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The next General Membership Meeting is

July 7th at 7:00 p.m. at the clubhouse.



Early Saturday morning a few pilots got a quick flight in at the McBride float fly, and then it started raining. We took cover under umbrellas and inside Lance's trailer. But we had pork burgers to cook, and to get the charcoal going, a few ingenious people decided we needed more air blowing across the humid grill. And what a better way than with Bill's electric Catalina airplane. It worked great, and then to keep the rain from reaching the grill, our President, Lance rigged up an umbrella held up by a shovel, which also worked great. After that the rains quit, we were able to do some flying. A couple of mishaps, Bill's plane landed in the trees while he was trying to get good Gopro video, Juerg had a rough day, losing a plane beyond the trees and after searching for it came back with an allergic reaction. Later, we all sat down to enjoy the pot luck meal and pork which Scott Garrett had provided. It was decided that due to predicted bad weather we would not fly on Sunday (which then turned out to be a fairly nice day).



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5 MINUTE FLIGHT

PLACE	Name	Time	Points
1st	Aaron H.	5:00	17
2nd	Chris L.	5:03	16
3rd	Lance M.	4:50	15
4th	Dave P.	4:43	14
5th	Bruce F.	5:19	13
6th	Gary B.	5:21	12
7th	John F.	5:22	11
8th	Jay S.	5:23	10
9th	John H.	5:30	9
10th	Roger S.	4:23	8
11th	Juerg T.	5:48	7
12th	Raul O.	6:32	6
13th	Nick N.	6:36	5
14th	Bill L.	6:39	4
15th	Rich V.	6:40	3
16th	Gary K.	7:48	2
17th	Alex Y.	1:11	1

SPOT LANDING

PLACE	Name	Distance	Points
1st	John H.	6.75	17
2nd	Dave P.	10.5	16
3rd	Jay S.	24	15
4th	Aaron H.	25.5	14
5th	Gary K.	30	13
6th	Chris L.	31.5	12
7th	Nick N.	39	11
8th	Bill L.	42	10
9th	Juerg T.	57	9
10th	Alex Y.	63	8
11th	Gary B.	69	7
12th	Raul O.	72	6
13th	Roger S.	84	5
14th	John F.	85.5	4
15th	Lance M.	96	3
16th	Bruce F.	126	2
17th	Rich V.	156	1

3 FASTEST

PLACE	Name	Time	Points
1st	Bill L.	:24.29	16
2nd	Raul O.	:27.13	15
3rd	Rich V.	:29.21	14
4th	Chris L.	:30.08	13
5th	Jay S.	:30.89	12
6th	Bruce F.	:31.20	11
7th	Aaron H.	:31.40	10
8th	John H.	:36.80	9
9th	Gary K.	:41.66	8
10th	Gary B.	:46.94	7
11th	Nick N.	:49.96	6
12th	Yuerg T.	:56.50	5
13th	John F.	01:20.9	4
14th	Alex Y.	01:36.1	3
15th	Lance M.	DQ	1.5
15th	Dave P.	DQ	1.5

FUN FLY 2015
Results

GRAND TOTAL

PLACE	Name	Total
1st	Chris L.	78
2nd	Aaron H.	75
3rd	John H.	69.5
4th	Dave P.	66
5th	Bill L.	60
6th	Jay S.	55
7th	Raul O.	52.5
8th	John F.	51.5
9th	Gary B.	50
10th	Rich V.	48
11th	Bruce F.	42
12th	Nick N.	41.5
13th	Gary K.	38.5
14th	Alex Y.	36
15th	Yuerg T.	35
16th	Lance M.	19.5
17th	Roger S.	13

KOOSH BALL DROP

PLACE	Name	Distance	Points
1st	Aaron H.	6	15
2nd	John H.	18	14
3rd	John F.	24.75	13
4th	Chris L.	25	12
5th	Alex Y.	30	11
6th	Bill L.	33	10
7th	Dave P.	39	9
8th	Gary B.	42.75	8
9th	Raul O.	54	7
10th	Nick N.	57	6
11th	Rich V.	69	5
12th	Jay S.	72	4
13th	Bruce F.	102	3
14th	Gary K.	126	2
15th	Juerg T.	DQ	1

