



Hawk Talk

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**** AGENDA ****

GENERAL MEETING:	Friday, June 30, 2006 * 7:00 P.M. * Hawk Field * Standing Bear Lake, 138th & Fort St
PROGRAM:	Hot Dogs, Chips, Soda Pop and Lots and Lots of Flying Fun!
BUSINESS MEETING:	Wednesday, July 5, 2006 * 7:00 P.M. * Make-A-Wish Foundation * 11926 Arbor St.

ALL CLUB MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND THE BUSINESS

HAWKS DECIDE To AMA or not to AMA

RESULTS TO BE
ANNOUNCED AT
JUNE MEETING AT
HAWK FIELD

**JUNE
MEETING
AT HAWK FIELD**

138th and Fort

Raffle Raffle

The raffle at the meeting will be for a Great Planes Foamy Airplane kit and all proceeds from that raffle will go to support the Labor Day Air Show Raffle

As all of you are aware, the general membership vote to decide whether to obtain insurance locally or pursue becoming an AMA chartered club is underway. All members should have received a ballot, via U.S. Mail, to cast your vote shortly after Memorial Day. Since the ballots will not be counted until after this edition of Hawk talk is printed, the results will be announced at the June 30th general meeting being held at Hawk Field and an announcement will be put on our web site.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Kevin Hyde, Mike Lollis, Ed Paasch, and Chuck Poore for their invaluable assistance on the ballot committee. Due to their efforts in creating, editing, and reviewing all the documents mailed to you, we were able to get the ballots mailed four days earlier than planned. I would also like to extend my deepest thanks to the entire Omahawks Board as they have all spent a great deal of time researching and debating this topic. Last but not least, I would also like to thank all Omahawks members who took the time to review the information, make an educated decision, and return their ballot. Regardless of the outcome, I can assure you the Board will

work hard to implement the decision of our club members.

- Steve Culver

**Lease
Lost
- Bud
Bummed
Details on page 7**

BUD'S HOBBIES

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Bud Kiloski (712) 322-5130
1221 N. 16th Street 1-866-322-5130
Council Bluffs, IA 51501

THE MINUTES

Mike Berger, Secretary

General Meeting5/26/2006

Called to order 7:00 Steve Culver presiding.
Approx 30 members and guests present

★ Ralph Brown - Membership Report - We still have members

★ Olie - Newsletter report - Olie has left the position - many thanks to Olie for his tireless effort on the newsletter. Mike Berger will be the new newsletter editor and needs your help to support the future excellence of the newsletter.

★ AMA proposal: At last meeting we discussed AMA or other insurance options. There was much response from the membership on the subject. The issue was discussed and board opted to propose to the club that the club become an AMA Charter club. A subcommittee was formed to create the ballots and a Q/A sheet to be mailed to the members for their vote. Those ballots will be mailed out to the members by 5/30 and need to be returned by 06/15 to be counted. Results will be announced at the June meeting at Hawk Field.

★ Memorial Day Egg Burn will be held at 9:00 Monday. Everyone should bring eggs bacon any other food and drinks you want. You might want to bring a plane, too.

★ Mav Kids' Camp. Omahawks part will take place at Hawk Field on Friday June 9. Theme will be "Some assembly required." Eric Coldiron will be the event coordinator for this. All members that are available are encouraged to attend to help out.

★ Storage Solution for Hawk Field: Denis Breyers has sent us plans for the Sun Dawgs hut for the club to possible use for storage at the field.

★ General meetings will be held at Hawk Field in June, July, and August.

★ Update on the dealings with the City

★ City has asked for long range plans for the field. Meeting is still up in the air. Are there any ideas that the members have for long term plans? Suggestions from members: Water, fence all the way around the field, Lights for nighttime, toilet facilities, some facilities (bigger boat dock or maybe access point on north side of lake, or separate dock?) for float flies, safety work tables for planes.

