

Cedar Rapids Skyhawks

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Upcoming Events

Sunday, October 4 – General Club meeting, at the Skyhawks Field, 4:00 PM. See potluck details elsewhere in this issue.

Sunday, October 11 - Fun Fly, 1:00 PM

Reminder: There have been several occasions this year when the flag at the field has not been taken down at night. Also, the frequency pin box has not always been closed. If you put the flag up, be sure to take it down, or make arrangements for someone else to take it down. If you are the last person to use a frequency pin, please close the pin box. **Thanks.**

Club training night began Wednesday, May 6 and will continue each Wednesday evening for the rest of the season.

Most gulls don't bother to learn more than the simplest facts of flight—how to get from shore to food and back again. For most gulls, it is not flying that matters, but eating. For this gull, though, it was not eating that mattered, but flight. More than anything else, Jonathan Livingston Seagull loved to fly.

— Richard Bach, 'Jonathan Livingston Seagull'

Reminder: You must have your 2009 AMA Membership Card and 2009 Skyhawks Membership Card to fly at the field.

Your new Skyhawks membership card must be attached to your AMA card, and both should be placed in your frequency pin slot when you have the frequency clip. Thanks.

Minutes of Club Meeting September 13, 2009

The meeting was opened at 7:00 p.m. with 12 members and three guests in attendance. The three guests were Mrs. Buttleman, Mrs. Cady, and Mrs. Swanson.

Treasurer's Report:

Martin explained the latest expenditures and balances in the savings and checking.

Secretary's Report:

Review of August meeting minutes.

Old Business:

Don Harker informed the group of the latest E-fly event. He said the event had good weather and good attendance, with a total of \$120.00 taken in and \$120.00 given out in gift certificates. Van stated the food tent made a total of \$63.00.

++Thanks to Van and Cheryl for running the food stand, the food was great.++

New Business:

Discussion on ideas to make the tables easier for Bill to move when he mows. Wendell and Jim will look into putting wheels on them, if possible.

Discussion on also installing wheels on all the starting stands to assist moving when mowing.

Field Safety was discussed, especially as it pertains to 3D flying. We must all READ, KNOW, and FOLLOW the club safety rules!! The complete current Safety Rules are printed elsewhere in this issue of the Logbook. The Board will continue to monitor this situation.

OCTOBER 4TH CLUB MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE FIELD, WEATHER PERMITTING- THE MEETING WILL BE AS USUAL AT THE LONGBRANCH AT THE REGULAR TIME IF THE WEATHER IS BAD

Be sure to attend this fun filled meeting, with the meeting starting at 4:00 pm and the meal at 5:00 pm.

+ Bring your own table service, meat and drink and a covered dish to share. +

+ Van will have the grill hot and ready to cook whatever you want cooked. +

+ The October meeting will start the nomination process for new club officers. Nominations will continue at the November meeting, with elections in December. +

+ Be sure to bring something to fly. +

Wendell Maakestad mentioned that he and Jim Buttleman recently attended a Cedar Rapids Parks and Recreation Department open house. The event was open to the public and was widely publicized. The purpose of the event was to get public input regarding long-range priorities for the Parks and Recreation Department. They talked with the Parks and Recreation staff about the Skyhawks lease and future R/C modeling needs in the Cedar Rapids area. The Parks and Recreation Department staff were very supportive of the partnership with the Skyhawks and said that it would be a good model for other organizations to follow.

Meeting closed at 7:25 p.m.

Jim Buttleman, Secretary

Join the Skyhawks after October 1 and your dues will be paid for the remainder of this year and all of next year.

Cedar Rapids Skyhawks Official Safety Rules Revised 4/17/09

GENERAL SAFETY RULES

MANDATORY: All AMA, Club and Area rules must be observed.

Observe these frequency control measures:

Both the club member's current AMA Card and Skyhawks Membership Card must be in the appropriate frequency slot in the cabinet before the frequency pin is removed. The correct frequency pin must be attached to the transmitter before turning on the transmitter. Return the pin to the cabinet when the transmitter is not actually in use and remove your membership cards. All flying should be done on the far side of the runway centerline. NEVER fly over the pit area.

Keep the runway clear. Pilots must stand in a pilot's station. Only that equipment needed to start and control the air-plane is permitted at the flight line.

At the conclusion of the flight, taxi clear of the runway and turn off your engine.

Mufflers are required on all engines larger than .074 cubic inches.

Transmitter antenna shall be kept collapsed at all times except when the aircraft is in the process of being flown.

Spectators and children (unless spotting) MUST stay out of the restricted areas while aircraft are in operation.

Aircraft must be placed at the pilot station and then started. Pilots must stand at a pilot station while operating their aircraft. There shall be no powered operation in the pits.

NEVER test engines in the pits or on the flight line. Never run engines in the pit area.

Aircraft must not be taxied to or from the pits.

All low passes must be announced and made on the far side of the runway centerline.

When more than one aircraft is in the air, all aircraft must fly in a rectangular pattern in the same direction.

No powered model may be flown closer than 25 feet to any person.

Under no circumstances may a pilot or any person touch any model in flight.

