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AEROHAWKS SECURE AMA TAG GRANT



Each year, the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) awards competitive grants to member clubs for various improvements. One such award is the Take-off and grow (TG) grant, awarded in support of education efforts in the local community.

This year, the club has been officially notified of the approval of its application for a TAG grant in support of our upcoming Club Community Open House, in celebration of National Model Aviation Day..

The funds will be used to subsidize Air Show advertisement flyers, purchase a second Aero Scout S 2 for basic flight training, and printing brochures and banners for the planned Open House

National Model Aviation Day
OPEN HOUSE
HERE SUN 2-5pm
 August 17

April scheduled club meetings:

Monthly General Meeting:

7:00 p.m. Tuesday, **June 3rd**

(open to all)

Aerohawks Field Clubhouse

3860 Hebl Road

Iowa City, Iowa



Monthly Board Meeting:

7:00p.m. Tuesday, **June 17th**

(open to all)

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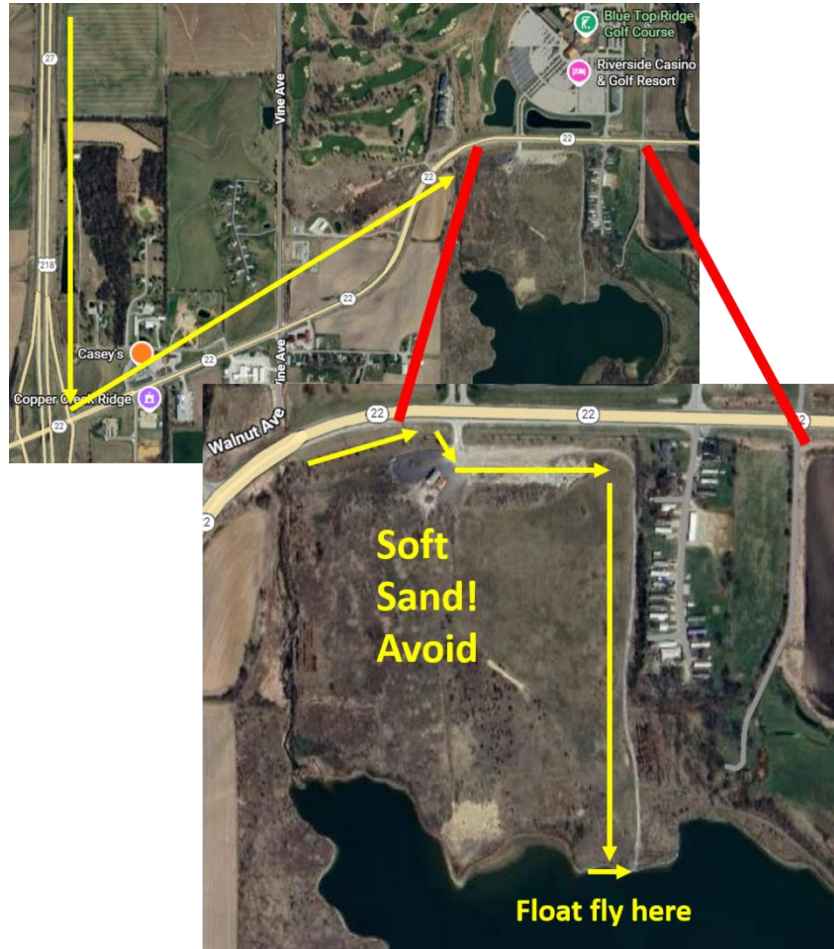
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Club Membership is \$60 annually. The Club requires that members volunteer to help with work projects from time to time. Members must also join the Academy of Model Aeronautics, (the Iowa City Aerohawks are AMA Chapter 824). Flying members must also 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.

FLOAT FLY, **JUNE 7TH**, RIVERSIDE CASINO AREA

The first of three scheduled Float-fly events will occur on June 5th across the street from the Riverside Casino. The event commences about 10:00a.m. and continues as long as interest continues. Normally, those remaining in the early evening adjourn to the Casino for a buffet dinner before returning home. All interested members are encouraged to attend, weather permitting. For those new to the club, or existing club members who have not attended previously, directions are below.



- From Hwy 218, southbound, pass the usual Melrose Avenue exit (Exit #92) and continue southbound for 12 miles, leaving Hwy 218 southbound on exit 80 (Riverside exit).
- At stop, turn left on to Iowa Hwy 22 eastbound, drive under the Hwy 218 overpass approximately 3/4th mile, passing Casey's General Store, through a gentle left and then right curve to the Riverside Casino entrance traffic light (below).

- Turn right into the work area through the open gate, making an immediate left turn to follow the fence eastbound to a gravel road.



- Follow the gravel road around the right turn, and continue to the float fly area. If you pass the float fly area, you will float, rather than fly!

MINUTES OF THE May 6th GENERAL MEETING OF THE AEROHAWKS

Call the meeting to order 7:00p.m.

