



Hawk Talk

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ALL CLUB MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND THE BUSINESS MEETINGS

GENERAL MEETING: Friday, June 27, 2014 * 6:00 P.M. * Hawk Field * 138th & Fort St.

PROGRAM: Fun and Flying

BUSINESS MEETING: Wednesday, July 2, 2014 * 7:00 P.M. * Make-A-Wish Foundation * 11926 Arbor St.

Make Summertime Safety-time

Summertime is finally here. The days are long and hot and every day is a flying day. There is a lot of fun to be had, but there is also a great potential for grief if we don't put safety first whenever we fly.

Many risks are present whenever you fly an R/C airplane or helicopter. Propeller blades and rotors spin at high speeds and can cause serious injuries. Airplane glow fuel and gasoline have the potential for fire and overheated or damaged electric equipment can cause burns or fires or even explosions. All in all, this hobby

can be quite dangerous if the risks are taken too lightly.

The agricultural co-op that I work for has a safety program that is designed to get every employee focused on safety every minute of every day. I can think of no better plan to have when flying R/C. By staying focused on safety we can make sure that summertime is a safe time for everyone involved.

When you go flying, you always make sure to have the supplies you need to fly, such as fuel, batteries, tools etc. But you should also have a first aid kit for treating minor injuries. A cell phone is a good thing to keep handy if you need to call 911. And you should always have a flying buddy to help you if things go completely wrong. A simple cut from a spinning propeller can make it so you can't use a phone or drive yourself to the doctor's office.

Another thing that is good to have handy is a fire extinguisher. Almost everything used in R/C flying has a potential for fire. Glow fuel and gasoline are obvious fire risks but even the lithium batteries used in electric planes can overheat or catch on fire.

Last but certainly not least,

you should have a plan. You should know what the risks are and think ahead about what you should do if something goes wrong. Do you know where the nearest emergency room is? Do you know basic first aid? What do you do if someone gets hurt? Knowing in advance what to do in case of emergency can really help minimize the damage done and possibly save a life.

So be prepared, be forewarned and be careful. If you put safety first, summertime will always be fun flying time.

JUNE MEETING AT HAWK FIELD

FRIDAY, JUNE 27

**6:00 p.m.
Hawk Field
138th & Fort St**

**Program:
Fly and have fun**

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- ★ June 25 - Electric Sailplane Fun Fly
- ★ June 27 - General Meeting
- ★ July 2 - Business Meeting
- ★ July 2 - Old Timer Fun Fly
- ★ July 4 - Celebrate the 4th at Hawk Field!
- ★ July 12 - Float Fly
- ★ Training night every Thursday 6 pm till dark

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THE MINUTES

Mikey Furrow, Secretary

General Meeting....5/30/2014

Minutes not available at publication time

Business Meeting.....6/4/2014

Minutes not available at publication time



Tom Virgilito and his PT 40

The 2014 Builder's challenge Fun Fly was held in conjunction with the Memorial Day Egg Burn, and it turned out to be an awesome day for this fun fly. A lot of visitors and guests were on hand to assist with the judging of the 4 planes submitted for the Builders Challenge. Tom Virgilito built a PT 40 Trainer that was very impressive to look at, and his covering job was perfect quality, with hardly any seams visible. He won the 1st Place pilots choice award, with Ron Pacana's Corsair kit he built coming in 2nd Place and Tom Floyd's Kwik Fly coming in 3rd place. We did have one late entry which earned an Honorable Mention from Thaddeus, one of our younger pilots who submitted a foamy "Angry Bird" bird plane, which was pretty kewl to see.

So if your interested in building a plane over the winter months and participating in this event, watch for the notifications and flyers at the September meeting for the announcement of the new challenge for next spring.



Tom Floyd with his Kwik Fly



Ron Pacana and his Corsair



Thaddeus and his Angry Bird

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June Field Cleanup:



Despite a windy and cloudy morning, 11 guys (Bob Wheeler, Dean Copeland, Steve Earl, Dick Behrens, Ron Kriegy, Ron Pacana, Dennis Bender, Bernie Baker, Larry Iness, Dan Duey, Mikey Furrow) and two gals (Carmel Earl and Amy Duey) came out to help make the field an awesome place to fly.

With all this help, we were able to get the outside of the pavilion painted, tree's trimmed around the bleachers and parking areas, and Dick Behrens, Dan Duey, and Dennis Bender worked on cleaning up alot of the low lying branches in the newly cleared out area of the woods. Carmel worked on cleaning up the flower bed by the pilot stations and Amy assisted with the scraping and painting as well.

Everyone in attendance was treated to a grilled lunch by our Grill cook, Dennis, and everyone seemed to enjoy the time working together to make the field an awesome place to fly.....



