



Hawk Talk

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**** AGENDA ****

GENERAL MEETING: Friday, July, 28 2006 * 7:00 P.M. * Hawk Field * 138th & Fort, Standing Bear Lake
PROGRAM: Hot Dogs, Chips, Soda Pop, and Fly, Fly, Fly!!!
BUSINESS MEETING: Wednesday, August 2, 2006 * 7:00 P.M. * Make-A-Wish Foundation * 11926 Arbor St.

ALL CLUB MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND THE BUSINESS MEETINGS

Omahawks to Become AMA Charter Club

Vote is overwhelming in support of charter proposal

Last month Omahawks members were asked to vote on whether our club should purchase a general liability insurance policy locally or become an AMA Chartered R/C Club and utilize the AMA insurance policy. The primary reason this issue was initiated was due to the changing insurance industry and the need for our club to have better liability coverage.

After the Omahawks Board reviewed all the information and the input from club members, the Board recommended to Omahawks members to become an AMA Chartered club. A ballot committee was formed to organize the information to be sent to all members. Thanks goes out to Kevin Hyde, Mike Lollis, Chuck Poore, and Ed Paasch for all their assistance on this committee.

On June 23, Mike Berger, Ralph Brown, Kevin Hyde, Mike Lollis, and I met to count the ballots and record the results. Option #2, to become an AMA Chartered club, carried as the majority decision of the Omahawks membership.

The Board is now reviewing our club rules and by-laws to reflect becoming an AMA Chartered R/C club effective January 1, 2007. At the last Board meeting, on July 5, it was decided to create a committee to review the current Omahawks by-laws. They will then make their recommendations for updates

to the Board for approval. Once the Board approves of these updates they will be submitted to the general membership for approval.

I would like to thank all the Omahawks membership for taking time to review the insurance information, make an educated decision, and for casting your valued vote.

-Steve Culver
President

JULY MEETING AT HAWK FIELD

138TH AND FORT

Program: Fly and have fun
Raffle Raffle for Labor Day
Air Show: Radio/tool Case



The Vote by the Numbers

Ballots Mailed	136
Ballots Returned	104
Votes for Option 1 (Local Insurance)	9
Votes for Option 2 (AMA Charter)	88
No Vote or Abstain	7

THE MINUTES

Mike Berger, Secretary

General Meeting.....6/30/2006

Meeting held at Hawk Field

★ Membership Report – Ralph Brown

★ Newsletter Report – Mike Berger

Steve says: Outstanding job on your first edition of Hawk Talk! Please submit articles or experiences to Mike Berger.

★ Field Update

Funding approved for 10x12 storage shed. Location and colors approved by the city. Location will be far southeast corner of parking lot.

Funding approved for one safety bench prototype. If liked we will construct more.

Safety light status – must have overhead lines, cannot work off of pad mount transformer. Still looking at other options.

General Announcements

★ Bud's Hobby closing on or about July 10.

★ HobbyTown Omahawks Reward Program – 1% of purchase, up to \$100 month, will be added to the Omahawks reward program. Please tell cashier you're a member of the Omahawks when making a purchase. At the end of the year our club will receive a store voucher.

★ Summer General Meetings at Hawk Field in July, and August. Hot dogs, chips and soda will be provided. Bring something to fly!

★ AMA announcement: AMA Charter was approved by majority of club members. Steve is working on the AMA Charter Kit for the 2007 charter. Board will review bylaws for changes needed for change to AMA. (See pg. 1 for vote results—ed)

Business Meeting.....7/5/2006

Called to order at 7:05

★ Officers and board members present: Steve Culver, Mike Berger, Mike Lollis, Fred Wilke, Eric Coldiron, Brad Shaink

★ Also Doc Greenberg, Bob Zitzlsperger, Bud Mitchell, Skip Brown, Bob Burt

Officers and chairman reports:

★ Treasurer's Report - Please attend the business meeting for details.

★ Membership Report - Ralph - Eight new members. Approx. 148 members so far this year.

★ Newsletter Report: Article needed for Field meeting, upcoming events: Fun fly, labor day.

★ Field Report: Steve met with City re: Trash, mowing. City budget has been cut so that the services have been curtailed and they do not have the resources to do it. More effort may be needed on our part to keep things up.

Old business:

★ Club Phone: Ph no is set up and mailboxes.

★ Signs at Field: We have account with Fast-signs and Larry can order what we need. Verbiage needed for Helicopter sign. We need sign at Tranquility park noting that R/C Flying is illegal. Club may need to pay for the sign since the city is short on cash.

★ Labor Day Air Show will be an AMA sanctioned event to ensure best insurance coverage. AMA sanctioning paperwork is being completed. Claude will be CD for this.

★ Safety Table is still in the works.

New Business:

★ Multiwing Fun Fly is proposed for August 12 by Bob Wheeler. Funds will be shared with the other new fun flies.

★ Club general membership approval is required for the purchase of the storage shed and for the allocation of funds to the newly planned fun flies.

★ Storage Shed: Met with city, they approve. Site has been selected tentatively. Club members will be consulted at the July meeting.

★ Helicopter Flying at field: We need to work on the situation at the field. Current situation is not adequate. As it sits the current situation is not viewed as being safe enough due to the lack of development. Steve will make this a point of discussion at the next meeting to determine if the helicopter fliers can share the runway provided time can be shared with fixed wing.

★ AMA Count passed: Subcommittee needed to determine recommendation of changes to bylaws to meet AMA requirements. Steve will organize it.

★ Meeting Adjourned @ 9:10

I WANT YOU



TO GET INVOLVED

The Omahawks is the biggest and best R/C club in the Midwest. We stay that way because of the many members who give their time and effort in support of our events.

