



Hawk Talk

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NEXT GENERAL MEETING: Friday, November 20th, 2015 * 7:00 P.M. * Make-A-Wish Foundation * 11926 Arbor St.
PROGRAM: Officer and Board elections. Special raffle prizes
NEXT BOARD MEETING: Wednesday, December 2nd, 2015 * 7:00 PM * Make-A-Wish Foundation * 11926 Arbor St.

ALL CLUB MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND BOARD MEETINGS

Upcoming Omahawk Events

Upcoming Events (or non-Events)

January 1st – Bring your airplane to the field at 9:00am, Friday, January 1st to start the New Year. This event is a great way to stare down old-man winter on New Year's Day. Breakfast to follow at Hy-Vees – 108th & Maple.

Remember the November general meeting is moved up a week to the 20th. Hope to see you there this Friday.

There will be no newsletter or general meeting for December. **Happy Holidays everyone.**

*** Special Raffle Prizes ***

This month, we have three special raffle prizes - an e-Flite B-17, Top Flite Contender kit, and battery charger. Plan to attend. Remember, your Show & Tell is good for four raffle tickets.

Holiday Dinner Reminder – December 12th

Here's one last reminder to sign up for this year's holiday dinner, to be held at Wheatfields (One Pacific Place), December 12th, from 6:00 – 9:00 pm. Members and guests are welcome. *(Be sure to sign up by November 20th. If we don't have enough people, we'll have to cancel the event.)* Adult beverages will be available. Please plan to pay by cash or check, as the club will be making a single payment to Wheatfields at the end of the evening.

Menu

Gourmet Salmon	\$16.50
Caribbean Shrimp Dinner	\$17.50
Flatiron Steak Dinner	\$19.00
Honeyfried Chicken Dinner (3 piece)	\$13.50
Andre's Enchilada Dinner	\$13.50

All dinners include salad, vegetable, potato, bread & butter. A small cheesecake dessert sampler tray is also included.

Election of 2016 Officers and Board

Bernie Baker

Be sure to attend the November general meeting to vote for next year's slate of officers and board members. Nominees include the following individuals. Additional nominations can be made at the meeting.

Officers:

President	Mikey Furrow
Vice President	Bernie Baker
Treasurer	Kevin Hyde
Secretary	Larry McChesney

Board Members (4 Needed):

Dennis Bender
Greg Nelson
Rick Sessions
Vary Vohnout

Please note that Bob Wheeler will be stepping down from the board next year. Bob has served for three years as club president and last year as a board member and the field chairman. I can't think of two more thankless jobs, and Bob has done them both very well. Please thank Bob for all his service, and wish him well as he gets to spend more time flying (hopefully) and less time conducting club business.

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City Parks Partnership

(Bernie Baker)

As most golfers and RC pilots have found out the hard way, trees are not 90% air. While trees and RC airplanes do not play well together, we cannot take it upon ourselves to cut down trees on park property. We, as a club, are allowed to do trimming of branches (for equipment clearance) and removal of shrubs, but that's about it. And even this is done with advance discussion with the Parks Department.

Any removal of trees on park property has to be done in partnership with the City of Omaha Parks Department. Violations of this rule could result in the city taking away our use of Hawk field. Trees planted to the east of Hawk Field years ago by well-intentioned individuals do eat airplanes from time to time. However, we need to work with the parks department on any resolution going forward.

A Thank You from Make-A-Wish

In the pictures below, Kylie Thiele, Vice President of Development and Marketing for Make-A-Wish, accepts a check from the Omahawks for \$3,850. This contribution from the Labor Day air show continues the tradition of the Omahawks being the longest standing contributor to Make A Wish year after year (30+ years). The second photo shows Club President Mikey Furrow receiving a special plaque from Kylie thanking the Omahawks for their support.



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Omahawks Board Meeting Notes – November 4th, 2015

(Submitted by Larry McChesney, Secretary)

Board Members in attendance: President Mikey Furrow, Kevin Hyde, Bernie Baker, Gary Vohnout, Larry McChesney, Dennis Bender and guest Milt Olsen.

Meeting called to order: President Mikey Furrow

Treasurer's report: Kevin Hyde presented the Treasurer's Report dated November 4th, 2015.

Also included was a detailed report on the proceeds from the Auction and concessions. There were over five hundred items sold for the second highest net revenue number in the last fifteen years.

Membership Chair report: Little has changed since the last meeting.

Hawk Field:

- Gary Vohnout will proceed with laying a "top Coat sealer" on a test panel of the runway by the end of the week or next. He can always use a few volunteers to help with the effort. The test area where crack filling was completed in September looked positive. The next step proposed for this same area of the runway was to apply a seal coat to protect the filled area by using an epoxy shield product. Material cost is approximately \$25.00 per gallon covering 250 square feet. Bernie Baker made a motion to spend an additional \$35.00 for miscellaneous equipment needed to complete this phase of the work. Seconded by Dennis Bender. Motion passed with no dissenting votes.
- Bob Wheeler will continue looking at the schedule for submitting for City grant money to assist the club with field maintenance costs.
- The last board minutes included the following paragraph about locking the front gate as you leave the field. However, this bears repeating. There is a reason the gate has two padlocks. The combination lock is for the Omahawks, and the second lock is used by the city for access. For example, when the shelter was set on fire, the fire department arrived but they could not access the site through the gate. So it was agreed that for future use in an emergency or for other city services, we would have two locks. Therefore, when you lock up when leaving the field, be sure to put our lock through the second lock and not through a chain link. That way opening one or the other lock will open the gate. Your attention to this detail will be appreciated.

Old Business: None

New Business:

- Officer and Board elections for 2016 will take place at next month's general meeting. Please attend. Feel free to nominate people for any of the officer or board positions. More importantly, be present to vote for a new slate of club officers.
- A motion was made to spend up to \$200 for extra raffle prizes which will likely include the new E-Flight B-17, Top Flite kit, and battery charger. Bernie made the motion, second by Kevin. Motion passed.
- The annual Christmas Party will be Dec 12th at 6:00 pm at Wheatfields on Pacific Street. Please plan to pay with cash or check (no credit cards please). A dessert tray has been purchased by the club for everyone. A video may be presented to chronicle the years activities. Currently 16 people have signed up to attend this annual event. After some discussion it was decided that if we do not have at least 25-30 attendees, the dinner will need to be canceled since there is a minimum due cover the party room reservation. It is important to reach that goal by the next general meeting, November 20th.
- The president reviewed the opportunity to attend the upcoming organizational meeting of clubs in the area at the Strategic Air Museum. This will be a planning session for the annual indoor fun fly and static displays early in 2016. Two days have been proposed by the museum staff. Dennis Bender and or Gary Vohnout, depending on the day, may be able to attend representing the Omahawks.

Dennis Bender moved to close the meeting. Second by Bernie.

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Events from the Past Month

Pictures from the October general meeting.



Another high-energy general meeting.



Ron Pacana's Stuka. A masterpiece in the works.



Gary Vohnout, Larry Inness, John Thompson, and David Haney putting down a test strip of asphalt sealer this past week.