

THE CLANKING ARMOR

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AMA CLUB # 405

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NEWS AND ACTIVITIES OF THE LINCOLN SKY KNIGHTS R/C CLUB

Presidents Message

Hello L.S.K. Members, Thanks to the 12 members attending the September 5th meeting.

The trenching was completed today (9-15-25)
Expect the remaining electrical work to be completed Tuesday the 16th.

This improvement project was made possible by a generous donation from Michael Moritko, Big Thanks Michael! This project will provide electrical receptacles and lighting to the "newer" North and South Sun Shelters which by the way were a donation to the club by John Knopp. Thanks John!

Thanks to Ric F. for steering the bidding process and all the preparation and scheduling involved.

If any member or members have the desire to donate to our club, please contact myself or any Officer or Executive Committee member. If you have a specific improvement in mind- share it!

The L.N.K. Aviation Night was a Big Hit, Thanks to Cliff D. And Bob M. They ran the booth, kept the 2 simulators running throughout the evening. Let's help out next year and make it an even bigger success!

I heard from Mike and Charlie, our Outlaw Racers connection. They're extremely grateful for our attendance at their August racing event. Big thanks to Ric F. And Cliff D. For wowing the crowd with their awesome flying performance!

Maybe some paramotor flying or demonstration before our October 3rd meeting? Stay tuned!

Thanks again to John K. - Jay J. - Ric F. For the repairs and improvements to our old Ford tractor. These guys continue to provide their talent and skills to save our club a lot of money. Please thank them when you see them!

Interesting discussion concerning a weather balloon launching station on our property, more to come.

Thanks to our two mowing crews, the facility looks great!!

The October meeting is an important one. We will set our 2026 club dues, Club Officer nomination, Executive Committee nominations, Field Boss, Newsletter and Website Editors too so please attend!

Thanks everyone, be safe and healthy! KC

Secretary's Report

Called to order 7:31pm by Kevin

12 members attending

August minutes accepted, Ric/Jay motion/2 nd

New members; Amber Tannehill

Matt Wrather

VP/CD Report

Al doing helicopter things in Colorado

Treasurer's Report

John reports bills paid and current.

Safety Officer's Report

Ron reports no issues for safety officer.

Old Business

Discussion about disposal of Lipo batteries. Interstate \$8/lb. Mark B suggested Call2Recycle.

Discussion of flight at outlaw raceway. Flight demo went well and was well received by the car racers at outlaw. Tyler, Ric and Cliff flew and the crowd enjoyed it. Facility was small and presented challenges to flying. We flew flat foamies and all went well, however Cliffs Triplane found a pole and crashed but it already repaired.

Electrical work is ongoing for power to the addtl shade shelters. Ric has completed trench under walkway, contractor will complete digging and trenching to lay wire. Expected to be working on Sept 15 and done on the 16th. Wire will be down 18" and utilities should not be a concern, but club is responsible for repair of any hit utilities.

Paramotor pilot was not available, motor was still being overhauled. He will try to come out for demo for October meeting.

Steve (paramotor) also took a lot of video and photos. Cliff will reach out for media.

Last fun fly was sparsely attended – maybe 5-6 pilots. Club decided NOT to auction off the micro B2 bomber, will do so at a later date.

New Business

Start thinking about club officer nominations. Those will be made in October.

Tractor repairs ongoing – thank you John Knopp for the ongoing work. Jay, Ric and John involved in electric winch work on tractor. New water pump, tstat, hoses, points, gaskets, camshaft, cam gears. Thanks John for the continued efforts!

Ron asked about indoor flying. Ron is working on College View Academy gym, looking at the possibility of the new calvert st. rec center. Kevin is confident we can go back to indoor soccer fields again also.

Ric brought up a company that reached out to us about launching weather balloons. Company wanted 135 days of time commitment to do daily weather balloon launches. They had reached out to Cliff because he was a weather station operator, but Cliff did not have time and asked Ric to communicate with them. Company would put a storage pod onsite and a member or members would need to come out and launch 1 or 2 times per day. Company doing this was talking about wifi/internet for field being a potential roadblock. Would require 2-3 hours of time per launch.