Approval of Minutes

1. Motion to approve minutes from last meeting, approved unanimously.
2. Treasurer's Report (Stephen Small) – Treasurer's report: Check from city for ditch clean up deposited;
Expenses: Electric bill, raffle planes x 2, deposit for holiday party, food for ditch clean up, fire extinguishers x2 and case, cleaning supplies for club house
-Insurance update: Company is prepping paperwork for renewal, pending in near future
-Fraudulent charge to account on 5/1, realized 1 day later. Charges reversed. Card closed.
-Treasurers report approved unanimously.

Announcements

- Lawn mowing schedule available for sign up through the website.
- Maiden Voyage Day and Mexican food potluck day. Huge success, parking lot full, food was great.
- New Field News: AMA template for city council presentation received; District VII level interest regarding our loss of field reported.
- Old Business
- Fix the runway: Repair holes and wash outs, ideally prior to the airshow; Determine areas in need of repair, mark with chalk; Date for repairs tentatively 5/24 (pending determination of material needs); -Caulk, rock (delivered?), large staples,
- Airshow: -Volunteers needed, especially for parking, concessions; Rich has been trying to reach contact for pork burgers
- Airfield Camera : -Ron has priced out options and created a spreadsheet; **Con**: monthly cost for wifi (\$55/mo) in addition to other associated costs; **Pro**: security, see who is at the field: Email vote planned for June
- Airfield Scouting: Bryce has been exploring options
 - East of Scott by the Fairway: Concerns includes huge radio tower near by
 - Near Kickers soccer field and Pleasant Valley: 2.5 mi to the IC airport; Seems like a good option;
Group is excited about the option near Kicker's
 - Next step: write a proposal, go to city council
- Safety Re[ort - -AMA Safety Code: AMA Safety Handbook updated and available in the clubhouse; We are currently following the listed regulations; -Ken has also created helpful brochures; Float will need to be repaired before the parade: Test to see if it holds air soon to evaluate need for repairs

Motion To Adjourn by Bruce, seconded; 7:45p.m.

Submitted by Secretary Ian and Katharine Staniforth



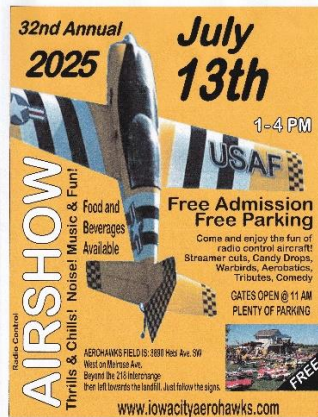
IMPORTANT CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS

CORALVILLE PARADE (JULY 4TH)

Each year the club float rolls along the Coralville Parade route while Aerohawks marchers hand out more than 4,000 individual invitations to the club's annual Air Show, our most important form of Air Show advertising. Marchers will be needed as well as a number of differing planes to install on the float. Information about time and place to meet will be available soon. Hope to see you there



32ND AEROHAWKS ANNUAL AIR SHOW (JULY 13TH)



The club's Annual Airshow follows the Coralville Parade. This is an "ALL HANDS" activity. Calls for scheduled event suggestions have already been sent, and shortly requests for participants will be issued. The Air Show is our most visible community activity, and has a very positive reputation with our local community. Mark this date on your calendar, and volunteer for some of the many activities that make this show popular with our neighbors.

SABULA ISLAND DAYS ANNUAL FLOAT FLY (AUGUST 1ST ,2ND & 3RD)

For the third year in a row, the club has been invited to participate in the Sabula Island Days weekend celebration by showcasing the club's R/C float-flying skills. Bring a plane or two, and come for a few hours, for a day, or camp overnight in the nearby campground. It's a warm, sunny fun time flying off the water. R/C boats are also welcome. More details will be provided later this summer.



CLUB COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE (AUG 17TH)



As a follow-up to the annual Air Show, and as a recruiting tool for new members, this year the club will open its flying field to the local community by inviting them to an open house at the Aerohawks Flying field. Planned activities include pit tours, static displays, Real Flight simulators and perhaps hands on trials using our buddy box pilot training system. The goal is to provide a more in depth look at the club and the hobby/sport in celebration of National Model Aviation Day. Look for additional information as it becomes available.



Updated Upcoming Events

~~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 3 7:00 p.m. Monthly Members Meeting (Aerohawks Clubhouse)
Jun 7 10:00 a.m. Float Fly, Riverside Casino, Riverside, IA
Jun 13-14 2 day event Lone Tree 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, Sabula, IA
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. "Meat the Members" (free burgers and dogs) (Clubhouse)
Aug 24 9:00 a.m. Iowa City Optimist Club Static Display, Iowa City Airport

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 (Venue 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 !!!!



Club Officers - 2025:

President	Bryce Verreyen	Secretary	Ian & Katharine Staniforth
Past President	Tom Peters	Information Officer	Ken Morse
Vice President	Ron Austin	Safety Officer	Gary Bernabe
Treasurer	Stephen Small	Field Marshall	Brett Wagner