



Hawk Talk

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ALL CLUB MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND THE BUSINESS MEETINGS

GENERAL MEETING: Friday, Mar 30, 2012 * 7:00 P.M. * Make-A-Wish Foundation * 11926 Arbor St.

PROGRAM: TBA

BUSINESS MEETING: Wednesday, Apr 4, 2012 * 7:00 P.M. * Make-A-Wish Foundation * 11926 Arbor St.

TIME FOR THE BIG SHOW

On Saturday, March 31, the Omahawks, along with many other clubs, R/C and otherwise, will help host the second annual indoor air show at the Strategic Air and Space Museum by Mahoney State Park. It is right off of Interstate 80 at the Ashland exit. This show will involve all manner

of demonstrations and displays of aviation hobbies in the area.

Most area R/C clubs will be displaying their planes and helping museum patrons understand this fascinating hobby of ours. With static displays, demonstrations and simulators, there will be something for everyone.

Plus the big bonus of the day will be the chance to fly indoors in the big restoration hangar at the museum. That is a huge room and there will be plenty of room for everybody.

There will also be some ultralite aircraft on display, including paragliders and a full sized sailplane.

This show offers us a great chance to show off our hobby and help others understand our passion for flight. The show starts at 10:00 am and runs until 4:00 pm. Admission is \$12.00 for adults, 11.00 for seniors and retired military and 6.00 each for kids under 12.

This is a great family oriented show and is well worth the trip out to Ashland to see. Don't miss it!

- editor

Indoor Air Show
Strategic
Air and Space
Museum
March 31- 10 to 4
Indoor flying!
Don't miss it!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- ★ Mar 30 - General Meeting
- ★ April 4 - Business Meeting
- ★ Mar 31 - Sac Museum R/C Airshow Event
- ★ Apr 25 - Old timer fun fly
- ★ Apr 27 - General Meeting
- ★ May 2 - Business Meeting
- ★ May 5 - Float Fly

MARCH MEETING AT MAKE-A-WISH

FRIDAY, MAR 30

7:00 p.m.

Make-A-Wish

11926 Arbor St

Program:

TBA

Raffle:

Two Thunder AC6 Smart Chargers



THE MINUTES

Erik Krystoff, Secretary

General Meeting.....2/24/2012

Ralph not here... membership report – Currently 78 members prior to meeting time
Erik Krystoff unable to attend due to work conflicts. Mikey Furrow stepping in for tonite.
New Member signup – Steve Peck, Carmel Earl (official member now)
Steve Peck returned to meeting from hospital in great condition
Hawk Field Updates:
Spring Cleanup – April 21th – 9am – noon.
Bob mentioned the city's work on the drive to the field to make it smoother and repaved some of the worst areas
Mike Berger commented that for the newsletter, please submit more stories and articles for the newsletter for everyone else to see
Requests for flying events for flying events:
Bob Wheeler – pattern contest - \$350 requested
Motion - Mike Berger
Seconded – Dennis Bender
Membership confirmed and accepted
Dennis Bender - Boy Scouts – 3 events (2 training and 1 cleanup) – \$75 requested
Motion - EJ Murphy
Seconded – Dean Copeland
Membership confirmed and accepted
Winterfest – comments
11 pilots registered – 10 pilots flew
Roger Cowell did sign up, but didn't fly. He comically brought up his \$10 in \$1 dollar bills, to the laughter of the club.
Steve Peck didn't fly, cause the "hospital wouldn't let him out" (peck)
Checks for an additional \$10 + \$1 for remaining payoff for Winterfest was handed out by Bob Wheeler
FAA Regulation – Bob Wheeler
Bob Z mentioned that FAA has left the AMA to manage
Senate and House have passed a bill separating model aviation from FAA UAV vehicles
Be aware of this and see how this will affect our hobby
SAC Museum Update – Ed Paasch
Meeting on Wed – preplanning and coordinating meeting
Blade heli's on hand for \$50 on sale at gift store
Greeting table at main entrance with maps preprinted out with where events will be during this event
Museum will be updating facebook page, and their website for updates and information
Twin Eagles club sent rep to meeting, including other clubs to attend this event
Styrofoam and cardboard carrier to be built and available for touch and go landings
Turns out to be a multi-club event
March 31st – setup as early as 7:30am – flying starts at 10am
Ed to send out email requesting information on who's bringing what and size of plane to accommodate planning and setup
Steve Peck mentioned that a table will be available for drop off / donations of older magazines to give away
If equipment is requested, museum will do what they can to accommodate our requests
Flight simulators to be on hand for public to try

