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

Groundhog Open 2004

by Tom Wild

Bright and early on August 27th, nine LSK pilots gathered for a trek to Syracuse for our annual flight demo at their local golf course. After a couple of days of rainy weather, we got lucky with a partly cloudy morning with light winds out of the north. Many flights were made without a single airplane-tree encounter. With multiple tries of bomb dropping a golf ball, one of my drops managed to roll onto the green within 8 paces of the hole. Probably a lot better than I could have done with a golf club.



L to R: Roger Hinrichs, Wilson Hardy, Phil Holman, Ron Vogel, Stan Hart, Tom Hefley, Dick Britton, Glen Lau. Photo by Tom Wild

Roger
"Tree
Dodger"
slides in for
a 'greaser'
on the
fairway.
Photo by
Tom Wild.



Piper Cub Scouts

JW

On Thursday, August 5rd, eight grinning cub scouts were given introductory RC flights at LSK. While no actual Cubs were flown, every Cub Scout had their hand at one of two LSK trainers via buddy box. Flight demonstrations were held after the buddy box flights. All of the scouts had a great time. Thanks to all that helped make this experience possible.

I would like to extend a special thanks to LSK members Ed Chicoine and Ron Vogel for their gracious donation of a trainer and radio. Your donation helped make for a memorable cub scout troop meeting.



Tom Hefley indicates
what direction
he would prefer
that Wilson Hardy
launch his Lazy Bee.
Photo
by Tom Wild.

LSK Minutes August 04

The meeting was brought to order at 7:30 by President Wilson hardy. Rich Kuenning made a motion to accept the minutes and printed in the Clanking Armor. The motion was seconded and passed. Treasurer Bob Schwab reported on club finances. Don Svoboda made a motion to accept. The motion was seconded and passed. Mike Yearly gave the Vice President/CD report. There was nearly a 20 person turnout for the August pattern contest. Mike also went to the pattern Nats and placed 20th. Congratulations Mike. Indoor flying starts on Sunday September 5. For more details, contact Tom Hefley.

Old Business: Club voted unanimously to renew our membership in the Waverly Chamber of Commerce. Thanks are due to a number of club members who have worked hard this summer to improve club facilities. Ray Kiser repaired the windows and installed flashing. He and Delmer Dormer also fixed the sun shade on the clubhouse. Glen Lau and Phil Holman painted the sun shelters. Dave Greathouse, Ron Vogel and Delmer have done a good job of mowing and keeping the grounds clean. Don Svoboda will be fertilizing the grass runway this fall as necessary and has filled in the low spots and planted seed as needed.

New Business: Once again the LSK clubhouse was burglarized. Food, pop and a small amount of cash was taken. Remedies were discussed but no action was taken. The club discussed removing or repairing the tables behind the pilot stations.

Ray Kiser is going to check on repairs and the matter was tabled until the next meeting.

New Members: Daniel and Joshua Lehr and Alan Dorland are new members. A motion to accept the new members was made by Don Svoboda. The motion was seconded and passed. Welcome to the club.

A motion to adjourn was made at 8:12 by Rich Kuenning. The motion was seconded and passed.

Filling in for always vacationing Leonard Akert,
Bernie Smith
Substitute Secretary

HELP WANTED

Sign up now to help with the February 5th 2005 LSK auction. Many positions are still available. No experience required. Contact Leonard Akert 489-5277.

Long time member and hoping to return soon, Frank Rall needs help cleaning out his basement full of rare and unique airplanes and equipment. See Fig. 1. Will trade for excess currency.

Call Frank at 488-3374.

After serving 3 years on the LSK Clanking Armor newsletter staff I will be stepping down at the end of the year to spend more time re-modeling my home. I would like to thank all of the members who shared their enthusiasm and encouragement; it has been a rewarding experience. Tom Wild.

If you would like to give the publishing scene a try contact Dave Brazee at 464-4830.



Fig. 1



Things It's A Good Idea Not To Drop...

