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CLUB CALENDAR

Saturday, June 20th — Petromat Field Day—8AM “until it’s done” at the club flying field in New Hartford.

Tuesday, June 23rd — Club Meeting at 7PM at club flying field in New Hartford. Come early for the cookout at 6PM.

Saturday, June 27th—Sturgis Falls Parade at 10AM

Saturday, July 18th — Bob Nelson Fly-In—10AM to 4PM at the club flying field in New Hartford.

Tuesday, July 28th — Club Meeting at 7PM at club flying field in New Hartford. Come early for the cookout at 6PM.

Sunday, August 16th — Warbird Fly-In—10AM to 4PM at the club flying field in New Hartford.



BLACK HAWK R/C PILOTS – JUNE 2026

From the President — The next club meeting is on Tuesday, June 23rd at 6pm at **The Club Flying Field** in New Hartford.

The **Bob Nelson Fly-In** has been rescheduled from June 20th to July 18th. With all the work going on at the club flying field, it’s not possible to host the Bob Nelson Fly-In on it’s regularly scheduled day. Therefore, it’s been delayed for a month.

The Petromat Field Day is scheduled for Saturday, June 20th. We’ll start at 8AM when the temperature is lower and the winds lighter, but your can come out whenever you are available. We have six rolls of Petromat to put down on the runway. If we have a good turnout, we can finish the job in a day. If not, we’ll need to schedule a follow-up Field Day. We need as many able-bodied workers as possible. Those less able-bodied can help by bringing supplies to the workers and assisting in any way possible.

Runway Preparation—The decision was made at the April

club meeting to completely remove the old Petromat, and add material to level out the runway prior to laying new Petromat.

The new Petromat has been delivered and is at the field. Crushed limestone was brought out to the field prior to grading. Then the runway was graded and compacted with a roller. After heavy rains, additional low spots were observed. In addition, the NE corner of the runway was low and lacked a foundation base. Road rock was brought in for the NE corner foundation and 3/8” crushed limestone was brought in to fill the low spots. The rain forecasted for this week will help compact the material on the runway.

All the preliminary work has been done and it’s time to roll out the Petromat.

Parades—We participated in the Beaver Creek Days Parade in New Hartford on May 30th and will be in the Sturgis Falls parade in Cedar Falls on June 27th. We only

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Club Meetings

The summer club meetings are at 7PM at **The Club Flying Field** in New Hartford.

Come for the cookout at 6PM. Guests are always welcome.

need a few people and half-a-dozen airplanes for the parades. It's one of the few ways we get exposure in the community other than visitors coming to our flying field.



The **33rd FAI World Aerobatic Championship** (“WAC 2026”) will be in Mason City, Iowa from August 23 to September 2, 2026. It is bringing the world’s most accomplished aerobatic pilots to Iowa.

The World Aerobatic Championship is the premier international competition in precision aerobatic flight. More than 35 of the world’s top aerobatic pilots are expected to compete for individual and team honors while demonstrating the extraordinary skill, discipline and precision required at the highest level of the sport.

The competition is held once every two years at locations around the world. Recent competitions were held in Poland, France, Italy, Spain and South Africa. The last time the competition was held in the United States was in 2013 near Dallas, Texas.

The FAI World Aerobatic Championships are generally free for spectators, but there may be charges for parking and VIP access.

That’s it for this month. See you at the field day and the club meeting!

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President, Black Hawk R/C Pilots

Pictures of the Field Work

