

Cedar Rapids Skyhawks  
**LOG BOOK**

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**Ray Scott's T6 Texan II**

**Photo by John Cox**



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## **Upcoming Events.**

**Saturday, January 15, 2022, 6:00 PM, Annual Skyhawks Dinner Party.** Details in this Logbook.

**Sunday, February 6, 2022, 7:00 PM, General Club Meeting at the Hiawatha Library.**

The air is an extremely dangerous, jealous and exacting mistress. Once under the spell most lovers are faithful to the end, which is not always old age. Even those masters and princes of aerial fighting, the survivors of fifty mortal duels in the high air who have come scatheless through the War and all its perils, have returned again and again to their love and perished too often in some ordinary commonplace flight undertaken for pure amusement.

*~Sir Winston Churchill*

**“The Skyhawks are a great partner and add a wonderful recreational element to our city.”**

**Daniel Gibbins, ISA**  
**Former Parks Superintendent**  
**Cedar Rapids Parks & Recreation Department**

**All club members must read and follow the safety rules. They are available on the website.**

**Reminder: You must have your current Skyhawks Membership Card to fly at the field.**

**Your current Skyhawks identification badge must be worn when you participate in a flying activity. If you are flying on a 72 MHz frequency or Ham band, you must use a frequency clip. Thanks.**

### **Cover photographs needed for the Logbook**

We would really appreciate people submitting photos for consideration for use as the Logbook cover. Cover photos need to be in portrait mode, and should be as high a resolution as possible, preferably 2000 by 3000 pixels or more. Furthermore, the top third of the photo should be sky or some other appropriate background so as not to interfere with the banner of the Logbook.

# **Skyhawks Meeting Minutes**

**December 5, 2021**

The meeting was held at the Hiawatha Library. It was called to order shortly after 7:00 p.m. by Todd Davis.

Geoff Barrance gave the Treasurer's Report.

Secretary's Report was read by David Logan.

## Old Business

- **Banquet**

Todd Davis did some research last month and found that the Starlite Room is available to use for our January banquet. Todd sent out an email asking for feedback from members about who could attend, and he received a response indicating that 19 individuals could make it. There are a few who plan to make it that did not respond to the email. The Starlite has a room available, but to get exclusive use of the room, we must have a \$350 minimum purchase as a group. Each person is responsible for their own meal.

Jim Buttleman said that he knows an Elks Club member, and they have a room that may be available. The Wilson Ave. Hy-Vee would cater it. Todd said that it was a good idea and we could possibly pursue it for next year, but we needed to vote on having a banquet at this meeting. There won't be any time to investigate what dates are available or plan the event.

Steve Wilson motioned that we have the banquet on Saturday, January 15, 2022 at the Starlite Room provided the date is still available. Gene Thorn seconded the motion. The motion carried. Todd added that the date is tentative and may change if the location is not available on that date.

- **Officer Elections**

The slate of nominations for officers for 2022 are:

President – Todd Davis

Vice President – Steve Wilson

Secretary – David Logan

Treasurer – Geoff Barrance

Wendell Maakestad made a motion that the officers nominated be approved as nominated. Randy Lepsch seconded the motion. The motion carried.

- **Hobby Town Incentive**

Todd checked with the Hobby Town owners to find out what type of response we had from the incentive program they offered to us. They have not gotten back with him at the time of the meeting.

As a reminder, Hobby Town is offering to Skyhawks members an incentive to purchase items from them at their local store. By showing your Skyhawks membership card at the point of sale, Hobby Town will donate a portion of those sales back to the club at the end of the year. This is a good way for us to get some money in our coffers, so please take advantage of their offer.

### New Business

- **Club Meeting Dates for 2022**

The club traditionally sets the meeting dates for the next year at the December meeting. We will continue to meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month unless it falls during a holiday weekend. In that event the meeting will occur the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month. Meetings will be held at the Hiawatha Public Library from January – May and from October – December. Meetings for June – September will be held at the airfield.

- **Club Sponsored Event Dates**

The dates for our traditional public events were announced

June 4, 2022 – Demonstration Day

July 9, 2022 – ElectriFly

August 20-21 – Iowa Pattern Contest

August 27 – Warbirds Over Iowa

- **Runway Report**

Someone drove on our runway in the last couple of weeks. Fortunately, there was no real damage done to the mat. It looks as though we can roll it out in the Spring. Discussion was held about ways to deter people from trespassing on the property. Steve Wilson volunteered to make or have made some signage stating that the property is under video surveillance and that trespassing is not allowed.

Some suggestions were made about strategies for surveilling the property which for privacy purposes are not included in these minutes.

- **2022 Property Lease**

The lease for the airfield was renewed with the city of Cedar Rapids for 2022. There were no changes in the agreement.

- **Donated Planes**

There are still 3 planes available that were donated last month. The Minimax for \$10, the Pilatus Turbo Porter for \$20, and the SE-5 ARF for \$60. Contact Todd Davis if you are interested in purchasing them. Otherwise, they will go to a swap meet.

