

# the L.A.S.S. Edition

July 2013

## Secretary's Notes

By Tom Wild

President Loren Blinde called the June 2013 meeting to order at 7:37 pm. The minutes from the May meeting (as recorded by President Blinde) were accepted without objection.

### BUSINESS NEW & OLD:

The first topic of discussion was the proposed field rules; version #1 with ten rules to regulate who, what, when and where of flying electric airplanes at the Event Center field and version #2 forbidding the flying of any airplane not considered a glider. Much discussion followed with proposed changing to the wording of the 10 rules to be followed by a motion to accept these revised rules made by Wilson Hardy and seconded by Jack Barry. The motion passed. All agreed we would share our new rules with the staff of the Event Center so if anyone is flying at the field or parking lot that isn't following these rules, will be known not to be associated with LASS.

MWSC 2013 results; LASS was well represented at the 20th running of the Midwest Slope Challenge with four of seven members present flying in the event. Thane Kirchhoff brought home top honors with a 1st place in One Design Race and 1st place in the Unlimited category. Next year Wilson Hardy may take over the head flagger duties from Larry Purdy.

### RACE RESULTS:

ODR 1st Thane Kirchhoff, 2nd Darren Ammon, 3rd Andrew Kirchhoff.

Unlimited, 1st Thane Kirchhoff, 2nd Justin Ammon, 3rd Andrew Kirchhoff.

An unregistered flyer paid us a visit on Friday morning; Tom Mahoney strafed the slope a couple of times and then landed on airport hill. Wilson drove over and picked him up and Tom who gave us the details of his WWI 7/8 scale home built Nieuport 17. Tom and his wife Heddy are the owners of the Midlands Railroad Hotel in Wilson KS. Heddy and her daughter also came by and invited us to their hotel and restaurant.

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

The Swift club is planning an event on June 9th so watch for emails. The Western Flyers have an Old Timer event the 3rd Saturday of the month with a winch available in the afternoons after lunch if the weather is permitting. LASS will schedule a glider event at the Event Center but will wait till the field is mowed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m..

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## Lincoln Area Soaring Society Flight Regulations and Field Rules for the Lancaster Event Center

1. The primary purpose of the Lincoln Area Soaring Society (the club) is to practice and promote thermal soaring by model aircraft. Any other flying activities by club members, conducted at the Lancaster Event Center (the field), will be considered secondary to that purpose and will be managed accordingly. All club activities conducted at the field will honor the provisions of any agreement in place between the club and the Lancaster Event Center.
2. Electric-powered aircraft flown by club members, not intended for thermal soaring, are welcome to use the field, provided they do not detract from the primary purpose of the club or operate contrary to the provisions of this document.

*Field Rules (Continued on page 2)*

**Next CLUB MEETING**  
**Tuesday, July 2**  
**7:30 p.m.**  
**Willard Community Center**  
**Folsom & West B Street**  
**Lincoln, NE**

### Field Rules (Continued from page 1)

3. The "rise-off-ground" take-off or landing of model aircraft from any paved or unpaved roadway, street, access road, parking lot, camping or exhibition area of the Lancaster Event Center, or any adjacent property, is expressly prohibited.
4. The launch, flight and landing of non-powered aircraft will have the right-of-way at all times, and the pilot of any electric-powered aircraft will respect that right-of-way.
5. Flying directly above any Lancaster Event Center building, in-progress event or occupied camping area is prohibited.
6. Flying in a manner that may disturb any people or animals that are part of a Lancaster Event Center event, or the general public, is prohibited.
7. All vehicular traffic by members on or around the field will discern and respect the presence of any winch or hi-start launch equipment on the field.
8. All vehicular traffic on or around the field will be conducted in a manner that does not damage the turf or grass.
9. The use of the entire field during any scheduled club event will be limited to the purpose and participants in that event.
10. Any observed violations of these rules by a club member will subject that member to expulsion from the club, in accordance with provisions in the club constitution.

## Regional Events

- 6/27- 6/30 Council Bluffs, IA (C) 2013 CORNHUCK FEST. Site: The Field. Robert English CD PH: (402) 331-2357 Email: reenglishjr@aol.com. Visit: metroflying.com. The 2013 Flying Giants.com/Aeroworks Huckfest Tour announces the 3rd annual Corn Huck Fest of the Midwest put on by the Twin City Eagles Squadron of Council Bluffs, IA. The event is located at "The Field". See website for additional information. Sponsor: TWIN CITIES EAGLE SQUADRON
- 7/20 Western Flyer's Old Timers Fun Fly with Glider Fly - 9AM - 3PM. Mead. NE
- 8/3 - 8/4 Omaha, NE (AAA) 2013 OMAHA PATTERN CHAMPIONSHIP. Site: Hawk Field. Robert Wheeler CD PH: 402-661-4661 Email: rjwheeler01@gmail.com. Visit: omahawks.net. Field open Friday night for practice, Lunch provided for the contestants. Sponsor: OMAHAWKS R/C INC
- 8/3 - 8/4 Waverly, NE (C) DON NEILL MEMORIAL SCALE FLY IN. Site: Lincoln Sky Knights Field. Richard Kuenning CD PH: Email: LINCOLSKYKNIGHTS.ORG. Directions to field on club website. Additional contact: Dean Copeland 402-334-2787 dcopeland@tconl.com Sponsor: LINCOLN SKY KNIGHTS



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# 2013 MWSC Pictures

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Tom Mahoney flying by with his 7/8 scale homebuilt Nieuport 17 powered by a Volkswagen engine.



Thane Kirchhoff's "Needle" unlimited airplane turning on the far pylon.



The gang in the pits looking at the workings of Jim's Inertia.