★ Trees - Background - club has marked trees they want to remove - city has responded that they must have justification for the trees removal. Any replacement must be justified based on the dollar value of the trees. Board has tabled issue pending response from city.

★ Float Fly at Hawk Field May 27, 9:00 a.m. Next one is Tuesday, Jun13.

★ Solo Award: Eric Morgan has soloed. Congratulations Eric!

★ The new banner is up at Bud's. Check it out!

★ Question from Doc Greenberg: Several years ago there was a committee formed to look for a second field. Is there any update on it. Ans: The committee does not exist. At one time Ron and Claude were dealing with the city of Fort Calhoun concerning a piece of

property the city wanted to get and allow us to develop as a flying field. Last report was that the property owners were at a standstill over sale and there was little hope that they would come to terms.

Business Meeting.....1/3/2006

Officers and Board Members Present: Steve Culver, Mike Berger, Mike Lollis, Fred Wilke, Eric Coldiron

Also in attendance: Ralph Brown, Larry McChesney, Ed Paasch

★ No Treasurer's Report, Kevin is on vacation.

★ Mike B. Newsletter Report: Everything is going OK. I need input for this and future newsletters. Maybe an article on the new worktable design and an article on the AMA vote. Steve C and Mike B. to collaborate.

★ Larry M: Field report: Looked into storage shed issue. Price at Menards for 10 ft x 12 ft shed (Materials only) is \$922. Tuff Shed price is \$2246 for a 10 x 12 delivered or \$4052 for a 14 x 14. Other discussion: Cost of Sun Dawgs Hut needs to be looked into. What will be stored there? What about moving it if we need to? Tuff Shed can be moved. Where to put it. Motion made: With City approval, to purchase a 10 x 12 ft Tuff Shed costing up to \$2500 to be located at Hawk Field. Motion seconded and passed. Steve Culver will contact city for approval.

★ Issue discussed: Spektrum Radios. Spektrum radios do not interfere with 72 mhz radios but there is still a need for a way for fliers to post their pins in the impound. Mike Lollis will get something set up to accomplish this. Spektrum Radios are only allowed on electric planes. They are not AMA approved for nitro or gas airplanes.

★ Some complaints have been received concerning maintenance of the helicopter area. Board will need to address needs in that area including mowing, signs and maybe a work table. Need to look at long term plans like landing pad as well.

★ Ralph Brown - Membership Report: Kip Dirkschneider has applied to rejoin the club. Per club bylaws the board voted unanimously to accept his application.

Old Business:

★ Business Phone is up and running. Brad Shaink is monitoring it.

★ Signs at Hawk Field - Handicapped parking signs are back up (Thanks to Doc Greenberg for that) More signs have been ordered and need to be picked up and posted.

★ AMA Vote: Ballots are out and over 50% have been returned. Question raised whether the vote can be counted in time for the results to be announced in June newsletter. There is too little time between the mailing deadline and the newsletter deadline to insure all votes will be in so the results will be announced at the June General meeting as previously planned.

★ AMA Charter: If the vote is in favor of the charter, decision needed on when to make it effective. Suggestions have been made to make it July 1. So far the board has announced that the changes would be effective for 2007. Motion: That if the club approves the charter, that the charter should be made effective for 2007. Motion seconded and approved.

★ Motion: That Labor Day Air Show fliers be required to be AMA members. Motion seconded and passed.

★ Steve Culver has the AMA charter kit and is working on it in case the vote is in favor of AMA.

★ Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

AN APOLOGY

(MY FIRST ISSUE—MY FIRST APOLOGY—GOOD START, HUH?)

As the new Hawk Talk editor, I was reminded by the former editor at least a dozen times that I needed to have my digital camera at the meeting to take pictures for show and tell. And, of course, I completely forgot to do it. Thus, there are no pictures in this issue of the show and tell planes.

So I give my most humble and heartfelt apology to those who showed their planes.

And to those who missed the meeting, I can only say that you missed very best show and tell ever.

