

Cedar Rapids Skyhawks
LOG BOOK

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crskyhawks.org

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Gary Owen's New top RC Zero

Photo by Randy Lepsch



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Upcoming Events..

Sunday, April 7, 2024, 7:00 PM, General Club Meeting at the Hiawatha Library.

Saturday, August 24, 2024, Warbirds Over Iowa.

A mile of highway will take you a mile, a mile of runway will take you anywhere.

~Steve, Blogger from Ohio

“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

March 3, 2024

Steve Wilson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. There were 10 members present.

Jim Doty gave the Treasurer's Report.

David Logan read the minutes from the February 2024 meeting.

Old Business

- **FRIA Status**

We have officially been granted status as a FAA Recognized Identification Site (FRIA) for our flying site. This means that pilots flying at our field location will not need to meet the requirements of having a transponder on their planes.

- **ADA Improvements Update**

- **Rules Committee**

Considering the field changes that will occur because of the ADA upgrades, the rules committee has been placed in a holding pattern until we have completed the reconfiguring of the airfield. Those changes may affect the rules.

- **ADA Field Improvements**

Wendell Maakestad presented updates to the plan that was presented in February for the city's upgrades to the flying site to make it accessible for people with disabilities.

- The fence line will run parallel to the runway.
- 40' of additional fencing will be added to the North end of the parking area.
- The ADA walkway, bleachers, and parking slabs have been moved 40' to the South of the original proposal.
- The picnic pad will be poured parallel to the fence line.
- Gates will be 12' wide and one more gate has been added for a total of four.
- Gravel drive will be extended to the parking area, but the entire parking area will not be graveled.
- The city will repair the potholes in the current driveway.

- **Shade Structure**

- Steve Wilson suggested we look for some charitable foundations to see if we could submit a grant proposal for the money needed to get the shade structure purchased and installed. Gene Thorn suggested we contact large corporations near the end of their fiscal year end to see if there might be some funding available, since they are often looking for ways to spend budgeted funds at year end.

- The annual Fellowship Award was granted to Jim Doty this year. Jim has been instrumental in the smooth transition to a new treasurer after Geoff Barrance's retirement. We appreciate him taking on the role as it does require a good deal of time and accuracy in record keeping.

New Business

There was no new business conducted during the meeting.

Show N Tell

Gene Thorn went to Akron, OH to visit his daughter and saw a Sopwith Triplane in a museum there. He built a replica from scratch. He upgraded the plans for the plane by 25%. It's semi-scale. The cowl was 3-D printed by his son. He has mini servos in all the wings for the ailerons. Each wing has an aileron. He made the horizontal stabilizer removable, and it allows him to adjust the incidence. It weighs 3 ½ pounds and his propelled by a 720-Watt motor. During World War I, pilots flying the plane shot down 87 German planes in 22 days in 1917. Gene looks forward to performing his maiden flight on this plane for his 89th birthday on April 25th of this year.



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

Secretary's report sent 2/12/2024 by David Logan.

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 \$91.00	Open \$70.00	Senior Citizen (65 and up) \$49.00	Junior (up to 14) \$14.00	Senior (15 to 18) \$35.00	Associate \$23.00
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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, 6811 Surrey Drive NE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52402. 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.