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

### PREZ'Z CORNER

### Leonard's 50th Fun Fly

On September 23-24, the Lincoln airport will be bustling with 300,000 spectators attending the Guardians of Freedom Air Show... and LSK will be there too. At this time, I do not have all the details, but the Nebraska Air Guard and the Lincoln Chamber of Commerce has indicated that we will be gifted booth space in the Consumer Fair.

I've been busy filling out and submitting paperwork and hope to have more information by the September LSK meeting. So far we are perusing static plane displays, R/C flight simulators, and possibly a raffle or prize drawing. We will not be allowed to perform any flying demonstrations.

I have contacted the AMA and they have already sent me 2,500 professionally printed flyers on various features of the AMA that we can hand out. We should probably do something similar for the club.

Your participation is requested, as we will need many bodies to keep our booth running smoothly. We will need display equipment, such as tables, chairs, computers, etc. We will also need planes for static displays, preferably with a card/plaque describing a bit about the model. The September meeting is our last monthly meeting before the air show, so please attend as we will have a sign up list for who is bringing/doing whatever. If you would like to help with the air show, but cannot attend the September meeting, please call me at 326-3643. – John W

### Saturday September 30th

In case of rain or high winds 20+ will be moved to Sunday the 31st (if the Sunday outlook is not the same or worse)

Starts at 9:00 am

No Landing fee

Frequency board will be used (no Impound)

Free pizza and pop while it lasts starting at 1:00 PM

Will fly group events if we have interested parties (1 hour time slot if needed) otherwise it will be open flying.

Scale, Combat, Twins, 3D, whatever participants are ready to fly.

(Will even fly a helicopter combat event if I can find willing participants)

Any suggestions on special events: [rakert@neb.rr.com](mailto:rakert@neb.rr.com) or 489-6277 and I will plan a time slot for special events if needed.

Visitors welcome. AMA required to fly.

-Leonard Akert

## August Meeting Minutes

The August meeting of the Lincoln Skyknights club was called to order 7:32 pm August, 4th 2006 by President John Willman. Ron Vogel made a motion to accept the minutes from the last meeting as they appeared in the newsletter. Dick Britton seconded the motion, "Yea's" all in favor the motion passed.

Dennis Osburn gave the VP/CD report on the events coming up and discussion about the September 22 and 23 Lincoln airshow made up the brunt of his time on the floor. A suggestion that a committee needed to be formed came up. The end result was that Dennis would run the preparations with Jupe Svoboda, Bernie Smith, and Jerry Heuertz helping out. There will still need to be considerable help with set up and manning the tent. Dave Reiber reiterated that there are never too many planes so get with the guys and let them know what you plan to do to help out. If nothing else, bring some planes out to show off.

Loren Blinde gave the Treasurer's report explaining in detail the fiscal happenings of this last month. If you want a copy of the report, come to the meetings or get in touch with Loren. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made (Jupe), seconded (Dave), and all in favor, passed.

**Old business:** It has come to the forefront that we have no News Letter Editor since Kyle Gannon has become too busy to do the job. Justin Handa has been filling in until someone can be found to take on this task. If you are interested in an exciting, fun filled adventure in journalism call Justin and let him know. No other old business came up for discussion.

**New business:** Thanks to the club for the full First Aid Kit from Steve Rogers! Our Safety Officer, Brad Pankoke will be refilling it after Steve's attempt to deplete it's contents. Ask Steve about it when you see him. One more point, the CO2 fire extinguisher is missing. If you know about it let us know or if you have a CO2 fire extinguisher that

could replace the missing unit by all means bring it next time.

Brad Pankoke gave the Safety Officer's report and let us know, that other than the one incident there has been no accidents, complaints, or phone calls to the negative made to him.

Gary Gridley and Josh Deshon joined the club and were voted in by all attending the meeting. Welcome, and welcome back to both of you.

Dave Greathouse ran the 50/50 drawing and with much joking around Dennis Osburn let everyone know he had the winning ticket before the drawing. Surprise of surprises, he did have the winning ticket. His split of the \$16 was graciously donated back to the club.

Bill Davis had a .40 sized Ultimate Bipe ARF that he put together from a Nitro Models ARF kit. Thunder Tiger .46 powered, and an all up weight of 3.5lbs. will make this one fun hotrod. Jupe Svoboda scratch built from Model Airplane News plans an F-14 Tomcat with operating swing wings and electric power. The control surfaces are all on the tail. Jupe said the trim changes just a little with the change in wing geometry from extended to delta. Both are beautiful Models of the month.

Rich Kuenning made a motion that the meeting should come to a close. The motion was seconded and passed by all. The meeting closed 8:42pm



## Quiet Flight Day

The third annual LSK Quiet Flight Day will be **Sunday, September 10th**. Last year, I described it as: the only sounds you will hear at the field are winch pedals tapping, electric props whizzing, sailplane wings breaking (followed by expletives, of course), pilots saying "I can't see it anymore", and food sizzling on the grill. That's pretty much how it went and I hope this year's event goes as well.

So if you bought a glider at the auction and want to fly it, here's your chance with launch equipment and assistance available. Or if you'd like to hear what your electric plane sounds like without background noise, this is the day. You'll even get to challenge defending champion Delmer Dormer for the longest flight by an LSK member who doesn't belong to a sailplane club.

So come on out, lunch is free courtesy of the Lincoln Area Soaring Society. A \$5 landing fee for fliers goes to the LSK treasury, so have some fun and support your club while you do it. Or just pull up a lawn chair and watch.

-Loren Blinde

## Editor's Note

If anyone has pictures, stories etc.. that you would like published in the newsletter, you can e-mail them to me at [jhanda@alltel.net](mailto:jhanda@alltel.net)

If you're not already receiving the newsletter via e-mail, please consider signing up. It saves the club alot of money and it saves someone alot of time from having to print, fold, staple, label, stamp, mail as many items each month.

Here are some pictures of a mold I had made for the vertical fins on my jet. The part was modeled in Solid Works and then machined into 3/8" aluminum sheets to make the mold halves. The metal was bonded to 3/4" MDF for additional rigidity. The first

part is out of the mold, it came out pretty good for a first try at this. It's a fiberglass, balsa sandwich that was vacuum bagged into the mold halves then an internal structure of carbon capped balsa spars were added before the halves were joined.



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### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Aug 26th - Scale Contest**  
**Sept 1st - LSK Night Fly**  
**Sept 10th - LSK Quiet Flight Day**  
**Sept 23rd - 24th - Lincoln Air Show**  
**Sept 30th - Leonard's Birthday Fun Fly**