(bob w to bring one, Mikey to check on this as well)

AMA has been contacted as well
Ed also mentioned that a first time outside event is under discussion for a parkzone electric pylon contest in the event using the parkzone warbirds – slow and manageable
Instructors Meeting – Harry Perkons / Larry Mchesney
Meeting to come up on Monday, March 26th
Requesting for commitments this year
Compliments to those who came in and helped out last year
Benson High – Fred Wilke – sometime in April
Letter of request not received as of yet
Fred to look into and let the club know
Static display, and omahawks presents an award (2 planes)
Motion by Kevin H to approve \$100 for this event
Steve Peck seconded
Motion passed by general membership
Members ideas for general meetings:
Bob W. suggested to membership to see about ideas for the meetings agenda's:
Float Flying workshop
Dean Copelands Cri Cri project – ready for international event (march meeting)
Colonel Lane experiences – Bob W to check into this
Raffle prize: Squall EDF HV – 4 cell setup – Ed Paasch to present
Show and Tell:
Ed Paasch – Flyzone Supercub – TX-R example
Brought the TX-R module on his futaba radio
Plugs into his buddy box jack
Steve Peck – brought same plane as Ed – He just displayed box and everyone cheered and he sat down
Casey Voughout – SPC entry
Simitar plan built – No elevator – elevons / rudder only
Ron Pacana – Brought a Royal Kit built B-25
Will have it painted olive drab
Powered by (2) 40 - 4 strokes
Gary Voughnout – brought out an indoor flyer – EPP Gee Bee electric plane

Dan Wolz – long time scratch built project B-17 – 150 in wingspan
Custom made fuse coverings
Fiberglassed covering
Explained how he made his coverings
Built a carrier in the fuse holder for ball turret and all necessary hardware for this plane
Will fly this Spring – He will let club know when and where maiden flight will be
Used 34 yards of fabric to make the covering
Harry Perkons – brought a texas RC – Leader Electric arabolic plane
ARF – balsa frame
Brad Perkons – brought in two heli's:
Blade MCPX heli flown on a DX5e radio
TREX 450 electric
He claims the "Darkside of heli's got him".....

Short Break – Raffle tickets – Raffle Prize winner: Dennis Bender

Program: Mikey Furrow showed video compilation of the 2012 Winterfest event.

Business Meeting.....3/7/2012

Board Members in attendance:
Bob Wheeler; Mikey Furrow; Kevin Hyde;

Steve Culver; EJ Murphy; Bob Zitsberger; Steve Earl; Dennis Bender
Other club members in attendance:
Casey Voughnout; Ed Paasch; Larry McChesney
Treasurer's Report: Kevin (arrived late)
Kevin delivered Treasurer's Report – Everything as it should be at this time.
Bob Z inquired about Non-Profit status of club – Kevin confirmed that we still have that status at this time.

Membership Chairman Report: Ralph (was not present at meeting)
Membership count as of Tues March 6th = 88
Steve Culver finally paid up just before meeting, making count 89. (LOL)

Hawk Field Updates: Mikey
Mowing contract: still waiting for bids from Jacob Brown / Chris Stuckey
Mikey to follow up on this...
Spring Cleanup – Saturday April 21st. Updates to follow.

Old Business:
AMA Charter and Board members paperwork – Bob W has completed.

Gold Leadership applications and MA subscriptions for area schools
Kevin did the paperwork for the Model Aviation subscriptions
Bob W to complete Gold Leadership application for 2012

Air and Space Museum March 31st – Ed Paasch
Ed P to send out email to clubs to let SASM museum know what is needed. Final planning meeting March 22 @ 2pm.
Ed is building club counts and a lot of extra interest into the SASM event.
Board discussion about 3 tables to be requested at SASM event
One for Flight Simulators
Bob W, Steve C to bring these out.
One for club flyers and literature, magazines to give away
One for a working trainer for people to view actual working surfaces
Steve Culver to bring out Avistar for this demo
Dennis Bender to bring out new Sensei electric trainer for demo
Steve Culver to print out AMA applications
In the flying area, a flight station to be setup with electric VAPOR's set up on buddy boxes for visitors to fly with. Steve Earl to head this project up.
Steve Earl and Mikey Furrow to bring out DX5e to be used as buddy boxes.

