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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 were able to attend our rousing October meeting. A lot of discussions and exchanging ideas and opinions expressed.

I don't know how Wilson keeps up?

Thanks to Dave R and Larry H for filling in when Wilson can't be there.

Thanks to all members who volunteered their time and too often their own \$ for our facility this past year.

We wouldn't have the best one around without this dedication and pride.

Thanks to the Project Manager Wilson H and his two grunts Rich K and KC for installing new LED lights in the clubhouse.

Thanks (that's 5 thanks) to Craig S and Ron M for all their time and effort communicating with area school faculties/administrators promoting our hobby and club. I'm expecting exciting news in the future.

Be sure to attend the November 4th meeting! You can nominate new members for all positions AND you'll be there to accept your own nomination too!

Remember to contact an officer with 2023 events ideas, we will be establishing the calendar scheduled events very soon.

Be safe & Be well! Thanks again, KC

Secretary's Report

October 7th, 2022 saw fifteen of the 85 Lincoln Sky Knights show up for the monthly meeting. President Kevin Christensen started the show off with a bang at 7:31pm. The minutes for the last LSK meeting were approved as posted in the club newsletter.

VP/CD Report

Al Lyman took his turn on the floor and gave a quick report on the Warbird event and the redo event held on the 2nd. Lots of good flying and great food made for very successful events. There were quite a few spectators on the 2nd and club membership forms were handed around. John Knopp gave an advertisement for the upcoming Halloween fun fly for the 23rd and said the Fish and Fly event will be postponed until next season.

Treasurer's Report

After John's assistance with the VP/CD report he took the floor and gave his Treasurer's report. The breakdown was that the club made more money this year, but also spent more. The bills are all up to date. John then gave the estimated cost for running the club next year and gave his recommendation for setting the dues. The Treasurer's report was approved and a written report can be had by contacting John Knopp.

Safety Officer's Report

Ron Miller started his eventful Safety

Officer's report with a reminder to fly with a friend. John Knopp took a helicopter to the back and received 14 staples in two different locations. John was helped and patched up by Nathan Childs before the paramedics showed up. Loren Blinde took a prop to the forearm and spent three hours waiting at St. E's for his nine stitches. Since the accidents S.O. Miller has updated and refilled the depleted first aid kits. With one more reminder to BE CAREFUL S.O. Miller closed his report.

Old Business

Old Business was started off by Craig Schroeder giving his report on what he found out for Indoor flying for this winter. The Lancaster event center came to the forefront of the discussion and Mr. Schroeder said that he could investigate the possibility of getting into the big arena. He also gave a run down on the Waverly High School STEM Program that is a great way to get kids interested in aviation. They need a Spring fly day with us and April 15th, 22nd, or 29th (2023) seem to be days that might work out. The web presence "FLIGHT TEST" has kits that are inexpensive and are designed to be educational. Mr. Schroeder will investigate getting enough for the kids that are interested in the program. A possibility with the use of the AMA kits for a quick build may work as well. This will be a great way to get the kids involved in our club or maybe spark an interest in something other than their phones. Thank you, Mr. Schroeder, for all the work you have put into this endeavor.

New Business

New Business started with a renewal of interest in combat. Plans for events are in the works for next flying season. Brad Reed brought a quick build electric combat plane that he designed and built as an example of what the planes will be for next season. If you have any questions get in touch with Brad Reed (402) 890-1807 or jbradreed99@gmail.com. John Knopp purchased a tar machine that the club has been using to fill in the cracks of the runway. A

motion was made to purchase the tar machine from Mr. Knop for \$800. The motion was seconded and with a unanimous vote for approval the tar machine became club property. Jerry Carlson has a line on a mower with an offset sickle bar cutter. He asked for permission to purchase it for the club if it comes up cheap. Mr. Carlson was asked to investigate the possibility. Back to the subject of the runway being resealed. A rough quote was thrown around for the cost of a grind and refacing of the top surface. Right now, it is out of range, but with a possible \$3,000 match from the AMA with their club improvement grant the cost is a little better. The discussion was tabled until further information is collected. Al Lyman brought up one more idea for club money making. Ed Bose is willing to give Acrobatic rides in his Hyperbipe at cost and whatever the club wants to add on top of that would be to our benefit. Mr. Lyman was willing to investigate this to see if it is something that the club could make work.

President Christensen had some sad news. Wilmar Rauscher passed away and for those that did not know him. He was a very friendly and talkative gentleman that was full of excitement for anything aeronautical. Kevin was able to attend the funeral and represented our club. Mr. Rauscher's sister sent a thank you card for the support for the family.

October is the month that the dues for the next year are set. With the need to do more club repairs, improvements, upgrades... The issue is that the current dues do not cover all the things that need to be done. The dues have been raised from \$75 a year to \$100. If you want to put in your vote show up at the next meeting otherwise the dues are set for next year. Also, October is the month that you as club members get to have a say in how the club is run. Nominations for club officers were held and the list is President Kevin Christensen, VP/CD Al Lyman, Treasurer John Knopp, and Secretary Wilson Hardy for the appointed offices Safety Officer Ron Miller, Newsletter Editor Ryan Olson, and Website editor Mark Brassil. The Executive committee will be voted on in January. If you have any nominations for the first four offices or want to serve the club as an officer. Let Secretary Wilson Hardy know and the nominee will be added to the

ballot. His contact information is cell number (402) 890-3161 email wilson.e.hardy.iv@gmail.com or get in touch with any of the other officers.

Models of the Month

The best part of the meeting was next with Model of the Month. Dave Reiber brought a beautiful GB model "Y" that he picked up for \$150 at Bud's sale. He had just finished it and was anxious to see it fly. Brad Reed also had his combat plane to show off. He designed and built it to be fast to build and inexpensive too. So for a complete ready to fly set up it is \$75. Give him a shout if you are interested in cutting the tail off the competition. Thank you for the show gentlemen and beautiful work.



New Members

Before the business meeting got started John Knopp introduced two new members to the club. Matt Barnum and Ron Miller's grandson George Aherns. Welcome gentlemen and we hope to see you at the field often and make memories.

Adjournment

The meeting was called to a close at 8:57 with a rush to get out to see Mr. Reed's plane fly before the light was completely gone. Great job Ric Feldman for getting the job done. Nice flying plane, quick and maneuverable.

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
<http://metrorcflying.com/>

Who to call for help:

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2022 Event Schedule:

6/18-Festival of the Giants 3D Fun Fly
8/6- Electric Fun Fly
8/27- Don Neill Memorial Fun Fly
9/24- Warbird Fun Fly
10/8- Don Dickey Memorial 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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