

THE CLANKING ARMOR

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

President's Message

Hello Skyknights. Thanks to all members who chose to attend the February 3rd Club meeting. A good turnout with good discussions! Per Treasurer John, as of the 3rd we have 67 paid members. If you aren't please do a.s.a.p. Be sure to have your current year member card with you at the flying site, it will need to be on display, we have become aware some members haven't paid and still choose to fly. This isn't acceptable OR fair to all other members. We need someone(s) to "grab the horns" and get us ready for some attention to details on our property this April (weather permitting) We need to do some scraping/painting/tightening and adjusting. Strength in numbers. Thanks ahead of time for your help! Another opportunity right around the corner is we need members' help to have the Community Center ready to host our April 1st auction. Many things to do before/during and after to make it successful! Contact a Club Officer, Thanks. A long spring is just a short time away so let's get ready! I, like you, are proud of our Club. It just takes a group of go getters to maintain the best facility in the region! Be safe- Have fun- Support your local Hobby Store(s)
Thanks, Kevin C.

Secretary's Report

February 3rd, showed the cold side of winter in 2023, and although it was rough, 15 brave souls ignored the biting temperatures and made it to the 7:30 pm start of the Lincoln Sky Knights monthly meeting. President Kevin Christensen asked for any changes to the minutes from the January 2023 Newsletter and with there being no corrections or additions, the minutes were approved.

VP/CD Report

VP/CD Al Lyman was able to change the date for the club auction to April 1st at the Waverly Community Center. Several members commented that the club events are not on Metro R/C like they have been in the past. The report is that the gentleman that ran the website is having health issues and may not be able to continue with his service to the area r/c flyers.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer John Knopp gave his report on the club's financial standing. As of the start of February everything was up to date and paid. There are 67 paid members so far this year and no new members this month.

Safety Officer's Report

Ron Miller gave his Safety Officer's report and for once, maybe because it has been too cold to fly outside, there have been no calls or reports of any accidents this month.

Old Business

After the housekeeping was finished, President Christensen called the business meeting open for discussion. The T-shirts are done and need to be picked up if you ordered any. This spring, the store will make another run of swag for our club. Think of designs and submit them before the May LSK meeting. Youth and Senior dues were the next item to be discussed, and with not much interest at this time, the whole plan was tabled until next month. On a more important note Craig Schroeder, our local liaison to the Waverly school system, has been working diligently on securing an event with the grade school. The Indoor flier build will be done by the teachers using the curriculum the AMA has set up for these small rubber band powered planes. The

outdoor R/C planes will be Flight Test models that our club will purchase. The older students will build these in teams with help from our members. Mr. Schroeder stated that the teachers were waiting on a date for the events from us. So far it looks like early May will be close. A hard date will be worked out soon. Each flight pack is \$99, and with a dozen kids split up into three teams, this will not set the club back financially. The idea is that the kids will build at the school, and on the following weekend, do the flying part of the event. Treasurer Knopp said that he could get a complete breakdown of the cost.

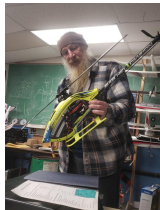
New Business

On New Business, the club has come up against an issue that was hoped to be avoided. The issue of non LSK club members flying at our field more than the paid fun fly events and the one guest flight. The discussion was long and convoluted with ideas on how to deal with the people that are freeloading on LSK property. The answer came to a motion from Duane Syx that all members will visibly display their current membership card on their person while at the LSK field. The motion was seconded and voted on. The vote passed the motion into law. The next item is the delinquent member list. Those that have not paid their dues for 2023 will be listed in the newsletter as a reminder of what they are missing out on. On a different note, Dick White was contacted by the Boy Scouts about an event held in Tecumseh called Beyond Aerodrome Aviation Day. This event will be April 21-23, and the Scouts need Sky Knight members to help out. There will be full size planes and r/c planes all being flown and learned about. Kites and other aircraft will be involved in the fun as well. Contact Dick White at (402) 405-2995 to RSVP and to find out more information. President Christensen was able to talk to the Port-a-John company and get a reduced cost for the winter months as the outhouse isn't being used as often. The outhouse will be "winterized" December to March with a cleanout only as needed. Ron Miller was able to talk to College View Academy and get approval to fly in their gym all year. The days will have to be scheduled and their Sabbath

hours will need to be respected. Contact Ron Miller at (402) 489-8632 for more information.

Models of the Month

Model of the month turned out to be a doozy. Al Lyman brought his SAB 420 Raw with a direct drive motor. The green monster takes a six cell battery and weighs about 100 grams without the battery. Al made a trade for a gas helicopter to get the SAB. It looks like a great way to spend the day. Thanks for bringing it out to show off.



Delinquent Members

As of the middle of February the list of members that didn't renew their dues are as follows: Henry Alexander, James Allison, Matt Barnum, Jacob Bohler, Joseph Brandl, Eric Carpenter, Rusty Dose, David Franzen, Robert Green, James Higgins, Mike Jangir, Adam Johnson, Bruce Jones, Ray Kiser, Jeff Marsh, Glen Merrik, Thomas Meyer, Milt Ocshner, Nick Reiss, Dave Rickman, Craig Schroeder, Tony Squires, Larry Stewart, Paul Travis, and Gordon Wisby

As of the middle of February the list of members that paid club dues but didn't renew their AMA membership are as follows: Paul Cooper, Tom Featherstone, Brent Jensen, Glen Lau, Krishna Muvva, Brad Pankoke, Craig Sparks, John Willman, and Mike Yearley

Please Remember that dues are delinquent on the first day of the year.

Other Info

We highly encourage all members to look at the LSK Website at lincolnskyknights.com for: current and upcoming events, newsletters, fun photos, membership renewal, and much more!

**** The 2023 Event Schedule has been updated in the newsletter ****

Adjournment

The meeting was called to a close at 8:35pm



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 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 on the web about local events and activities
<http://metrorcflying.com/>

Who to call for help:

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2023 Event Schedule:

04/01 - LSK Auction @ Waverly Community Center
05/25-05/28 - Festival of the Giants 3D Fun Fly
06/08-06/11 - Full Pitch Fest Helicopters Fun Fly
07/16 - Fallen Pilots Jet Jam Fun Fly
08/06 - Electric Fun Fly
08/27 - Don Neill Memorial Scale Fun Fly
09/24 - Warbirds Over Waverly Fun Fly
10/08 - Don Dickey Memorial Fun Fly
10/29 - Halloween Fun Fly

Please remember:

If you are the last person leaving the field, Day or evening, Please be sure that the clubhouse and the gate are locked!!!

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