Omahawks Training Program – Larry McChesney
March 26th is the Instructors Meeting at Irvington Hobbytown – 6pm
Ed P has ordered (6) 2000 mAh Receiver packs for club trainers and (3) 2000 mAh Transmitter battery packs for club radios. Estimated about \$100 spent on these battery packs thus far.
Larry Quigly has offered an Avistar trainer to the club to be used as a Club Trainer. Larry McChesney to follow up on this.
Casey suggested a new Flight Training program to use for upcoming year due to current

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program possibly taking too long to complete / become solo'd.

Bob W mentioned reasons and requirements for becoming solo'd pilots, including the safe operation and control of an RC Airplane. Board discussed the options of implementing this program, however, with the training season just around the corner, was decided to review how this year's training goes, making notes on what works and what doesn't work, problems and issues, and then review in the fall to see what is needed to be changed / updated.

Agreed that a Ground School may be needed to assist with Pre-flight checks, engine tuning, ect, to be done away from flight line to assist in keeping track of who's flyable and who's not. Mikey Furrow volunteered to head up the Ground School portion of training. Steve Culver mentioned that he has the electronic files for the Training Folders, and asked about \$25/\$30 to print out new packets for the new Training season. – board approved.

Benson Technology Fair – TBD – Fred Wilke
Fred was unavailable, and no information at this time about this event. Awaiting further update.

New Business:

Meeting with Dennis Bryers for April 4th, 2012 @ 7pm, if OK with Board Members

Bob W to inquire about having new Park Supervisor come and introduce themselves at this meeting as well.

Discuss Membership Co-Chairman position (Bob)

Bob W suggested that the board consider electing a Co-Chairperson to assist Ralph in the Membership Chairman position. This person would assist Ralph and attend functions when Ralph is not available, and also help promote the clubs membership drive wherever needed. Board approved, and Bob W to speak with Ralph about this idea, and position to be announced at next general meeting.

Also, due to Eric Krystoff being kept away from his RC hobby by work, a suggestion was made to see about a possible volunteer at General Meeting to assist as Temp Secretary during Eric's absence. Bob W to follow up on this with Eric.

Flying / General Events

Cub Scout (Scott Keller) event for Tuesday April 17th at the field or at Montclair Elementary near 13th and Center (Steve Culver)
Bob W, Mikey Furrow, Steve Culver, Dennis Bender to coordinate cub scout training event.
Larry McChesney requested \$150.00 for a Youth Fun Fly event. Date and times to be determined.

Could be classified as a T.A.G (Take-off And Grow) event.

Steve Culver made motion. E.J. Murphy seconded motion.

Board Approved. To be brought in front of General Membership at March meeting for final approval.

Mikey Furrow requested \$400.00 for the 4th Annual Sport Pilot Championship (SPC) event to be held June 22 – June 24th (one weekend)

Steve Culver made motion. Kevin Hyde seconded motion.

Board Approved. To be brought in front of General Membership at March meeting for final approval.

Casey Voughnout requested \$150.00 for the Monday Nights Fun Fly events to be held every Monday night.
Request was for Ice and Pop to be supplied.
Steve C made the Motion. Kevin Hyde seconded.

Board Approved. To be brought in front of General Membership at March meeting for final approval.

Other Business brought to Board:
Possible Runway Donation:
Bob W received a voicemail from a Randy Bendorff, who knows Skip Brown, and works for Merrill Lynch.

Offered that if Club was a Non-Profit organization, could possibly help contribute funds to our Runway Project. In Return, the club would have some sort of "appreciation" or Recognition plaque at field.
Board unanimously agreed and Bob W to follow up with this.

Omahawks Video Library:
Ed Paasch inquired about the location of the Omahawks Video library, and if there might be some information that could be used for assisting in the training program.

E.J. Murphy mentioned that he is currently in possession of this library, and not sure what is in the library. He will look into this, and let us know.

The pictures in this month's issue of Hawk Talk all come from the February general meeting. That's because they are all I have for this month. Thank God it's spring! Now everybody get out to the field, take your camera with you and takes some pictures! I'm sure the pictures you take will be a lot more interesting than these! - editor



SPRING CLEANUP 2012:

Hello folks. Its that time of year again where the weather warms up, birds are chirping and Mother Nature opens her arms and beckons all RC pilots to come out to the field and fly. And yes, it also means that the annual Spring Cleanup of Hawk Field is just around the corner to help beautify our wonderful field and make it all nice and awesome for all club members to enjoy.

So grab your shovels, rakes, gloves, and muscles on Saturday morning, April 21st from 9am – Noon to come out, clean up our field, and make it the most awesome field in the area.

