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

President's Notes

I'd like to say first off, Thank you to those that made and funded the starting stands. The few we have out there are beautiful. I have tried both and like both designs. Lately I have been checking out some of the other flying club fields that have their sites pictured on the web. I can say without a doubt that we sure have bragging rights. Thank you to all who work so hard to make our field so nice. These last few early mornings that I have been out flying before I have to go to work and before the wind comes up I've noticed we are in full mosquito mode at the field. Please remember to bring as part of your equipment, bug spray with deet. It was sure a nice change to see some planes for model of the month last meeting. It always encourages me to get back to work and finish the stuff I'm building on. With the time constraints that we have now days it is a wonder that we all don't

just have ARFS. I'm always reminded how much craftsmanship is in our club when some of these wonderful models show up. Until next time Keep Flying.

-Wilson



PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT:

DELETE language in Article VI, paragraph 4, of the club constitution which reads as follows:

"Lifetime memberships will be available to any regular LSK member. Lifetime dues would be set at the same time the regular annual dues are set. Lifetime memberships would comply to all articles set forth in this constitution. Lifetime dues may be paid in four equal payments to the club treasurer. Full payment must be satisfied within one year from the date of application. Lifetime memberships are non-refundable."

AND

ADOPT a revised Article VI, paragraph 4, as follows:

"Lifetime memberships granted before July 1, 2005 shall be honored in accordance with terms in effect at the time such memberships were accepted."

A vote **FOR** this amendment will eliminate provisions for new lifetime memberships while maintaining existing lifetime memberships.

A vote **AGAINST** this amendment will retain current lifetime membership provisions.

NOTICE: We will vote on the proposed amendment change at the June 3rd LSK meeting.

Editor's Notes

Well, we've had nice weather and not so nice weather. We hope everybody has been able to enjoy the good flying days. With the nicer weather comes flying events. While we try to make it to as many events as we can, there are still some that we miss. So, we encourage anybody that has pictures and memos about the various club events to pass em along to us. We get as giggly as girls in braids when people send us email so keep em coming. The list of electronic newsletter members continues to grow and we're loving it. We have started to send out the e-newsletters using blind copy addresses so that people won't have to worry about others seeing their addresses, thanks for the tip Loren. Until next month, goods flights!

-Alex and Justin

May Minutes

May 6, 2005

President Wilson Hardy called the May meeting of the Lincoln Sky Knights to order at 7:30 pm. He apologized for not being at last months meeting. The meeting was held at the LSK field at 134th and Waverly Road.

Treasurer's Report: Loren Blinde gave the Treasurer's report and it was accepted by the membership. Loren mentioned that the number of people getting their newsletter e-mailed to them is really starting to show up as savings on our monthly budget. We now have 116 members.

Safety Coordinator's Report: Brad Pankoke wants to remind us that flying an R/C airplane is a skill that needs to be practiced to remain proficient. Full scale pilots are required to do so many touch and go landings and fly so many hours to keep their ratings. If you haven't been flying for a period of time it would be smart to get out your trainer and fly it a little bit before you try to fly the more difficult aircraft. He reminds us to fly safe and keep your fingers out of the props.

CDVP Report: Mike Yearley gave the report. Mike has the sanctions back on all the contests. He noticed that the pattern contests were in the magazine and contacted Model Aviation about the Fun Fly and it will be in there next month. We must all remember that it takes at least THREE MONTHS to get anything into the magazine and at least one month to get it on the web site. He has a bunch of events planned for the Fun Fly and we will have demonstration flights of many different kinds of models. There will be a practice May 27th for the May 28th and 29th Pattern Contest. We need judges and Friday we can train both judges and pilots. Bernie Smith will decide on a date for a summer combat meet. Dave Reiber reported that there will be no Mall Show this year and will start thinking about next year. Wilson reported that he had 5 pilots for the indoor glider contest. The winner was Tom Wild at 8.31 seconds. Wilson raised the question if we wanted to continue the indoor flying at Calvert Recreation Center the rest of the year. A lot of times we only have 2-3 pilots. Don Svoboda mentioned we only have four weeks left so we might as well run it till the end of the year to make sure we get it again next year.

