Upcoming Events

Sunday, April 7, 2013, 7:00 PM, General Club Meeting at the Long Branch Supper Club.

Saturday, April 13, 2013, Cedar Rapids Charity Indoor Fly-In.

Saturday, June 8, 2013, Demo Day. Rain Date: June 9th.

Saturday, July 20, 2013, Warbird Event. Rain Date, July 21st.

Saturday, August 3, 2013, Tri-Hawk Event, hosted by the Iowa City Aerohawks.

In order to invent the airplane you must have at least a thousand years' experience dreaming of angels.

— Arnold Rockman

Cover photographs needed for the Logbook

We would really appreciate people submitting photos for consideration for use as the Logbook cover. Cover photos need to be in portrait mode, and should be as high a resolution as possible, preferably 2000 by 3000 pixels or more. Furthermore, the top third of the photo should be sky or some other appropriate background so as not to interfere with the banner of the Logbook.

Reminder: You must have your 2013 Skyhawks Membership Card to fly at the field.

Your current Skyhawks membership card must be placed in your frequency pin slot when you have the frequency clip. Everyone must use a frequency clip. Thanks.
From the President

Spring is around the corner, even though the late snowfall may make it seem unlikely the flying season will ever arrive. There are a couple of issues I thought I would mention for those who were not at the March club meeting.

Drones and other stuff: We all know that the federal government is in the process of passing new laws that could affect our hobby. Now we have local and state governments passing legislation to handle the supposed threat of drones and remotely piloted vehicles (RPV’s). Some of these laws have language that poses a threat to the hobby. Recent legislation in Oregon is phrased poorly, and could be interpreted to say that nothing capable of being flown remotely that can carry a camera is allowed to fly! If approached by the media or other non-fliers about the subject, keep these points in mind:

We fly LINE OF SITE model aircraft. Drones and RPV’s are not what we’re about. We fly our aircraft in a limited area, not over houses or locations that someone could consider an invasion of privacy. If you are considering putting a camera on your park flier, be careful that you don’t do anything that could cause an incident. The news media would love to sensationalize a small event, and it could turn out bad for the hobby in general. If pushed about details, you can always route the person to the AMA website to get answers.

Membership: Here we are in March, and we only have about half of our members signed up for the year. We will address some methods at the next club meeting that we can use to get membership dues paid early in the year. Many clubs have late fees and the like to promote early sign-up. We could also provide a discount to those who sign up early. Coupled with some membership drive techniques and communication, we hope do a better job of getting the membership handled earlier instead of a constant trickle throughout the year. It’s more work for the Treasurer when we have a drawn out membership renewal, and every year there are many who find that the good weather is here and they did not get signed up causing a mad dash to find the treasurer so you can fly. If you have any input on this issue, make sure you attend the April meeting where it will be discussed.

Todd Davis, President CR Skyhawks
Club Meeting Minutes
March 3, 2013

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

Each member discussed any projects they were working on presently.

**Treasurer’s report:** Randy Lepsch gave the treasurer’s report.

The Skyhawks membership presently stands at 44 members and 4 honorary members.

**Secretary’s report:** Jim Buttleman read the minutes of the February meeting.

**Old business:** The Saturday mall show at Lindale Plaza was discussed.

The Tri-Hawk event is still scheduled for August 3rd.

Lloyd Swanson informed us about the April 13th, 2013 Charity Indoor Fly-In at the Eastern Iowa Sports Complex, 1100 N 18th Ave- Hiawatha, Iowa. This is in memory of Lloyd’s grandson, to benefit Disaster Dogs Of Iowa. $20.00 Landing fee. $5.00 Spectator fee. Children 12 and under with an adult are free.

A motion was made by Todd, seconded by Don Harker, to permit the club to purchase a software program to edit the club’s website. Motion passed. Randy and Todd will be working to get the new editing software.

**New business:** Drones and M.P.V’s were discussed by Lloyd and Todd. We all need to be aware of the issues and impact these can have on our hobby of RC flying, which is L.O.S. (line of sight) for recreation only.

On March 6th, 2013 at 7:00 pm the movie **Honor Flight** will be showing at the Collins Road Theater.

Todd says there is flight assistance available for those members new to and just entering warbird type aircraft. Todd is working on the 2013 Warbird Event T-shirt design.

Wendell was contacted by a member of Family Campers And Recreational Vehicles Association to see if the Skyhawks could provide a static display of RC aircraft and possibly do some RC flying at the Amana camp ground on July 15th to the 18th. Wendell plans to check the area out, more details pending.

