the east side of Hawk field a couple times a year to keep the growth down. Make sure if you see the City Parks Workers out at the field to say thank you and if they are working out hold off on flying until they are done with their work. (City Parks Department to take care of)

New Gas Grill – The club purchased a new Grill from Lowes, which had them on sale and gave the club an additional discount. We will want to look at a way to secure the grill in the shed so it can’t walk away. Also if anyone can come up with a way to transport the grill across the bumpy parking, let the Board know. We can probably extend the life of the grill if it isn’t rattled to death rolling them across the parking lot. (Looking for ideas).

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Newsletter Update

As Mikey Furrow has taken over the office of the president, Bernie Baker agreed to take over publishing the Newsletter. Please send any articles or input you feel would benefit other club members to Bernie at bjb050@cox.net

Upcoming Flying Events

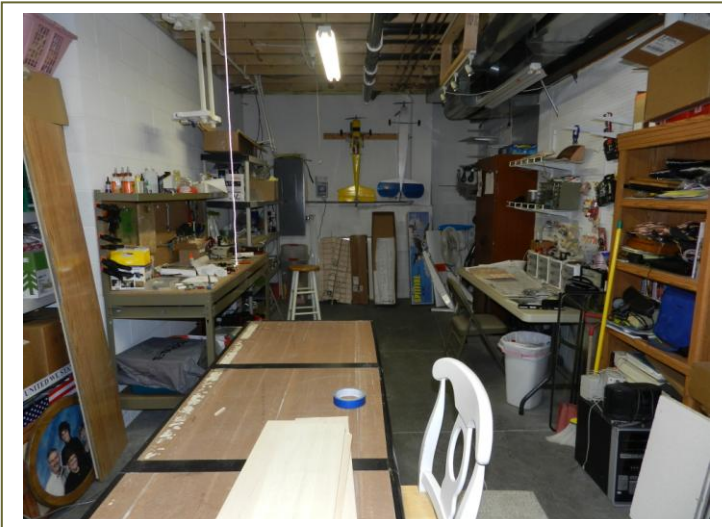
Old Timer Fun Fly	- Wed April 29, 9:00 - noon
Float Fly	- Wed May 13, 8:30 -11:30
SPC Pylon Racing	- Sat May 16, 11:00 – 3:00
Egg Burn	- Mon, May 25, 9:00 – 11:00
Builders Challenge	- Mon, May 25, 9:00 – 11:00
Old Timer Fun Fly	- Wed May 27, 9:00 - noon
Float fly	- Wed June 10, 8:30 -11:30

What's In Your Hangar/Workshop

Bob Wheeler

If you do not get around to other club members homes you may wonder what their Hangers and workshops look like. I thought it might be fun to start a monthly article called "What's in your Hanger/Work Shop?" It would lend to monthly articles and would allow you to share with other club members those special places we sneak off to every once in a while.

I'm sure there are many different workshops or hangers out there ranging from Garages, to a back corner of a basement somewhere to an old door propped up by a couple saw horses in the middle of the family room. With that said here is mine. I happen to be lucky enough to have procured a corner of the furnace and storage room. A couple working benches and plastic storage racks and good lighting works pretty good and go a long way for having a place to sneak off to. I've included a picture of the Top Flite T-34 wing I've been slowly putting together. Feel free to share your work shop, hanger or any projects you are working on. I'm sure other club members would be interested as well.



2015 SPC Championship

Mikey Furrow

With the Spring weather finally here, and everyone getting out to enjoy the warmer weather and knock some of the rust off those fingers, the time has arrived to consider what plane you're flying in this year's 2015 Sport Pilot Championship. This year's event will be as exciting as in previous years, with the events spread out on three Saturdays over the course of three months. The first event will be the SPC Pylon Race on May 16th, 2015, just a mere three weeks away. This event has always been fun and exciting to participate in, so get your plane ready and let Mikey (dakoris73@gmail.com) know that you want to try for the trophy.

Wondering if your plane will qualify? Following are the only requirements for this championship event:

- 52 inch MINIMUM wingspan
- 4 1/2 lbs MINIMUM weight
- .47 2 stroke or .65 4 stroke engine MAXIMUM

So basically any 46 size plane will qualify for these exciting events, from Avistar trainers to the 46 size Extras and Uproars.....

So come on out, bring your plane and \$5 and come enjoy the thrill of this exciting event.....

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Omahawks Business Meeting Agenda - April 1st, 2015

Board Members in attendance: Mikey Furrow, Kevin Hyde, Bernie Baker, Dan Duey, Dennis Bender, Tom Floyd, Bob Wheeler
Visitors: Don Peakon, Milt Olsen

Officer/Chairman/Editor Reports:

- **Treasurer's Report** – Kevin Hyde – Looks good for this time of year.
- **Membership Count:** – Count is 90 as of 4/1/15
- **Hawk Field:**
 - Spring Cleanup Projects:
 - Shelter Roofing – Project for May 2015 – Bob to check with Brad on availability
 - Fence line replacement – Possibly see if City can assist with this repair
 - Safety Fence – discussion about using plastic lattice for more secure barrier. Bob to look into options
 - North Side of Split Rail fence is broken again.
 - See about updating the Announcement board at Field
 - Brush cleanup / maintenance
 - City as agreed to mow this area 4-5 time a year going forward

Old Business:

