



The Radio Flyer



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DITCH CLEAN-UP, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND



Each year, the club picks up trash on a 2 mile stretch along the IVW roadway. We have an agreement with Landfill Management to perform two deep-clean pickups yearly, one in April and the other in November. Funds earned from this activity are used to offset expenses that would otherwise be paid by higher club dues. Our scheduled November cleanup is coming soon, and **we need your help!**

Our next clean-up effort is currently scheduled for Saturday, November 2nd. The club will gather at 8:15 a.m. for juice and donuts at the clubhouse before heading out in small groups at 9:00 a.m. to round up all the wayward trash collecting in the new and improved IVW roadway drainage ditches. The greater the number of participants, the less exertion each group spends. We really need a minimum of 24 able-bodied people to easily perform this task. **Please Join us there!**

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Monthly General Meeting:

7:00 p.m. Tuesday, Nov 5th

Room 3/4

North Liberty Community Center

520 W Cherry Street

North Liberty, Iowa.



Monthly Board Meeting:

7:00p.m. November, 19th

(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.

Annual Election of Club Officers, December 3rd, 2024

The annual election for new officers of the club will be held on December 3rd at the Club General Meeting. The new slate of officers is listed below:

Position	Filled By In 2024	Running 2025
Past President	Rich Vedepo	Tom Peters
President	Tom Peters	Bryce Verreyen
Vice President	Ron Austin	Ron Austin
Treasurer	Roger Schultz	Stephen Small
Secretary	Bruce Fischer	Katherine and Ian Staniforth
Safety Officer	Kyle Schick	Gary Bernabe
Field Marshall	Lance Meyer	Brett Wagner
Information Officer	Ken Morse	Ken Morse

Additional nominations, if any, will be accepted prior to the election. All members are asked to participate in selecting our new leaders for 2025.

Invitation to Participate in Winter-time Indoor Flying

The Lone Tree Flying club has invited interested Aerohawks members to join them at their indoor Sunday evening flying event each week from December 1st through March 31st. This activity takes place at the Lone Tree High School Gymnasium (405 Devoe Street South, Lone Tree, IA) each Sunday evening from 6-9 p.m. A one-time cost of \$25 for the season will be charged to help defray the rental cost of the gymnasium. Contact Rich VeDepo rich.vedepo@gmail.com for more information, or Bruce Gardner for additional directions to the gym.



Current Club Officers - 2024:

President	Tom Peters	thomas-m-peters@uiowa.edu	Secretary	Bruce Fischer	bwfischer61@gmail.com
Past President	Rich Vedepo	rich.vedepo@gmail.com	Information Officer	Ken Morse	kndjmorse@gmail.com
Vice President	Ron Austin	Ron.Austin.65@gmail.com	Safety Officer	Kyle Schick	schick.kyle17@gmail.com
Treasurer	Roger Schultz	rogerschultz@southslope.net	Field Marshall	Lance Meyer	lmeyer2@msn.com

MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 1, 2024 GENERAL MEETING OF THE AEROHAWKS

The meeting was called to order by President Tom Peters

Marc Niehus made a motion to accept the minutes of the September meeting which were given a second by Scott Garrett. The motion was passed.

The Treasurer's report was presented by Roger Schultz. It was a quiet month financially, with low volume of normal expenses and income reported. Lance Meyer made a motion to accept the report. Marc Niehus gave the second. The motion was passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

The fun fly for September was scrubbed, so a proposal was made to spend the unused money to fund the Christmas party. It was deemed unnecessary to take action on this idea.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Final arrangements were made for the October 5, Sabula float fly
2. The winter meeting site was reviewed. Several possibilities were again suggested. Tom Peters will clarify uncertain issues and select the spot.
3. Bruce Fischer handed out rosters and asked for corrections and information to complete the list.
4. Bruce Fischer presented an update on the Jan 25, 2025 Swap Meet. Because we will need to rent many more tables than in the past, it was decided by consensus that table rent will be set at \$17 per table and \$22 a table for wall tables. It was also decided to pay Big Ten Rentals an additional \$40 for the use of their trailer which will be loaded and unloaded by their staff.
5. The issue of finding a new flying site took a lengthy discussion. It was decided for now that Tom will continue with the plan to meet with the manager of the Land Fill to see if there is any possibility for us to stay at the Land Fill in a different location. Also, Bruce Gardner will contact again the Parks and Recreation Department to see if there is land available or if they might even be able to develop a site for us. Also, the idea was suggested to visit City Council to ask for help to find or develop a flying site.
6. The Christmas Party Plans were reviewed. The club affirmed appreciation for the experience of the last couple of years which we would like to have repeated even though there will be a small increase in prices for the hall rental in Morse and for the catering.
7. Tom Peters reminded us that we need to create a new slate of officers for 2025.

Positions filled were as follows:

Past President - Tom Peters

President - Bryce Verreyen

Vice President -

Treasurer - George Ranson

Secretary - Katherine and Ian Staniforth

Safety Officer - Gary Bernabe

Field Marshall - Brett Lenz

Information Officer - Ken Morse

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Bruce Gardner and seconded by Roger Schultz. The motion passed.

Submitted by Secretary Bruce Fischer





Upcoming Events

Yes, it is that time of year again! The season of end-of-year celebration is rapidly approaching! Thus, the club's annual Christmas gathering has been planned, as indicated below.



Aerohawks Annual Christmas Party

December 7th 2024

Morse Community Club

2542 Putnam St NE

Iowa City, IA 52240

Cost per person - \$10.00 each

Social hour starts at 5:00 p.m.

Dinner commences at 6:15 p.m.

RSVP to Evite invitations sent to member email accounts

New Year's Day chili (chilly)
Cook-off & Fun-Fly

Our traditional New Years Day Fun-Fly will commence mid-morning, January 1st, 2025 at the clubhouse. Last year there was a bit of snow on the ground, but flying commenced anyway, and there was plenty of food to fuel the pilots.



Members are asked to bring a pot of chili for taste testing, or some other pot-luck contribution to feed hungry (and cold) pilots.

More details forthcoming in the next newsletter.

November- Security

Field Security:

Use all the field locks.

Aerohawk field locks all gates, and exterior doors to club-houses and sheds.

See something, say something.

The shadowy figure at the end of the drive might be spectators, masked murderers, or even the girl scouts.

Online Security:

Beware of scams.

If it seems too good to be true, it probably is. Use trusted websites and look up reviews before sending money.

Fake emails and phishing.

Beware of where you click and what information you enter..

Ignore/report emails from oil tycoons and rc presidents asking for thousands of gift cards.

"Hanger" Security:

Pests and gremlins.

Keep people and animals alike away from project space and storage areas. Neat toys can look warm and dry having risk to walk away to another collection.