There is no better way to get to know your fellow members than to get involved in the events. When you help out or participate, you help make this club the best it can be.

-editor



Bob takes the long walk to retrieve Ralph's plane—what a guy!



Wake up, Ralph!



That's no way to park a plane!



FLYING AT THE NORTH OMAHA AIRPORT



Once again this summer a group of Omahawks provided some entertainment for the North Omaha Commercial Club's annual picnic at the North Omaha Airport.

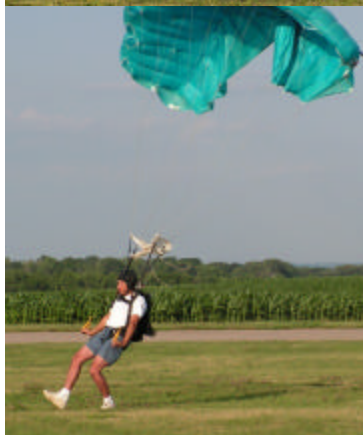
The Omahawks, the police helicopter and a skydiving team kept everyone happy while they ate an excellent dinner and enjoyed a cool evening. A couple of planes got dinged up, but lots of fun was had anyway.

The Omahawks present were Ralph, Skip and Micah Brown, Mike Berger, Fred Wilke, Bob Rogge, Matt Myer, and Mike Lollis.

- editor



Are you busy on Labor Day?



HAWK TALK



JUNE

@ HAWK



**A good time
was had by
all!**



Make up your own caption for this one. I promised I wouldn't.



MEETING AT HAWK FIELD

Hmm... must be time to eat!



The Omahawks celebrated the summer with the first of three general meetings to be held at Hawk Field instead of our regular meeting place at the Make-A-Wish Foundation. President Steve Culver presided over a meeting that included hot dogs, chips and lots of great flying.

While the evening started out on the windy side, the wind dropped as the evening wore on and just about everyone had a great time. Paul Klopping got to experience the thrill of a folded up wing, but other than that there were no incidents to speak of.

The club welcomed its newest soloed pilot, Nathan King, and after a short talk from Steve, enjoyed a spectacular evening of flying.



Steve and Paul compare plane crashing experiences.



HAWK TALK FUN FLY NO. 1



On Saturday July 15, the first of three Hawk Talk Fun Flies was held at Hawk Field. About 15 people showed up despite the steamy temperatures to enjoy the day, the food and the big game of the day. The theme of the day was The First (hopefully annual) Omahawks Poker Run. The rules were simple. On his first flight, each pilot was given a five card poker hand. With each successive flight, he could



discard one card and draw another. At the end of the fly, the pilot with the best hand would be declared the winner of the big prize.

This year's prize, a radio/tool case, was won by David Olson who drew a straight which won out over several others who drew two pairs.

The next Hawk Talk Fun Fly will be held on Sunday August 6, and we'll have another game for all to enjoy, so don't miss it!



Jim had a bad day!



Fred and Luke dropped a parachute



Steve gets to fly this time

It's Coming...

Tuesday Morning

FLOAT FLY

August 8

(Makeup Date August 15)

Fly 8:30 am - 11:30

Standing Bear Lake – Omaha
Chase Boat

Coffee and Krispy Kremes

Flyers from all fields welcome

\$5 Fee for pilots without Hawk Field Permits - no
fee for Omahawks

Sponsored by Omahawks

Info: Bob Zitzlspenger 493 1610

Bob Burt 339 7482

Ed Splittgerber 896 1787

Dick Behrens 451 6397



Don't miss the Labor Day Air Show!

It's almost scary for me to realize that Labor Day is only six weeks away! The show is going on again and your help and participation is needed to make it a show worthy of the Omahawks.

People are needed for everything from volunteers to work the concessions, collect money or sell raffle tickets, to displaying and flying all manner of airplanes. Please plan to attend and participate. Contact Steve Peck if you are interested in helping out.

One thing is different this year, though. Due to insurance concerns, the air show will be an AMA sanctioned event this year. If you plan to fly you will have to be an AMA member.

Let's all work together to make this the best Labor Day Air Show ever!



OTHER EVENTS:

Business Meeting @ Make-A-Wish Wed, Aug 2

Missouri Valley Jet Scramble (Tecumseh, NE) Fr-Sun Aug 3-6

Hawk Talk Fun Fly No.2 Sun Aug 6

Multiwing Fun Fly Sat Aug 12

General Meeting @ Hawk Field Fri Aug 25

Support your local Make-A-Wish Foundation

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JULY MEETING AT HAWK FIELD

←————→
Come On Out
and Fly!

Where Go Who?

What I am about to say is not necessarily the opinion of the Omahawks, the Board or anyone else for that matter, and there are some who would say that what I am about to say has no place on these pages, but I simply cannot keep quiet about it.

Something is about to happen that I think is the coolest thing in R/C flying and if you haven't seen it, you have missed the neatest part of our hobby. The Missouri Valley Jet Scramble will be taking place at the Techumseh Airport in Techumseh, NE the first weekend in August (Aug 4 - 6). If you have never seen a real turbine powered radio-controlled airplane, you owe it to yourself to see this event. You won't be disappointed.

Although it is not an Omahawks event, the MVJS is an event put on with the help and support of many members of nearly every club in the area, including our own. This is a weekend where some of the best turbine and ducted-fan pilots and planes in the country gather for open flying from Thursday night till Sunday afternoon. There may be as many as fifty pilots with nearly a hundred planes splitting the sky with the very latest in high-tech R/C wizardry.

This would be a great place to take the family, if only for a couple hours. There will be concessions, souvenirs and lots of the best R/C flying you will ever see.

For more info see www.mvjs.com

- Editor

