



The Radio Flyer



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SABULA FLOAT FLY WEEKEND

Last year the club was invited to participate in Sebula's Island Days Festival. Participation included more than 20 club members and more than 30 different airplanes, putting on a day-long demonstration during the Saturday festivities.

The club has been invited back to participate again this year. The main activities will again be conducted this Saturday, August 3, 2024.



Participants should gather with their equipment at the Lake Street Pavilion, where access to electricity is available.

This year, several members have offered to bring grills for a cookout on Saturday evening. Bring your own meat and a side dish to share and join the festivities.

Some members plan to arrive Friday afternoon/evening, and some plan to stay over for Sunday as well. For more information about either of these options, contact Rich Vedepo at rich.vedepo@gmail.com

Monthly General Meeting:

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7:00 p.m. Tuesday August 6th

Aerohawks Field Clubhouse

3860 Hebl Road

Iowa City, Iowa



Monthly Board Meeting:

7:00p.m. Tuesday, August 20th

(open to all)

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Club Membership is \$60 annually. The Club requires that members volunteer to help with work projects from time to time.

Members must also join the Academy of Model Aeronautics, (the Iowa City Aerohawks are AMA Chapter 824). Flying members must also have a valid FAA UAS Registration Certificate, and must complete the AMA TRUST Certification process. The Club has an active, free instructional program for beginners. Contact the club for more information.

31ST AEROHAWKS AIR SHOW

Coralville Parade (July 4th)

This year's Annual Coralville July 4th Parade was hampered by persistent drizzle. Nevertheless, 10 hearty participants mounted a few planes and walked with the club float to distribute advertising flyers to parade onlookers. The club offers its thanks to those hearty members that braved the elements to get the word out about the Air Show.



Show Day (July 7th)

The Airshow itself was also hampered by the weather. A series of showers before the show resulted in a 30-minute delay, but the show was completed in cloudy, but dry skies, despite the threat of more rain.



As a result, the audience was significantly smaller than the estimated 1,300 at last year's show, with attendance estimated at about 750 attendees.

One of the issues the club has been dealing with is how to best reach the local community audience. Several historical assumptions have guided marketing efforts in the past, but have not been verified. This year, an audience survey was conducted to see if the current methods are appropriate, and whether new methods can be added to increase audience participation. Results are shown in the table (right).

The Air Show program committee will use this data to consider additional community information efforts in the future.

Aerohawks Audience Participation Survey			
Audience size (estimate)			750
1.	Have you attended an Air Show before today?		
	a.	No	16(32%)
	b.	Yes	
		Model Aircraft	24(48%)
		Full Size Aircraft	6(12%)
		Both	4(8%)
2.	How did you learn about this Air Show?		
	a.	Coralville Parade	18(36%)
	b.	Word of Mouth (others)	16(32%)
	c.	Signs	8(16%)
	d.	Facebook Post (not groups)	6(12%)
	e.	Community Show at IC Airport	2(4%)
3.	Are you enjoying the Air Show so far?		
	a.	Yes	48(96%)
	b.	No (Why not?)	2(4%)
		Not enough crashes	

MINUTES OF THE JULY 2, 2024 GENERAL MEETING OF THE AEROHAWKS

The meeting was called to order by President Tom Peters.

The June minutes was accepted by vote of the membership.

The Treasurer's Report was given by Roger Schultz. Most items discussed were normal. budget activities. Some extra discussion was generated by the forthcoming air show. The Treasurer's report was accepted by vote of the club.

OLD BUSINESS

President Peters reported that the "Meat" the Members cook night out went well and that other similar events will be forthcoming.

The new storage shed is completed except for some residual electrical work.

The new gate was reworked and is now functioning well.

There is no new news about a future flying site.

Ken Morse presented revised promotional materials for the Aerohawk Club. He will be handing out appropriate selections at the air show.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Sabula float fly is all set with activities occurring similar to last year.

The air show discussion included the following:

- Because there was still need for volunteers in important jobs a phone calling tree was organized that included Roger Schultz and Lance Meyer to call the membership to recruit needed workers.
- Bruce Gardner will pick up the pork patties for the concession stand.
- Walkers and airplanes are still needed for the 4th of July Coralville Parade.
- The Trailer front tire needs attention. Rich Vedepo and Roger Schultz will come to the flying field tomorrow to make the repair.
- Tim Sailor will be pulling the trailer with his vehicle.
- The 4th of July parade assembly spot has been changed to south of highway 6 across from the old spot. Pick up a map upon arriving and find #86 which is the Aerohawk placement in the parade. Arrive by 9:00 am.
- All members are asked to be at the air field on Saturday, July 6 to make final preparations for the Air Show.
- Members were encouraged to take yard signs advertising the air show and post them around town where permission has been secured.
- Several additional minor questions were answered.

Bruce Fischer handed out new rosters that contained names and information for 4 new members. Extra rosters were put in the literature rack.

Mowers: please contact Lance Meyer when mower gas is getting low.

A motion was made to adjourn and a vote made it so.

Submitted by Secretary Bruce Fischer





(Remaining) 2024 Annual Schedule of Events (**updated**)

~~Jun 1~~ ~~Float Fly, Riverside Casino Lake~~

~~Jun 13~~ ~~Meat the Members (free burgers and dogs)~~

~~July 4~~ ~~Coralville July 4th Float Parade~~

~~July 6~~ ~~Pro Air Show clean-up/Spruce up~~

~~July 7~~ ~~Aerohawks Air Show~~

~~July 11~~ ~~Meat the Members (free burgers and dogs)~~

Aug 2-4 Float Fly @ Sabula Days

August 15 Meat the Members (free burgers and dogs)

Aug/Sep ~~Night Fly~~ **Cacelled**

Sep 22 Family Fun Day / Farewell to summer

Oct 5 Float Fly, Sabula

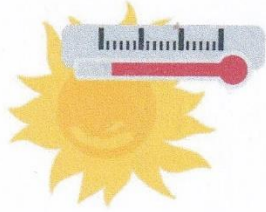
Nov 2 Ditch Cleanup

Dec 7 Holiday Party

Current Club Officers - 2024:

President	Tom Peters	thomas-m-peters@uiowa.edu	Secretary	Bruce Fischer	bwfischer61@gmail.com
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August- Summer Heat



Heat Stress

Hydration -Drink water and sports drinks when in the heat, avoid

Take Breaks -Cooldown between long tasks, heavy work, and each flight in the heat.

Sun Exposure

Remember your sunglasses. -Keep your eyes from being blinded while flying your aircraft.

Sunscreen -Protect your skin from burns and skin cancers.

Coverage -Wear hats, protective clothing, sit under shade, and keep out of sunshine.

Water Flying Safety

Retrieval -Plan a retrieval method, pickup boat, poles, as banks can be slippery.

Equipment -Waterproof electronics that may short or can cause shocks.



HEAT EXHAUSTION	OR	HEAT STROKE
Faint or dizzy		Throbbing headache, confusion
Excessive sweating		No sweating
Cool, pale, clammy skin		Body temperature above 103° Red, hot, dry skin
Nausea or vomiting		Nausea or vomiting
Rapid, weak pulse		Rapid, strong pulse
Muscle cramps		May lose consciousness

CALL 9-1-1

- Get to a cooler, air conditioned place
- Drink water if fully conscious
- Take a cool shower or use cold compresses
- Move person to cooler place
- Cool using cool cloths or bath
- Do not give anything to drink

Source: National Weather Service