

Cedar Rapids Skyhawks
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crskyhawks.org

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Upcoming Club Events

Sunday, May 2, General Club Meeting, Long Branch Supper Club, Marion, 7:00 PM.

Saturday, May 15, Fun Fly, 1:00 PM.

Saturday, June 5, Coffee and donuts fun fly, 8:00 AM

Sunday, June 13, Demonstration Day, 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Sunday, July 11, Fun Fly, 1:00 PM. Meeting at field.

Saturday, July 24, Warbirds Over Iowa (rain date July 25)

Sunday, August 8, Tri-Hawk Invitational, hosted by the Iowa City Aerohawks. Flying starts at 9 AM with a meal planned at 4 PM.

Sunday, August 29, Fun Fly, 1:00 PM

Saturday, September 25, Fun Fly, 1:00 PM

Sunday, October 10, Fun Fly, 1:00 PM

And if flying, like a glass-bottomed bucket, can give you that vision, that seeing eye, which peers down on the still world below the choppy waves — it will always remain magic.

— Anne Morrow Lindbergh, 'North to the Orient,' 1935.

Reminder: You must have your 2010 AMA Membership Card and 2010 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. Everyone must use a frequency clip. Thanks.

Minutes of Club Meeting
April 11, 2010

Van opened the meeting at 7:00 pm with 13 members present.

Treasurer's report:

Wendell gave the treasurer's report in Geoff's absence, stating that we had five new members signed up and total membership is now at 65 members.

Secretary's report:

Jim Buttleman read the minutes from the March meeting.

Old business:

The March mall show was discussed, noting that the two flight sims were constantly busy throughout the day. Thanks to Todd and Dave for providing the simulators and tech support for them.

Van and Wendell had a very positive meeting with the Parks Department. The relationship between the Skyhawks club and the Parks Department was reviewed. The Parks Department assures the Skyhawks that there no plans for future development out in the field area.

New business:

The demo for the Cub Pack 37 at Shueyville was discussed. Van, Jim and Wendell gave them a good showing of what RC flying and flight in general is all about. The entire group was very receptive and had many questions, and thanked us each with a nice gift of some pop corn in a decor can.

At the next regular meeting there will be a "safety meeting" where all safety rules will be discussed. The safety rules are posted on the club's web site. Review them, know them.

Rich Dean suggested a "Beginner Training Program" which will be conducted by him at the field where new pilots will receive training in several categories

prior to flight with an instructor. These categories will consist of preflight, radio equipment, motors, and electrical systems. The training sessions instructed by Rich will be on Monday nights in an area at the field that will be out of the way of flight activities. Rich said he will also hold training sessions for any that desire to become qualified instructors. This training will surely help expedite the overall training of the new pilots coming into the club. Thanks Rich for this excellent idea and program. More details later.

Todd says that the Skyhawks web site now has a link for instructors to show when they'll be out at the field. This will give any that are desiring instructor assistance another means of planning a training session with an instructor.

Todd mentioned for those interested there's a scale plastic modelers' show at the Cedar Rapids Airport on May 1st.

Meeting closed at 7:30pm

Show n' tell:

Todd brought his Hobby Lobby Eurofighter-Typhoon, a \$400.00 foam, electric ducted fan powered jet. It comes complete with 90 A. speed control, 11 servos, lights, and struts. Todd also brought a little battery capacity meter, a Sentry, and it sells for about \$30.00. The device puts a load on the battery being checked and displays a graph of the test results, pretty neat little gadget.

Wendell brought several of the control surfaces he's detailing with rib stitching and rivets for his new B-17. Wendell also brought the needed materials to do the project, Fine Line tape, Formula 560 canopy glue, small glue applicator (needle and squeeze bulb) and documentation pics. A lot of work, but the results are very impressive. He says the new B-17 should be flight ready by the end of the summer. Plans to paint it are in the next week.

Skyhawks Secretary,
Jim Buttleman

Intro to R/C Planes - Seminars

Where: Cedar Rapids Skyhawks field

Cost: Free!

Topics covered

Date

Trainers and radios

April 19, 6:00 PM

Radio installation and preflight checkout

April 26, 6:00 PM

Breaking in glow engines

May 3, 6:00 PM

Understanding electric power systems

May 10, 6:00 PM

Get help sorting through the many possible R/C beginner plane combinations and come up with one (or more) options that will give you the best chance of successfully getting started in this great hobby.

Rich Dean will present information on all aspects of getting started in flying radio controlled airplanes.

Airframes, radios, engines, motors, batteries, field equipment, fuel, ESCs, props, CG, airfoils and flight training help that you can not get from a magazine.

Bring your plane, bring your questions and bring a lawn chair.

Call Rich at 373-2004 (evenings) if you have any questions.



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Field map at www.crskyhawks.org

New students, or those who have recently started receiving R/C airplane flight instruction, should attend as many of these Monday evening seminars as possible.







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 \$65.00	Open \$50.00	Senior Citizen (65 and up) \$35.00	Junior (up to 14) \$10.00	Senior (15 to 18) \$25.00	Associate \$17.00
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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, 1590 17th Avenue, Marion, IA 52302-2376. 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.