Discussion of Starlink as internet provider for club as a perk of Urbansky ballon launch requirements.

Model of the Month

No Model of the month.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made and seconded. Ric made, Shane 2nd. At 8:15p

LSK FIELD RULES

1. The AMA SAFETY CODE must be followed at all times.
2. All pilots must be current members of the Lincoln Sky Knights R/C club, or their guests, and have a current AMA card.

Guest pilots are allowed to fly three non-contest dates per calendar year if a current Lincoln Sky Knight member is present and they must have a current AMA card.

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3. All aircraft with fuel burning engines larger than .051 must have a functional muffler system.
4. Frequency Control Procedure for radios other than 2.4: After determining that your frequency is not in use, take your radio from the impound (if used) and place your current AMA and LSK card or a photocopy of them on the frequency control board. Do this by raising the tag corresponding to your frequency number and pinning it to the cable above your pin. At completion of flight, remove your pin from the tag and place your radio back in the impound (if used), making sure the switch is off.
5. Pilots must use one of the six flying stations and remain behind the safety barrier while flying. Pilots are allowed to stand behind the plane on the runway, only during take-off, if they feel it is necessary. NOTIFY OTHER PILOTS when you are taking off, landing, going onto the runway, or if you are in a dead stick or other emergency situation.
6. NO FLYING over the pits, spectators, or parking area at any time! WARNING!!! This rule is strictly enforced!
7. All flying is to be done to the East of the asphalt runway (or West of the camping hookups for heli and park flyers) and do not fly within the field boundaries; that is the runway, except for take-off, landing and practice approaches.
KNOW AND OBEY THE DIRECTION OF THE PATTERN.
8. NO SMOKING IN THE PIT AREA.
9. All aircraft and field boxes (when not in use) must be kept in the pit area. No spectators, children or pets in the pit area without escort.
10. Aircraft must be restrained while starting and running.
Taxiing only East of the red safety line.
Walkways between the runways and pilots stations must remain clear.
11. Do not start engines in the pits. Engines must be started in the designated starting area.
12. Discharge of firearms is prohibited on club property!!!
13. Please, remember to be courteous to both your fellow pilot and the club field!

THE AMA SAFETY CODE AND CLUB RULES MUST BE FOLLOWED AT ALL TIMES! THESE RULES ARE IN PLACE FOR YOUR SAFETY AS WELL AS THE SAFETY OF OTHER PILOTS, SPECTATORS, AND PROPERTY.

Every club member is a Safety Officer. Please do your part. If you see a rule violation, politely confront the pilot. It is your responsibility as an AMA and LSK club member to inform offending pilots of a rule violations. Politely explain to the pilot the rule and how they violated it. Most pilots want to fly safely and obey the rules; however, if the pilot continues to violate the rule, you may file a formal complaint. Contact a club officer for information on filing a formal complaint. We take safety very seriously. Repeat rule violations or filing false formal complaints may result in the loss of flying privileges and/or club expulsion.

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For information about local events and activities

<http://metrorcflying.com/>

Who to Call for Help

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<https://www.lincolnskyknights.com>

2025 Event Schedule:

1 Jan – First Flight Fun Fly

8 Feb – Club Auction

April 8-10 – field closed, drone amplified field rental

June 5-8 – Heli Fun Fly

June 29 – HobbyTown Fun Fly

July 13 – Jet Jam

Aug 16 – Don Neill Fun Fly

Sept 7 – Warbirds Fun Fly

Sept 21 – Float Fun Fly

Oct 5 – Don Dickey Fun Fly

Oct 11 – Halloween Heli Fun Fly

Oct 26 – Halloween Fun Fly

Please Remember:

If you are the last one leaving the field for the night, please make sure the clubhouse and gate are locked!!!

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