



Hawk Talk

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ALL CLUB MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND THE BUSINESS MEETINGS

GENERAL MEETING: Friday, , 2012 * 7:00 P.M. * Hawk Field * 138th & Fort St

PROGRAM: Come on out and Fly!

BUSINESS MEETING: Wednesday, , 2012 * 7:00 P.M. * Make-A-Wish Foundation * 11926 Arbor St.

THE PRESIDENT SPEAKS...

I hope everyone has had an opportunity to get some flying this summer. By the time you read this we'll be heading into the dog days of summer and by now the heat and winds will have taken their toll on all of us. I'd to take a minute to touch base on a couple important topics. I'm not the sort of person who likes to stand on the soapbox but these topics are very important for everyone in the club and a friendly reminder now and then doesn't hurt.

First, everyone should be flying east of the safety fence when flying from the runway, this is without ex-

ception. The Safety fence is the reference point for all to use and it extends the entire length of the field. All pilots need to be behind the safety fence when flying and to keep their aircraft east of the fence line. Also, the end of the runway to the north or south are not places to stand when flying. You are in the takeoff or landing path of other pilots. One exception to the rule is when special events are held (Gliders) and a safety line has been established by the CD. When flying Heli's or park flyer from the Heli training area you must to stay west of the safety fence, do not encroach in the runway approaches.

Secondly, no alcohol is permitted in the city park. AMA Safety rules state "Pilots will not operate aircraft while under the influence of alcohol or while using any drug which could adversely affect the pilot's ability to safely control the model." I've heard of a club in the Midwest who was contacted by the AMA about pilots flying and drinking. Needless to say the club was given limited options on how to address the problem. The Omahawks will not jeopardize its standing with the City or the AMA and will take the appropriate actions if these rules are not followed.

Third, make sure you fly within the park boundaries, do not fly south

of Fort Street for any reason. The City rules state the boundaries and we need to make sure everyone is flying within the park area. I haven't received any complaints yet from the City but I have heard of a recent complaint by a homeowner. No matter the size of your aircraft know the boundaries and stay within the park. If the Board receives complaints we will be forced to deal with them in the appropriate manner. Mind your flying space and stay within the park boundaries.

I'm off my soap box now!

- Bob Wheeler

JULY MEETING AT HAWK FIELD

FRIDAY, JULY 27

7:00 p.m.

Hawk Field

138th & Fort St

Program:

Have fun and fly!

Raffle:

Raffle to support the Labor Day Air Show raffle

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- ★ July 27 - General Meeting
- ★ July 28 - Heli Fun Fly
- ★ Aug 1 - Business Meeting
- ★ Aug 4 - Pattern Contest
- ★ Aug 8 - Old Timer Fun Fly
- ★ Aug 15 - Float Fly
- ★ Aug 25 - Don Neill Memorial Scale Contest
- ★ Aug 28 - Boy Scout Fun Fly
- ★ Sep 3 - Labor Day Air Show
- ★ Every Thursday 6 pm til dusk - Training Night

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THE MINUTES

Casey Vonhout, Secretary

General Meeting.....6/29/2012

Venimus. Vescimus. Volitimus. What else is there? (with all due apologies to Fr. Kalamaja)

Business Meeting.....7/3/2012

Board Members in attendance: Bob Wheeler, EJ Murphy, Dennis Bender, Kevin Hyde, Steve Earl, Harry Perkins, Mikey Furrow (acting as secretary for Casey Voughnout); Ed Paasch also in attendance as well.

Officer/Chairman/Editor Reports:

Treasurer's Report – Kevin Hyde - Monthly numbers and accounting all look good.

Website Update – Kevin mentioned that Website was upgraded, but Photo Gallery and For Sale section is still not working. Will continue looking for options to get this working again.

Ed Paasch asked about a Lost and Found section to be added to website for missing planes

Membership Chairman Report: – Ralph
Membership Count: – as of Tuesday June 29th – 145

Hawk Field:

Field Safety Concern: a concern about some pilots flying beyond the safety fence on the south end of the runway. Also, some pilots flying an odd pattern at south end of runway to include the heli area. Bob W will be writing a newsletter article and will mention this point at our next meeting.