A discussion about late dues prompted Mark Barnett to make a motion of a late dues penalty to be added to the regular dues. This was seconded by Lloyd Swanson. Both penalties and incentives were discussed, and any changes made would require changes in the club’s by-laws. More discussion on this issue at the April meeting. Be sure to attend and share any ideas you might have.

Van mentioned the Quad City Airshow coming in June.

**Show n’ tell:** Geoff Barrance brought his Sig Monocoupe he’s converted from rubber band to electric power.

Todd brought his Blue Ray Racer that he said “totally flew through the other combat foamies”.

Don Harker brought a prop shaft extender with a flexible tubing motor coupling he designed for a project he’s working on.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm

Skyhawks Secretary, Jim Buttleman
Geoff’s Sig Monocoupe
Todd’s Blue Ray Racer
Don Harker’s Prop Shaft Extender
Lindale Mall Show, March 9, 2013  
The Skyhawks had a very successful Mall Show, with members bringing 31 aircraft for display. Skyhawks members talked to many interested people throughout the day, about our hobby and the Skyhawks Club. Several people expressed interest and/or joined the club as a result of the Mall Show. Thanks to all the Skyhawks members who brought aircraft, simulators, and who spent time talking to people about our hobby.
Thanks to Jim Buttleman for supplying the Mall Show photos for the LogBook.
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PROFESSIONAL INDOOR FOOTBALL

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or call the Titans Offices at 319.730.6301 to purchase with a credit card over the phone

We want ________ Tickets at $15.00 each = ________ total

*kids 2 and under are free if they sit on a parent’s lap

Please include payment and return this form to Eastern Iowa Sports Complex (1100 N 18th Ave
in Hiawatha, IA): Attn: Karol Shepherd by March 15th
Cash, credit, or checks accepted—thank you!
(please make checks payable to Cedar Rapids Titans)
2013 CEDAR RAPIDS CHARITY INDOOR FLY-IN

in memory of
Johnathan Lloyd Ramsey
11/1/2000 - 4/21/2012

TO BENEFIT DISASTER DOGS OF IOWA

APRIL 13th, 2013
at the Eastern Iowa Sports Complex
1100 N 18th Ave ~ Hiawatha, IA 52233
8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

$20 Landing Fee
$5 Spectator Fee
(Children 12 and under accompanied by an adult are FREE)

- Door Prizes for Flyers
- FREE gliders for the Junior Pilots
- R/C Flight Simulators
- And More!

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www.disasterdogsofiowa.org
Each year dedicated K-9 search and rescue teams volunteer their services to our communities, free of charge. Their service requires equipment, lengthy training and certification of each dog and handler in various areas. They volunteer their time and put themselves in harm’s way to bring our loved ones home and to safety. These teams have devoted their time and energy, and frequently their personal finances, to do a job that is much needed and often unpleasant. Like most non-profit organizations, they rely heavily on donations to fund their work.

Disaster Dogs of Iowa, a local non-profit corporation, supports the training of canines and their handlers in the State of Iowa. Canine teams supported by Disaster Dogs of Iowa, in addition to training in the very specialized discipline of disaster urban search and rescue, train in the areas of wide area search and human remains detection. Handlers have served Iowa and neighboring states for many years, supporting law enforcement and emergency management in locating drowning victims, missing hunters, dementia patients, and those missing because of criminal acts. These canine/handler teams have also searched natural disaster sites to verify that no one has been left undetected. The teams have served in the Parkersburg tornado, Joplin, MO tornado and the Cedar Rapids floods of 2008.

In 2012, our family was in need of K-9 search and rescue teams to recover the remains of our grandson, Johnathan Lloyd Ramsey (JL). He would have been 12 years old this past November. Never in our worst nightmares did we think we’d need such services. Many teams searched tirelessly, for weeks, in terrible conditions. A beautiful dog named Gypsy and her handler, Jerry Seevers, finally located his remains so we could bring him home one last time. Our eyes and hearts were opened to the work these teams do across our country, and how they coordinate with police, fire departments and various agencies in times of need. They do a job we cannot.

This fundraiser is in memory of JL, with all proceeds to go to Disaster Dogs of Iowa. Both dog and handler are a special partnership working under difficult conditions. They volunteer their time for our community in times of need. For us this is a labor of love and gratitude to those teams and we ask you to please show your support in any way you can.

We pray you never have a need for their services. Be grateful they are there if you do.