BOWLING

PLACE	Name	Passes=Tot.	Points
1st	John H.	0,5,4=9	15
2nd	Rich V.	0,0,9=9	14
3rd	Jay S.	1,0,6=7	13
4th	Bill L.	4,0,1=5	12
5th	Dave P.	0,5,0=5	10.5
5th	Nick N.	0,5,0=5	10.5
7th	Chris L.	1,3,0=4	9
8th	Gary K.	0,0,4=4	8
9th	Aaron H.	2,1,0=3	7
10th	Alex Y.	0,0,3=3	6
11th	Raul O.	0,1,0=1	5
12th	John F.	0,0,0=0	2.5
12th	Juerg T.	0,0,0=0	2.5
12th	Gary B.	0,0,0=0	2.5
12th	Bruce F.	0,0,0=0	2.5

POKER RUN

PLACE	Name	Hand	Points
1st	John F.	Full House	17
2nd	Chris L.	Flush	16
3rd	Dave P.	10s&5s A high	15
4th	Raul O.	8s&5s K high	13.5
4th	Gary B.	8s&5s K high	13.5
6th	Aaron H.	8s&5s Q high	12
7th	Rich V.	8s&5s J high	11
8th	Bruce F.	8s&5s 9 high	10.5
8th	Yuerg T.	8s&5s 9 high	10.5
10th	Bill L.	7s&5s 10 high	8
11th	Alex Y.	6s&5s J high	7
12th	Gary K.	5s&4s Q high	5.5
12th	John H.	5s&4s Q high	5.5
14th	Roger S.	8s A high	4
15th	Nick N.	5s A high	3



Congratulation once again to Chris Lenz as he proved for the third time that he has what it takes to be Fun Fly Champion. Nearly cancelled due to early Sunday rains, the skies cleared up just in time at 3:00 for the competition to begin. 17 flyers signed up, Marc Niehus was the emcee/judge along with judges John and Lindsey Young. There were 5 flying events and a poker draw. Throughout the day there were shifting winds and half way through a rain shower delayed the event for about an hour. Many skilled pilots risked their plans trying to get the best time or most points, a couple of planes were damaged, landing short of the West runway. The most excitement of the day came during the bowling event as Bruce was trying to line up for the pins, but ended up going along the fence line, with a ball and string hanging down weaving through the fence opening, we were all expecting it to get tangled and the plane get jerked to a sudden stop, but I think Bruce said a prayer and the ball went through the gap and he kept flying. Towards the end of the day we enjoyed pizza and after the points were figured, awards were handed out.



1st Event...5 Minute Flight.....sounds easy enough, well it's not! In past years we have seen times from 3:30 to 8:15...Without using the use of a timer (no watches or transmitter timers) you will be timed from takeoff to a full stop landing. Closest to 5 minutes WINS!!! This is a great way to warm up and check everything is good to go for the day!

2nd Event...Spot Landing.....in years past we did a "dead stick" landing competition...this year we decided to make this more of a spot landing with a couple twists...making a normal approach, as you cross over the end of the runway, the judge will tell you to cut your throttle... the plane closest to the cone (measuring from the tip of your spinner) WITHOUT hitting it WINS!!! Make sure though you carry enough energy across the end of the runway to make it to the cone!

3rd Event...3 Turn Takeoff To Touchdown.....this is to see who can takeoff, make 3 turns (horizontal turns or vertical loops...rolls don't count) and then land to a full stop. Fastest from power up to stopping WINS!!!

4th Event...Bottle Bowling.....this a new addition to the Fun Fly....we have tested this many times with many types of planes and it has worked flawlessly! What we do is tie a lightweight plastic baseball on a long string to your landing gear.

Placed on the runway are approx. 20-two litter bottles...you get three passes to try to knock down as many bottles as you can...the most WINS!!! We have tied the ball to even the smallest of planes and it works out perfectly...no issues!

