

THE VOICE OF THE OMAHAWKS R/C INC Oct, 2016 Corporate Office – 2739 N 61st St. Omaha, NE 68104

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NEXT GENERAL MEETING: Friday, October 28th * 7:00 P.M. * Church of the Cross, 1517 S 114th St. GENERAL MEETING PROGRAM: Raffle Prize – Small Quad/Handyman Special (some minor damage) NEXT BOARD MEETING: Tuesday, November 15th * 7:00 PM * Church of the Cross, 1517 S 114th St.

ALL CLUB MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND BOARD MEETINGS

Nominations for Board and Officer Positions will be taken in the October and November Meetings. Let's make the Omahawks Great Again!

Note: Starting this month, general and board meetings will be held at Presbyterian Church of the Cross on 114th just south of Pacific: 1517 S 114th St.

Upcoming Events

Chili Cook-off/Night Fly Hawkfield Sat – Oct 29th 6:00pm-???

There will be a small prize for the best chili, so bring out your favorite chili recipe before 6pm and come enjoy a variety of chili flavors from your fellow club members. Also, don't forget to light up your aircraft and give night-flying a try. You (and your aircraft) only live once.

AUCTION RESULTS (From Kevin Hyde). Thanks to everyone that pitched in. With your help, the auction was a success again this year. There are too many to mention without missing someone but I'll try. Thanks to Helen & Ed Paasch, Harry Perkons, Chuck Inserra, Mikey Furrow, Larry Inness, Larry McChesney, Fred Wilke, and Rick Miller. I didn't get a list of names but I know there were lots of people involved with locating items and holding them up for the auctioneers. This is too big of an event for a few people to handle successfully. Thanks to everyone that lent a hand.

The numbers are very comparable to 2010 - 2013 but a little low when compared to the past 2 years. Here are the numbers:

Items sold305Customers131Average selling price\$56.58Total sales\$17,255

Income from sales \$1,923 (includes no sale and donations)

 Registration
 \$655

 Concessions
 \$510

 Expenses
 \$1,305

 Total
 \$1,783

F7F Tigercat Update (From Dean Copeland). I thought I would give you an update on the "F7F Tigercat". We now have a total of six flights one her. The first one was rough (nasty aileron oscillation) when the landing gear broke and dealt us a blow with some serious damage. However, the team dove in and within a few weeks the plane was ready again for another test flight.

The second flight was somewhat disappointing as well, since we were still dealing will an aileron oscillation with flaps at slower speeds. Then, as if we needed something else to go wrong, one of the engines was only hitting on four of the five cylinders. After three or four tries to get them running, both engines were removed and sent to the factory. It turns out the ignition coil on that missing cylinder was bad and was replaced. The factory test ran both engines prior to sending them back. With both engines now running to perfection we were ready for another test flight.

Changes were made to the transmitter expo, which was a great help, but on the third flight the oscillation was still there when making a landing approach.

On the fourth flight I asked Dave Kelly to give it a go, and when I saw the oscillation I was happy only to the effect that it was not me but in fact some sort of problem with the plane. So while Dave was flying I made more changes to the transmitter trims and finally he and I came to the conclusion that there was a trim problem with the flaps. With the flaps down and aileron trimmed to a point that the oscillation had subsided Dave made one of the first landings that didn't ruin the nerves of the pilot.

I made flights five and six with the new trim settings and was able to get on the ground with some semblance of a normal landing. Once the plane was back in the pits and prior to putting it on the transporter (which is a somewhat elaborate device for putting the plane in when taken apart), it was discovered that one of the outboard flaps was extending further that the other three causing the roll to the right. Hence oscillation was being induced by the pilot while correcting for the roll and then allowing the aileron stick to return to neutral, it would roll again and we would correct and on and on. The fix will be simple, Amen!

Not all was bad during the test flights, with the flaps up the plane is one heck of a beautiful flying machine and there is no sound like two "Moki" 5 cylinder engines running like watches. The team will be going to work finishing all the miscellaneous details to complete the project. More test flights to come with cowls and gear doors.

