



Hawk Talk

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**** AGENDA ****

GENERAL MEETING: Friday, May 25, 2007 * 7:00 P.M. * Hawk Field - 138th & Fort Street

PROGRAM: Come out and meet your local and national AMA representatives!

BUSINESS MEETING: Wednesday, June 6, 2007 * 7:00 P.M. * Make-A-Wish Foundation * 11926 Arbor St.

ALL CLUB MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND THE BUSINESS MEETINGS

AMA TO VISIT HAWK FIELD

**All Metro Area
AMA Members
are Invited**

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**Come Out and
Meet Your AMA
Representatives**

The May general meeting, Friday, May 25 at 7:00 p.m. will be held at Hawk Field. Please join us as we welcome distinguished visitors from the AMA and the City of Omaha Parks and Recreation Department. I don't want to give away any surprises but this is one general meeting you do not want to miss! All I can say for now is this is a great opportunity to meet a few high level folks from the AMA as they honor the Omahawks and recognize the City of Omaha for their support of our club and Hawk Field.

Please come on out to Hawk Field, Friday, May 25 at 7:00 p.m. to meet your AMA representatives and be part of the celebration! In case of inclement weather, we will be meeting at the Harry A. Koch Company building located at 11949 Q Street (corner of 120th and Q Streets).

**All Area R/C Clubs Invited to
Meet AMA Reps**

The Omahawks Board of Directors would also like to invite members of all area R/C clubs to our general meeting, scheduled to

begin at 7:00 p.m., on Friday, May 25 at Hawk Field, located in the Standing Bear Lake Recreation Area (entrance on 138th and Fort Streets) to meet representatives from the AMA. We will open Hawk Field to non Omahawks members for flying at 4:00 p.m. for only a \$5.00 landing fee (proof of AMA membership required to fly). Please join your R/C brothers for some flying fun and a chance to meet your AMA leadership!

- Steve Culver

**MAY MEETING
AT
HAWK FIELD**

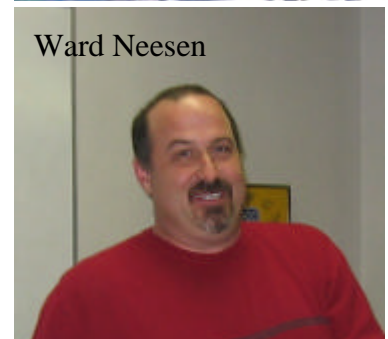
138TH & FORT ST

Enjoy Hot Dogs,
Chips, and Sodas
while you meet
your AMA Reps

Mark Smith



Ward Neesen



THE MINUTES

Nathan King, Secretary

General Meeting.....4/27/2007

Called to order at 7:08 pm
Approximately 34 members present
General Announcements –

★ Steve announced Kevin Hyde's resignation, and thanked him for his years of service as Secretary as well as his help with the Annual Omahawks Auction.

★ Mike Berger nominated Ed Paasch for Secretary, and Claude Wiemer as Board Member. Doc Greenberg seconded the nomination and the vote passed unanimously.

★ This year's annual auction is scheduled for October 21st. Kevin Hyde received a contract from the Millard VFW.

★ Thanks to every member who attended the Spring Clean-up day despite not finishing some projects due to the high winds.

★ Fred Wilke thanked all attendees at the Benson High School Competition Day for making it a successful and fun event.

★ Gold Leader Club Status Report. Mark Smith was able to waive some requirements for AMA Gold Leader Club status. Only one requirement of either a donation to the AMA Scholarship Program or donating a subscription of Model Aviation Magazine to a school or library remains. Steve Peck made a motion to give a subscription of Model Aviation to a few local Junior High Schools. The amount of subscriptions will not exceed \$120.

★ Ralph Brown – Membership Report The Omahawks now has over 100 members for the 2007 season.

★ Newsletter Report – Mike Berger Please send any pictures or articles for publication in the newsletter to Mike Berger.

