



Hawk Talk

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NEXT GENERAL MEETING: Friday, June 24th * 7:00 P.M. * Hawkfield (Hot dogs, etc. at 6:00 P.M.)
GENERAL MEETING PROGRAM: Raffle
NEXT BOARD MEETING: Tuesday, June 21st * 7:00 PM * Make-A-Wish Foundation * 11926 Arbor St.

ALL CLUB MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND BOARD MEETINGS

BE SURE TO RENEW YOU OMAHAWK MEMBERSHIP FOR 2016!

Upcoming Events

Training Night	Hawkfield	Every Thursday	6:00pm-Dusk
Electric Sailplanes	Hawkfield	Weds - 6/22	8:30am-11:30am
Float Fly	Standing Bear Lake	Sat - 7/9	9:00am - 2:00pm
Old Timers	Hawkfield	Weds - 7/13	9:00am-Noon
Offutt Airshow	Offutt AFB	7/30 - 7/31	TBD
Electric Sailplanes	Hawkfield	Weds - 7/20	8:30am-11:30am
Old Timers	Hawkfield	Weds - 8/10	9:00am-Noon

Float Fly - 28 May 2016: The wind was 8-14 mph, mostly from the west. The chase boat was operated by Mikey using Dennis' boat. He made about six retrievals. Twenty signed in to participate. They were Tom Virglitto, Ron Pacana, Rick Hanline, Bob Roegge, Rick Miller, Frank Vanecek, Fred Wilke, Rick Sessions, Bob Wheeler, Gary Vohnout, Jud Bock, Steve Famer, David Jones, Larry Inness, Dennis Bender, Gary Nelson, Billy Nelson, Hague Howey, Charles Kluver, and Dick Behrens. Being a Saturday, there were many park spectators. Tom served pizza from Godfathers and his friend, Janet, made some good airplane cookies for desert. Ron brought the drinks. The city provided two picnic tables. There was a lot of good flying and nice new planes. Photos: Ron Pacana & Cessna 182 Skylane, Larry Inness and Frank Vanecek & Kingfisher, David Jones & E-flight Apprentice, Rick Sessions & Neptune.



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History Note (From Dick Behrens, with input from Larry Quigley and Skip Brown). Thirty years ago this summer (1986), a few Omahawk members noticed a real estate for sale sign just north of Fort Street near what is now 138th street. This land would have been farm land at one time; however, in mid 1986 small bushes and trees were growing there. This land was just south and adjacent to another piece of land ("Parcel A") that had been acquired by the Corps of Engineers for dam site #16, which had been built in 1972-73. The parcel for sale was eleven acres and had been referred to as "Parcel B". Some Omahawks members quickly decided to see if they could buy these eleven acres to expand Parcel A, which had been used by local RC flyers including Omahawk members. They realized time was important as housing developers would want to buy and build houses on this land.

To find out what the owner wanted and to negotiate a sale of the eleven acres, Ollie Olson (Omahawk newsletter editor) and Ron Vanovern (Omahawk president) quickly flew to Colorado to talk to the land owners (Patricia & Robert Bowen). The negotiated price was \$42,000. To come up with this money, they borrowed some from a bank (\$28,500 from DCL&T) and formed and sold shares in a new land company (Hawk Land Co). There were 46 people who held shares in the land company. The Hawk Land Co. paid the Bowens \$42,027.74 some time that year, and then leased it to the Omahawks.

Last year, Larry Quigley, the land company secretary, gave me the 46 notes of the shares for disposal. Larry had obtained these notes from Ollie's wife, after Ollie passed away in July 2008. This is an important part of how Hawkfield came to be.

Ralston Toy & Train Show (from Rick Sessions): We had a good exhibit and decent traffic flow to our booth on Saturday. Not sure about Sunday as I was not there (out of town). We handed out a lot of club brochures and will see if we get any interest from this effort.

A special thank you to the participants: Dan Waltz (B-29, big time!), Fred Wilke (B-17), Josh Sorenson (FPV hovercraft, quad-copter, blimp, big time!), Skip Brown (P 40), Ron Pacana (P 38), Dennis Lind, Dean Copeland (jet), Larry McChesney (Bronco Twin), Rick Sessions (Bird of time, Neptune, trainer) and Don Pieken (assisted Dean).

Josh's mini FPV hovercraft was particularly popular and included a screen view of his on-board camera. Thanks Josh!

Dan Waltz assembled his VERY impressive B-29 aircraft and went the extra mile to help shut down the exhibit on Sunday...thanks much Dan!!