LSK AMA Pattern Contest

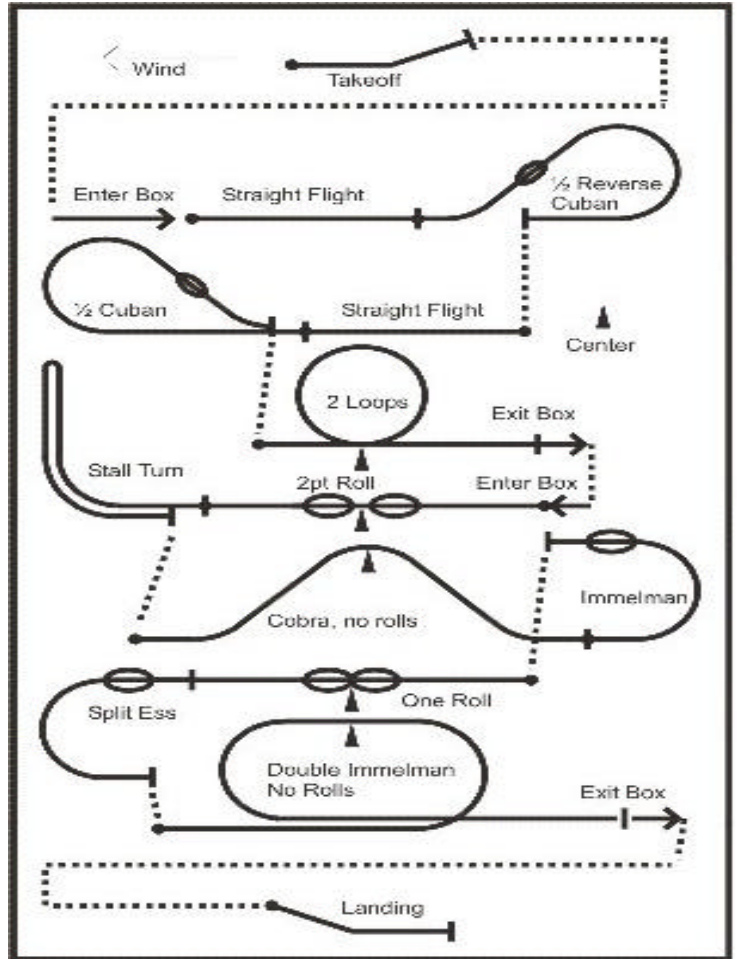
John Willman

The LSK AMA pattern contest is arriving soon on September 25th & 26th. The AMA entry-level pattern is called Sportsman. AMA patterns are referred to as "turn-around" patterns, but don't let this intimidate you. All this means is that your turns are prescribed and judged. For example, the pattern may indicate that you must do a centered loop and then a stall turn for the turn around. This just means is that after the loop, you fly out, do the stall turn and then head back to center for your next centered maneuver

There is good info on the AMA website, and Allen Worrest has prepared an abridged version of the sportsman rules which can be found in the club house. Mike Yearley is planning a Pilot Training / Judges Training session on September 5th. Everyone is welcome.

To the right is the Sportsman Sequence. Note wind direction. Exit and Enter Box is just a fancy way for indicating when judging starts and stops. I think you will find the Sportsman pattern not terribly hard, but enough of a challenge that it is fun to fly. In my opinion, it is actually easier than the Legacy Novice pattern we flew in July; but the turn around concept will keep you busy. The whole pattern takes about 3 minutes to fly.

Hope to see you there!



6th Annual Missouri Valley Jet Scramble

Photos by Allan Worrest



Above, Very nice A-10 Warthog seen at Syracuse Jet Scramble. Co-CDs were Don Reger & Don Svoboda



Left: Beautiful Aluminum P-80 Shooting Star Above: F-15 alongside another P-80 in the Syracuse Sun

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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| September 3 | LSK Night Fly Contest (after meeting) |
| September 18,19 | Combat Contest at LSK Field. |
| September 19 | Platte Valley RC Club Fun Fly, Gibbon |
| September 25-26 | LSK AMA Pattern Contest |
| October 17 | Omahawks Auction (Millard) |