

the L.A.S.S. Edition

February 2020

President's Message

By Wilson Hardy

It has been a great start to a new year. I say that a little tongue-in-cheek or a lot tongue-in-cheek. Since the second of January this year I've had to deal with an incredible amount of issues normally aimed at other people. I'm not whining about it, much, just not use to it. This seemed like a daily occurrence all until this last Thursday when after a 15-hour day of shoveling and then plowing snow I started to feel warm. Starting at 10pm as I was driving the snow plow my eyes started to feel warm then my back started to feel kind of tight and ache a little. By the time 11pm hit, I knew something wasn't right. I had to be up at 4:00 the next morning to start all over again and I have to admit, it didn't happen.

My daughter came home from college at three that afternoon and I was still in bed under two blankets shivering like I was out naked in the tundra. She got me to Urgent Care and the PA said Influenza B! Tama flew to the rescue! The end result of this two days of fever and nausea is a week of not being allowed to go to work.

What does this have to do with airplanes?@, you might ask. Well I'm more than halfway done with a pea-

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Secretary's Notes

The meeting at Greg's Drive-In was called to order around 7:20 by Treasurer Jim in the absence of President Wilson, with Loren taking notes for Secretary Tom.

There were no objections to the minutes published in the newsletter and the Treasurer reported no changes to our balance.

An extended discussion of FAA regulations and the AMA role in representing our hobby followed. The prevalent sentiment of the attendees, although not unanimous, was that the AMA is doing an ineffective job of making our case. This led to a discussion of whether we should even maintain our status as an AMA chartered club.

It now costs \$90 per year. That discussion was tabled to the February 2020 meeting and members are encouraged to give it some thought before then.

With all due respect to those present or not, one attendee commented this was the most productive meeting he had ever attended. The rest of us momentarily basked in that glory before moving on.

Other than noting that none of us knew much about the January event at the SAC museum, the only other item of business was to affirm the nominees for club office as being duly elected:

President: Wilson Hardy
Secretary: Tom Wild
Treasurer: Jim Baker

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00.

Loren Blinde
Note Taker



Next CLUB MEETING
Tuesday, February 4
7:00 p.m.
Greg's Restaurant
1202 North Cotner Blvd.
Lincoln

Next Scheduled Meet after Current - April 7

nut scale De Havilland Tiger Moth. I seldom get to build the one type of plane that still interests me the most. This week has ended up being the best unplanned paid vacation I could have ever asked for. Everyone has left me to just enjoy time in building. This has been a great start to a new year.

FAA Denies Comment Extension

The Federal Aviation Administration has denied the Academy of Model Aeronautics and Experimental Aircraft Association's request to extend the comment period on the FAA's Proposal for Remote Identification of UAS. The comment period will close on March 2, 2020.

UAS is the government's term for unmanned aircraft system. While the proposal seems to be directed at the drone market, it also includes model aircraft weighing more than 0.55 pounds (8.8 ounces) up to 55 pounds. If the proposal is carried out, model aircraft must incorporate some kind of device to uniquely identify itself, its location and its altitude in real time or else the aircraft will be severely restricted where it can be flown. In addition, other new requirements are set forth.

The AMA has posted their take on the proposal at: <https://amablog.modelaircraft.org/amagov/2020/01/02/summaryremoteidproposal/> Should you want to read the full text of the 319-page proposal, it can be found on the web at: <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2019/12/31/2019-28100/remote-identification-of-unmanned-aircraft-systems>

Turn to <http://amablog.modelaircraft.org/amagov/2020/01/20/submit-a-formal-comment/> to get started. Constructive comments sent to the FAA may save this hobby we all cherish.

Allan Worrest, editor



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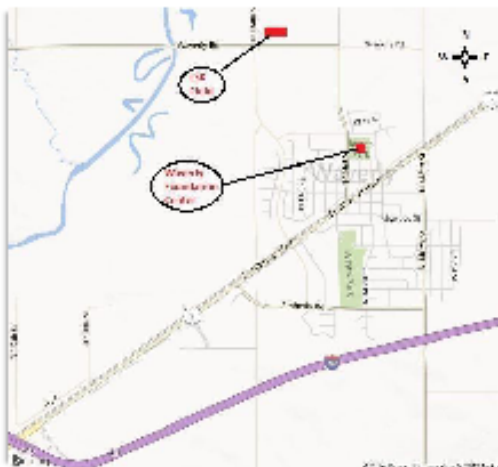
R/C AUCTION

Saturday Feb. 1th, 2020

www.lincolnskyknights.org

CHECK-IN & REGISTRATION begins AT 8:00 am.
AUCTION starts at 10:00am till everything is sold.

BIDDING STARTS AT \$15.00. Please group small items together. Any bidding below \$15.00 is sold immediately. **You must state the minimum you will take for any item to protect it.** Mark donation "YES" to donate the entire sale to the club.



- \$5.00 admission per buyer/seller number
- \$4.00 Pancake Breakfast ends at 9:30 AM.
- All items sold in order they are received.
- Lincoln Sky Knights will keep 10% of the sale price or buy back price with a minimum of \$2 commission on sales under \$20
- A \$2 processing fee will be charged for "no sale"

- Payment is by cash or check with proper ID.
- All sales are final and sold as is.
- Breakfast and Lunch available

Waverly Foundation Center
11120 N. 141st Street
Waverly NE, 68462
(Same place as last year)

GPS: 40.920312, -96.528919

Take I-80 to exit 409. Take a right (East) on Highway 6 toward Waverly. Turn left onto 141st street at the stoplight in Waverly. The Waverly Foundation Center will be on your right as you are leaving town.

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