



The Radio Flyer



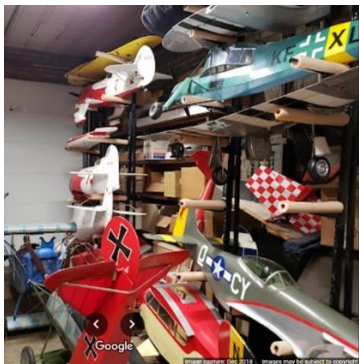
The Monthly News Bulletin of the Iowa City Aerohawks Radio Control Flying Club

March 2025, No. 389

P.O. Box 25, Iowa City, IA 52244

www.lowcityaerohawks.com

DYNAMIC Balsa & HOBBY, LENORE, IL



In what is seemingly becoming an annual club event after three consecutive years, a number of Aerohawks made a mid-February expedition in discovery to Dynamic Balsa and Hobby in Lenore, IL. Asked what he thought of the shop, one adventurer replied "Imagine a collection of new and old stock



aircraft kits and an entire attic full of larger balsa planes, then multiply it by two and you have (an impression) of Dynamic Balsa and Hobby!"

Another highlight of the adventure was lunch at Smitty's Bar & Grill, featuring dinner-plate sized pork tenderloin sandwiches at a reportedly "reasonable price" – good for a lunch break while conducting hands-on shopping!

It doesn't matter if you like balsa or foam, gas or glow it seemed everybody found something they liked (which is probably a main reason for the Ditch Cleanup, Saturday, April 5

Aerohawks now annual pilgrimage to Lenore, IL!)

March scheduled club meetings:

Monthly General Meeting:

7:00 p.m. Tuesday, Mar 4th

Room 3/4

North Liberty Community Center

520 W Cherry Street

North Liberty, Iowa.



Monthly Board Meeting:

7:00p.m. Tuesday, Mar 18th

(open to all)

Room 3/4

North Liberty Community Center

520 W Cherry Street

North Liberty, Iowa.

The Radio Flyer is published monthly by the Iowa City Aerohawks, a radio control flying club, and distributed free to members, by e-mail and USPS mail. Non-members may receive the newsletter by e-mail as a PDF file, by request. Spectators are welcome at the Aerohawks' flying field and clubhouse at 3860 Hebl Avenue, west on Melrose Avenue, west of HWY 218. The field lies on reclaimed land near the entrance to the Iowa City Landfill. New members are welcome at any time, regardless of level of skill.

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.

Newsworthy Notes

Replacement Flying Field

The search for a replacement flying field continues. Several options were discussed at the most recent board meeting, as well as identification of new potential sites for further investigation. In the future interest of the club, members are encouraged to contribute to this important search effort.

If you wish for an update to this ongoing search, the matter will be among the items to be discussed at the next monthly members meeting, on Tuesday, March 4th at the North Liberty Recreation Center starting at 7:00 p.m.



Club Liability Insurance

In regards to an upcoming scheduled event, a question had arisen regarding whether the club had overall liability coverage during a scheduled event, or was coverage available only to AMA members who are required by the club to hold an AMA membership to enjoy participation in club activities. The answer received clearly indicates that the club, as an organization is covered by AMA liability insurance during scheduled club activities: coverage which extends not only to club members but all other non-member participants, including non-member buddy box flyers (demonstration flights) as well as spectators and audiences.

For the record: Through its charter status with AMA, the club and the club officers are provided primary liability insurance coverage for the duties they perform associated with the club/chapter activities. The insurance industry calls this the "vicarious liability" for the acts of others or accidents caused by others. This coverage also applies to Contest Director and/or Event Manager, as long as the event is sanctioned. (ilonam@model aircraft.org – Feb 14, 2025)



Ditch Cleanup, Saturday, April 5

As **advance notice**, the first of our two annual ditch clean-up activities is scheduled for Saturday, April 5th. Check out the April newsletter for specific details.

All members are encouraged to participate in this fund-raiser, as it helps to keep our dues lower than they otherwise would be.

MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 4th GENERAL MEETING OF THE AEROHAWKS

Call The Meeting To Order 6:58p.m.

Approval of Minutes

1. Motion to approve minutes from last meeting by Rich Seconded by Roger.
2. Treasurer's Report - Roger Schultz / Stephen Small: Discussion regarding saving in CDs that are maturing. Plan to transfer to CD that matures in 15 months. Motion to proceed with this by Rich, seconded by Roger. -Swap meet was financially successful, second highest compared to prior years. -Motion to approve by Rich Seconded by Roger

Announcements

- Roger suggests eliminating the PO Box and using someone's home address to save money and time. Plan to keep the PO Box for this year as it is paid through end of the year. -Motion to approve by Rich, seconded by Katharine. Mail includes paper records of automatically paid utilities, insurance.
- There have been some corrections to event dates. Check the website until the next newsletter is released.
- Today is the last day to pay 2025 dues or be charged a late fee..

Old Business

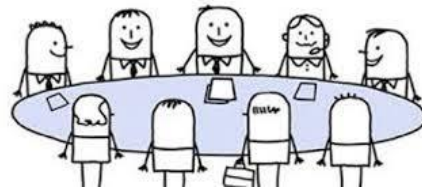
1. Winter flying at Lone Tree Sunday evenings from 5 PM to 9 PM \$25 for season.
2. Swap meet: -What needs to be improved next year? Door to the public needs to remain closed until the appropriate opening time. Sign the thank you cards for people who donated items for the swap meet.

