



Hawk Talk

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NEXT GENERAL MEETING: Friday, May 27th * 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
Float Fly/Pizza	Standing Bear Lake	Sat - 5/28	9:00am-2:00pm
Egg Burn	Hawkfield	Mon - 5/30	9:00am-Noon
Train & Toy Show*	Ralston Arena	6/4 - 6/5	9-4 Sat, 9-2 Sun
Old Timer	Hawkfield	Weds - 6/8	9:00am-Noon
Float Fly	Standing Bear Lake	Weds - 6/15	8:30am-11:30am
Offutt Airshow	Offutt AFB	7/30 - 7/31	TBD

*-See Rick Sessions for details

NOTE: This month's club meeting will be at Hawkfield.

Old Timer Fun Fly- May 18, 2016 (From Dick Behrens): A top ten day for flying as the wind was less than 5-10 mph with white puffy clouds. The following twelve people flew and or had lunch: Tom Floyd, Frank Vanecsek, Frank Wisniski, Fred Wilke, Gary Vohnout, Fred Wilke, Ron Pacana, Jud Bock, Rick Sessions, Dennis Bender, Hague Howey, and Dick Behrens. Dennis and Pat Bender served their usual nice lunch of Burgers, Salads, etc. Except for three flying mishaps, this was a very good day.



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WANTED VENDORS !!



TRAIN AND TOY SHOW

Big 2-Day Event !!

*Plastic Planes
scenery*

June 4, 2016 -- 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

June 5, 2016 -- 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

(Set up Friday June 3rd 3-8 pm and Saturday June 4th 6-9 am)

RALSTON ARENA

** 6.00 /per pers.*

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25,000 square feet with great lighting for display of Train and Toy items for sale including Trains, Tractors, remote control Airplanes, Boats & Cars, etc.

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TABLES -- \$30 each *(Tables will be going fast!)*

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Omahawks General Meeting Notes - April 29, 2016

(Submitted by Larry McChesney, Secretary)

President Mikey Furrow opened the meeting. Approximately 22 members in attendance. No guests were introduced.

Membership Report: Membership role presently lists 99 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: As noted in the last newsletter we have had issues with vandalism at the field. Field Chair Greg Nelson noted that vehicles have been driving on the grass around the north end of the runway again. He is planning to move some old telephone poles on sight to attempt to cutoff the path they have been following. Help would be appreciated with the task at hand.

Also, vandals have bent and broken down the top rail of the safety fence. Some of have been repaired.

Greg announced that a first aid kit can be found in a box near the impound stand. It looks like a standard electrical style box to disguise it. It can be accessed without a key although a screw driver or similar tool would be needed.

It was also noted that the "white lines" on the runway will need to be redone before the next Pattern Contest. Pattern fliers can sign up for this task by contacting Greg or Mikey.

General Announcements: Mikey Furrow gave a review of the last Board meeting's annual session with Dennis Bryers, the City Park Department representative who oversees our field.

- The new lease for the Hawkfield has been finalized among the respective city departments and we should see it for signatures in the next few weeks. Further news will be available after it is in-hand.
- There have been no reported complaints (e.g.: noise) from neighbors during the past year.
- The city is willing to provide some assistance with maintenance of the parking lot, adding some new fencing, tree trimming and replacing a field sign.

On June 4th and 5th there will be an opportunity to participate in an event 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 contact Rick Sessions if you would like to participate or provide a static display.

Bernie Baker talked 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 has an event June 18th involving Drone demonstrations, races with cash prizes, and displays. See the following link for more details: <http://sacmuseum.org/event/drone-race/>

The Board has proposed some Field Rule changes. While these were discussed and reviewed during the meeting they were not voted upon due to the lack of a quorum of members in attendance. Look for more at future meetings.

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). 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."

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 station. Getting back into the habit will help us recognize visitors as well.

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Omahawks Board Meeting Notes – May 17, 2016

(Submitted by Larry McChesney, Secretary)

Board members in attendance: Mikey Furrow, Kevin Hyde, Bernie Baker, Larry McChesney, Greg Nelson, Gary Vohnout, Dennis Bender, Greg Nelson and Rick Sessions. Guests included Hague Howey, Kirk and Nobel Rasmussen.

Finances/Membership: Kevin Hyde provided the financial report for the month of May (as of 5/18). There no issues of concern. He also shared the current member update which now stands at 104.

Hawk Field:

- Per Bernie Baker, the lease document expected to be in our hands by now has not been received. He will look into other options for getting some action.
- Thanks to Field Chair Greg Nelson and those who participated in the spring clean-up day. A lot was accomplished. Additional items pointed out by Greg included:
 - In order to discourage cars/trucks from driving up to the runway, Greg hauled some telephone poles and large tree limbs to create a barrier on the approach commonly used for access.
 - Erosion in the parking lot and along the steep drive is continuing. Greg will contact the city about assistance with moving some of the rock up the hill and back in place.
- The experimental runway sealing efforts (led by Gary Vohnout) appear to be successful, but have been put on hold pending contract discussions with the city. Some cracks will need to be repaired before finishing this project (estimated to be about 1/3 complete).

Old Business:

The big sign near the top of the hill is gone. Mikey will contact one of our members who is believed to be in the sign business to pursue a replacement.

New Business:

- Memorial Day Egg Burn/Builders Challenge. The Board discussed specifics for cooking eggs, bacon, and pancakes needed for the Egg Burn (The goal being NOT to burn the eggs). Dennis will take care of paper plates and plastic-ware, Rick will bring a large coffee pot, Bernie bottled water, and Greg coffee. Also discussed was Bernie's idea to invite our district's city council person (Aimee Melton) and city park representatives to the Egg Burn as a public relations effort. This could get some exposure for our organization with contract discussions and also serve as a means to grow the event for the community in the future. The Board also decided to expand this year's Egg Burn to include invitations to some sister clubs in the area.
- Training Night. Greg Nelson offered a brief report on the first few scheduled training nights. When the weather was somewhat decent there was good turn-out. However, we are having problems getting enough instructors. Please consider helping out, especially you are available on Thursdays. In addition to flight instructors, help is also needed for aircraft repair and engine work.
- Youth Program. Rick Sessions and Hague Howey reviewed the progress made for recruiting youth into this hobby. This dove-tailed nicely with Kirk and Nobel Rasmussen's questions about how to get the club to play a role with the Civil Air Patrol. More to follow as these initiatives gain traction.
- Drone Race. Greg Nelson discussed the possibility of hosting a drone race, borrowing gates acquired by one of our club members (Jeff Pinnt), and possibly purchasing three more. It was suggested that a formal event request be made in order to get this on the calendar for this summer.

FLOAT FLY

Saturday, May 28, 2016

Fly 9am-2pm

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