Lloyd and Starla Swanson
Cedar Rapids Charity Indoor Fly-In
To Benefit Disaster Dogs of Iowa
In Memory of Johnathan Lloyd Ramsey
April 13, 2013 – 8 AM to 5 PM

Mail To:
Lloyd Swanson
6701 Kent Dr. NE
Cedar Rapids, IA 52402
Phone 319-373-0947

Pilot Registration – AMA Adults
AMA Open, Senior & Park Pilot members
$20

Pilot Registration - AMA Youth (under 19)
$15

Assistant and Spectators
$5

Make checks payable to:
“Rockwell Collins Model Aviators”

Military members in uniform and
children 12 and under are free

Please Print

Name: _______________________________________________________

AMA Number (required): _________________________________________

Address: _____________________________________________________

Qty: ___________________ State: _______ ZIP: _________________

Phone: ___________________ Cell Phone: _______________________

Email: ____________________

All aircraft must have a flying weight of less than 25 ounces
AMA Membership will be checked online prior to event
Please include full payment with Registration
No refunds unless event is cancelled

Disaster Dogs of Iowa
Eastern Iowa Sports Complex
From: Contest Director
To: All Pilots and Assistants

The "Official AMA National Model Aircraft Safety Code" as stated in the 2013 membership manual will be enforced at this event.

All aircraft must have a flying weight of less than or equal to 25 ounces.

Due to the size of the event venue and possible presence of spectators, the number of aircraft in the air at one time will be limited to 6 in the basketball area and 8 in the soccer area.

Pilots must checkout a pilot station pin before turning "ON" their transmitter. Leave your AMA card at the flight table when you checkout a pin. Pilot station pins are to be returned as soon as a flight is completed so that other pilots may fly. Transmitters will not be impounded so pilots flying on frequencies other than 2.4 GHz will be responsible for frequency coordination and are reminded to stand at least 10' apart while flying to avoid intermodal frequency interference.

If you suspect an interference problem, notify an event staff member.

Battery recharging and any repair activities will be confined to the designated area.

The Flight Safety Line is established in front of the pilot stations on the West side of the gym and South side of the soccer field. All pilots must stand behind the Flight Safety Line when launching or flying. Do not cross the Flight Safety Line onto the flight area except to retrieve downed aircraft. Always announce your intention to go onto the field before crossing the flight safety line.
Fly your aircraft in the designated area.

- The "racetrack" or circular flying pattern is a counterclockwise or left-hand turn pattern.
- The bleacher area and path between the bleachers and the North basketball court entrance is a no fly zone.
- All aircraft must takeoff parallel to or in a direction that takes the aircraft away from the Flight Safety Line.
- Helicopters and 3D flying areas have a "box" in front of each Pilot Station. Close-in flying is only allowed in the box in front of your Pilot Station. Do not fly through the close-in flying areas of other pilots.
- Helicopters should lift off and land in the "box" in front of their flight station.
- The term "takeoff" applies to both hand-launch and ROG (roll-on-ground) takeoffs.
- The Contest Director may change the size or location of the respective areas during the day to fit the needs of all the pilots present.
- Test flight times for new aircraft will be made available on request.

The Contest Directors and Safety Officers will monitor aircraft operations. Pilots flying outside the designated flight areas will be asked to land immediately. Repeated or willful violation of these areas will result in revocation of flying privileges. If you have difficulty keeping your aircraft in the flight area, ask for help. There are many skilled pilots who are willing to help other pilots trim-out an aircraft or learn to safely fly in a restricted airspace.

The Contest Directors and Safety Officers are the final authorities on unsafe operation. Any activity deemed to be unsafe by the Contest Directors or Safety Officers is prohibited.

Aircraft that land or become stuck in a location that cannot be reached become the property of the complex. There are no provisions for the retrieval of aircraft stuck in inaccessible locations.

Drawings for prizes will be held at 4:00 PM. You must be present to win.

Please keep the area as clean as possible. Put trash in the proper receptacles and immediately clean up all spills. Keeping the facility as clean as possible will help make it possible to hold future events.

Fly Safe and Have Fun!
2 Planes For Sale. Contact John Spargo at 393-0171 or email jspargo@spargoconsulting.com

Phoenix VI Pattern Plane, with O.S. 61SF Engine, Retracts. Painted by Bill Basler. $600.00

Hangar 9 Cap 232, with Saito 180 Engine. $800.00
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? ____________________________________________________________

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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, 129 Meghann Dr., Marion, IA 52302. 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.

Cedar Rapids Skyhawks
129 Meghann Dr.
Marion, IA 52302

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.