- **Lease Renewal Project** updates (Kevin / Bernie)
 - How to proceed
- **Website / Newsletter Committee** (Mikey, Kevin, Dan) –
 - Bernie has accepted the challenge to put together the newsletter for April
- **Club Apparel Ideas / Info**
 - What items to promote (hats, shirts, polo's, jackets)
 - What art to use? Create new designs?
 - Ideas on how to promote items
- **Field Permit Card Holders**
 - Club provided? – Kevin has clip on holders in hand
 - How to get to members? – hand out at training nights or General Meetings

New Business:

- **2015 Training Program**
 - Ideas, Goals, Documentation needed
 - Fuel needed / purchase
- **Replacement of stolen shed items**
 - (Grill, Propane Tanks, Spatulas, etc.) – Dennis will look around at getting a new grill
 - Members to provide tanks for Memorial day egg burn
- **What documents need to be updated to include the following:**
 - Junior Membership Permit
 - Notification of limitation on Guests at the field (fly 3 times before permit needed)
 - Change of club leadership?????
- **New Items from Board?????**
 - Discussion about possibly having a Public Media committee to see about options on reaching out to the high school students – to be discussed at General Meeting for volunteers.
- **Raffle Prize:** Quad Copter (donation from Joe McClure and proceeds to go to Make a Wish)
- **Program:** new Omahawks Website preview

General Meeting Minutes

Due to the transition to a new Secretary and some travel, there will be no General Meeting minutes posted in this month's newsletter. It is expected this will get resolved for the May newsletter.

City Contract Update

Bernie Baker

A proposed draft of the Hawkfield contract renewal has been submitted to the City Parks department. Our contact acknowledged receipt of the documents, but indicated they were very busy at this time due to spring sports activities at the parks. He is planning to get back to us by early May.

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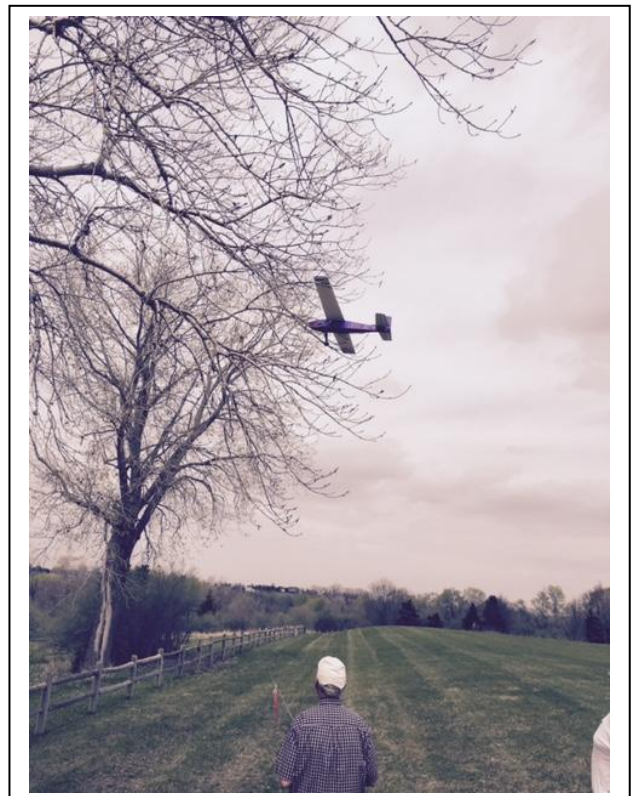
An unexpected "top ten" day came up Thursday, April 16th. A few Omahawk members were able to enjoy it. (*Everyday is Saturday for dogs and retirees.*)



The three-Bobs enjoying a day at the field – Bob Burt, Bob Roegee, & Bob Zitzlsperger.



Tom Floyd before the maiden flight of his new Cub and engine.



Rick Sessions and Frank Vanacek before and after Rick's 2nd maiden flight. (The plane came through with minimal damage.)

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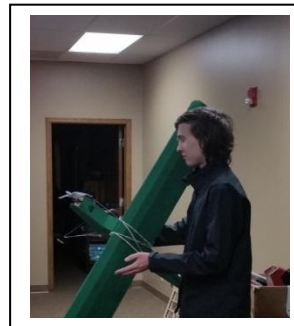
General Meeting – 3/27/15



Matt Carlson with his refund and bonus \$55 spending money from the club for Camp AMA 2015



Rich Tiller and Matt Meyers - Late comers to the General Meeting



Omahawks newest junior member, Josh Sorensen, and his scratch built "Stork"

First Training Night – 4/2/15

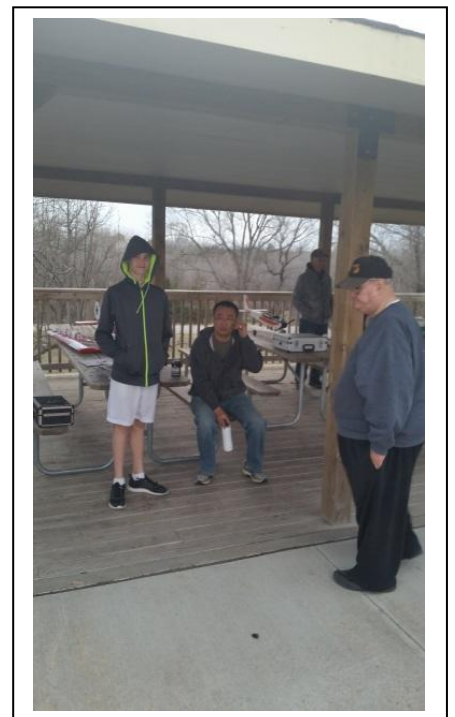


Father & son new trainer run-up

Some members out for training night



Taking shelter from the rain.





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