City Of Omaha Meeting

Due to information provided by the AMA and the Omahawks, the City of Omaha will not allow the operation of radio controlled model aircraft at Tranquility Park and the Kelly Softball/Soccer complex.

Special Presentation – Ward Neesen presented the Omahawks R/C Club with flying equipment for our participation on the AMA TAG program. The equipment consists of three Hobbico Superstar RTF trainers, three Futaba trainer boxes, and three Great Planes Real Flight G3.5 Simulators. Ward thanked Eric Morgan for his hard work in applying for the AMA TAG program.

Training Program Report – Eric Morgan- Thanks to all instructors and flight crew for their hard work and to Ward Neesen for the TAG program items.

Upcoming Events

Float Flies – May 1st and 26th

The May General Meeting will be held at Hawk Field. In the event of inclement weather, the meeting will be held at the Harry A. Koch building at 120th and Q on the southeast corner.



Business Meeting.....5/2/2007

Treasurer's Report – Ed Paache
Steve welcomed and thanked Ed Paache for stepping up to be the new Omahawks Treasurer.

Membership Report – Ralph Brown

Ralph had no new announcements concerning the memberships.

Newsletter Report – Mike Berger

Send Mike your articles and pictures to be printed in the Newsletter. Please try to send them in a timely fashion.

Field Report – Bill Bender

Another cleanup day was scheduled for Saturday, May 12th at 10:00. *(The cleanup day proved very productive. Thanks to everyone who took the time out of their Saturday Morning to help out.)*

New Business

Please welcome a new board member, Claude Weimer. He is a past president who has been instrumental in making the Omahawks R/C Club what it is. Thanks for stepping up.

Jim Cheery and Mark Smith will attend our May meeting at Hawk Field to present a certificate of appreciation to the city Omaha. In the event of inclement weather, the May meeting will be held at the Harry Koch Company building.

John Manna from the Woodman Organization will provide the club with a flag pole, flag, and light. This gift is in honor and remembrance of the victims of 9/11 and to those who have bravely served our country.

Upcoming Events/Dates

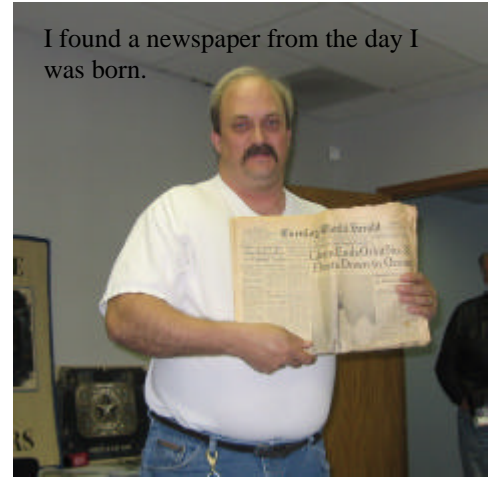
Presidents Day Egg Burn – **Monday, May 28**

Next General Meeting - **Friday, May 25**

Next Board Meeting - **Wednesday, June 6**



I found a newspaper from the day I was born.



A flying Enterprise



Ward won the raffle.



Is that one mine? - Or is it that one?



Show and Tell

Big Ed's new heli.



Fred's Dragonfly from Toledo



Dan's project - an Omega sailplane



Fred helps Steve adjust his trim -



It's perfect!

RESCUE AT HAWK FIELD

On Tuesday morning, May 8th, Dick Tryon (age 78) had a tree jump up and grab his Sig Senior as he was making his approach to land from the north. The plane stayed in the very top of the nearly 40 foot tall evergreen tree.

The next day a few of the guys got together and attempted a rescue with the use of tall poles with Jerry Stehno (age 68) climbing the tree to where he could touch the plane with a pole. Jerry finally got most of it to fall down with the verbal help of Jim Minear, Art Miller, Russ Ault and Dick Behrens. However, Jerry also fell down while climbing down the tree and

landed on his back, glasses and hat flying off and shirt torn.

His response while lying on his back was, "are my cigarettes (which were strewing over the ground) OK?"

