



# Hawk Talk

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**NEXT GENERAL MEETING: Friday, August 26th \* 7:00 P.M. \* Hawkfield (Hot dogs, etc. at 6:00 P.M.)**

**GENERAL MEETING PROGRAM: Make-A-Wish Donation**

**NEXT BOARD MEETING: Tuesday, September 20th \* 7:00 PM \* Make-A-Wish Foundation \* 11926 Arbor St.**

**ALL CLUB MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND BOARD MEETINGS**

**The 2016 Omahawks Auction will be held October 16<sup>th</sup>! Mark you calendars now.**

### Upcoming Events

Training Night	Hawkfield	Every Thursday	6:00pm-Dusk
Electric Sailplanes	Hawkfield	Weds - 8/24	8:30am-11:30am
Labor Day Air Show	Hawkfield	Mon - 9/5	10:00am-4:00pm
Old Timer Fun Fly	Hawkfield	Weds - 9/14	9:00 am-11:59am
Fall EDF Fun Fly	Hawkfield	Saturday - 9/17	10:00am-3:00pm
Electric Sailplanes	Hawkfield	Weds - 9/21	8:30am-11:30am
Scale Fun Fly*	Hawkfield	Sat - 9/24	4:00 - 8:00pm
Float Fly	Hawkfield	Weds - 9/28	8:30am-11:30am
Old Timer Fun Fly	Hawkfield	Weds - 10/12	9:00 am-11:59am

\*-Tentative, if enough people sign up.

**2016 Pattern Contest (from Bob Wheeler).** This year's event was another success due to the good weather and a large turnout. I would like to thank all the participants who journeyed from five different states to attend the contest (as far away as Grand Forks North Dakota - 550 miles away). Nineteen pilots in all participated with a good mix at all levels. Especially encouraging was an increase in the number of Sportsman contestants, with six participating in all. Jack Farner was the youngest contestant.

This year's contest was the first time for using a new Electronic Scribe Scoring System that NSRCA District 5 purchased. The system took a little time to set up, but once configured with all the data was entered, the system worked well and was actually easy to use. It allowed the Judges to always keep their eyes on the aircraft without having to divert them in order to write down scores. Quite an impressive system to use.

The contest could not have been a success without all the help and support from all the Omahawk members who came out to watch or those who helped including their spouses. A big thank-you to Dennis and Pat Bender for providing the Saturday afternoon lunch, to Mikey and Mandy Furrow for providing the Sunday lunch, and to Ed and Helen Paasch and Casey Green for their support with Pictures, Awards, monitoring the new system and introductions to RC flying and Pattern Contest information. A big thanks also to Jeff Pinnt and Matt Carlson for their help as well. Finally, much thanks to Robert Green and Mikey Furrow for helping to plan and organize the event. Running a contest of this size takes team work and we have a great team. That is what makes it work each and every year. Thank you to all. See many pictures from this event on the next page. Contest results can be found at the following link: [http://www.nsrca.us/contest\\_results/2016/D5/Omahawks/contestResults.xml](http://www.nsrca.us/contest_results/2016/D5/Omahawks/contestResults.xml)

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**Big Crowds and Great Flying at Offutt AFB (from Bernie Baker).** After taking off a year, Offutt hosted the 2016 Defenders of Freedom air show this year, featuring the Thunderbirds and many other exciting show segments. Omahawks and their guests once again had the best seats in the house for this two day event, with tents set up along the grass strip next to the main taxiway. As exhibitors, we were also free to bring out own lawn chairs and refreshments. Saturday's weather was great while the Sunday team had to battle some storms early in the day. Nonetheless, everyone had a good time and we were able to talk to a lot of people about the enjoyment of our hobby/obsession. As an extra treat, Don Dickey (with lots of support from his family) from the Lincoln Sky Knights brought in his large Hercules C-130, powered by four Evolution 15 engines.

Club members in attendance were Dennis Bender, Josh Sorensen, Ron Pacana, David Haney, Skip Brown, Rich Tiller, Scott Rathman, Bob Wheeler, and Bernie Baker.

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## Omahawks General Meeting Notes – June 21, 2016

(Submitted by Larry McChesney, Secretary)

President Mikey Furrow opened the meeting. There were approximately 29 members in attendance including guest Sebastian Smigieslski. Welcome Sebastian.

**Membership Report:** Our membership role presently lists 118 members.

### Field Update:

- Mikey Furrow noted that the lease document has now been signed and sent back to the City for their final signature. This agreement will be in full force starting January 1, 2017, through December 31, 2026; with an option to renew for another five years at that time.
- Thanks to Gary Vohnout and Greg Nelson for organizing a crew of 13 volunteers who met at 6:00 a.m. to finish the runway topcoat and stripping recently. Job well done and it looks first class. The new protection will extend the life of the runway for a long time. Also thanks to Tiffany Vohnout who did an outstanding job painting a new field sign. Very professional.



- Mikey reviewed an amendment to Rule #8 stating procedures for "All personal injuries and property damages; and fly-a-ways and crashes outside the approved flying area." The board approved the measure last month and took it to the membership for a final vote. Dennis Bender made a motion to accept the language as Rule Number 8 and add to the Field Rules. Second by Bernie Baker. Vote - unanimous to accept. No Nays.

### General Announcements:

- Ed Paasch and Bernie Baker (concessions) made a short statement about preparations for the Labor Day air show. Contact either or both to volunteer to fly, serve as segment leader (similar segments used last year), organize a new segment, lead/help with raffle tent, help with concessions, set up sound system, serve as safety officer, etc.
- Thanks to Bernie and Bob Wheeler again for organizing the club's booth at the Offutt Air Show.
- Fred Wilke will organize an EDF Fun Fly Sept 17th 10am-3pm this fall. Updates from Fred to follow.
- Bob Wheeler asked about funding for T-shirts for the Pattern Competition and is also looking for help judging. The field will be limited to Pattern flyers on Saturday the 13th until 5 pm and Sunday until 2:30. Registration begins at 9:00 am Saturday. Judging will be done with a new electronic scoring system.
- Mikey Furrow spoke about this year's SPC Competition. He hopes to see 10-15 people sign up for this three-segment event. Also, Mikey proposed, with enough interest, a Scale Fun Fly September 24<sup>th</sup> from 4:00-8:00 pm.