New Members: Kyle Gannon was welcomed into the club. He mentioned that he is 27 years old and will not need any help getting started because he used to fly when he was young?

Old Business: On the crushed rock Don Svoboda got a price of \$60.00 a truck which is 15 ton of recycled rock. Dave Reiber talked to them and got a better price for the smaller rock and will take care of purchasing it for the club if we decide to get it. This is the smaller rock that contractors are using for temporary roads. When you drive on it will pack down and fill in the low spots. Don Svoboda will be out at the field when it is dumped so they will dump it in small piles where we need it and then we can spread it with the blade on our tractor. Bill Davis said that now is the time to be doing the rock. A motion was made by Don Svoboda and seconded to buy two loads of rock for the field. The motion was accepted by the membership present.

Wilson mentioned that it was time to plug in the pop machine and was wondering who was going to operate and fill the pop machine. Wilson will fill the machine and get it ready. Decision was made to put the pop machine indoors because one of the refrigerators has gone bad. Don Svoboda made a motion to reimburse Wilson Hardy \$75.00 for the pop machine. The motion was seconded and approved by the

membership. Tom Wild then made a motion to provide seed money for the pop and have the person running the machine turn it the profits to the club. The motion was seconded and approved by the membership. The pop will be 50 cents contingent on the pop machine being able to be converted from 60 cents to 50 cents. Please use only quarters in the machine so we will have less problems with the coin changer.

Leonard Akert mentioned that he contacted Kevin Hyde of the Omahawks about the new auction program and he wants \$100.00 a year for the rights to use it. That represents \$1000.00 in sales to break even. This would not be bad if one did a lot of auctions but for one a year it seems a little high. Leonard said he had already started on a new auction program in Microsoft Access and if he ever got it done would make it free. The decision was made to use the old DOS program until Leonard completed his new program.

New Business: Members need to start going through their old stuff to look for memorabilia for the 50th anniversary Fun Fly. We are working on finding old movies, pictures and scrapbooks for the event. Wilson has designed a 50th anniversary t-shirt for the event with the original logo on it. Wilson said he could get 50 t-shirts for \$300.00 Don Svoboda made a motion to do it. The motion was seconded and accepted by the membership. Wilson said we can order more if we need them.

Bob Schwab mentioned that one of the deadbolts is not working. Wilson said he will take care of repairing it.

The starting stations were brought up and Ed Chicoine said he would make more if given the \$60.00 each for the materials. Rich Kuening said he would make more tables if members paid for the tables and it did not come out of the club budget. Dick Britton, Ron Vogel, Don Saiser, Loren Blinde, Leonard Akert, Mike Yearley, Don Svoboda, Dan Jameson and others all dug into their pockets and bought four more tables which make a total of six. Dave Reiber mentioned that we need to observe common courtesy and not camp out on the tables. When you get your plane started and are done get your "stuff" off the tables so someone else can use them. John Willman said it would be nice to have wheels on them so if he is out there mowing by himself that is would be possible for one person to move them. Further discussion was tabled till the next meeting. Ray Kiser put sheet metal on one of the old tables and need to be reimbursed for \$8.00. Don Svoboda made a motion to pay Ray and the motion was seconded and passed.

Don Svoboda reminded us of the Jet Fly the first weekend in August. Harry Barr will be flying in his P-51 Mustang and there will be fly bys of several full scale aircraft.

Model of the Month: Dick Britton built a SE 5 WWI biplane for Hobby Hanger. It has a 49" wingspan with a .40 and weighs 5 lbs 16 ½ oz. He says it is the 5th plane he has built. Ron Vogel will test fly it.

Alan Worrest brought a 2 meter electric ARF sailplane. It is a Damos Swan and he says it flies extremely fast for a sailplane. It weighs 3 lbs with a 14-9 prop. It uses 8 nicads with a 1400 ma rating. He said the picture does not resemble the model for one the picture showed a v-tail and the actual plane has a conventional tail.