Beware of plane-eating trees!



Views From



Working, Playing
or Training –
Omahawks Know
How to Have Fun



Hawk Field



Steve checks out the new executive lounge.



Workers



Slackers



HAWK TALK

SURE YOURS FLIES - BUT DOES IT FLOAT?



TRAINING NIGHT GOING STRONG



OMAHAWKS' NEWEST PILOT

Troy Escher became one of the big boys when he soloed on May 10. Congratulations, Troy. You can now crash your airplane all by yourself.!



THE PRESIDENT'S GIFT

It has been reported recently that the training program has received a generous gift of a JR buddy box and trainer cord from none other than our own president, Steve Culver. Eric Morgan reports that this gift will be of great help to the program and anyone who needs the less common box. Thanks Steve!



Steve provides some "Homeland Security" on training night

SAFETY CORNER WITH DOC

We all know how to take good care of our planes: be sure to charge your batteries, make sure all the controls move in the correct direction, don't try to adjust the needle valve by reaching thru the prop (ouch!) and all that stuff.

But we seldom think of taking such good care of ourselves. We spend a lot of time at the field and that means a lot of time in the sun. It makes for a nice tan but it has some drawbacks. Spending time in the sun without sun protection can lead to skin cancer. This is not a joke. Too much sun can/will cause skin cancer.

When you go to the field make sure to take some sun block

(spf 45 or more), put it on and repeat it every few hours. Take care of yourself at least as good as you do your planes. Doing so will insure that you have many long years of fun and safe flying ahead of you.

- Doc Greenberg



Doc soloed a long time ago!

Tuesday Morning FLOAT FLY

June 12

(Makeup date June 19)

830 am – 1130 am

Standing Bear Lake

Chase Boat

Coffee and Krispy Kreme at 830 am

\$ 5 Fee for pilots without Hawkfield Permits

Sponsored by Omahawks

Info: Bob Zitzlperger 493 1610

Bob Burt 339 7482

Ed Splittgerber 896 1787

Dick Behrens 451 6397



Omahawks Multi-Engine Fun Fly



Saturday June 9, 2007

- Lunch will be provided for participants and will start around 11:45 a.m. (Hot Dogs, Chips, and Pop)
- Flying will start 12:30 p.m. at Hawkfield located at Standing Bear Lake 138th and Fort Street, Omaha.
- In order to participate, you must be flying a multi-engine plane (Electric, Nitro, or *Gas Powered) * Please have fire extinguisher available.
- Prizes will be presented for, best of show and pilots choice!
- All types of twins and multiple engine planes are welcome (Warbird, Civilian, Unusual, etc...)
- There will be a \$5.00 landing fee for all Non-club members.
- All pilots are required to have proof of current AMA membership, in order in order to fly

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area AMA representatives

All Metro-Area AMA mem-
bers are invited regardless
of club affiliation.

In case of rain, meeting will be
held at Harry Koch Company
building, 11949 Q St.

AMA GIVES TO HAWK TRAINING PROGRAM

At the last general meeting the Omahawks were surprised by a visit from the newly appointed AMA District IX Associate Vice-president, our own Ward Neesen. Ward was there to present the Omahawks with a generous donation from the AMA to our training program.

As part of its program for promoting the R/C hobby and supporting the recruiting and training of new members, the AMA has given the Omahawks a huge gift. Ward presented the club with three new Hobbico Superstar MKII RTF trainers, three buddy boxes with cords, and three copies of RealFlight G3.

The new planes will become club trainers and will be used in the training program on Thursday nights (as well as any other night) to give any guests their first experience at radio-controlled flying.

This gift is a great boon to our training program and will be a huge help in recruiting new members. It is really great to see this illustration of the benefits

that the club can get from being an AMA charter club. The future certainly looks bright for our training program, our club and our hobby!

- editor

Be sure to
attend the
May meet-
ing at Hawk
Field to
meet Ward
and your
other AMA
representa-
tives!