SPEKTRUM FLAG ON IMPOUND

In order to allow all pilots to post their flying permit on the frequency board, a new flag for Spektrum radios has been added to the impound. There is only a generic flag since these radios do not operate on a set frequency.

Members who are using Spektrum Radios are required to put their flight permit pin on this flag whenever they are using their radio the same way they would if they were using a 72 mhz radio. This will insure that all fliers at the field have a permit showing on the board.

Many thanks are due to Mike Lollis for getting the flag put up so quickly.



editor

HAWK FIELD FOUND!

INVESTIGATION FINDS REPORTS WERE WRONG

It was recently reported in a less credible publication that the Omahawks had lost Hawk Field. This report caused much alarm and consternation among many of the members, especially for those of us who hadn't seen the field since the day before yesterday.

The Hawk Talk Editorial staff dispatched their chief investigative reporter, Ed Paasch, to look into the issue and report back to the club on the mystery.

After an extensive investigation involving many false leads and erroneous tips, our reporter was able to determine that Hawk Field was, in fact, right where we left it!

Whew! That had us worried for a minute there!



Chief Investigator—
On the Case

MAVS KID'S CAMP KIDS VISIT HAWK FIELD

Once again, the Omahawks have played a part in the Mav Kids Camp summer youth program sponsored by UNO. This year the kids had the pleasure of coming out to Hawk Field to get a lesson in flying R/C airplanes. This year's theme was "Some Assembly Required." (Can you say ARF?)

Two full busloads of kids came to the presentation on a sunny but windy Friday afternoon. There wasn't a lot of flying done due to the wind, but the kids enjoyed the presentation from the club.

Special thanks are due to Kevin Hyde for arranging the event and Eric Coldiron for planning and rounding up volunteers. Also thanks to Ed Pugsley, Tony Underwood, Galen Lillethorup, Bud Mitchell, and Quinn Coldiron who showed up with planes and talked with the kids and helped out.

- Steve Culver and Editor

NEW FUN FLY LINE UP

JULY 15, AUGUST 6, AND SEPTEMBER 16

If you have looked at the Omahawks Event Calendar lately, you will have noticed that, for some reason this year, there seems to be next to nothing in the way of club events. In addition to having a slow year event-wise, the pattern contest and old timer fun fly are not being held. This leaves the plate looking pretty bare. Some members have commented to me about this.

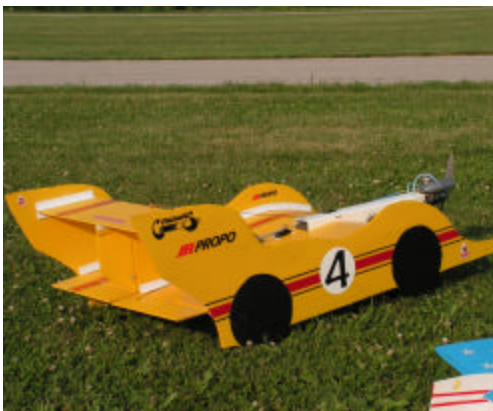
In order to add some fun to that schedule, I have decided to hold some fun flies for all to enjoy this summer. In honor of my new position as Editor, I am calling them the Hawk Talk Summer Fun Flies. On each of these days an open field event will be held. There will be only two rules for each of them: (1) Fly airplanes, and (2) have fun. There will be hot dogs, chips and sodas for lunch. There will be a couple of contests at each of them. There might be some prizes. The contests will not be announced until the day of the fun fly. They will start at 9:00 a.m. with lunch ready around 11:30 or so.

Be sure to attend. A good time will be had by all!

- editor



Mav Kids enjoy the show at the newly rediscovered Hawk Field



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Memorial Day Egg Burn

Omahawks Welcome the Summer!

Another Memorial Day, 35 dozen eggs, almost 30 lbs. of bacon, and gallons of orange juice and coffee can only mean one thing, another grand Omahawks Egg Burn!

