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President... Rick Sessions Secretary... Greg Nelson Editor/Publisher Vice Pres... Steve Farner Joe Hunt Treasurer... Kevin Hyde

NEXT GENERAL MEETING: Friday, Jan 25, 2019—7:00 PM – 9:00PM \*Hobbytowns, 10020 Scott Circle".

MEETING PROGRAM: Club updates, bring something to show at the meeting.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Tuesday, Jan 15, 2019-- 7:00PM - 8:30PM \*Hobbytowns, 10020 Scott Circle".

ALL CLUB MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND BOARD MEETINGS

Editor's Note: I had good intentions to get this December 2018 Newsletter out in December... BUT the holiday season had a mind of its own so to speak, and December and 2018 got away from me...

Hope everyone had a great holiday season and I personally wish you happy FLYING in 2019, hope to see you all at the field soon!

### President's Message

#### **Holiday Greetings!**

Hope you and your family are getting into the holiday spirits.....the weather sure feels like it! I am honored to be able to serve as your president for another year! We have started several initiatives, like the runway upgrade, that I'd like to see completed. It will be rewarding to help lead the club through these efforts.

Please welcome Cole Meyo and Luke Hughes to the leadership team! Here is your elected leadership team:

Rick Sessions—President (402) 312-6482 Steve Farner—Vice President (402) 690-8751 Kevin Hyde—Treasurer (402) 670-8320 Luke Hughes—Secretary (402) 995-9275 Dennis Bender—Board (402) 637-6642 Rick Haneline—Board (402) 321-7577

Skippy Haney—Board (402) 506-2358

Cole Meyo—Board (402) 639-7838

Thank you to Doc Greg Nelson for his many hours of work on the field maintenance and as the club secretary for the past several years. If we needed a fence repaired, a gate and lock installed, trees towed away, vandalism fixed or any number of tasks, Greg got it done!!

Just a reminder that there is indoor flying available (see details below), we will not meet during December, so the next club meeting is January 25th, 7pm at HobbyTown.

Hope to see you flying indoors or at the January 23rd Winter Build at Norris Hoover's shop in Gretna (details below)!

Your's in service, Rick Sessions

#### Getting the flying itch?

Bring your indoor slow flyers to:
Soccer & Tennis Club 4718 N 120th St, (Just south of Fort on west side of 120th)
Time: 10:30am to noon

\$5 per flyer (no charge to observe)
When: Monday, Jan 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019
We need 10 flyers to break even on the cost.
See you there. Coordinated by Fred Wilke

Contact info Fred: 402 571 1513

Omahawk's General Meeting Minutes

Rick Sessions, presiding.

CTO 7PM

26 members attend the meeting.

Jennifer from Make-A-Wish joins us. She presents the Omahawks with a Plaque expressing their gratitude for Omahawks support over the years. Omahawks remain proud of their association with this fine organization. We have contributed over **\$85,000** to from Make-A-Wish over the course of our 37 year association.

Membership report; Current membership is at 15, about on a par for this time of year.

Newsletter is going well. Thanks Joe Hunt for the "HO-HO" Great effort!

Runway Task Force updates; Luke is heading this up. We will meet with the Parks people next week and will have some specific suggestions and requests for them. 2' by 3' drawings were provided of renderings of what we would like to see. Membership reviewed them. We hope to move forward in a collaborative effort with the City to improve Hawk Field ill also coordinate with AMA to apply to their Grant Program to help.

There is no General meeting in December. The January meeting will be at HobbyTown

Irvington.

The first winter build night will be January 23rd, 2019 at Norris' house. Location is approximately Hwy 370 and Hwy 6. Detailed directions to follow.

Omahawks Volunteers needed. A signup sheet was circulated giving folks an easy way to give back to the club in some small way.

Our new 2019 Club Officer slate:

President - Rick Sessions Vice President - Steve Farner Secretary - Luke Hughes Treasurer - Kevin Hyde

Board Members: Cole Meyo, Dennis Bender, Rick Haneline, David Haney

Nominations are accepted and closed. All candidates are affirmed by unanimous vote of the membership in attendance.

Upcoming events. (Some now past)

Indoor Flying at Tennis and Soccer Club at 120th and Fort St @ Dec 10th 2018 cost is \$5.00

Indoor Flying SAC Museum January 19th, 2019

Indoor Flying SportsCenter @ 144<sup>th</sup> and Giles Wednesdays.

The membership votes to buy a new wind sock for the Field.

Raffle Prize is a Lipo Charger.

Program is Lipo Care, winterizing Nitro engines and a History of Hawk Field.

Adjourn 8PM

Show and tell included several interesting new flying machines!

Raffled off two tables full of auction items. Everyone went away happy and with a full stomach from the chocolate chip cookies!

Omahawk's Board Business Meeting Minutes for December, 2018

Note: Update meeting minutes withdrawn per request from our Club president, Mr. Sessions!

Omahawk's Board Business Meeting Minutes for November, 2018

CTO 7PM

Present Rick S, Greg N, Dennis B, Gary V, Rick H, Luke, Ed P,

Treasurer's Report: Membership 2018 finished at 122. Cash on hand ~\$18K. Board will cancel the PortaPotty for the winter to save ~ \$340.

