



The Radio Flyer

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*****1st Ditch Cleanup
has been rescheduled
for Saturday April 4th.**

The next General Membership Meeting
is **April 7th** at 7:00 p.m. It will be held at
the **flying field clubhouse**



Photo by Dave Petsel

MALL SHOW 2015

When mall shoppers entered the Coral Ridge Mall near The Children's Museum entrance on Saturday March 14th they were greeted by a showing of RC planes and helicopters from The Iowa City Aerohawks. A big thanks goes out to those that brought out some of their best aircraft to share with the public and represent our club and also to share some stories with the visitors.

*Please contact Marc Niehus
at mniehus@msn.com
with your **shirt size and
number of shirts your
ordering** or drop off your
article of clothing with Marc or at
the next club meeting with your
name on it and what side you
would like printing on no later
then **APRIL20th** ..shirts will
be returned at the **MAY**
membership meeting!!!*



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Iowa City Aerohawks

March 2015

General Meeting

Meeting brought to order by President Lance Meyer, 7:00 PM.

Lance asked if anyone had any questions or comments about the meeting minutes from last month. None seen.

Motion to accept – Keith Millard

2nd – Rich VeDepo – Passed

Treasurer Roger Schultz brought forth the Treasurer's report.

Motion to accept – Don Freel

2nd – Marc Niehus –Passed

OLD BUSINESS –

Dave Petsel brought a prototype of a new Aerohawks shirt. Dave explained a little about the shirt and how it is printed and costs. Dave discussed the options for new shirt orders and the option to have screen printed on our own clothing. Discussion ensued regarding quantities and colors for ordering. Dave will be printing 20 each of the XL and XXL gold t-shirts.

Roger Schultz reminded everyone about the Coral Ridge Mall show on March 14th. Meet at the mall at 8:30 AM. It will go till 3:00 PM. Even if you are not bringing planes, please come at 8:30 AM to assist in setting the area up and setting airplanes up. As always, participation is greatly appreciated.

Lance mentioned that the lawnmower will be fixed and ready for use by April 1st.

Marc Niehus will be repairing the grill by use time.

Bill Lee will be getting soil samples for fertilization.

Dave Petsel has started the lawn mower schedule. Please make sure to sign up.

NEW BUSINESS –

Gary Bernabe mentioned the fantastic job that Rich VeDepo did with the article for the AMA magazine. Kudos to Rich.

Discussion ensued regarding the facebook page. There are two sites currently. Bill Kiesel will be shutting down the Non Profit one and try to route everyone to the other site. Please try and visit the Aerohawks facebook page and FRIEND it. Club communications will begin posting through it.

Bruce Fischer mentioned that the pilot instruction program is in swing. He will be making calls to new pilots this spring.

Marc Niehus began discussions for the June 28th fun fly. Several questions were asked of Marc who graciously explained the answers. Gary Bernabe asked if he could lawn dart his plane. Marc explained to Gary why that would not be advisable.

Motion to adjourn – Marc Niehus

2nd – Dave Petsel – Passed

Meeting adjourned at 8:41 PM.

APRIL

Upcoming Events

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

- 4th 1st Ditch Cleanup
- 7th General Membership Meeting
- 21st Board Meeting



Caution!

Please use extra caution at the field when it comes to walking on the runways and in the pit area. The ground is still very soft and if you walk on the runway it is likely to cause footprints under the runway mat. After the ground dries up some it will allow us to get the roller out and smooth things out.

DITCH CLEANUP RESCHEDULED for APRIL 4th

The 1st Ditch Cleanup has been rescheduled for Saturday April 4th. There will be donuts and juice starting at 8:00 a.m., and then at 9:00 we will split into teams and start the cleanup.

For our new members, ditch clean-up entails collecting trash along the roadways surrounding our flying field. This earned-income project is critical to the health and viability of our club, as it serves as our main revenue-generating activity each year.

Full membership participation is expected. The spring cleanup is usually the biggest with the trash collecting in the ditches throughout the winter, but with enough volunteers it is an easier task and is usually completed in a couple of hours.

Members who are physically unable to perform this activity are still encouraged to come out and help tidy-up in and around the clubhouse.

Please dress appropriately. Leather work gloves are necessary, and heavy water-resistant boots, long pants and long-sleeved shirts are recommended.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call or e-mail any board member.

Thank you and I look forward to seeing you all on Saturday morning!



Getting ready for a cleanup in 2012

Events remaining in 2015

- April 18th 4th First Ditch Cleanup
- May 17th Maiden Flight
- June 14th McBride Float Fly
- June 28th Fun Fly
- July 4th Coralville 4th Parade
- August 1st Second Ditch Cleanup
- August 30th Sertoma
- September 13th Air Show
- October 24th Third Ditch Cleanup
- October ? Fall Float Fly
- December 10th Holiday Party

FACEBOOK

There was a discussion about the Aerohawk Facebook site when it was realized that there were two sites for our club. It was decided to eliminate the one with the least activity, so if you are on Facebook you may have to change sites and if you are planning to join the Aerohawk site make sure you are "friending" the appropriate site.

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