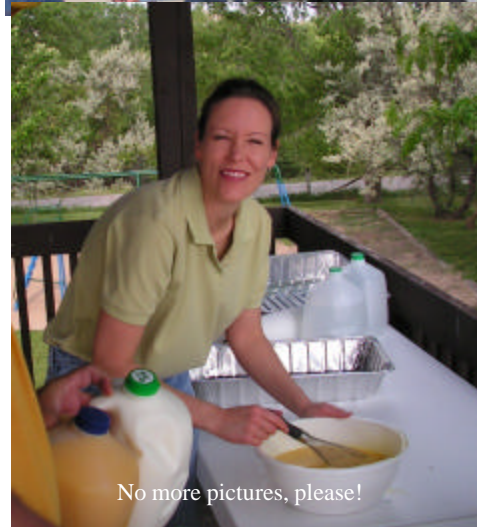
After giving thanks for all those who have served our country and paid the ultimate price, over 125 folks made up of members, spouses, children and guests enjoyed a wonderful breakfast together. It was a beautiful day to enjoy each others company, and, of course, bring something to fly!

No event such as this is the product of just one person. I would like to thank all those who assisted with set-up, cooking all the food, and clean-up. This event could not have been possible without your assistance! I realize time is a precious commodity for you and your families, especially on a holiday, so it means a great deal to me that so many people made time to attend the Egg Burn. So, on behalf of the entire Omahawks Board, thank you for attending! Many pictures were taken and are on the Omahawks web site for your enjoyment so please take a look. Thanks again for making this a lot of fun and a great event. I hope to see all of you at next years Egg Burn.

- Steve Culver



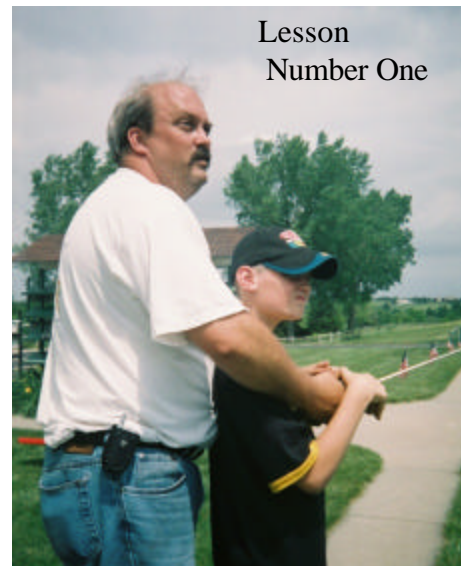
The cooking crew
At work.



No more pictures, please!



The
Grillmeister



Lesson
Number One



Yummy!

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*Family, Friends
and Fun*

*It's What R/C
is All About*



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MAY (OOPS, MAKE THAT JUNE) FLOAT FLY A BIG SUCCESS

The float fly originally scheduled for Saturday May 27th was postponed one week because of lightning, rain and wind. The weather on June 3rd was better, with southwest winds of 5 to 15 mph. Twenty pilots flew or brought planes. There were about 50 people in attendance.

Captain Russ Ault made about 14 retrieval trips with his chase boat. Ralph Brown and Fred Hawkins furnished 3 dozen krispy kremes and donuts, which were all consumed. Doc Greenberg furnished the coffee. The club cost for this event was zero.

The pilots and plane owners were: Ralph Brown, Tom Floyd, Frank Wisniski, Gary Vohnout, Bob Roegge, Bert Van Blerk, Bob Wheeler, Ed Splittgerber, Gale Sherman, Bob Burt, Tim Peters, Don Petersen, Bob Zitzlsperger, Mark Obrien, Gene Stamm, Dean Copeland, Casey Vohnout, Bud Mitchell, Olie Olson, and Dick Behrens.

Bob Wheeler flew off water for his first time. His flight was successful. Bob Burt had his new Sig LT 25 plane on floats. Olie used new Balsa USA Wave Ryder floats on his plane. They worked well.

