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President... Rick Sessions Editor/Publisher Secretary... Greg Nelson Vice Pres... Steve Farner Joe Hunt Treasurer... Kevin Hyde

NEXT GENERAL MEETING: Friday, June 29, 2018—7:00 PM – 9:00PM \*Standing Bear Lake Park, at 138th

and Fort Street... updated 6/19/18

MEETING PROGRAM: Club updates, bring something to show at the meeting!!

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Tuesday, June 19, 2018-- 7:00PM – 8:30PM \*Church of the Cross, 1517 S 114th St.

#### President's Message!

#### Fellow Omahawks,

We are off to a good flying season after a slow start due to wind/weather/rain. We all had a fun time at the Memorial Day egg burn while keeping the true hero's in mind who gave the ultimate sacrifice to keep us free!

Training night has been busy and we have 5 to 8 trainee pilots who are making nice progress in getting their wings. Thank you to all the vets who are coming out to help!

The float fly was very windy, so limited flying was done but we still had some good fellowship and we can always eat! Thank you Tom Virgilito for your work to clear out the weeds and to Dick Behrens for coordinating. Once again Dennis and Patty Bender provided the food.....thank you Dennis and Patty!

Lots more fun events coming up, so check below for the dates and detail.

See you at the field and happy flying! Rick Sessions

#### RIP Steve Peck



It is with a heavy heart to inform you that earlier this morning, June 2, 2018, one of our long time club members, Steve Peck, has passed on to earn his heavenly wings. Many of you may recall the many Labor Day events he chaired, and was the announcer for, or the many many club meetings he attended with bits and pieces of airplanes he got from the auctions just to get his 4 raffle tickets. Steve was a great member to have around, and he will be missed dearly by those who knew him well.

"" Now he's flying high with his new heavenly wings where his soul can soar for eternity......""

We mourn the passing of one of our outstanding member Steve and celebrate his life and the great times we had with him over the years. We received a thank you card from Alice which read:

"Dear Omahawks,

Thank you for the lovely plant you sent to Steve's service. He loved your club and all the great friendships he had made throughout the years. The people, club events, flying, auctions and all the fun times were such a huge part of his life.

Thank you for those memories. Sincerely, Alice Peck"



Omahawks General Meeting, May 28, 2018, CTO 7PM.

### Residing Rick Sessions, President.

Membership count now 101!

Ed P made a nice trifold brochure. Comments welcome re changes.

New member Bunny Furrow told of her experience with her trainer crashing into the lake.

Safety update by Rick and Mikey. Remember the safety rules and obey them. Fly east of the runway.

Memorial Day Egg Burn 8:00 AM at the Field. Bring a dozen eggs and a pound of bacon. Bring Family members and a plane to fly. This is always a fun time.

Next Saturday is the Neighborhood Float Fly at the Boat Dock. 8:30 AM till 11:00 AM.

June 9th Saturday Millard Airport fly-in breakfast and STEM group.

Offutt Airshow this August. Still need volunteers to man tables. Let Dennis B or Skippy know if you want to go.

Corporate Sponsors for the 39th annual Labor Day Airshow. Club is looking again this year for companies to sponsor a banner ad. \$500. Club will tow a banner with the Company name and will mention the company with the PA system in gratitude for the sponsorship. All money goes to Make-A-Wish. Last year this accounted for \$1000 of the \$4700 we gave to MAW.

Training night is going well, considering weather. Mikey has 8 students signed up. Trainees can be skittish so make room for them to fly on Thursday nights. Thanks Mikey for heading this up!!

New warning signs are up on the edges of the field to warn hikers away.

#### Need help with a build project? Please contact one of our Technical Advisors.

#### <u>New Pilots/Training/Equipment</u> - Bob Wheeler rjwheeler01@gmail.com

Tom Floyd tom.floyd@cox.net

Nitro/Gas Engines -Harry Perkins hpairboat@msn.com 402-201-6761

Bernie Baker bjb050@cox.net

Electric Motors/Battery/ESC Systems-David Haney davidhaney2017@gmail.com 402-506-2358

Radio/Receiver
Ed Paasch bigedmustafa@hotmail.com
402-321-3781

Tom Floyd tom.floyd@cox.net

Kit Building/Repair
Ron Pacana rpacana@q.com

Test Pilot for Maidens/Repairs

David Haney davidhaney2017@gmail.com 402-506-2358

Omahawks Board Meeting, May 15, 2018, CTO 7PM.

Present: Rick S, Kevin H, David H, Rick H, Dick B, Gary V,

Treasurer's Report provided.

