



Hawk Talk

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→ ALL CLUB MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND THE BUSINESS MEETINGS ←

GENERAL MEETING:	Friday, November 18, 2011 * 7:00 P.M. * Make-A-Wish Foundation * 11926 Arbor St.
PROGRAM:	Election of Officers and board members
BUSINESS MEETING:	Wednesday, December 7, 2011 * 7:00 P.M. * Make-A-Wish Foundation * 11926 Arbor St.

IT'S ELECTION TIME!

It's the end of the year. After a long and (hopefully) prosperous year of fun and flying, it is all coming to an end. We only have one or two things to attend to. One is the Christmas party which

is to be held on the 3rd of December at the Venice Inn at 70th and Pacific. (More details can be found on page 6).

But far more important is what is about to happen on Friday at the general meeting. On that day we will be making the fateful decisions about who will lead the club in the next year. The future of the club hangs on your decision. Well, except for the fact that there are exactly as many candidates as there are offices, so, unless someone else is nominated, it's likely to be a simple vote on the slate.

Nevertheless, we all have a great incentive to attend the meeting this month, namely: **Lots of raffle prizes!** There are six really good prizes in this month's raffle. From a Thunder Tiger engine to a secret mystery prize, there is something here for everyone.

So get out to the meeting and get in on all of the fun. And who knows, you might just win yourself a really neat prize to boot! See you there!

- editor



Don't forget to sign up for the Christmas Party

See inside or contact Ralph Brown for details!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- ★ Nov 18 - General Meeting and Club elections
- ★ Dec 7 - Business Meeting
- ★ Dec 3 - Christmas Party
- ★ Jan 1 - Don't forget First Flight 2012!

NOVEMBER MEETING AT MAKE-A-WISH

FRIDAY, NOV 18

7:00 p.m.

Make-A-Wish

11926 Arbor St

Program:

Election Night

Raffle:

- A) Thunder Tiger Pro .46 engine**
- B) Onyx 235 AC/DC balancing charger**
- C) Ikarus Easy Fly 3 RC Simulator**
- D) E-flite Tribute FX ARF**
- E) GWS Slow Stick ARF**
- F) Secret Mystery Prize**

THE MINUTES

Erik Krystoff, Secretary

General Meeting10/28/2011

10.28.2011 General Meeting Minutes

President and Vice-President were unavailable to be at the meeting. Kevin Hyde stepped in to administer the meeting.

The year of flight training has wrapped up, thanks to all that participated as students, instructors, and others that assisted. If you have any ideas or recommendations on improving the training program, please let Bob Wheeler know.

The next general meeting will be your time to vote for board and officer positions, please try to attend to select the next group of officers and board members next year.

The Omahawks Christmas Party will be held at Venice Inn on December 3rd, a Saturday Night. Steak, Catfish, Walleye, Veal Parmesan, and Chicken are on the menu. Sign up with Ralph Brown as soon as possible.

At our auction last week, thirty people signed up for the Christmas dinner, as well as 10 new club memberships.

174 members is the total membership count for 2011, up from 143 in 2010.

The Omahawks auction last week, from a numbers standpoint, was on par with our numbers last year. Thanks to all that volunteered their time to work the auction, and with almost 300 items moving through the auction, we're looking at around 3,200 dollars moving into club funds for events next year.

The Mustang raffle has around 38 tickets left at the time of this writing.

There will be another indoor electric flying event at the SAC Museum around the end of March, more details to come. Some interest in finding a second field for larger planes and the like has turned up a potential location at the SAC Museum. Meetings with the SAC Museum leadership and local RC clubs are underway, and a seed has been planted to potentially have a RC community flying field. More details to come as events warrant, as this could be a great new area to host events for local and regional RC clubs. There are other examples of clubs working together with Air & Space Museums outside of Omaha, such that contact with some of those club leaders as well as the AMA may help give some insight into just how well these arrangements work.

Officer & Board Nominations for next year:

Bob Wheeler nominated for President.
Bob Zitzlspenger nominated for Vice President.
Kevin Hyde nominated for Treasurer.
Eric Krystof nominated for Secretary.
Dennis Bender nominated for a board position.
Steve Earl nominated for a board position.
EJ Murphy nominated for a board position.
Harry Perkons nominated for a board position.
Ron Pacana nominated for a board position.
Ron declined the nomination.
Steve Culver will retain his board position.

The raffle prize tonight is the ParkZone Slo-V RTF with Night Flying module. Congrats go to Kevin Hyde for having the winning raffle ticket.

Thanks to Casey Vohnout for his primer for next year's meeting programs on how to become a better pilot. The Omahawk's 'Secondary Flight Training' program, presented by Casey Vohnout, will be integrated into the club meetings and field events next year.



Business Meeting.....11/2/2011

Kevin Hyde and Steve Culver presided over the meeting.