5th Event...Koosh Drop.....this is a very popular game...what we do is tape a Dixie Cup to your plane with a Koosh ball inside it...we place a target on the runway and you get two chances to hit the target....some like to do a quick roll to drop the ball, others to a quick "nose-over" to pop it out...whichever way, closest to the target WINS!!!

6th Event...Poker Run.....this is ALL LUCK...at the end of every event that YOU PARTICIPATE in (regardless of the outcome...in years past, some guys have done a quick takeoff and landing just to get the card...) you will receive a playing card, at the end of the day's events, three wild cards will be picked, the pilot with the best 5 card poker hand, WINS!!!

Iowa City Aerohawks
June 2015
General Meeting

Meeting brought to order by President Lance Meyer, 7:10 PM.

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

Motion to accept – Roger Schultz

2nd – Rich VeDepo – Passed

Treasurer Roger Schultz brought forth the Treasurer's report.

Motion to accept – John Heise

2nd – Dave Petsel – Passed

OLD BUSINESS –

We have talked to the City regarding getting gravel from them for our lot. They informed us that they have used the entire budget for gravel but have submitted an additional request for more. Lance will check with them and see in a couple of weeks.

Lance spoke with them regarding the safety vests. They are getting us some.

The reunion went really well. We ended up serving approximately 50 people. There were 7 flyers from the original club. There was some great talking and history lessons for us. Thank you very much for everyone that provided food. It was all delicious. We even had one gentleman that came from Guatemala. Thank you to all that helped arrange this and make it happen.

Roger Schultz made a motion for up to \$2,000.00 for gravel and Skid Loader rental if necessary.

Motion to accept – Roger Schultz

2nd – Rich VeDepo – Passed

Dave Petsel has donated a weather station. We would like to be able to hook up to the City Landfill WiFi. Dave has asked the Board to contact the City Landfill and make sure we can hook the weather station up to the WiFi.

Motion made to spend up to \$200.00 for an antenna and possible additional charges.

Motion to accept – Dave Petsel

2nd – Roger Schultz – Passed

Lance is going to speak with the Landfill regarding this.

Marc Niehus, via speaker phone, spoke with us regarding the Fun Fly. Marc reiterated that this is available to all levels of flying. Beginners have a great opportunity to do well. A lot of the events are built upon luck and participation. There will be 5 flying events. There will be a poker run event at the end. You get a 1 card per event. More information will be sent out via email shortly. Stay tuned. Thanks to Marc Niehus for all of his hard work. June 28th is the event. We will be having pizza afterward. Cost associated with this will be decided at a later date.

NEW BUSINESS –

The float fly will be happening on June 13th and 14th. It is being held at Lake McBride at the primitive campground. Scott Garrett and Roger Schultz will be parking at the location. All others, please unload, and park down by the boat ramp. If you are interested, there is still one spot available for renting for camping next to us. Roger Schultz will be bringing the boat out and available after 10:00 AM Saturday. We are planning on flying on Sunday. Please let Roger or Lance know in advance if you are planning on flying Sunday. We want to make sure to have the boat available. Lance is bringing the life jackets. There is no electric available. Please make your own appropriations for this.

Lance mentioned that a few members have been concerned about parking and accessibility to the pits at the airfield. Trailers have been pulled up in between the walk areas and have blocked some of the access. Open discussion has ensued. We will be moving the small bleachers out of the way for easier parking. Please be courteous when parking and make sure people have room for access.

Roger Schultz motioned to spend up to \$50.00 on a bull horn. This will be used for the Float Fly and the Air Show.

Motion – Roger Schultz

2nd – Aaron Heise – Passed

Lance brought up flight line safety. Discussion ensued. The Board will come up with the Top 15 rules and have a list to be signed off on. We possibly will have posted on the pit fence.

We will be changing the lock combination. At that time, we will have the list of flight line safety rules available for signature, and then the new combination will be given to the pilot.

Lance has mentioned that Bruce Fischer has supplied him with a list of new pilots and their instructors. Bruce will be at the July meeting. Discussion ensued regarding the training program. The board will discuss and see what we can do to get more students flying.

Introductions went on for new members.

Lance mentioned the raffle plane for the Air Show. Discussion ensued regarding what kind of plane we should purchase for this.

