



The Radio Flyer

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Float Fly = Fun Fly!

Finally, after all that's been going on, the first event on the club calendar happened. Actually, it was the second, we can't forget the New Years Chili Fun Fly...OK, so the second event on the club calendar is in the books. From the sound of it, the quaint turnout and slightly breeze weather made for a full day of flying, boating, fishing and fun.



In good fashion, the clubs drum majors, Kevin M. and Bill L. were there to kick off the days events with their electrics and Kevins glow powered Cub. Tom P. and the rescue/support boat followed shortly around 9am. This brings me to my first big thanks and Shout-Out to Tom P. for heading up the team of one and bringing out the clubs boat that is a necessity to even having a Float Fly. To all of those who thought that you need some type of trailer or big truck to haul out the boat, NOPE, any family van will suffice. Thanks again Tom P. for doing that.

With things in place, the selectively good crowd of pilots and spectators started to trickle in. "Doc" and Tony made the track from up north to fly some electrics off the choppy waters. "Doc" had his Valiant setup to go but unfortunately ended up having issues with the muffler. Hope to see it with Lances Valiant at the next Float Fly. Speaking of formation flights, not sure if Kevin and Tom were able to fly their Cubs together, but that would be great for the next Float Fly...a Club Fly By.

Besides the pilots in attendance, there was also a tight knit group of RC boaters that made it out that day. The Young's (a staple of any good boating event) brought out the "Green Lighting". An electric powered speed boat that had some issues staying upright and in the water but was still described to this reporter as to have "A bunch of Gitty-Up and Go!". I am also looking forward to John Y's. U-boat build showing up at the next event. Not to be out done, Tom P. brought out his Swap Meet purchase, a well seasoned bucket boat. Unfortunately, with the choppy waters and a slight nose heavy C.G., the boat didn't float.

With very few planes and boats being flipped over, Lizzie and Oli made some great rescues. Which is another Shot-Out, thank you to Lizzie and Oli for running the USS Aerohawk. The good news is that because of them and with things finishing up around 5pm...nothing was lost to Poseidon.



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Spectators are welcome at the Aerohawks' flying field and clubhouse on Hebl Avenue, west on Melrose, west of HWY 218, on manicured, reclaimed land near the entrance to the Landfill. New members are welcome at any time, at any level of skill.

The Club has an active, free instructional program for beginners. Membership is \$60 annually, and the Club also requires that members volunteer help with work projects from time to time. Members must also join the Academy of Model Aeronautics, (the Iowa City Aerohawks are Chapter 824).

Iowa City Aerohawks General Meeting June 2nd, 2020



General meeting brought to order at 7PM via zoom by
President Lizzie Peters

Roger Schultz brought forth the financial report

Motion to accept – Roger Schultz

2nd – Scott Garret

Passed

Secretary Bill Kiesel supplied meeting minutes for April

Motion to accept – Rich VeDepo

2nd – Scott Garret

Passed

OLD BUSINESS

Questions came forth about finishing the work inside the clubhouse. Roger Schultz said he would be happy to finish it up. Approved.

Ditch clean up is going to be this Saturday, June 6th. Meeting at the clubhouse @0830. In the ditches @0900. A phone tree is set up. Marc Niehus, Roger Schultz, Scott Garrett.

Float Fly is going to be June 20th. Gates open at @0800. Start time is going to be 1000. It is @ Riverside.

NEW BUSINESS

Bruce Fischer is looking for a replacement for the training coordinator. Matt Rosenberg said he would help with this and help with new pilots and organizing.

Horizon Flight School is currently on hold due to Covid

The Coralville Parade is still to be determined. We are looking to get a spot, but no decision has been made for the parade to happen.

Verified the Airshow is cancelled. We will evaluate at a later date about the show next year.

We had a discussion about putting the grill in the clubhouse.

We will not be stocking the refrigerator this year. Please feel free to bring your own.

Discussion ensued about starting meetings at the club house again. We will be attending the meetings at the club house starting in July. It is voluntarily suggested to attend, and the meeting will also on Zoom for anyone not comfortable to attend.

Discussion needs to happen about the night fly for Tim that he is organizing. Rich will speak with him.

Motion to adjourn- Roger Schultz

2nd – Marc Niehus

Passed

Meeting adjourned @ 8:05 PM

FAMILY & FRIENDS FLY-IN ?

With the canceling of this years Airshow, it was brought up at one of the meetings (the seed planted by the Radio Flyer Editor and Chief) that in place, on Sunday, July 12th, we could have a “Friend and Family Fly-In”. It would be a very informal get together for anyone you would like to invite to stop out during the day and share the hobby with or to fly something you would have flown in the Airshow this year. We would have an open flightline with a few scheduled events during the day. An example would be a “War Bird, all eras Fly By” or a “Cub Review” or a “3D Gaggle”...etc. These event will be set ahead of time so you can schedule with your family and friends to stop on by. This would culminate with a pot-luck and grill out done by our very own “Pit Master” Scott G. There would be a slight charge to cover the cost of whatever Scott will be grilling up and the hopes that some would bring a dish to share.



This is just an idea and is still in the works, but we are looking for feedback from ALL club member on their thoughts. First we would like to know if you would like to attend...if so, Second, what events and what planes would like to see...and Thirdly, what do you think Scott should grill. Rich V. has put out a few surveys on your public FaceBook page. PLEASE take some time and fill it out. We would like to have peoples ideas ready to bring up at the next Club Members Meeting. This would be a great way to have a great event to fill the Airshows place and to showoff your latest and greatest project!

2020 MOWING SCHEDULE

We are very fortunate that our Field Marshal, Charlie Bray was almost able to fill the whole mowing schedule for 2020. This is a quick and easy way to help out the club. Charlie will have the list posted on the bulletin board out at the field, you can just jot your name in any of the open weeks to help out the club. Thanks!!! Below is next months lucky winners!!!

A Look Ahead...The Next Few Weeks

July 5th - 11th...Dion Daubenmier	July 26th - Aug 1st...Kevin Malamphy
July 12th - 18th...Dion Daubenmier	Aug 2nd - 8th...Scott Garrett
July 19th - 25th...OPEN	Aug 9th - 15th...Charlie & Bo

AEROHAWK CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2020

There are still a few dates not shown and that will chance as we see how the rest of the year pans out. For instance, the Fun Fly tends to be later in the year when the organizer has time. Also, you will see the Holiday Party is not listed cause we cannot book the restaurant out this far in advance but it usually falls on the 1st or 2nd Wednesday of December. Check FaceBook for current changes in the schedule!

Jul 12...Family & Friends Day???	Oct 10...Float Fly @ Kent Park
Aug 8...Float Fly @ Riverside	Nov 7...Ditch Cleanup
Aug 27-30...Night Fly	TBD ... Holiday Party