Removal of Paint Graffiti – Mikey to contact the Graffiti Van to see if they can assist with the current situation, or get options on how to get this cleaned up.

Several members still haven't received field permits, and Bob Wheeler printed out a list of pending members. Kevin Hyde to get AMA numbers for missing members.

Ed Paasch mentioned a member on the Park Pilot program and our present application doesn't have a spot for this. Kevin Hyde to add this to next year's application form and database.

Old Business:

Letter to Dennis Bryers for the Toilet: Bob W will be sending a letter to Dennis Bryers about the safety and concerns about the metal toilet.

Also to include the Parking Lot grading project and Graffiti issues at field

Parking Lot Grading Harry Perkins suggested that a Motor Grader be used to grade and level out the parking lot. A Bobcat / Skid Loader would not work. It would make more of a mess of the parking lot The board will seek out possible bids to excavate and level out the parking lot – possible project for early next year.

Labor Day Airshow (Ed Paasch) Ed mentioned that he will be looking at getting some gift cards / certificates from local vendors to use as raffle prizes throughout the airshow.

Flight Line Safety Boss: EJ Murphy agreed to manage the flightline during the airshow. Still looking for an assistant.

Helen Paasch is working to get the "Sweet Shop Ladies" together and organized
Doc Greenburg asked about possibility of

having a roped off section in the parking lot and stands for our Disabled Vets at the Assisted Living Center to be able to come and view the airshow as well. Dennis Bender to oversee this with the Boy Scout parking detail.

New Business:

Private Trash Pickup Problem is that the trash is overflowing at Hawk Field, and needing to find a resolution to this issue. Harry Perkins has a contact and will make a phone call to see what he can find out about the trash issue. Bob W requesting permission to use a private service for the remainder of this year. Dennis Bender made the motion for use of a private trash service, Kevin Hyde seconded motion – Based on what Harry Perkins finds out from his phone call.

Flying / General Events:

North Omaha Airport: Bob W mentioned about the Flying event at North Omaha Airport that he attended. Airport owner approached Roger Cowell and mentioned how impressed he was with the pilots in attendance, and offered his runway for use in future events.

Upcoming Pattern Contest: Robert Green asked about doing shirts again this year, and wanted the club to pay for the shirts and get money later. Board agreed on this, and once Robert gets more information together, will forward this to Bob W and Kevin H and a cost will be determined at a later date for both pilots, helpers, and viewers.

Grand Island Modelers Flying Event: (attended by Ed Paasch) Mentioned how well their club managed this widely attended event, and how wonderful their field is set up. Suggested that if opportunity arises, that we attend an event at their field to show support of their club and appreciate their field and hospitality.

Meeting Adjourned.....



Blah, blah, blah, blah,...Lets fly!

Don't miss the
Labor Day Air Show
To benefit the
**Make-A-Wish
Foundation**





2012 Labor Day Air Show



- Air show from **12PM Noon to 4PM on Monday September 3rd, 2012**
- Air show is at **Standing Bear Lake Park at 138th & Fort Streets in Omaha, NE**
- **Free** admission, **free** restroom facilities, and **free** parking will be provided
- Hot dogs, chips, soda, water, popcorn, baked goods, and snow cones will all be available
- Raffle tickets available for purchase and hundreds of dollars in prizes will be awarded



Net proceeds from the sale of raffle tickets, food, and beverages will benefit Make-A-Wish of Nebraska.

Call Ed Paasch at (402) 321-3781 or e-mail bigedmustafa@hotmail.com for more information. Thank you.

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The president meets the press

At The Field



Helen does a self-portrait



Fred was the big SPC winner



Brad got all dressed up for the award ceremony



A GENEROUS DONATION

Jack Walker from Seward, NE has donated some R/C items that will be either sold or raffled off to support the Make-a-wish foundation. Be sure to come to the meeting for more info on where when and how that will take place. And if you see him, be sure to thank Jack for his generosity. We all appreciate it.

This is what he donated:

- 1) Kadet Lt-25 with a OS 25 FX and Futaba EX PCM radio.
- 2) ElectricFly Lanciar ARF
- 3) Real Flight G3 with Controller
- 4) Magnum 12 volt Starter, Dubro Glow Driver, and Glow Plug wrench.
- 5) Miscellaneous parts and trays.