Treasurer's Report presented by Kevin Hyde. Kevin will work with Digz to confirm a future date for the next auction, tentatively set for 10/21/2012.

Nominations finalized before the final general meeting of the year. Two members declined their nomination, so the current nominations are as

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follows:

Bob Wheeler nominated for President.
Bob Zitzlspenger nominated for Vice President.
Kevin Hyde nominated for Treasurer.
Eric Krystof nominated for Secretary.
Dennis Bender nominated for a board position.
Steve Earl nominated for a board position.
EJ Murphy nominated for a board position.
Steve Culver will retain his board position.

33 Tickets left in the Mustang Raffle.

The next general meeting and big vote will be on November 18th.



MYSTERY PLANE?

OK, the mystery plane for this month is missing. There's actually a couple reasons for that. First, the ad for the Christmas took up the space on the last page this month. Second, nobody guessed the plane from last month. Not even one guess. I guess it was a really tough one. I'll have to give everybody a hint: Although there was only one of these planes ever built, it was turned into a popular R/C model and plans for it can still be found out on the internet.

So get your books out, put your thinking caps on and get me a guess on the November mystery plane. Just think of the eternal glory you'll win if you are the first to guess it right.

- editor

Show and tell time!



SAFETY FIRST, LAST AND ALWAYS!

(It's a bit late in the year for this, but it still needs to be on everybody's mind. – editor)

At our last Omahawks Board meeting it was brought to our attention pilots have been flying out of bounds in Hawk Field. Specifically, there was an airplane crash in someone's backyard south of Fort Street. The Board of Directors would like to remind all flyers of Rule #5 of Hawk Field Rules state:

All flying must be within the Standing Bear Lake Recreation Area boundaries and east of the safety fence at Hawk Field, with the exception of helicopters, as noted in #6. When flying off the lake, all aircraft must remain over the lake.

This rule simply means all aircraft must be flown north of Fort Street (not over or to the south of Fort Street), to the east of and/or over the runway to the borders of Standing Bear Lake, and to the north over the lake and Standing Bear Lake property.

It is every club member's job to help keep Hawk Field safe and not cause a potential scenario where a home in the surrounding area can be damaged, or worse, someone gets hurt. Please remind yourself and others if you see them flying out of bounds to correct their flight pattern!

**The OMAHAWKS
proudly support the
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Foundation**

Old-timers soar at Hawk Field



Frank Vanacek and his Quaker



Dennis Bender has a Cloud Cruiser



Bob Anderson and his Quaker



One very popular branch of radio controlled flight is the old-timers. Though one might think otherwise, the term old-timer does not describe the pilots. It describes the type of plane he flies. Namely a model airplane that was designed some time before 1943.

Originally designed as free-flight airplanes, these gentle giants represent the very first R/C airplanes. In their day, these simple and reliable models were on the cutting edge of model aviation technology. All of R/C flight can trace its roots back to them.

But, despite their popularity, these planes and their pilots often get ignored among the darlings of R/C like 3D planes, helicopters and the rest of the high tech bunch.

So here at the end of the season we pay tribute to the planes and pilots that still fly the originals. These pilots keep the old school alive and make up one of the best supported and best loved types of flying around.

- editor



Judd Bock and his Spook

← Bob Z has a Quaker, too.



Ed Splittgerber has a Powerhouse



Chuck Buscher with Miss Philly



Tim Peters has a Quaker



This is Dick Behrens' 2A Bomber

HAWK TALK



Ralph Brown and Sailplane



Fred Wilke's a Playboy... no, wait ... his plane's a playboy



Bud Mitchell and Miss Tiny



Ron Pacana and his Quaker



Tom Floyd and his Playboy



Joe Cole and his electric Sailplane



Bob Burt's Playboy



George Eheman - Quaker



Geez! That's a big plane - Joe Cole's Valkyrie

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Are You Ready to Party?

Saturday, December 3, 2011 is the last event for our club this year.

The Omahawks' Christmas party at Venice Inn has been an annual event for over thirty years. It is the last hurrah for the club at the end of the year. We will all get together to celebrate the holiday season and the mourn the end of the flying season. It's your last chance this year to enjoy the company of your friends in R/C.

Please call Ralph Brown for your reservations as soon as possible. Or you can sign up at the November meeting on the 18th. If you and your wife (or other guest) cannot make it to the Christmas party, we will miss you. So to all, we wish you a merry Christmas and a happy new year!

★ *Ralph Brown*
553-3611

Christmas Party Menu

(Includes wine and tip)

8 oz Club Steak	\$22.50
Four Piece Fried Chicken	\$17.00
Veal Parmesan	\$20.50
Deep Fried Catfish	\$19.95
Grilled Walleye	\$22.50

Kids' Menu:

Chicken Fingers	\$11.00
Spaghetti	\$10.00

*Merry Christmas to all,
and to all a good flight!*