- **Iowa City Swap Meet**

The Iowa City club will be hosting their annual swap meet on January 29, 2022 at the Iowa National Guard Facility off Melrose Ave. from 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

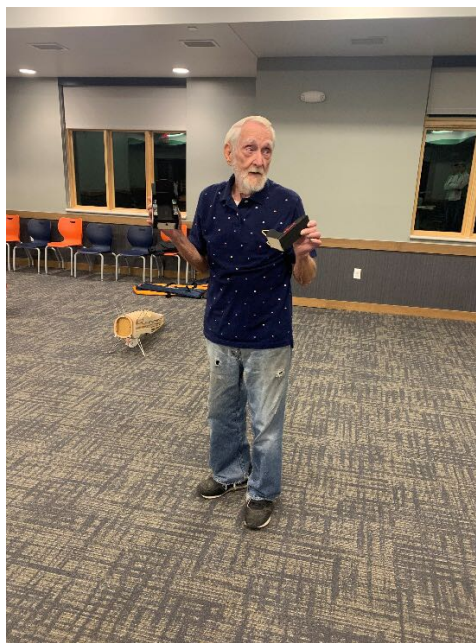
- **FAA Registration Requirement for Club Membership**

Randy Lepsch inquired about whether we should have proof of FAA licensing as a requirement for club membership, just like we do for the AMA membership requirement. Todd stated he isn't interested in us keeping track of all that since it's not really required. He mentioned we will follow the guidance and lead of the AMA on making that a policy. Should the AMA recommend or require it, we will comply with their standard.

### Show and Tell



*Figure 1-Todd Davis brought his E-Flite Electric Retracts that he will be putting in his Hangar -9 P-51 Mustang.*



*Figure 2-Gene Thorn scratch built a cockpit out of balsa and a few odds and ends he found at home. This will go in his A-4 Skyraider. See next figures for close ups.*



*Figure 3-Gene's A-4 Skyraider cockpit with the ejection seat inserted.*



*Figure 4-Gene Thorn's cockpit without the ejection seat inserted*



*Figure 5-Randy Lepsch created an Epoxy bottle holder with his 3-D printer*



*Figure 6-Steve Wilson brought his Boeing F4B2 he is working on. He wanted some ideas on how to fair the landing gear struts.*



*Figure 7- Randy Lepsch displayed his Hangar 9 Pitts that he is working on this winter.*

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Secretary's Report submitted by David Logan.



# JANUARY CLUB PARTY

The Annual Skyhawks Dinner Party will be on Saturday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, at the Starlite Room at 3300 1st Ave NE Cedar Rapids.

An E-mail will be sent to get an approximate count for how many will attend. Please respond when you get the E-mail.

Social Hour 6:00 to 7:00. Dinner at 7:00 PM  
Food and drinks will be ordered from the menu with separate checks.  
We will be seated in a private room.

Don't miss this chance to enjoy the good food and fellowship with Skyhawks members and their guests!



*"Home of the Original Half-Pound Super Burger"*



# **Cedar Rapids Skyhawks Instructors**

We want you to have a positive experience learning to fly. The more successful you are starting out determines if you will enjoy the hobby. The most important first step is to find an instructor to help you get off to a good start. The best way to contact an instructor is to call and make an appointment. There is also an Instructor Availability Calendar on the Skyhawks Website.

## **Airplane Instructors**

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## **Helicopter Instructors**

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# Cedar Rapids Skyhawks Radio Control Club

## Membership Application

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (W) \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ AMA#: \_\_\_\_\_

Proficiency Level (Circle One):      Student      Pilot      Instructor

Xmitter Frequencies Used: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Active (Circle all that apply):    Power    Glider    Helicopter    Other \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about our club? \_\_\_\_\_

### Membership Fees

Family \$78.00	Open \$60.00	Senior Citizen (65 and up) \$42.00	Junior (up to 14) \$12.00	Senior (15 to 18) \$30.00	Associate \$20.00
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All fees paid after October 1st each year will pay for the balance of the current year as well as for the following year.

If you are unable to pay at a club meeting, send your renewal with PROOF OF AMA (Photocopy of your current AMA membership card) to: Cedar Rapids Skyhawks, 1590 17th Avenue, Marion, IA 52302. AMA MEMBERSHIP REQUIRED TO FLY MODEL AIRCRAFT. YOU MUST SHOW YOUR CURRENT AMA MEMBERSHIP CARD OR PROVIDE A PHOTOCOPY TO A CLUB OFFICER IN ORDER TO OBTAIN A CLUB MEMBERSHIP CARD. ASSOCIATE MEMBERS WHO DO NOT FLY ARE EXEMPT.

**Cedar Rapids Skyhawks**  
1590 17th Avenue  
Marion, IA 52302

Deadline for submissions is the Tuesday following the Board meeting or the fifteenth of the month, whichever is later.  
Consideration for exceptions will be made where the information was not available in time and is of wide interest.