General Meeting Location Change/Upcoming Meeting Agenda (From Mikey Furrow): The Omahawks Board has been listening to your requests for a new meeting location with a bigger room and restroom access. Over the last several months, the Board has been looking into different options and after several discussions, has decided to hold future October Board and General club meetings at a new location just 1.5 miles northeast of the Make a Wish building. Our new location will be at the Presbyterian Church of the Cross located at 1517 South 114th St (basically just south of 114th and Pacific St.) We will still be meeting at 7pm as normal, so please come on out and check out the new location at the October 28th General Club Meeting. Many thanks to Rick Sessions for finding our new location and getting approval for its use.

Also, please plan to attend this meeting as we will be opening nominations /discussion for the upcoming 2017 Board. If you are interested in participating on the Board to help guide and direct the club during the next flying season, then be at this meeting and request to be nominated. We are looking for individuals to fill the following positions: Club President; Vice-President; Secretary; and Board Member positions

Phase I of new website almost completed (From Mikey Furrow): As many of you know, I've been working on rebuilding the current website to make it easier to manage, maintain, and update by members of the club. Over the last year, I've been testing and retesting different options and have finally gotten to the point where Phase I can be released and put into place. Hopefully before the October General Membership meeting, the website will be refreshed and hopefully easier to navigate. Some new features to be included with this website release will be a working photo gallery, for sale section, and also a forum where members can post RC Related chats /messages to the membership. Watch your emails for the official release and also when your username / password will be available to login to the new site.

Omahawks General Meeting Minutes:

September 30th, 2016

President Mikey Furrow opened the meeting. There was approximately 22 members present and no guests.

Membership Report

Our membership role presently lists 124 members as reported by our Membership Chair Kevin Hyde.

Newsletter

Bernie Baker was not present. Lets help our editor produce an interesting news letter by providing news articles, information and pictures if available for current building projects or other items of interest that the club would enjoy reading about.

If you are not receiving letter via email notify the board.

Field Update.

Our Field Chair reported that we have had a continuing diet of vandalism issues. He has managed to stay ahead of the curve with his diligence to continue to keep our field first class.

General Announcements

Labor Day Air Show. Ed Paasch provided an overview of another in a long line of successful Shows in spite of winds gusting above thirty miles per hour. As an old instructor I had always used to say that when you are taking off into the wind when it is right down the runway "the airplane doesn't know that the wind over the wings is from heavy wind". Luckily it was not a cross wind. Still a bit daunting for some.

Several members and non-members from Iowa and other clubs were noted and remembered for significant contributions. Also thanked were Stoysich and Rotella for their continued support.

A check for a little over \$2,600 will be presented to Make A Wish at one of the next meetings.

Training. President shared the news that someone is going to donate three trainer kits in a box for our club training use. If someone is interested in a winter build project contact Mikey Furrow.

The Boy Scout District will hold a Camporee at Mahoney October 14-16. An invitation has been sent to the club. Members are invited to attend with static displays if so desired or they are encouraging us to do flying demonstrations. These opportunities are enjoyable for the scouts and well received. To coordinate contact Mikey Furrow or Bob Wheeler.

Auction. Kevin Hyde previewed what the jobs and personnel needed for our annual auction at Millard Social Hall. A few slots have been filled but it takes many hands to carry this off. It is our one and only fund raising event to raise the resources needed to carry the clubs program through out the year.

Office Election. A slate of officers is being developed. Nominations from the floor will be made at our next meeting with the vote taken soon thereafter. At the last Board meeting it was noted that we would like to see a teenage or person in their twenties on the board. Consider this great opportunity to volunteer for one of the board positions.

Winter Party: Rick Sessions is organizing a social occasion that will take place in the third week of January. It was decided to try a date after the holiday season to attract more members.

Events and Misc

Chili Cook-off - Date and time to be determined.
Old Timers Fun Fly - Oct 12th - Omahawks Field
District Boy Scout Camporee - Oct 15th - Mahoney State Park
Omahawks Annual Auction - Oct 16th, 2016
Business Meeting - Oct 18th - 7:00 pm - Location TBD
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