Dean Copeland demonstrated his jet out front of the arena to about a dozen interested observers. Thanks Dean!

It was difficult to get interested club participants, so unless we get several new club members out of this, not sure we should do it again.

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Egg Burn & Builders Challenge (from Bernie Baker): Memorial Day turned into near perfect flying conditions for a gourmet breakfast of bacon, eggs, and pancakes; as well as great flying and good participation in the builder's challenge. Thanks to all who helped with the breakfast, with special thanks to Greg Nelson, Dennis Bender, Harry Perkins, and Skip Brown for carrying most of the load. Also thanks to Mikey Furrow for sponsoring the builders challenge, which had a number of good looking aircraft. It was also great to see Casey "Crash" Vohnout make it to the event, and seems to be recovering nicely after a nasty motorcycle accident; and Josh Sorensen and his hovercraft doing a "fly-by" down the runway.



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Ron Pacana and his first place Builder's Challenge Stuka dive bomber



Rick Sessions with his kit-built glider, who tied for second Josh. (Not sure what he's drinking.)



Josh Sorensen and his scratch-built quad copter. Nice job Josh.



Tom Floyd and his 3rd place finish Ultra Sport 40.

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Omahawks General Meeting Notes – May 27, 2016

(Submitted by Larry McChesney, Secretary)

President Mikey Furrow opened the meeting: There were approximately 30 members in attendance. Bill Nelson (son of Greg) is our newest “recently soloed” member.

Membership Report: Kevin Hyde noted that our membership role presently lists 108 members.

Newsletter: Bernie Baker editor reminded all to submit a news article, information and pictures if available for current building projects or other news that the club would enjoy reading about.

Field Update:

- Bernie noted that we have not received the lease document we were expecting from the city Parks Department. He did extend invitations to our contacts at the Parks Dept and District 9 City Councilperson to the Egg Burn. The board felt it would good to have them experience first-hand one of our community activities.
- Our field chair has a call in Mr. Anderson with the city regarding help moving parking lot aggregate back up the hill and filling some of the wash outs.

Old Business: The president had posted some changes to our Field Rules for members to review before a vote. The board, at the previous meeting, had reviewed them and approved taking them to the membership for a final vote. Kevin Hyde made a motion to accept the changes as posted. Seconded by Dennis Bender. Vote was unanimous in favor. Check the bulletin board at the field or the next newsletter to get the updates.

New Business:

- Kevin Hyde presented information regarding the purchase of new microphones to replace the old units that are malfunctioning. He recommended purchasing two mics that work using 2.4 Mhz technology and are reasonably priced. They will fit well into the current speaker system and can be used for the Air Show as well as the fall auction. Steve Peck made a motion to purchase the two mics at a cost of \$600 for the pair. Seconded by Bernie Baker. Motion carried unanimously.
- On June 4th and 5th there will be an opportunity to participate the Train and Toy Show at the Ralston Arena. A 20'x40' area with tables will be available to the Omahawks for static displays. So mark it on your calendar and let Rick Sessions know if you can participate. It is a good opportunity to promote our hobby and our club.
- Bernie Baker reminded everyone about the Offutt air show July 30th and 31st. Special clearance is required for those who would like to attend so contact Bernie to discuss.
- The SASM is sponsoring drone racing and a fun-fly on June 18th. There will be cash prizes.
<http://sacmuseum.org/event/drone-race/>

Labor Day Air Show: Ed Paasch has agreed to be the Co-coordinator (one more year) and Bernie Baker in charge of concessions (one more year). Members are encouraged to sign up to help and more importantly volunteer to “Intern” so that leadership is available when 2017 rolls around. Learn for these two gentlemen the way to “get it done for a great cause.”

Other:

- The 50/50 raffle prize yielded about \$75 to be set aside to purchase raffle prizes for the Labor Day event. So all the proceeds then will go directly to Make A Wish.
- Hague Howey gave an update on our Youth Committee activity. If you have some ideas or some thoughts for engaging young folks, get together with Hague, Rick Sessions, or Gary Vohnout.
- Don't forget when flying at the field to “**put your pin up.**” The Board has decided to emphasize what used to be the absolute rule with old 72mhz equipment. Even with 2.4 radios, put your tag up at the impound rack. Getting back into the habit will help us recognize visitors as well.

Old Timers- June 8. (From Dick Behrens): The wind was 9-18 mph with higher gusts...not good. Only Dennis, Gary V, Ron, Jud and Bud flew. Dennis served his nice hamburger meal earlier to about 13 people.

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