

Cedar Rapids Skyhawks  
**LOG BOOK**

Established 1962 - AMA Charter 1007

[crskyhawks.org](http://crskyhawks.org)

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**Randy Lepsch Revolver**  
**Photo by John Cox**



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<http://www.crskyhawks.org>

## Upcoming Events.

**Sunday, December 4, 2022, 7:00 PM, General Club Meeting at the Hiawatha Library.**

We're not happy till you're not happy.

*~Perceived motto of the Federal Aviation  
Administration (FAA)*

“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**

**November 6th, 2022**

The meeting was held at the Hiawatha Library and was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Todd Davis with 7 members present.

Todd Davis gave the Treasurer's Report. Current membership is 63 (3 for 2023).

Secretary's report from the Sept. meeting was not read.

## **Old Business**

- **Warbirds Over Iowa 2022**

Collected a total of \$643 to Honor Flight. \$420 from the collection jar, \$223 from our entry fees. Check will be given to Honor Flight at their meeting on Nov. 14<sup>th</sup> by Todd. (Missed the October meeting)

- **Site Improvement Grant**

- Todd Davis attempted to re-submit our project to the AMA since it was not approved last year. It was rejected because the date of expense was more than one year ago. We had the one chance last year, and since it did not meet the cut as determined by some AMA discretionary criteria, we will not be getting grant money. When Todd contacted the AMA it was explained that they had a large number of Grant requests for a limited amount of money. They were mistaken when they told Todd that he could re-apply this year.

- **Club Banquet**

- We have had no response from anyone in the club who would like to be part of a banquet committee. Todd will move forward on checking with the Starlite room again this year. Likely to have the event in early January, most likely Saturday the 14th.

- **Officer Nominations**

- Now new nominations were provided. Nominations were closed. Current nominations from last month include:
  - Todd Davis – President
  - Steve Wilson – Vice President
  - Dave Logan – Secretary
  - Jim Doty – Treasurer
- At the January meeting a vote will be taken to confirm the positions as nominated.

## **New Business**

- Don Harker mentioned that the owner of the 4 star 120 found out in the corn at the flying field was located.

## **Show N Tell**

Wright Flyer - Don Harker showed his 1909 Wright Flyer that was built from scratch. He used foam and balsa to build up the airframe. It uses differential thrust and has no ailerons. The 1909 Wright flier is notable in that it was the first military airplane, or as Don says, the original Warbird. When it crashed in 1908, it also has the distinction of providing the first fatality in a powered airplane when Lt. Thomas Selfridge was killed. Don hopes to have a successful maiden with the model, one that you seldom see.

LT40 – An electric LT40 was donated to the club by Stephen Ward. It was decided that the best use of the trainer would be to have it available to assist the club instructors in getting new students trained. To best enable that, Rich Dean will take possession of the plane and use it as needed helping new pilots. Sometimes a new trainee will have an “incident” and having a plane available can allow them to continue getting lessons. This can be the difference between a new member staying committed to the hobby or leaving.

BF-109G – Todd Davis brought some items from the 1:4.5 scale ESM BF-109G that he is working on. The wing shows the air retracts that include Sierra Giant scale wheels. Todd will strip the film covering from the wing and glass it. He also showed the tail wheel that uses a spring to limit the shock the airframe feels when landing. The spring is from the idle screw off of a Walbro carb (we never use the idles screws). He also showed the VVRC 60RA engine that will power the 88” wingspan warbird. The engine provides the convenience and compact package we enjoy in the DLE-55RA, but has the extra power that 60cc provides. The engine was purchased from Valley View RC.

The meeting was adjourned around 7:45 p.m.

Secretary's Report submitted by Todd Davis.

