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The next General Membership Meeting is:

Tuesday, June 7th at 7:00 at the Clubhouse at the field!

CLUB GROWTH by Bruce Fischer

At the May general meeting I asked the the question, “Why should we want our club to grow?”. In part I was playing the devil’s advocate, but I was also asking each of us to get in touch with our motivation for growth because it will take a great effort to make our club a strong and growing enterprise.

We will have to keep our property functional and attractive.

Our training program needs to be effective and prompt in answering requests.

Our members must be welcoming and supportive of new flyers.

Isn’t possible to get so caught up in maintaining and improving our field and our club that we will not have the time we want to simply go out to the field for a relaxing time of flying? I think that is possible, so we need to evaluate the pressures we put on ourselves to grow.

Some reasons offered for wanting growth were the following:

One reason was to have others to carry on the hobby after we are gone. It is nice to be a part of something that outlast us, but that is using externals to build our egos.

A similar but more benevolent reason for wanting growth to leave an organization and program for others that come after us. This is more mature thinking, but to become overly concerned about the amenities we offer at the field may lock our followers into a responsibility for maintenance they may not want to bear. (Continued on Page 2)

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Some wanted growth so we can have new people to help with the responsibilities of maintaining our club. Of course this is very self-centered.

Yet another reason for wanting growth and improvement is to be associated with something of which we can be proud. All of us like to be associated with a winning enterprise, but we can drive ourselves into the ground by trying to build our egos in this way.

I have yet another a reason for welcoming growth that was not articulated at our May meeting. I call it hospitality. I believe we should be willing to offer a place and a program to others who want to enjoy the sport of flying RC airplanes. It is only common decency to extend what we have to others who would like to experience it. So I am willing to work for the club so others can enjoy being a part of us.

There may be other reasons I have not here listed for wanting to improve and grow, or reasons to seek only the status quo. I invite you to talk to me about it.

Riverside Float Fly – June 11th

Riverside Float fly will be on June 11th! There will be no cooking allowed at the site so everyone bring something to eat or use the buffet at the Casino. Flying will be until dark. Everyone should be leaving by 11 p.m. There will be Setup at the beach and there is a boat ramp.

Aerohawks Upcoming Events!

06/26/2016	Sunday	Fun Fly (To be confirmed)
07/04/2016	Monday	July 4th Coralville Parade
07/23/2016	Saturday	2nd Ditch Clean-up
08/28/2016	Sunday	Sertoma Pancake Breakfast
09/10/2016	Saturday	Air Show Field Preparation
09/11/2016	Sunday	23rd Annual Air Show
11/05/2016	Saturday	3rd Ditch Clean-up
12/14/2016	Wednesday	Holiday Party
01/01/2017	Sunday	New Year's Day Chili Fun Fly

Local Club Events (Check Facebook for more info)

06/18/2016	Saturday	Davenport R/C – Fun Scale Fly In
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Iowa City Aerohawks
May 2016
General Meeting Minutes

General:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm.

Motion to approve minutes of the last meeting by Marc Niehus, second by Dave Petsel
Needs one correction Joe Shurson needs name to change on E-Letter

Motion to approve treasure report Motion by Petsel second by nick niehus

Old Business:

Discussion of Float Fly scheduled for Saturday June 11th

New Business:

A motion was brought by Scott Garrett to do the 4th of July parade, second by Luis Seeba

A motion was brought by Marc Niehus to make 6 new stands that Marc will donate, second by
Scott Garrett - \$550

Motion to adjourn by David Petsel second by Shawn Shurson

June

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Upcoming Dates / Events:

**Tuesday June 7th –
General Membership Meeting**

**Saturday June 11th –
Riverside Float Fly!**

**Tuesday June 21st –
Board Member Meeting**

**Sunday June 26th -
Fun Fly (To be confirmed)**



Yellow, it's the color to have at the field in 2016!!!!

Have Fun and Keep Flying!

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