

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

President's Message

Hello Skyknights!

Thanks to all members who attended our January meeting.

We're making our way through a pretty mild winter, and need rain with these warm temperatures.

Per Treasurer John we have roughly 55 paid members for 2023. Please contribute asap, make our club stronger with a 100% response!

We've been having some impressive turnouts at our Airfield and at our 3 indoor sites. We're down to 2 indoor sites now that Christmas break is over. Union College thanks to Wilson H. is available for 2 weeks. Thanks Wilson! Still active at Spikes on Wednesdays thanks to Jay J. and College View Academy on Saturdays thanks to Ron M.

Roughly 17 Pilots at the January 1st Fun Fly! Great Flying and a Great grilled lunch thanks to our chef John K. Thanks John!

Be good – Be safe – Support our local hobby stores! Thanks Again, Kevin C.

Secretary's Report

Happy new year was the opening from President Kevin Christensen at the start of the Lincoln Sky Knights first meeting of 2023. With eleven members present the January 6th meeting was called to order on time at 7:30pm. Approval of the minutes from the December 2022 meeting put them on the fast track to be archived.

VP/CD Report

VP/CD Al Lyman was not able to attend the meeting and President Christensen gave a thank you to everyone that made the

Frosty Fingers January 1 fun fly a great success.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer John Knopp gave his report for the start of the year. Fifty-six members are current from the eighty-nine that were current at the end of 2022. The bills for last and this year are all up to date. Treasurer Knopp reminded everyone to get their dues paid for this year.

Safety Officer's Report

Safety Officer Ron Miller had a serious report for everyone. Due to the reoccurring jet crashes and resulting fires a change will be taking place in how turbine engined aircraft will be handled. New flight lines are being discussed and new fly/no fly zones are to be defined. Next meeting the new maps from Cliff Davis will be presented and discussed. As of right now there haven't been any complaints from Waverly or any of the neighbors to the south. S.O. Miller has contacted the AMA on turbine safety and there are four copies of the documents on the table in the clubhouse. Highly suggested reading for all turbine pilots.

Old Business

At this time President Christensen started up the business meeting with Old Business. T-shirts are ready and need to be picked up at ScreenInc. The store owner has offered to make new designs for any plane that anyone has interest in. A reminder that the extra \$25 added to the dues for this year will be used for runway repair. The last estimate to completely redo the runway is \$78,000 one other estimate was to fix the cracks and reseal the surface was close to \$7000. The suggestion was for the club to

keep doing the maintenance of the runway and putting money into the runway repair fund until the target amount is reached. Bill Davis gave a full explanation as to why the cracks are reoccurring. The sub-bed for the runway is dirt instead of crushed rock. Without the crushed rock shock absorber action the asphalt will break at the same locations the sub-bed does when the ground changes due to temperature and moisture changes. The only true fix is to grind up the runway, put down a crushed rock sub-bed and replace the runway. One last old business item was a discussion on youth and senior membership dues. This topic was tabled until the next meeting.

New Business

New Business started off with a quick report from President Christensen that Craig Schroeder will be able to get dates for the Waverly school STEM program events. The AMA club insurance was increased to add College View Academy as one more indoor flying site. The Executive Committee was approved as a repeat of last year with Ron

Miller, Ric Feldman, and Cliff Davis filling out the offices. Last year there was an issue with nonmembers flying on a regular basis at the LSK field. Suggestions to rectify the situation ranged from name tags/ membership cards being worn/ displayed during flying to signing in each and every time somebody shows up to fly. The change in policy will be discussed at the next meeting.

Models of the Month

There were no models of the month this meeting

New Members

There were no new members this month

Adjournment

The meeting was called to a close at 8:15pm.

Models For Sale

In order to get your plane in this section, fill out [THIS](#) form

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
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<http://www.lincolnskyknights.com>

2023 Event Schedule:

3/4- Club auction
5/14- Doug Wilkinson memorial jet fly
6/8-11- Rotors over the corn
6/22-24- Festival of Giants
8/6- Electric fun fly
8/27- Don Neill Scale event
9/24- Warbirds over Waverly
10/8- 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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