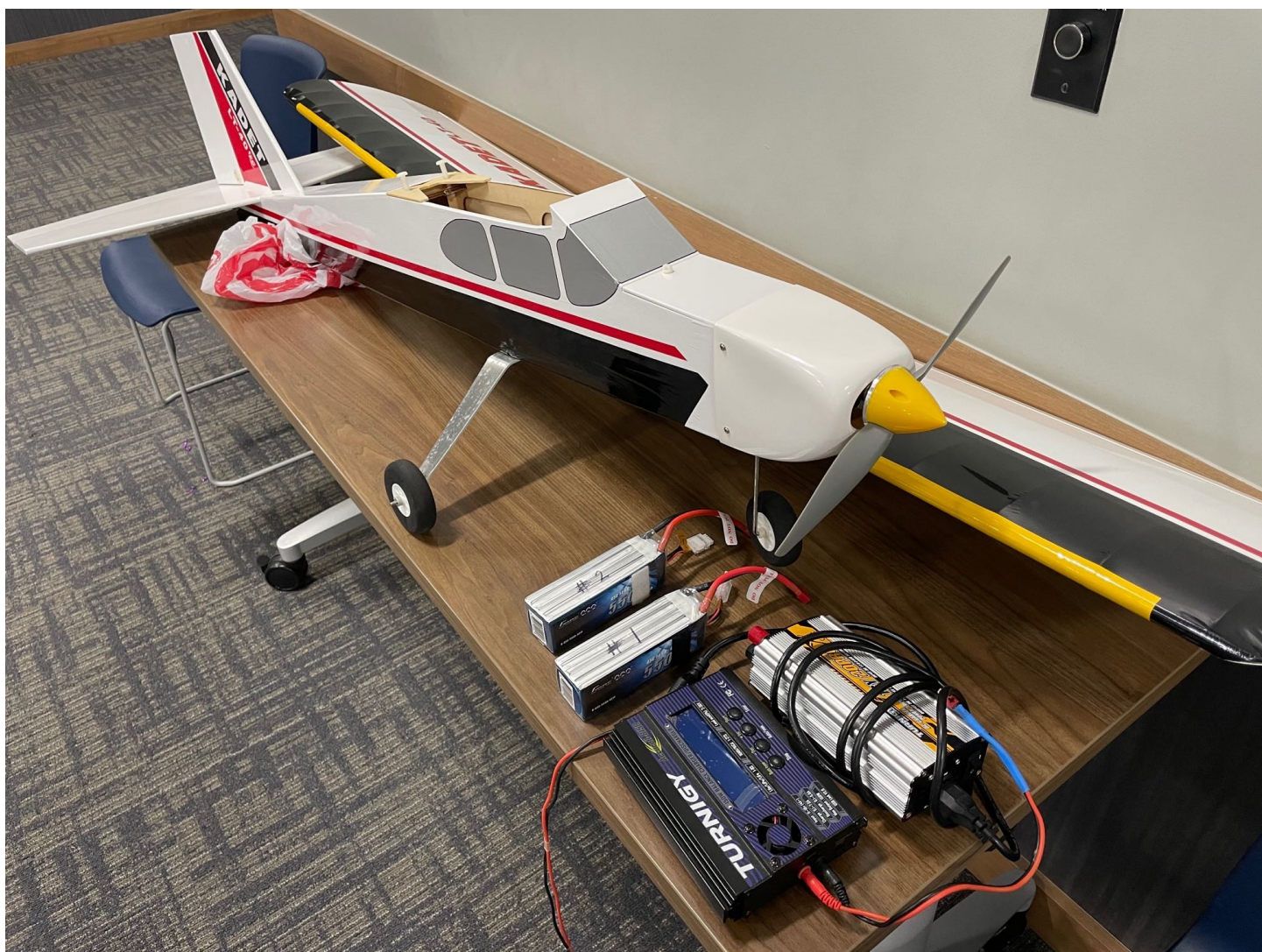


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## Cedar Rapids Skyhawks Instructors

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, 6126 Rockwell Drive NE, Apt 236, Cedar Rapids, IA 52402-4784. 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**  
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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.