Motion to buy the Hangar 9 Mustang. Roger Schultz. \$450.00 plus tax.

2nd – Rich VeDepo – Passed

Rich VeDepo mentioned that Roger Schultz and he will be assisting with a Cub Scout gathering. There could be possibilities for rental of the buildings that this is being held at. Consideration for the Swap Meet. Rich mentioned that it is nice to have options. It is the Johnson County Fairgrounds.

Rich mentioned that he thought it would be a good idea for the Board to meet and greet with the City replacement for Dave Elias.

Rich mentioned that we should look at watering the grass in the pits. The new grass is starting to look a little brown.

Motion to adjourn – John Fordice

2nd – John Heise - Passed

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.

JULY

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12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

Mowing Schedule

June 28 to July 4	JuergTschirren
July 5 to July 11	Lance Meyer
July 12 to July 18	Ron Zieglofsky
July 19 to July 25	Brian Bowers
July 26 to August 1	Marc Neihus
August 2 to August 8	Mary Curtis

Upcoming Events

July 4th -- Coralville 4th Parade
July 7th -- General Membership Meeting
July 21st -- Board Meeting

Remaining Events For 2015

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

PUZZLE

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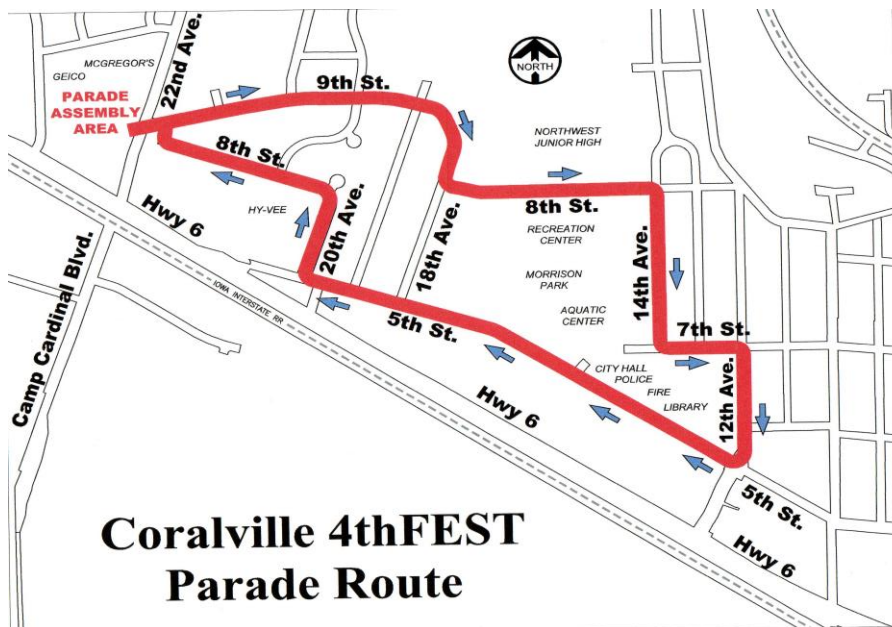
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2012 Float

July 4th parade in Coralville:

Saturday the 4th the Aerohawks will have an entry in the Coralville Parade. The parade starts at 10:00 a.m. Our float must be staged by 9:00, we are entry #43. All members are encouraged to show up by 8:45 at the Geico/Mcgregor parking lot near Hy-Vee and bring planes or helicopters to place on the float. Please let Rich know by e-mail so we can get an estimate on how many aircraft we will have. Roger will be bringing the float and Marc will have the banners and Scott will be pulling the float in the parade with his Jeep.



Coralville 4thFEST Parade Route

SKYHAWK EVENT

The Cedar Rapids Skyhawks will be hosting the Annual Warbirds over Iowa event on Saturday July 18th from 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. to benefit Eastern Iowa Honor Flight. The event will draw pilots from Iowa as well as surrounding areas and featuring warbird aircraft from many eras. It is located at the Skyhawks field north of Cedar Rapids near county home road. For more information go to www.crskyhawks.org

The Radio Flyer is brought to you by your Information Officer – John Fordice

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