Jerry Robinson brought the Dazzler ARF he won at the auction. He noticed the covering was very ornate and wondered how they could spend that much time on an ARF. Upon closer examination he noticed that the covering is actually printed. He is running an OS 52 four stroke with an APC 12.5 x 3.75 prop and weighs 5 lbs.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Pattern Contest

Mike Yearley, the contest CD, was called to work at the end of the contest. Mike was short on time, so I offered to pen a report for the June Newsletter. I'm sure Mike would first like to thank all of the pilots and helpers that made the contest possible. Thanks to Mike's wife for the great grub, the Worrest clan for scoring, Ron Vogel for scoring and pictures, and Dave Greathouse for registration. And of course kudos to Mike for another great contest.

The contest was kicked off Saturday morning on Memorial Day weekend. Mike dedicated the contest to Bill Johnson, who passed this last year. Bill was one of the founding members of LSK and was a great influence in starting RC pattern in Lincoln.

Seventeen pilots registered, including pilots from Kansas, Missouri, Omaha and Western Nebraska. The entry level class, Sportsman, was heavy with eight pilots! Great showing guys!

I'm glad to report that there were no crashes or other major mishaps during the contest. There was however the most bizarre midair I have ever seen. It occurred just before the contest on Saturday. Leonard Akert's profile fun-fly and Roger Hinrich's Avistar joined in the air, spun around twice while connected, and then parted seemingly unharmed. Upon landing, there was very minor damage to both planes. My suspicion is that Leonard and Roger should expect a litter of profile Avistars in the next several weeks.

Back to the contest, Sportsman was crapshoot all the way to round six. It was a great showdown, with some very good sportsman flights from all pilots. Good job guys. Intermediate was pretty much locked up by round four. Advanced was another tight race, with only a 3 point separation between 1st and 2nd after round four and only 6 points (out of 4000) after round five. Finishing out the group, two Master's pilots treated us to some great flying.

By the end of Saturday, everyone knew why planes have rudders. A pesky West wind blew all day. It was never terribly strong in my opinion, just annoying, as passing thermals would randomly shift the wind North and South. Sunday the winds were more cooperative, but rain threatened several times. All classes that weren't locked up completed all six rounds.

Mike provided some great looking trophies and some very nice door prizes for all. I'm sorry to say I don't know all the vendors that donated prizes to the contest, so I will let Mike do those honors in the next newsletter.

Hope to see you all again this year at the LSK SPA contest on Sunday, July 31st.

LSK Pattern Contest Results

(* Indicates LSK member)

Sportsman

- 3989 Jim Ralston
- 3973 Roger Hinrichs*
- 3901 John Van Brocklin
- 3868 Rich Boelts*
- 3661 Mark Bergt
- 3540 John Cuba*
- 3439 Roger Arnett
- 3032 Dennis Osburn*

Intermediate

- 4000 Robert Green
- 3752 David Franzen*
- 3531 Mike Yearley*

Advanced

- 4000 Joe Dunnaway
- 3970 John Willman*
- 3329 Jeff Buchner
- 2807 Allan Worrest*

Masters

- 3999 Charlie Rock
- 3849 Jerry Voth



Joe Dunnaway of Great Bend, KS, shows off his new baby.



LSK's Roger Hinrichs on landing approach.

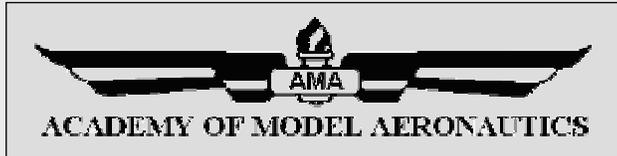


Mark Bergt of Hastings flying round 5 Sportsman as John Van Brocklin (also from Hastings) calls. John Willman and Jerry Voth (Kansas) judging.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday May 3rd – LSK June Meeting
June 12th - Combat - Smithville Kansas
June 25th – June 26th - LSK June Fun Fly*
July 30th – Arvada, CO Electric Fun Fly*
July 31st – LSK Legacy Pattern Contest
June 18th -19th - Sig Fathers Day Fun Fly - Montezuma Iowa
* Flyers Available In the Online Version



50th Annual Lincoln Sky Knights FUN FLY

June 25-26

Time: 9:00 AM Both Days

\$15.00 LANDING FEE

Lunch & supper provided on site.

Potluck with steaks on Saturday Night.

Primitive camping available on site
with power hookups.

Control Line Planes & Jets

Combat & general flying

demonstrations on both days.

