



Hawk Talk

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NEXT GENERAL MEETING: Friday, February 24th * 7:00 P.M. * Church of the Cross, 1517 S 114th St.

GENERAL MEETING PROGRAM: TBD

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Tuesday, March 21st * 7:00 PM * Church of the Cross, 1517 S 114th St.

ALL CLUB MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND BOARD MEETINGS

All. This is a slow time of year from a newsletter standpoint, but be sure to attend tomorrow's General Meeting for an update on our tree removal status. Much thanks to Dick "Bulldog" Behrens for keeping this issue in front of the parks department. Bernie

(From Dick Behrens). Attached are four photos, taken last Sept 21, just east of the Hawkfield runway. These were given to Bill Andersen (Standing Bear Park supervisor) at our meeting earlier this year. This so he could show them to his supervisor, Josh Fry, the size of the growing oak trees and the difficulty in retrieving planes caught in these growing trees, etc..... In the photos, Dan Creagan, a club member, is using his drone to help retrieve the stuck plane.



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Omahawks General Meeting
27 Jan 2017
Presbyterian Church of the Cross

Call to Order 7:14 Pm by Casey Vohnout

Membership Report: 59 current members. Time to renew field permits. Make sure your AMA membership is current. Remember AMA expires at a different time from your field permit.

New member Ryan Baker told us of his desire to organize quad-copter events at Hawk Field. Membership offers their support. Will try to organize an event for the Spring.

Dick Behrens presented his plans for Float Fly, Glider and Old Timer events. 9 events in all. Total Budget \$235. Motion to accept made by Ed Paasch. Seconded by Dennis M. Motion passes. See the calendar for dates.

Trash pickup will occur monthly till May then back to weekly. Keep this in mind when using the trash containers at the field.

New mowing schedule for next year will mow the pits and infields weekly and the outer areas every other week. This will save about \$700 per year plus the cost of buying a mower and a place to store it. Also the club will not have to organize volunteers to operate the club-owned mower.

Field Chairman position is open. Gary Vohnout volunteers to take it. Membership gratefully accepts his offer with a vote to approve.

Roger Brown returned the coffee pot and donut buying supplies we used to use for club meetings. The club is grateful for his excellent management of refreshments. Casey will take over for now.

Winterfest is proposed for February 18th. \$10 dollar entry fee as a promise that you will fly on that day no matter what. Club will add \$100 to the kitty. Whoever actually shows up and accomplishes a takeoff, full circle and a landing will split the pot. Dinner follows at Jack and Mary's restaurant. Motion to accept by Kevin Hyde. Ed P seconds. Motion passes. Please coordinate with Steve Peck.

Adjourn 7:55

Member ship Renewal Information

http://omahawks.net/aboutus/paypal_app2.asp

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Minutes of Board meeting 21 Feb 2017

Present are Greg Nelson, Casey Vohnout, Rick Sessions, Dick Behrens, Bob Wheeler, Dennis Bender, Kevin Hyde, Gary Vohnout, Larry McChesney, Matt Carlson.

Treasurer's Report

76 members have renewed. 56 have not renewed yet.

Motion to spend \$208 for subscriptions to Model Aviation Magazine for local High Schools. Passed.

Tree Removal

Kevin, Rick and Dick have met with City Forester. He is OK with tree removal east of the runway. Dick arranged for Ron Bolejack to fell about 25 of the largest trees in exchange for the firewood. Club members will clear the rest. **Work Day scheduled for 18 March 2017.** Bob and Dick will pre-mark trees to be felled. Club will supply pizza for workers (up to \$125) and will contract with arborist (up to \$300.) Motion passed

Fence

Larry spoke with Parks Dept. They agree to supply enough fence posts and round rail to add ~175 feet to the north end of the round rail fence, going northwest. Motion to proceed passed. Work date to be set.

Training Program

Mikey outlined his vision for Training Night. Individual volunteers will be paired with student for each of 3 levels of training; Beginner, Intermediate and advanced. Mentor/student pairs meet on their own schedule through the week and come to Thursday night to be checked out by Check Pilots who will graduate the student to a higher level and a new mentor.

The field will be open to all members to fly on Thursday nights. Hope also to offer instruction in Pattern and 3D.

Storage Containers

Tabled for now. May revisit in future.

Larry updated the board on the status of getting a City Grant. He needs a specific project and a proposed budget to write a grant. Board heard suggestions and asks Mikey and Kevin to look into the details of installing a webcam at the field to promote the Site, the City and the Hobby while providing security against vandals by recording the feed on a loop.

Dennis Bender needs volunteers to fly Boy Scouts. Will ask at General Meeting.

Bob Wheeler will ask General Membership to front \$700 for the Pattern Contest to be re-paid from proceeds as has been done in years past.

Motion to adjourn –Passed 8:32 PM