

Cedar Rapids Skyhawks
LOG BOOK

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crskyhawks.org

AUGUST, 2026



Duane Lupia's TF-P47

Photo by Randy Lepsch



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Upcoming Events.

Friday and Saturday, August 21-22 2026, Warbirds Over Iowa. See Flyer in this Logbook.

Sunday, September 13, 2026, 7:00 PM, General Club Meeting will be at the Hiawatha Library.

The only difference between a crash and a landing is whether you planned it

“The Skyhawks are a great partner and add a wonderful recreational element to our city.”

Daniel Gibbins, ISA
Former Parks Superintendent
Cedar Rapids Parks & Recreation Department

All club members must read and follow the safety rules. They are available on the website.

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

Your current Skyhawks identification badge must be worn when you participate in a flying activity. If you are flying on a 72 MHz frequency or Ham band, you must use a frequency clip. Thanks.

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.

Skyhawks Meeting Minutes

August 2, 2026

Todd Davis called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the airfield. There were 9 members present

Jim Doty gave the Treasurer's report. There are currently 46 members paid for 2026, not including the 8 lifetime members.

David Logan read the minutes from the July meeting.

Old Business

- Electrify Event:
The electric fly-in event was held last month. Some people came and went but we didn't get a good count. The weather was not the greatest that day, either.
- Groundskeeping:
Todd Davis talked to the groundskeeper about getting the South side of the driveway leveled and packed down so we could park cars there for Warbirds over Iowa. The brush pile that was there has also been cleaned up.
- Warbirds over Iowa Event:
We have about 150 shirts remaining from recent years, so rather than spend the money on a new shirt design and getting more shirts printed, Todd decided we would just try to sell what we have remaining. This will help keep costs down for the event. We also will not pass out free shirts this year to the volunteers. A workday will be scheduled before the event, most likely on Thursday, August 20. Todd will put out a message about the specific date for the field work.
Steve Wilson will bring some paint and the striping equipment to paint a fresh strip down the center of the runway.

We have need of volunteers for the following duties:

Air Boss, Asst. Air Boss, Trainer Tent, Registration, Announcer, Shirt Sales, Food Prep and Service.

Wendell has the PA system. David Logan will bring the battery for the PA. The Boy Scouts have agreed to help park cars as well.

We may need extra pop up tents if you have one you could bring for things like the Honor Flight and trainer tents.

Wendell also requested that the area East of the runway get mowed shorter.

There was discussion about getting the award plaques made for pilots' choice, best scale, and best flight. Randy Lepsch will make the plaques.

New Business

- **Safety Briefing on Use of the New Pilot Stations**
Be sure to stand behind the pilots' fences. If you don't like standing behind the fence, you may stand between the fences, but you need to remain behind the fence line. Please refrain from standing to the ends of the fences where you are exposing yourself to errant aircraft without protection.
- **Pilot Training**
We have some new members learning to fly. Wendell has been trying to help them, but we could use some more help with instruction activities. This prompted some discussion about things we could do to promote the hobby especially involving simulators and adaptable radios that have free simulator software available.
- **Drone Report**
Mark Woytassek reported that the World Cup had over 2000 drone incursions and that the Kansas City site was actively jamming radio signals. Local governments are now capable of getting jamming equipment that could affect the frequencies we use. Stay tuned for more reporting on this.

The September meeting will be held on Sunday, September 13th at the Hiawatha Library due to the Labor Day holiday. The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.



At the Cedar Rapids Skyhawk's R/C Airfield 500' x 70' Petromat runway

**On-site refreshments, great fellowship and lots of flying.
More info available at CRSKYHAWKS.ORG**

\$25.00 Flying Fee, \$15 for one day

**Spectators Free. Proceeds Saturday Benefit HONOR FLIGHT
AMA Membership Required**

Aircraft must be real warbird replicas, (no modified Extras etc.)

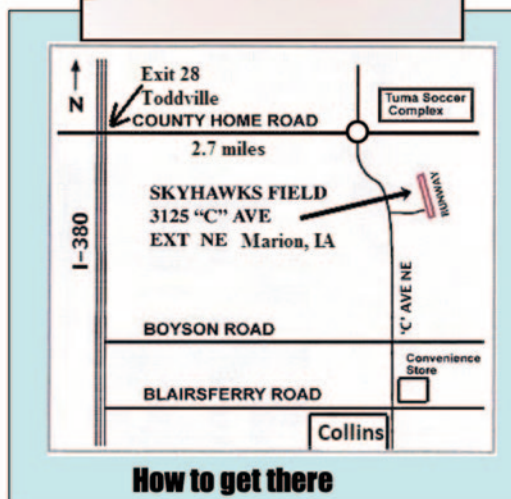
No Park Flyer type aircraft (under 2lb). Classics before 1950 allowed.

Flying on Friday & Saturday, Saturday is Spectator & Honor Flight day

For more information contact: Todd Davis, CD, at 319-361-2513

Details

- Food and refreshments will be available on site. 500' x 70' Petromat runway with adjacent grass runway, Now with Disability accessible runway.
- Grass pit area. Designated area for engine testing. Gas station, convenience store, motels and shopping are just minutes away. There are city and county parks in the area with campgrounds, fishing, hiking, swimming and bike trails to keep the family entertained.
- All applicable AMA, FCC and Skyhawks regulations governing the pilot, his aircraft, and equipment will be enforced. Pilots must show a valid AMA card when they check in at the flying site.
- Consideration for the safety of spectators, flight line personnel, and other flyers is of the utmost importance.
- Each pilot will be required to have a spotter with them at all times while on the flight line.
- Maximum aircraft weight with fuel: 55 lbs. unless appropriate LMA documentation is provided at registration.



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Directions to site:

The airfield is located north of Cedar Rapids. Take Interstate 380 or Highway 13 (for those approaching from the East) to the County Home Road Exit or Intersection. Take County Home Road to C Avenue Ext (Round About) and turn South. Continue 1/4 mile south to entrance at 3125 C Avenue Ext, Marion Ia. 52302 (42.089, -91.646)

Cedar Rapids Skyhawks Instructors

We want you to have a positive experience learning to fly. The more successful you are starting out determines if you will enjoy the hobby. The most important first step is to find an instructor to help you get off to a good start. The best way to contact an instructor is to call and make an appointment.

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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 \$91.00	Open \$70.00	Senior Citizen (65 and up) \$49.00	Junior (up to 14) \$14.00	Senior (15 to 18) \$35.00	Associate \$23.00
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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, 6811 Surrey Drive NE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52402. 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.