Children under 6 years old are only allowed on the flight line as a pilot or while under flight instruction.

COURTESY RULES

Limit your flying time to twenty minutes per flight including engine start and adjustments.

Proper rotation, to achieve equal flying time, should be observed by pilots on the same frequency.

If, after a ten-minute period, you are unable to get airborne, please relinquish your place on the flight line.

Position your airplane so that the prop wash does not blow on other people or equipment.

Announce take-offs and landings.

Announce engine starting.

CEDAR RAPIDS SKYHAWKS R/C AIRFIELD (TUMA) GENERAL RULES:

You must be a member of the Cedar Rapids Skyhawks and a member of the AMA to fly at this field.

Guest flying is permitted only with written permission from the Skyhawks Board of Directors.

Use of this facility is limited to flying of model aircraft. The flying of radio control model aircraft has priority, and other types of model aircraft shall not interfere with these activities.

Fuel-propelled rockets are prohibited.

Only receivers that meet AMA guidelines can be used at this site. If you do not know if your receiver meets this requirement, you must verify with the manufacturer that it meets the AMA guidelines.

Flying times start at 8:00 AM and end at sunset.

Do not fly over agricultural ground adjacent to the flying site while it is being prepared, planted or harvested.

You are responsible for damage done to crops by your downed aircraft or damage caused while retrieving your downed aircraft.

All flying must be done east of the runway centerline and its extensions.

No flying is permitted more than 1000 feet to the north or to the south of the center of the runway.

All low passes must be announced and made east of the runway centerline.

All flying must be done east of the runway centerline and its extensions. NEVER fly over the pit area.

Aircraft must be placed at the pilot station and then started. Pilots must stand at a pilot station while operating their aircraft.

Use the area designated for engine testing to test engines. NEVER run engines in the pits.

At the conclusion of flight, taxi clear of the runway and turn off your engine. Do not taxi into

the pit area.

All hovering maneuvers, whether helicopter or fixed-wing aircraft, must be conducted east of the runway and its extensions. There shall be NO hovering over the runway unless there are no other pilots in any pilot stations. If there are no other pilots in any pilot stations, then hovering or 3D maneuvers are permitted over the runway. The 25-foot AMA rule (spacing between aircraft and pilot) always applies. During flight operation, pilot must be in a pilot station.

CEDAR RAPIDS SKYHAWKS R/C AIRFIELD (TUMA) HELICOPTER RULES:

Helicopter pilots must operate their aircraft in a manner consistent with all of the rules above. There is a special designated pit and hovering area for model helicopters.

There shall be NO hovering during fixed wing operations.

Helicopters may enter the “pattern” of fixed wing model aircraft provided they refrain from hovering or using excessively slow speed in the “pattern”. A spotter is required when helicopters are in the “pattern” with fixed wing aircraft.

All helicopters flying in the pattern airspace must be east of the model runway centerline and consistent with the pattern of model aircraft flying within the pattern.

All hovering maneuvers must be conducted east of the runway and its extensions. There shall be NO hovering over the runway unless there are no other pilots in any pilot stations. If there are no other pilots in any pilot stations, then hovering or 3D maneuvers are permitted over the runway. The 25-foot AMA rule (spacing between aircraft and pilot) always applies. During flight operation, pilot must be in a pilot station.

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Todd Davis361-2513
Kerry Lawrence390-3570
(electric only)

DON'T EXPECT the instructor to call you and make an appointment. You should call them; **they are available**. It is best to call and make an appointment rather than go to the field and hope help is there. And...if you want to be an instructor, please contact any Board Member.

Cedar Rapids Skyhawks Radio Control Club

Membership Application

Date: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Name: _____ Spouse's Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (H) _____ (W) _____ Email Address: _____ AMA#: _____

Proficiency Level (Circle One): Student Pilot Instructor

Xmitter Frequencies Used: _____ / _____ / _____ / _____

Active (Circle all that apply): Power Glider Helicopter Other _____

How did you hear about our club? _____

Membership Fees

Family	Open	Senior Citizen (65 and up)	Junior (up to 14)	Senior (15 to 18)	Associate
\$65.00	\$50.00	\$35.00	\$10.00	\$25.00	\$17.00

All fees paid after October 1st each year will pay for the balance of the current year as well as for the following year.

If you are unable to pay at a club meeting, send your renewal with PROOF OF AMA (Photocopy of your current AMA membership card) to: Cedar Rapids Skyhawks, P.O. Box 11662, Cedar Rapids, IA 52410-1662. AMA MEMBERSHIP REQUIRED TO FLY MODEL AIRCRAFT. YOU MUST SHOW YOUR CURRENT AMA MEMBERSHIP CARD OR PROVIDE A PHOTOCOPY TO A CLUB OFFICER IN ORDER TO OBTAIN A CLUB MEMBERSHIP CARD. ASSOCIATE MEMBERS WHO DO NOT FLY ARE EXEMPT.

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Deadline for submissions is the Tuesday following the Board meeting or the fifteenth of the month, whichever is later.
Consideration for exceptions will be made where the information was not available in time and is of wide interest.