

Cedar Rapids Skyhawks
LOG BOOK

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crskyhawks.org

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Todd Davis' F9F Panther

Photo by John Cox



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Upcoming Events.

Sunday, October 3rd, 7:00 PM at the Hiawatha Public Library.

Fight to fly, fly to fight, fight to win.

~U.S. Navy Fighter Weapons School, TOPGUN

“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

September 12, 2021

The meeting at the airfield was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Todd Davis with 27 members present.

Geoff Barrance gave the Treasurer's Report. We currently have 70 members.

Secretary's Report was read by David Logan.

Old Business

- **Runway Replacement**

Koelker Excavating is available to do the runway work on October 11-15 this year. The plan is to tear up the existing material on the preceding weekend. We will need as many volunteers to come out and help as possible. They are not asking for any money up front from us and they did not have any clauses in their contract that those who reviewed it are concerned with. We are planning to use Koelker Excavating pursuant to a vote on timing and approval from the club. The to biggest items to consider is the approval of this company to do the work and the timing of when to replace the mat – this Fall or next Spring. Koelker's quote was for \$12,500 which includes the grading work and up to 600 tons of lime waste. Also, included is two runs of tile. We will be putting the mat down ourselves. It was Koelker's opinion that the mat would not experience significant settling over the winter months.

Mark Barnett moved that we accept Koelker Excavating to do the runway work. The motion was seconded by Gary Owen. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

The second issue that was raised regarded the timing of replacing the runway mat material. Advantages and disadvantages of replacing the mat in the Fall vs. the Spring were discussed and members had the opportunity to ask further questions. The thermal characteristics of the mat were questioned so we could understand what type of shrinkage may occur and details were given regarding the tile work to be performed. There will be a 1" crown in the excavation. If work is done in the Fall, we will need to do it the weekend following the excavation work and many volunteers will again be needed.

Wendell Maakestad commented that we had to rework the current runway several times due to settling and thought if we waited until Spring, we would get better results.

Mark Barnett moved that we prepare the site and replace the mat this Fall. Don Rosendale seconded the motion. The vote was 19 for replacement this Fall and 9 for waiting until Spring. The motion carried. If conditions dictate that we cannot do the work as planned another vote will be taken about when to proceed.

The runway mat will be torn up by the club members the weekend of October 9,10. Please come and help.

- **Pattern Championship and Warbirds Over Iowa Events**

Mark Barnett gave a report about the pattern championship that was held in August at our field. Attendance was down but the weather was great for the event. Mark would like to see more local participation from our club in the future. He or Mark Woytassek are available to teach and practice with anyone who would like to learn the basic pattern and give it a shot. Contact them if you are willing to give it a go.

Warbirds over Iowa had a great turn out with good weather.

If we have a Swap N Fly, we need to do it in the next two weeks. Consensus was to not have it this Fall but postpone it until Spring.

New Business

- EAA Chapter 3 Young Eagles are looking for volunteers to help with their LT40E build this winter. Gene Thorn volunteered to help and encouraged our members to actively work to promote our hobby to young people at every opportunity we are given.
- Steven Ward is planning to donate his nitro planes to the club.
- Our PA speakers were stolen from the garage. We will need to look at replacing them or getting a new sound system for events.

Show and Tell

Due to onset of darkness, Show N Tell will only be presented through the Logbook.



Gary Owen brought his new jet to show. It is a Freewing MiG-29 with twin 80 mm EDFs. It has been highly modified from the stock ARF as it has dual axis thrust vectoring, thrust reversers and LED afterburners. It runs on dual 6S LiPo batteries and it is equipped with GPS telemetry. The jet is controlled by a Graupner radio using 16 channels.



Gene Thorn brought a NiMH battery that burst while charging in his airplane. He wanted to show us the dangers of charging batteries while they are in the airplane. Fortunately, Gene did not lose his plane due to this mishap.



Geoff Barrance was flying prior to the meeting and noticed his engine making some strange noises. When he landed, he found that his propeller had come loose inside his spinner. The propeller had quite a gouge in it and the spinner was cracked. It was a lucky thing for Geoff that he noticed this and landed right away.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Secretary's Report submitted by David Logan.

Mark Barnett does another pass on his pattern plane



Gary Owen's Big Red with Smoke on



Randy Davis' L39 Albatros



Gary Owens flies his F22 Raptor



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.

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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.

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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.