New Business

1. Need to start thinking about a mowing schedule
2. Website is now up to date, Ron is doing a great job and Rick added photos.
3. New field. Rich has written to Iowa River Products to ask about availability of their land. I spoke to Charlie Bray at the swap meet about a possible area near Kent Park. I will follow up with him this week. Area near Kansas
4. Trip to Dynamic Balsa Sat Feb 22, 8am to 5pm-ish. Lenore IL. House is crowded with planes, upstairs is not heated, purchase is negotiated as a group after discussion at nearby restaurant (giant tenderloins). Bring a truck if you can!

Motion To Adjourn by Rodger Seconded by Ron

Submitted by Secretary Ian and Katharine Staniforth



Club Officers - 2025:

President **Bryce Verreyen**

bryce.verreyen@icloud.net

Secretary **Ian & Katharine Staniforth**

katharine.mary@gmail.com

Past President **Tom Peters** thomas-m-peters@uiowa.edu

Information Officer **Ken Morse** kndjmorse@gmail.com

Vice President **Ron Austin** Ron.Austin.65@gmail.com

Safety Officer **Gary Bernabe** bernabe413@gmail.com

Treasurer **Stephen Small**
stephen.michael.small@gmail.com

Field Marshall **Brett Wagner** fore-brett@outlook.com



Updated Upcoming Events

~~Jan 1 10:00 a.m. New Year's Day Chili Fun Fly~~
~~Jan 7 7:00 p.m. Monthly Members Meeting (North Liberty Rec Ctr)~~
~~Jan 21 7:00 p.m. Monthly Board Meeting (North Liberty Rec Ctr)~~
~~Jan 24 12:00 noon Swap Meet setup (Nat'l Guard Armory)~~
~~Jan 25 8:00 a.m. Swap meet (Nat'l Guard Armory)~~

~~Feb 4 7:00 p.m. Monthly Members Meeting (North Liberty Rec Ctr)~~
~~Feb 22 XXXX Dynamic Balsa Trip~~
~~Feb 18 7:00 p.m. Monthly Board Meeting (North Liberty Rec Ctr)~~

Mar 4 7:00 p.m. Monthly Members Meeting (North Liberty Rec Ctr)
Mar 18 7:00 p.m. Monthly Board Meeting (North Liberty Rec Ctr)

Apr 1 7:00 p.m. Monthly Members Meeting (Aerohawks Clubhouse)
Apr 5 9:00a.m. Ditch Cleanup #1
Apr 15 7:00 p.m. Monthly Board Meeting (Aerohawks Clubhouse)

May 4 1:00 p.m. Maiden Voyage Day (Flying Field)
May 6 7:00 p.m. Monthly Members Meeting (Aerohawks Clubhouse)
May 20 7:00 p.m. Monthly Board Meeting (Aerohawks Clubhouse)
May 22 6:00 p.m. "Meat the Members" (free burgers and dogs)(Clubhouse)

Jun **2** 7:00 p.m. Monthly Members Meeting (Aerohawks Clubhouse)
Jun **6** 10:00 a.m. Float Fly (Venue TBD)
Jun **13-14** 2 day event Lone Tree Invitational Fun Fly, Lone Tree, IA
Jun 17 7:00 p.m. Monthly Board Meeting (Aerohawks Clubhouse)
Jun **19** 6:00 p.m. "Meat the Members" (free burgers and dogs)(Clubhouse)

Jul 1 7:00 p.m. Monthly Members Meeting (Aerohawks Clubhouse)
Jul 4 9:00 a.m. Coralville Annual Parade (Location TBD)
Jul 12 9:00 a.m. Airshow prep (Flying Field)
Jul 13 11:00 a.m. Annual Aerohawks Air Show (Flying Field)
Jul 15 7:00 p.m. Monthly Board Meeting (Aerohawks Clubhouse)

Aug **1, 2, 3** **TBD** Float Fly @ Sabula Days
Aug/Sep?? **TBD** Night Fly (Flying Field)
Aug 5 7:00 p.m. Monthly Members Meeting (Aerohawks Clubhouse)
Aug 17 2:00 p.m. "Beyond the Bleachers" Open House (Flying Field)
Aug 19 7:00 p.m. Monthly Board Meeting (Aerohawks Clubhouse)
Aug 21 6:00 p.m. "Meet the Members" (free burgers and dogs)(Clubhouse)

Sep 2 7:00 p.m. Monthly Members Meeting (Aerohawks Clubhouse)
Sep 16 7:00 p.m. Monthly Board Meeting (Aerohawks Clubhouse)
Sep 21 1:00 p.m. Family Fun Day/Farewell to Summer (Flying Field)

Oct 5 **TBD** Float Fly (**Venu TBD**)
Oct 7 7:00 p.m. Monthly Members Meeting (Aerohawks Clubhouse)
Oct 21 7:00 p.m. Monthly Board Meeting (Aerohawks Clubhouse)

Nov 1 9:00 a.m. Ditch Cleanup #2
Nov 4 7:00 p.m. Monthly Members Meeting (**Venu TBD**)
Nov 18 7:00 p.m. Monthly Board Meeting (**Venu TBD**)

Dec **2** 7:00 p.m. Monthly Members Meeting (**Venu TBD**)
Dec 7 5:30 p.m. Holiday Party (**Details TBD**)
Dec 16 7:00 p.m. Monthly Board Meeting (**Venu TBD**)

Happy Holidays !!!!

