

THE CLANKING ARMOR



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AMA Charter Club #405
AMA Gold Leader Club

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

Presidents Message

Thank you to everyone who braved the stormy weather to come out and participate in the March 6, 2026 club meeting. We had quite a bit to cover and it was great to see so many people come out and get involved. More participation is a good thing – let's try and continue that trend.

We've voted to proceed with re-rocking of the lane and parking lot. The last time we did that was about 20 years ago, so we should get a good value for our money this go-around! I'm looking forward to dry feet and less mud on my shoes in the mornings.

We had a fun auction in February, didn't we? A HUGE thanks to the members who directly participated setting up and breaking down tables, checking in items, preparing and selling food, and a big special thanks to our fellow flyers from the Omaha club for the use of their computer system and one auctioneer. We were short one auctioneer, so I stepped in and had a great time. Thanks to a very generous consignment sale from a former member, the club did very well this year. We are putting the finishing touches on a list of touch up and minor repair items for our field clean-up day (date still TBD). Overall, the facility is in great shape thanks to a mild winter and some really good work done last season – thanks everyone.

Flying season is just around the corner. Make sure you check out the events calendar on the club website. You can subscribe to it on your phone or computer so you'll never miss a meeting or fun fly.

Secretary's Report

President Cliff called the meeting to order at 7:30pm with 18 members in attendance. He asked for a motion and a second to accept February's minutes as written. Motion made and seconded. Passed.

VP/CD Report

VP AI thanked all for their help in putting together the Auction. He stated we didn't make much money but every little bit helps.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer John said all bills were paid and we have money in the bank. Please touch base with John if you desire details about our finances. John stated we had 63 bidders at the Auction (56 last year) and that we made \$645.40 in profits. We did lose \$43.21 on the food concession. We have 113 paid members. Cliff signed our re-insurance certificate.

Safety Officer's Report

SO Ron, reported no safety issues for the last month. Always good news, Ron.

Old Business

(1) Ric stated we would know the AMA Grant results around the 20th or 21st of this month.

(2) Al suggested another Fun Fly to be added to the list, an "Anniversary Fun Flight" which would take place every year on the LSK Club's inception date, which is somewhere in the '50's or '60's. The AMA is researching old "paper" records to help us establish the exact date.

(3) The issue of re-rocking the Club driveway, parking lot and the small area on the west side of the Clubhouse was revisited. The club determined to accept the low bid, \$3337.25, for 5 loads of 16-17 tons of 1 ¼" rock. A local farmer will bring the necessary equipment to spread the rock. We will remove the pavers and such from the west side of the Clubhouse in preparation for rock. Cliff stated this should be the last big project of 2026. Motion and second to proceed. Done

New Business

(1) Cliff brought the subject of investing the Clubs excess cash in bank CD's vs letting the money set in a

low to no interest checking account. He proposed a couple of alternatives and passed out a leaflet explaining them. A motion was made to allow the board members to invest money as they saw best suited the Club's needs, was seconded and passed.

(2) Cliff brought up the Club's "unwritten" practice whereby 5 Club Officers do not pay dues as an inducement to serve. He would like to "codify" this practice by adding verbiage to our Constitution and Bylaws. He handed out a sample paragraph. The members voted to notify the general membership of our intentions and discuss it and vote on it at the April meeting.

(3) Club site cleanup. New year cleanup tasks need to be done, i.e. fill some low landscape spots, mow some cedar trees out by the pond and buy 4 boxes of tar for the runway. Club officers met early, at 6:30pm, prior to the start of the monthly club meeting, to walk the site to determine what other tasks need to be accomplished. More on this item will be forthcoming.

Model of the Month

There was no model of the month this month.

Adjournment

Cliff concluded the meeting by asking for a motion and second to adjourn, which he promptly got, even though we all wanted to stay longer and talk...

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.
ALL PILOTS MUST HAVE A CURRENT A.M.A. CARD.
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 violation. 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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2026 Event Schedule:

1 Jan – First Flight Fun Fly
24 Feb – Club Auction
June 4-7 – **Midwest Heli Fun Fly**
June 28 – HobbyTown Fun Fly
July 12 – Jet Jam
Aug 16 – Don Neill Fun Fly
Sept 6 – Warbirds Fun Fly
Sept 13 – Float Fun Fly
Oct 4 – Don Dickey Fun Fly
Oct 25 – Halloween Fun Fly

Be sure and subscribe to the events calendar on our club website:

<https://lincolnskyknights.com/events-calendar>

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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