Runway task force update: Will meet with Omaha City 5 Dec, 2018 to bring them up to speed on our Club and what all we do for Omaha and to get a feel for how we can work together to improve Hawk Field. We hope for help repairing/ replacing the runway and pits. Improve ADA accessibility and parking area.

Auction ideas; Auction has been very successful for many years and it's hard to think how to improve it. Someone wondered about grouping items by type so folks can plan when to attend.

Someone wondered about a silent auction component for some item types. Brainstorm ideas are welcomed.

Training program 2018 saw some success. Brainstorm ideas for next year. Individual training one-on-one? Specific night or casual? Let us know how better to welcome new folks into the hobby. This hobby really needs members who will be available to show new folks how to fly. Remember how you learned...?

Rick H accepts nomination for board member.

**Indoor flying at SAC 1/19/2019.** Would like to get a flight simulator on site as an attraction at SAC. SAC is a nice way to introduce kids to the hobby.

Friendly reminder: Last man out needs to remember to lock the gate at the field. It's been found standing open a few times lately.

The Board has no plans for a formal Holiday Party this year. *Editors Note {*Darn, liked the year in review presentation by member Cole last year!}

Build night has been going well. A number of members have taken advantage of the expertise in the Club to make progress on their winter build projects.

The next General Meeting is November 30, 2018 7PM at Presbyterian Church of the Cross.

CLUB OFFICER ELECTIONS WILL TAKE PLACE. Please plan to attend this important meeting. Ron Van Overon (past Omahawks President) has a program on Omahawks Field history. Ian will have a short reminder talk about Lipo battery Care.

Fred Wilke will have indoor flying 11/26 at Soccer and Tennis Club 120<sup>th</sup> and Fort 10:30 AM till noon.

Adjourn 8:30PM

### **Featured Article**

I've asked as I did last year for our members inputs into what air vehicles they are endeavoring to build

over the winter whilst cooped up in their warm basements and workshops, replying to my request was Tom Floyd with his two completed builds:

Built this Delta from a kit. It is called the **Comet** and is a laser cut kit from <u>Old School Models</u>. The engine is a <u>Webra .35 Speed</u> and is covered with Monokote.



Tom Floyd's Comet

Also was able to finish this <u>Sig Hog Bipe</u>. Power is a <u>Saito 91 four stroke</u>; it is also covered in Monokote.



Tom Floyd's Sig Hog Bipe

## Past Events

I was able to attend one of the past Indoor Flying Events that Fred Wilke is coordinating and sponsoring, the event was enjoyable by nearly eight flyers and several observers as well. Several people submitted the following pictures for publication:



Jud Bock and Bob Johnson



R to L, Bob Johnson, Paul Edmonds,



Judd, Bob, and Rick Sessions flying



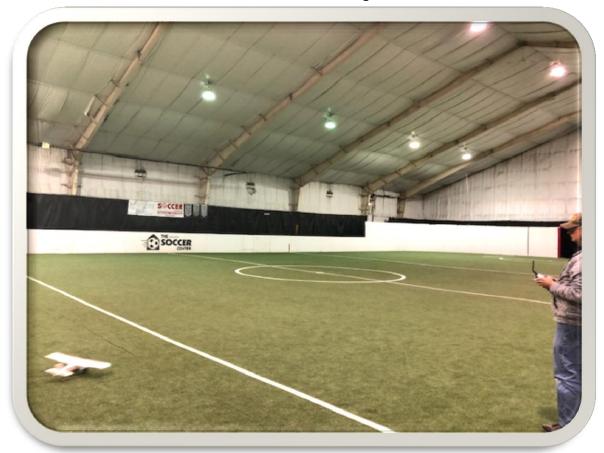
Paul Edmonds planes and radios



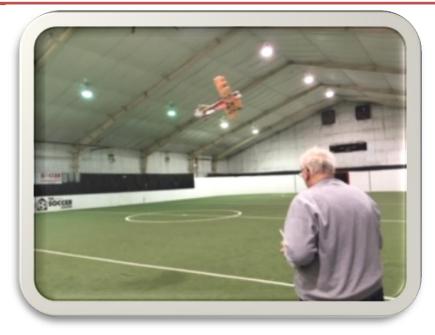
Joe Hunt (editor) flying an F36 Drone



Ron Pacana and some guests



Fred Wilke



Paul Edmonds

Special thanks for all those folks that provided pictures from this event including Cynthia Edmonds!

### **Upcoming Events**

- Breakfast get together every Tuesday Morning @ Hy-Vee , 10808 Fort St, Omaha
- January 7th, 2019—10:30 AM 12:00 AM Indoor flying Contact Fred Wilke @ 402 571
   1513
- January 15th, 2019 --7:00 PM 8:30 PM Board Meetings \* HobbyTown Hobby Plex, @
   10020 Scott Circle "
- January 23rd, 2019 Winter Build at Norris Hoover's shop in Gretna. Location is approximately
  Hwy 370 and Hwy 6.... Bring your winter build project to show, to get advice or just come to
  have a Member's night out! Time from 6pm to 9pm, where: Norris Hoover, 10747 South 204th
  Street, Gretna, NE 68028 @ Phone: 303-478-0212
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