



The Radio Flyer

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The next General Membership

Meeting is **Tuesday June 2nd** at 7:00

P.M. at the Clubhouse.

Maiden Flight Day on the 17th turned out to be more of a maiden cookout. The winds were strong, about 20 -25 mph so there was very little flying. Raul was the one brave flyer by "hovering" his

plane in the wind and making a very entertaining, yet successful landing. The food was great with a lot of grilling and there was a wide selection of sides and desserts brought out to the clubhouse by several members.



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Iowa City Aerohawks

May 2015

General Meeting

Meeting brought to order by Scott Garrett, standing in for President Lance Meyer, 7:00 PM.

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

Motion to accept – Rich VeDepo

2nd – Roger Schultz – Passed

Scott Garrett asked for Treasurer Roger Schultz to bring forth the Treasurer's report.

Motion to accept – Gary Bernabe

2nd – Keith Millard – Passed

OLD BUSINESS –

Gerald Hollander asked if we have rolled the runway with a rented roller yet. Roger Schultz mentioned that we have not yet, but we are waiting for the moisture to come out more.

Lance is going to speak with the appropriate personnel to see about getting rock for the lot.

Lance is going to speak with the City about getting additional vests for the ditch clean ups.

NEW BUSINESS –

Gerald Hollander and Roger Schultz re-shot the elevations of the clubhouse. There has been no additional movement since the last time. This is a very good thing.

The float fly will be happening again this year at Lake McBride on June 13th and 14th. We will be starting at 10:00 am. Approval has already been obtained from the Ranger. Permits have been approved, along with two camp sites. The decision will be made on Saturday the 13th if we will be doing again on Sunday.

Maiden flight day will be May 17th. We will be meeting at 1:00 pm. We will be grilling at approximately 5:00 pm. Feel free to bring significant others for this. Remember to bring your cameras to take pics of the excitement.

Lance asked if we want to set a day up for runway repair. The runway is in pretty bad shape. Rich VeDepo introduced the new runway repair kit. It is the gray tool box. Rich gave us a hands on training seminar. If you do not understand the process of runway repairs, please feel free to contact a board member for instruction. The kit is located on top of the freezer on the south wall of the clubhouse. If you see any tears on the runway, even not yours, please make sure to repair them. If you see staples sticking up, please step them back down. We will be looking at a repair time dependent on the day and weather. Stay tuned.

Lance reminded everyone of the Fun Fly coming up June 28th. Marc Niehus organizes this and it is always a great time.

Rich VeDepo reminded everyone about the Airshow coming up in 129 days.

Mary Curtis reminded everyone about the registration for the Fourth of July parade. Rich VeDepo received the registration and has already submitted to the post office.

Rich VeDepo said that he and Roger Schultz went up to watch the glider event in Solon. They had a great time. Encourage everyone to attend this sometime. Rich will be supplying us with information on an Aerohawk reunion at Terry's. Please stay tuned. Rich will be sending out an email.

Lance explained that the North end of the pit area is taped off to allow the grass to grow and become established. Please respect this. Bill Lee and his son came out and fertilized and seeded the grass area. There is no charge to the club. Thank you very much to Bill and his son.

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Meeting Minutes continued...

Dave Petsel explained that the website forum is easily accessible to be hacked. He recommends that we remove the forum so we are not susceptible. The club voted to remove the forum. The real time conversing will happen through Facebook. Please contact a board member if you need assistance with this.

Dave showed a free app for realflight. Available for android and apple. He demo'd this for the club. The app is free. Dave will post a link to it on Facebook.

The club reviewed to roster and discussed members who have not paid. The board will speak with Bruce Fischer regarding the pilot program.

Bill Lee reminded everyone about protecting the grass from fuel and exhaust. Please be aware and contain this as much as you can.

Motion to adjourn – Gary Bernabe
2nd – Dave Petsel – Passed

Meeting adjourned at 7:51 PM.



Rich explains the new runway repair kit that is available in the clubhouse.



It was a very memorable night on Wednesday as the original members of our club returned to the field for a reunion and shared many stories that helped shape the club. Tonight was just the first day of the two day event; they will be going out to Terry's field near Solon on Thursday. The club started out about 1956, mainly as control line and free flight at the Iowa City

Airport, the circle pad is still there. It was then called the Iowa City Model Airplane club. There was also some flying at Terry's farm, just west of the field and also in North Liberty. They shared stories about some of the original hobby shops in Iowa City. It was revealed for the first time tonight that the Aerohawk(yes, it's one word) name came from the mother of Keith, one of the first members, which won him the contest. There was also a contest for the aerohawk insignia, which was inspired by a picture of Herky holding a megaphone. "Doc", who returned all the way from Guatemala, was the first member to fly radio control, as he mentioned the huge antenna and "high tech" equipment of the day. We really appreciated all of them traveling a long way to join us. A great turnout of members on a perfect weather night with a lot of flying and pork burgers, beverages and sides and cake provided by the club made for a great evening.



JUNE

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28	29	30				

Mowing Schedule:

May 31 to June 6 --- John Fordice
 June 7 to June 13 --- Gerald Hollander
 June 14 to June 20 --- Bill Lee
 June 21 to June 27 --- Dave Petsel
 June 28 to July 4 --- Juerg Tschirren

Upcoming Events

June 2nd --- General membership Meeting
 June 13/14th --- McBride Float Fly
 June 16th --- Board Meeting
 June 28th --- Fun Fly

Wednesdays are days set aside to give new pilots priority over the airfield to allow for training.

Thursday Nights are Club Nights when plans may be made for grilling or potlucks etc...

Events remaining in 2015

June 13/14th 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



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