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FUN FLY TROPHIES

Location:

Sky Knights field

134th Waverly Road

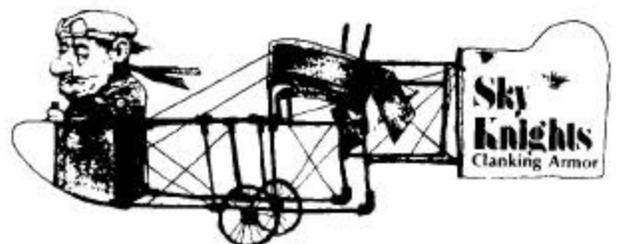
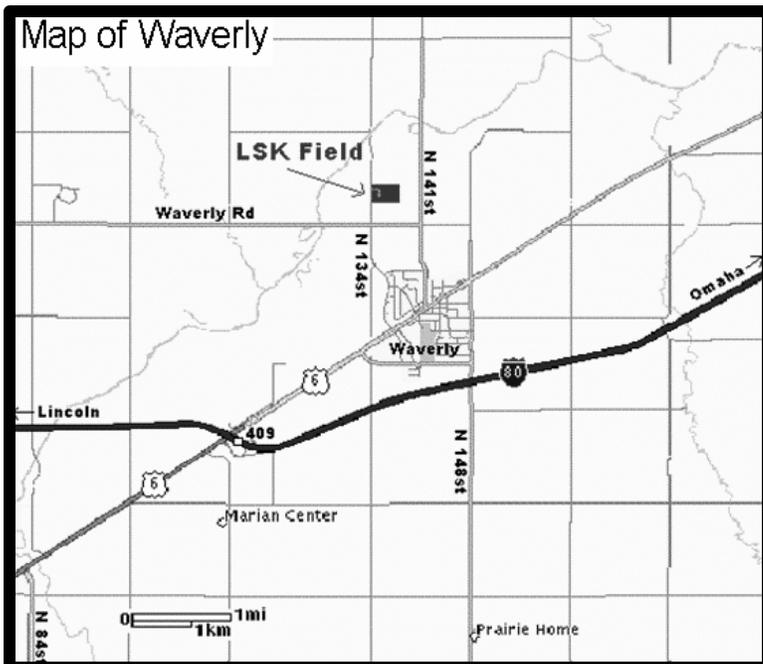
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Join us for our 50th annual flying party



***ARVADA ASSOCIATED AIRPARK
FIRST ANNUAL ROCKY MOUNTAIN ELECTRIC FUN FLY***

Saturday, July 30th, 9 am to 4 pm

Hosted by the Rocky Mountain Electric Flyers in cooperation with the Arvada Associated Modellers

Site; Arvada Air Park, SH 93, Golden, Colorado (see map), West Field.

EVENTS

Speed 400 7 cell LMR Sailplane, AMA Event 610 except 45 second motor run, 5 minute glide, no spot landing. 7 cell NiMH or NiCad only, brushed 400 only, geardrive and folders OK. 3 Rounds.

Limbo- Any plane, motor, battery. Starting height 10 feet. 25 points each lower pass, double points for inverted limbo pass. 2 attempts per contestant at each pole height.

Helicopter Pad Hop (4 pads, 10 foot square layout). 2 attempts per contestant, lowest single elapsed time wins.

GWS SLO STIK Precision Flight. Any Motor and Battery. Aircraft must be GWS "Slo Stik". R.O.G., 3 Loops, 3 Touch-and-Go's, Spot Landing, 2 minute flight. Each second over/under, 1 point lost. Maximum Flight score 120 Points. Landing (10 Foot circle) 10 Points; Inner (5 Foot Circle) 20 Points. Entire Aircraft must be stopped in circle. 2 Attempts per contestant.

FUN FLYS ALL DAY!

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AWARDS

Best Finish/Covering (static), Pilots Choice (overall), Best Original Design.

ENTRY

AMA License required to fly, \$ 10.00 Entry fee (includes one event) \$ 5.00 each additional event.

**No age categories (open only). Spectators FREE. Raffles too! No pre-entry, registration starts 8:00am. Cash only. Contest Director George Baxter
Flying Demonstrations- E-Helicopters, Hotliners, 3D, Ducted Fans, E- Vintage and E-Oldtimer.**

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