



The Radio Flyer

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Hanging Out At The Field



I'm going to start off by apologizing for this month's newsletter. It's going to be somewhat short, a little repetitive and you all can guess why. Please don't shoot the messenger but if you're not going to tell me about your projects, this is what you get!

I would love to tell you about preparations for this or a sign-up list for that, but unfortunately there is none of that right now. The only "going-on's" is the random and sparse few that find some type of solace in making it out



to the field to get a flight or two (or in Scott M's. case., an Airshow worth of) flights in...side note; Scott flew about 25 flights Sunday!

I've been able to make it out a couple times, more as an observer than a participant, and have enjoyed hanging out and BS'ing with everyone. It's truly been a relief. It's been great seeing guys out flying on ARLO and keeping the "physical separation" distance. A mental sabbatical from everything that's going on. Truly guys....This is a great way to get out and enjoy our hobby!

So, that's why the title of this newsletter is "Hanging Out At The Field". Seriously, if you need to get away...come



on out! If you're wondering what's going on...sign up for ARLO, it's a great way to see what's going on. Bring a chair, something to drink, maybe a sandwich, or even a toaster (Scott M.). Take a break...you deserve it!



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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

April 7th, 2020

Meeting brought to order by President Lizzie Peters via Zoom – 7:00 PM

Treasurers report from – Mary Curtis

Motion to accept – Lance Meyer

2nd – Rich VeDepo - Passed

Meeting Minutes – Bill Kiesel

Motion to accept – Roger Schultz

2nd – Marc Niehus - Passed

Mentioned that repairs went over previously approved budget for the clubhouse of \$8.00.

Motion to pay – Roger Schultz

2nd – Lance Meyer - Passed



OLD BUSINESS

Rich brought up the volume controller used for the sound system. This controls the volume of music automatically if someone is talking. Rich will speak with Louis Seaba about getting this. The cost of the unit is \$200.00

Motion to purchase – Marc Niehus

2nd – Roger Schultz - Passed

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion ensued regarding the future of the Airshow for 2020. With these unprecedented times of the COVID – 19 virus, we are reassessing. Further information to come.

Great discussion ensued regarding the use of the Club facilities. With the virus, and County regulations, several things had to be determined. It was determined that we will be closing the Clubhouse, but the flying field is open. All social distancing and regulations are required and will be posted. Please stay tuned to updates.

Charlie Bray mentioned that there are a few shingles missing on the clubhouse, do to extreme winds. He is going to check and see if we have any extra shingles in the shed.

Lindsey Young is going to check on pricing for blinds for the clubhouse.

Discussion ensued as to purchasing blinds no to exceed \$200.00

Motion by Rich VeDepo for \$200.00

2nd – Roger Schultz - Passed

Several child-like antics were experienced through the meeting. Quarantine is definitely setting in.

Next meeting will be May 5th – 7:00 PM via Zoom

Motion to adjourn by Roger Schultz –

2nd by Rich VeDepo - Passed

Zoom meeting adjourned at 7:54 PM

2020 AIRSHOW UPDATE

As you all know, the biggest event on our calendar below is the Annual Airshow. Our Airshow committee has been working very hard to produce a great product. This year will be the first time we are deciding many things through different work groups, this way unloading the full burden on one guy (looking your way Rich)!

The committee has put a lot of work into the Airshow line-up and volunteer list, only to be left with the major question...Are we having an Airshow? Originally, it was decided that "IF" the Coralville 4th of July Parade went on as planned, "YES", we would have the Airshow since the majority of advertising happens then.

With that being said, the committee did look at the possibility of moving the Airshow into September. At this point, it is only a thought and the committee will be looking for feedback from the membership to see if this is a viable option. We do not know what date the committee will "call-it", but we have been assured that this will also be part of any future updates.

AEROHAWK CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2020

Well, as you can imagine, this section of the Newsletter is going to be changing as things change with the current health situation. We will be postponing some events and outright cancelling others. For the most current information, PLEASE view our FaceBook page. There are still a few dates not shown and that will change 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. Remember, check FaceBook for current changes in the schedule!

Jun 20...<i>Float Fly @ Riverside</i>	Aug 27-30...<i>Night Fly</i>
Jul 12...<i>Air Show</i>	Oct 10...<i>Float Fly @ Kent Park</i>
Aug 8...<i>Float Fly @ Riverside</i>	Nov 7...<i>Ditch Cleanup</i>

2020 MOWING SCHEDULE

It's springtime in Iowa. Springtime brings with it the birds chirping, the flowers blooming and GRASS! Yep, time wake up ol' JD (John Deere) and get him out of the shed.

We are very fortunate that our Field Marshal, Charlie Bray was able to almost fill the whole mowing schedule for 2020. But there are a few spots open and if you feel like sitting on a mower for about an hour and a half, cruising around the field on a kush tractor, listening to tunes on your very own, self-supplied headset, then this is a job for you. Seriously though, this is a quick and easy way to help out the club. Regardless of Rich and Dion's quality standards, it doesn't need to be perfect and if you have a hard time making the Ditch Clean up or any other event, this is a GREAT 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!!!

Week Starting.....	May 17th...Bruce Fischer
May 3rd...Eric Roehrle	May 21st...Scott Garrett
May 10th...Brett Lenz	May 31st...Tom Peters