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Bluffs, Iowa June 26th through 29th

The Twin Cities Eagle Squadron flying club is proud to host the 4th Annual CornHuckFest at their beautiful club field located just south of the Ameristar Casino in Council Bluffs, Iowa. The event is scheduled to run from Thursday, June 26th through Sunday, June 28th, and is open to all AMA member pilots. Pilots can register for individual days for \$10 per day, or pre-register for the whole event for just \$30 at <http://www.cornhuckfest.com>. A four-day registration at the field will be \$35.00.

Food and cold drinks will be available for purchase on site. The Flying Boys of Iowa air show team will be on hand to keep things lively. Registered pilots will be treated to dinner Saturday evening. A terrific selection of thousands of dollars worth of raffle prizes will be given away to lucky winners throughout the event.

All aircraft are welcome, including helicopters, quadcopters, and airplanes powered by gasoline, glow fuel, turbine, or electric power systems. If you bring it, you can huck it! The four day festival of fun will include plenty of open flying as well as

flight demonstrations, night flying under two huge floodlight arrays, and the much-anticipated Foamy Olympics that was all the talk after last year's CornHuckFest.

You missed out on Woodstock because your parents didn't want you to hitchhike to New York, you were at bowling league the night when everybody else found out Who Shot JR, don't miss out on CornHuckFest! It's possible that you might not die if you don't make it to CornHuckFest, but why take the chance? Get registered, get to Council Bluffs, and get ready for the time of your life!

CornHuckFest 2014

Win big from a great selection of thousands of dollars worth of prizes!



Join us on Thursday, June 26th through Sunday, June 29th at the Twin Cities Eagle Squadron club field in Council Bluffs, Iowa for the 4th Annual CornHuckFest! Four big days of open flying fun, flight demonstrations, night flying under two huge floodlight setups, Foamy Olympics, and much more! All AMA member pilots are welcome, and you can register for all four days for just \$35 or just \$10 for a single day registration. Early registration is only \$30 at cornhuckfest.com

Food and soft drinks will be available on site, and registered pilots will be treated to dinner on Saturday evening. CornHuckFest is scheduled to run day and night at 2601 River Road in Council Bluffs, IA; the field is just south of the Ameristar Casino. Please visit cornhuckfest.com for a map to the field, pre-registration, and additional information. Electric, nitro, turbine, and gasoline airplanes, helicopters, and multi-rotor coptors are all welcome. If you bring it, you can huck it!!!

Contact event coordinators Jake Fahn or Pete Rosas with any additional questions:

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June 11 Old Timer Fun Fly. The wind was from the south 9-15 mph. Dennis and Patricia prepared and served another tasty meal, including sautéed veggies. Twenty three took part. Signing in were: Frank Vanecek, Bud Mitchell, Larry Inness, Ron Pacana, Bob Zitz, Rick Haneline, Art Miller, Tom Floyd, Bob Burt, Ed Paasch, Tom Egbert, Jack Mechance, Jud Bock, Frank Wisniski, Gallen Littethorup, Fred Wilke, Stephen Peck, Terry Chall, Dennis Bender, Bob Johnson, Mikey Furrow, Chuck Buscher and Dick Behrens.

June 18 Float Fly. Canceled due to high winds(15-25mph).

June 25 Sailplanes. (Frank Wisniski may furnish something for this event.)

Upcoming Events

July 2 Wed Old Timer Fun Fly
July 12 Sat Float Fly
July 16 Wed E Sailplanes
Aug 6 Wed Old Timer Fun Fly



Frank Wisniski and his Bomber



Fred Wilke and his new Powerhouse



Jud Bock and his big XP3

The seated jury, L to R: Rick H, Frank V, Gallen L, Tom E, Jack M, Tom F, Ron P, Bud M, Bob Z, Frank W, & Bob B



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Hitting you up again...

It's summertime again, which means that it's time to get ready for the big show coming up on Labor Day. And once again, I am running the raffle at the Labor Day Air Show. And once again, I am hitting everybody up for donations to support the raffle to insure that every penny we collect on Labor Day gets handed straight over to the Make-a-wish foundation.

For the past several years club members have generously donated money and supported special raffles at the summer meetings. That support has enabled us to greatly increase the amount of money we have given to Make-a-wish. It means a lot to my wife and I that we can support them this way since her daughter was a

Make-a-wish recipient when she was young. The wishes granted with the money we raise provide unforgettable memories for many deserving kids.

So once again I am hitting you up for support. We will be having raffles at the June, July and August meetings that will pay for the prizes for the Labor Day raffle. When you buy raffle tickets and make donations of prizes and money, you are supporting a great cause and making it possible for us to give every penny from the raffle tickets sold on Labor Day to Make-a-wish.

So come out to the field for the summer meetings, bring your planes and support the raffles. Let's make this year's show the best ever.