- Dick Behrens



BUD'S HOBBIES LOSES LEASE — MUST CLOSE

Metro R/C fans were dealt a great blow this past month when they found that Bud Kilnoski has lost his lease for his shop in Council Bluffs and must vacate the building by early July. He has until July 15th to be out of the building and plans to close up shop by July 10th.

Bud says that he wants to reopen in another location in Council Bluffs but he is having trouble locating a suitable building. If anyone knows about a building that is at least 50 x 100 ft and is available, he would like to hear about it.

Unfortunate as this may sound, there is an upside for local hobbyists. Since he is required to vacate, Bud wants to sell as much of his inventory as possible. This means great deals for all on anything in the shop. So, get over to Bud's, help him clean house and get in on the sweetest deals around. This is all going to end soon, so don't wait or you'll miss out.

Thanks Bud, for all your support! We look forward to seeing you in a new shop.

Saturday Morning

FLOAT FLY

July 22

(Makeup Date July 29)

9 am - noon

Standing Bear Lake

Chase Boat

Coffee and Krispy Kreme at 830 am

Pizza at 1130 am

Flyers from all field welcome

\$5 Fee for pilots without Hawkfield Permits

(No cost for Omahawks)

Sponsored by Omahawks

Info: Bob Zitzlsperger 493 1610

Bob Burt 339 7482

Ed Splittgerber 896 1787

Dick Behrens 451 6397

Hobbytown and Omahawks Team Up for Training Program & More

Omahawks R/C Inc. is excited to announce a new program between our club and HobbyTown USA, the Omahawks Rewards Program.

Beginning June 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006, HobbyTown USA will donate 1% up to \$100 per month per person for all purchases made by Omahawks members to the Omahawks Rewards Program. At the end of the year HobbyTown USA will issue the Omahawks a store credit from all the purchases made by our club members. This in turn can be used by our club to purchase anything in the store!

All you have to do when making a purchase at either HobbyTown USA store (I-680 and Irvington or the LaVista Store) is tell the cashier you are a member of the Omahawks and to please add the purchase total to the Omahawks Rewards Program. That's it! Each month HobbyTown USA will take 1% of member's purchases (up to \$100 for each person) and add that amount to the Omahawks Rewards Program total.

Thanks for your membership in our club and for participating in this opportunity.



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ATTENTION

MEETING
AT
HAWK FIELD

Friday June 30

LABOR DAY IS COMING AND YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

Everyone can rejoice. Summer is finally here. Memorial Day was a beautiful day, fun for everyone and chock full of great flying. And we can all look forward to long days full of nice weather and clear skies as summer comes into full swing. But something else is coming up, probably faster than we all want to think about. That is the Labor Day Air Show. And once again, your help is needed to keep it a grand success.

Last year we made a change to the raffle such that all of the money that was used to buy prizes for the raffle was donated by club members. This allowed us to give all of the money for tickets sold to Make-A-Wish. In previous years we had bought the prizes and then taken the amount spent from the receipts before giving the balance to Make-a-Wish. Since we got rained on last year (for the first time ever on Labor Day) attendance and donations were disappointingly low. The donations from the club really saved us and we were still able to give Make-a-Wish a nice sum of money for our efforts. Great thanks are due to those who made that possible.

Once again, I plan to do the same thing with this year's raffle. I will be soliciting donations at the next few club meetings and will also have some things to raffle off at the meetings. Sort of a "Raffle Raffle" if you will. I would very much like to repeat the accomplishments from last year. If you would like to donate but won't be at the meeting, you can send a check to me at my new home in the

boonies shown below. You can make checks out to the Omahawks or to Make-A-Wish of Nebraska if you prefer.

Thanks so much for all of your support.

Labor Day Air Show Raffle
c/o Mike Berger
P. O. Box 73
Randolph, IA 51649-0073.