If you see something that you would like to have cleaned up, moved, changed, or updated, Please email Mikey, our Field Chairman, at dakoris73@gmail.com with your requests, and I will see what I can do to accommodate your suggestions. If I don't know how you would like to field to look, I can't do much to clean it up. So let me know and we'll see you at the field.



Wanna buy a raffle ticket?



OK, you've seen the mystery planes that I have come up with in the last couple years. Many of you have tried to guess the planes before, but I think many people felt left out because they either felt that the planes were too tough or too easy. So here is a little challenge that everybody can take part in. Here are sixteen silhouettes of WWII vintage airplanes. Many of them are easy. Some are tougher. Lets see how many you can guess. I will put the answers in the Hawk Talk for April.

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2012 SCHEDULED MORNING EVENTS @ HAWKFIELD/STANDING BEAR LAKE

(as approved @ Jan 27 Omahawks meeting)

			<u>Event</u>	<u>Coordinator</u>
Apr 25	Wed	900-noon	Old Timers – lunch	Dennis
May 9	Wed	830-1130	Float Fly	Dick
May 16	Wed	900-noon	Old Timers – lunch	Dennis
May 26	Sat	900-1230	Float Fly – pizza	Dick
May 30	Wed	830-1130	Elec Sailplanes	Frank W
June 13	Wed	900-noon	Old Timers – lunch	Dennis
June 20	Wed	830-1130	Float Fly	Dick
June 27	Wed	830-1130	Elec Sailplanes	Frank W
July 11	Wed	900-noon	Old Timers – lunch	Dennis
July 14	Sat	900-1230	Float Fly - pizza	Dick
July 18	Wed	830-1130	Elec Sailplanes	Frank W
Aug 8	Wed	900-noon	Old Timers – lunch	Dennis
Aug 15	Wed	830-1130	Float Fly	Dick
Sept 9	Sun	900-2pm	Old Timers - lunch	Dennis
Sept 12	Wed	830-1130	Float Fly	Bob Z
Sept 19	Wed	900-noon	Old Timers – lunch	Dennis
Oct 3	Wed	830-1130	Float Fly	Bob Z
Oct 10	Wed	900-noon	Old Timers – lunch	Dennis



Mmmm, donuts!

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OMAHAWKS FACEBOOK PAGE

How many of you are on Facebook? How many know what Facebook is? Well, the Omahawks have a Facebook page, which can be found at: <https://www.facebook.com/omahawks> and we'd love to hear from you, our members, on what projects your working on, how your flying is going, or anything you want to put out there for the club to see.

The Events calendar is maintained and updated regularly with events as they are added, and we'd love to see more pics or videos of planes your flying as well.

Did you know that our Facebook page gets looked at on average about 15-20 times a week, and has been a tool for bringing in a couple members to the club? And this with only the Admin, Mikey, putting stuff out there. Imagine if we had more members actually using the facebook page to show how much they enjoy this hobby and our club. It could be a wonderful tool to introduce new members to, and possibly gain a few more members as well.

So check it out, reply to some of the posts on there, and help become the voice of the Omahawks. Put your questions out there, your newest airplane or crash disaster, or whatever your working on. It's a great way to get more involved, and stay in touch with other members when not able to come out to the field.



WANTED:

WANTED- A volunteer with a boat to serve as a backup chase boat to retrieve downed or stalled planes from Standing Bear Lake when we have float flies this year. Russ Ault, who has been the primary chase boat/retrieval person during recent years, will not be able to do that, this summer. Leroy Henderson and Jim Minear also retrieve planes at these events. However, sometimes they are also not available, so we need one or two backups.

Contact Dick Behrens 451-6397, Bob Z 493-1610 or Bob Burt 339-7482 if you can do this.

FLOAT FLY SCHEDULE

This year, the float flies are scheduled as follows:

Wednesday Float Flies

May 9
June 20
Aug 15
Sept 12
Oct 3

Saturday Float Flies

May 26 and July 14.



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THE MASTER AT WORK

At the last meeting, we had a real treat. Dan Walz, one of the club's master builders brought in his latest creating, a very large scale B-17 Flying Fortress model. This beautiful airplane is nearing completion and Dan expects to try to fly it some time this year. He has created a beautiful plane and even created custom padded bags to carry it around in so it doesn't get any hangar rash. If you haven't seen Dan's work before, you really need to come to the meetings and see it close up for yourself. It's a wonder to behold.