Newsletter report; copies are emailed or left at the field to be picked up for those without email. Would like to see a 'Meet the new member" article each month. Will ask Joe about it.

Tech experts are listed in the newsletter most months.

Web site status; the site is functioning but the sort function isn't working. Kevin H needs access. Will ask Mikey to make arrangements to let Kevin make changes.

May 5th Fun Fly went very well. Lots of attendees on a nice day. A good time was had by all.

Omahawks Facebook page is working well.

Be on the lookout for potential Labor Day Sponsors.

Float Fly June 2nd. 8:30 am till 11am. Mikey will bring his chase boat. Steve F will invite neighbors by word of mouth. Field will be closed to all pilots during the Float Fly.

Tree stump grinding holes will be filled by Bobcat this Saturday AM. Board authorizes up to \$300.

Board will replace the warning signs that were was at of the runway to warn hikers away from the runway.

# **FLOAT FLY**

# Saturday, July 7, 2018

(19th annual in July)

Fly 9am-1pm except electrics can start at 830am

# Standing Bear Lake - Boat Dock

138<sup>th</sup> & Fort St, Omaha (2 miles west of I-680) Lake 135 acres – one mile long







Retrieval boat: Dennis Bender & Mikey Furrow
Donuts at 830
\$5 Fee - Pizza/pop at 1130

AMA pilots from all fields welcome - Sponsored by Omahawks

Dick Behrens 402-451-6397, Ron Pacana, Tom Virgilitto rfbehrens@yahoo.com

### Electric Sail Planes Fun fly

This Wednesday June 20th Hawk field <<<<8:00 am to 11:30 am

AMA flyers from all clubs welcome

There is no makeup date for this event hopefully the weather will cooperate, contact info. frankgw@yahoo.com

#### Past events:

### June 13 - Old Timer Fun Fly.

The wind was light from the south east making for a good turnout. Sixteen pilots brought a variety of old timer planes. Pilots were: Fred Wilke, Frank Wisniski, Ron Pacana, Frank Vanecek, Tom Egbert, Randy?, Tim Peters, Rick Sessions, Jud Bock, Tom Floyd, Dennis Bender, Bud Mitchell, Bob Zitz, Joe Cole, Ed Paash, & Dick Behrens..........Dennis and Pat served a nice lunch.

Three pictures below:



Three of 15 Quakers built by Frank Vanecek L to R. Rick, Tom E, Frank V and Randy



Tom F with new Dallaire



Jud Bock & Diamond Demon

May 23 - Fun Fly. The SW wind was near 14 mph. Ten pilots signed in. A dozen donuts were consumed.

**June 2 - Float Fly/Neighbors.** The wind was 14-17 mph from the north as forecasted by the NWS. This followed over an inch of rainfall ending about 6am. Ron brought donuts. Mikey Furrow and girls made one retrieval.

Nineteen pilots came with planes, however, only seven flew because of the high winds. Those attending were: Bob Roegge, \*Rick Sessions, \*Ron Pacana, \*Dennis Bender, Ron Kriege, Joe Kresl, Randy Seggerman, Tom Virgillito,\* Luke Hughes, \*Ethan Hughes age 7, \*Tim Peters, Frank Vanecek, Jack Farner, \*Fred Wilke, Bud Mitchell, Bob Zitzlsperger, Jud Bock, Tom Floyd, Dick Behrens. (The star\* represents those who flew). Dennis and Pat served a nice lunch after the fly.

Only a few neighbors were evident. The forecast of rain and high wind no doubt affected attendance. The previous day, Tom V had mowed the pit areas. The city provided two picnic tables.



Rick Sessions & fuselage float plane



Tim Peters & Seaplane



Ethan Hughes & Apprentice



Ethan Hughes - 7 years old



Jud Bock & Luke Hughes



Joe Kriesl & son/ plane in hand



Fred Wilke & Beaver

#### **Upcoming Events**

Breakfast get together every Tuesday Morning -- 8:30 AM - approximately 11:00
 AM @ Hy-Vee, 10808 Fort St, Omaha

June 20, 2018 -- 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM - Wednesday -- Electric Sail Planes Funfly - Hawk Field, Standing Bear Lake

- June 21, 2018--6:00 PM 9:00 PM Training Night Standing Bear Lake
- June 22, 2018 June 29, 2018 -- 7:00 PM 9:00 PM General Club Meetings Hawk Field, Standing Bear Lake
- Float Fly Saturday, July 7, 2018 8:30 AM (Electrics) 9:00 AM till 1:00 PM Standing Bear Lake Dock