A WORD OF ADVICE FROM THE DOCTOR

Look out or you'll be older than you think!

With the advent of good flying weather and the hot sun, watch out! All day long in the hot sun can be bad for your health. Not now, but when you are older. Long periods in the sun can cause skin cancer in later years.

Use a sun screen with an SPF of 45 or more. Also wear sunglasses, since exposure to the sun can cause or contribute to the formation of cataracts.

- Doc Greenberg

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FLOAT FLY NEWS

July 14 Float Fly. The wind was less than 5 mph most of the day and the temperature was 91 degrees at noon. Flyer's flew from 9am to near 230 pm. Russ Alt used his boat to retrieve many downed planes. Six pizzas from Italian Mangia were consumed around 1130 am. The city provided two picnic tables to eat from.

Twenty four flyer's took part, including six from the Kansas City and Wichita area. They were: Bob Zitzlsperger, Bob Burt, Doug Crumley, Dave Olson, E J Murphy, Rick Miller, Frank Van-ecek, Dean Copeland, Brad Perkons, Fred Wilke, Larry Inness, Wayne Nyberg, Bud Mitchell, Ralph Brown, Skip Brown, Ron Pacana, Gale Sherman, Bob Wheeler, Don Opliger, Brad Carter, Charlie Swain, Darrell Watts, Ed Splittgerber, Ron Pacana and Dick Behrens.

- Dick Behrens



Many thanks are due to Steve Earl for all of these excellent pictures of the float flying fun!



Oops!



Ouch!



These guys always draw a crowd!

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OLD TIMER NEWS

July 11 Old Timer fun fly.

The wind was light and variable. Dennis and Pat prepared an excellent lunch. It was a good day except for an accident. One pilot got cut with a propeller when he reached to take his glow starter from the engine. He was taken to the ER at Immanuel Hospital, where he had 35 stitches put in his two hands. He was on a blood thinner so he bled considerably.

Eighteen flyer's took part in the event. They were: Dennis Bender, Frank Wisniski, Ron Pacana, Ralph Brown, Rick Haneline, Fred Wilke, Jim Clipperton, Skip Brown, Gary Striplin, Joe Cole, Bud Mitchell, Bob Zitz, Galen Lillethorup, Frank Vanecek, Steve Peck, Tom Floyd, Dean Copeland, Bob Huber and Dick Behrens. Dean and Gary flew new planes for the first time.

Regarding the accident, there was no first aid kit close to the pit area for immediate use, as there has been in the past. I suggest the kit be put back near the pit area, so it is readily available and easily found when needed.

(From the editor: Dennis responded that the first aid kit was handy but he didn't want to use it since the towel he had was controlling the bleeding. He normally opens the shed and props the door open so it is handy.

But this still serves as a cautionary tale to remind us to always have first aid supplies close at hand and readily available. Just imagine trying to open a padlock with one bleeding hand.

Also, many R/C pilots paint the tips of their propellers yellow in order to make them easier to see. And it's always best if you don't fly alone.)

AM EVENTS NEXT SIX WEEKS

What	When	Where
Old Timer Fun Fly	Aug 8, Wed, 9am -noon	Hawkfield
Float Fly	Aug 15, Wed, 830-1130am	Standing Bear Lake
OT "Pie"Fun Fly	Sept 9, Sunday, 9am-2pm	Hawkfield

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Don Neill Memorial Scale Contest August 25th, 2012

AMA Events

520 Fun Scale
522 Team Scale

Separate categories for
civilian and military!

Sanction: AMA 12-0987

Contest Director: Rick Miller
(402) 624-2530

rick.miller@kkellogg.com



Join us on Saturday, August 25th at the beautiful Western Flyers club field in Mead, Nebraska for the tri-club sponsored Don Neill Memorial Scale Contest! Your \$10 landing fee includes a pilot's lunch and cold beverages.

The contest is scheduled to run from 9AM until 3PM, with Sunday, August 26th reserved as a make-up day in case of rain. Visit <http://www.westflyrc.com> for a map to the field.

Contact event coordinators Jim Henley or Dean Coppeland with any questions:

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