

# THE CLANKING ARMOR

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AMA CLUB # 405

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NEWS AND ACTIVITIES OF THE LINCOLN SKY KNIGHTS R/C CLUB

## President's Message

Teaching an old dog new tricks.

Our hobby has endless possibilities. Keep yourself interested by challenging yourself in new ways, it's good for the mind. If you fly the same way at every outing you might consider teaching yourself a new maneuver. Get on the sim. and work on a outside loop, a four point roll or knife edge. You will be surprised what you can commit to muscle memory with just a few reps. Now take out your plane, get up two mistakes high, and practice your new maneuver. Wow I never thought I could do it, that was fun, I think I'll work on another new stunt. You could get on YouTube for ideas of new things to try. I train with a \$5 Kaos and a homemade flat foamy that I don't worry about crashing. Stress about crashing really takes the enjoyment out of the hobby. Fly it like you hate it.

## Secretary's Report

The March meeting of the Lincoln Sky Knights came to order with VP/CD Milt Oschner acting as interim club president. He is filling this position due to President Alan Zinnecker stepping down from the office. The gavel dropped signaled the start at 7:30 with 15 members present. Milt started the meeting with discussion on plans for the Funfly schedule for this season. Two will be for sure, the June fun fly for one and later one in the fall.

## VP/CD Report

<http://www.lincolnskyknights.org> or for area events check the Metro R/C site at <http://metrorcflying.com>

## Treasurer's Report

John Knopp our esteemed club treasurer gave his report as of the time of the meeting all bills were up to date and eight members renewed their memberships. John also gave the final numbers to the club auction held in February. Total income from sales and donations totaled roughly \$950 down from years past. A thank you goes out to all the members past and present that donated their time and property to the success of this event. John's Treasurer's report was voted on and approved.

## Safety Officer's Report

Mike Yearley gave the Safety Officer's report in the absence of Brad Pankoke. No accidents and no calls or complaints this month.

## Old Business

Milt took the meeting into the business part of the evening with Old Business. First up Leonard Akert talked about the students from the University came out and flew with Rich Kuenning all went well. Leonard also asked for information on which BoyScout club camped at our field in the past. If

anyone has information please get in contact with him. John Knopp brought up the issues the club had this last winter and volunteered to do snow removal with his four wheeler this next winter season.

## **New Business**

Next on the addenda was New Business. Milt talked about the AMA article on club breakups and disbanding. He reiterated the AMA point that to keep the club viable and active the focus must be on flying and all kinds of model aviation. His point was for \$75 a year we have a place we can escape from the world of work, family, and the other stresses we deal with every day. This club needs to keep it's focus on fun and positive goals not on segmenting and fragmenting the club we have. Club is an inclusive word not an exclusive word. Leonard said to add to this, to help out the special interest groups in our club we will have special focus funfllys this year. There will be opportunities for leaders to start and support their interests this summer. Next meeting we will discuss this more. Jerry Robinson brought up one point from past issues. The club used to have a club field clean up day. This will be reinstated this season as well. This will only work with the whole club support. A date for this event will be announced. Pond clean up also was discussed on one hand the reeds and weeds around the pond are a mess on the other hand without them the geese fertilize the whole field, the runway and clubhouse area as well. No formal decision was made at this time. Leonard purchased a new mower belt and the mower should be set up for this mowing season. Rich Feldman brought up that Milt can't step down from the VP/CD office and fill the office of President. He made a motion to have the constitution changed to rectify the inadequacies in this situation. After lengthy discussion and several motions made and retracted. A motion was finally agreed upon that all the

corrections and concerns for the club constitution will be penned in correct and proper language to fix the issues and will be brought to the next meeting to be reviewed and discussed. The motion was voted on and it finally passed. In the meantime, Milt made an executive decision and appointed Rick Feldman and Leonard Akert as deputy VP/CDs to fill out the office while he fills in the Presidents office. Milt stated that he is going to the Leadership meeting in Council Bluffs and wanted to know if anyone else was planning to attend. This closed the business meeting.

## **New Members**

On a sad note there were no new members this month.

## **Models of the Month**

Rick Feldman brought his latest new beauty. His Model of the Month is from flexinnovation.com. A really nice hybrid foam Cap 232. His is the night version and has a full light up framework. The whole thing lights up. With a three axis gyro stabilization system this six cell powered electric acrobat has no control cross coupling. All the rates and mixing can be set on the computer and downloaded to the plane. Rick said it has lots of mixing capabilities



## **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30

## **LSK FIELD RULES**

1. The AMA SAFETY CODE must be followed at all times.
2. All pilots must be current members of the Lincoln Sky Knights R/C club, or their guests, and have current AMA card. Guest pilots are allowed to fly three non-contest dates per calendar year if a current Lincoln Sky Knight member is present and they must have a current AMA card. **ALL PILOTS MUST HAVE A CURRENT A.M.A. CARD.**
3. All aircraft with fuel burning engines larger than .051 must have a functional muffler system.
4. Frequency Control Procedure for radios other than 2.4: After determining that your frequency is not in use, take your radio from the impound (if used) and place your current AMA and LSK card or a photocopy of them on the frequency control board. Do this by raising the tag corresponding to your frequency number and pinning it to the cable above your pin. At completion of flight, remove your pin from the tag and place your radio back in the impound (if used), making sure the switch is off.
5. Pilots must use one of the six flying stations and remain behind the safety barrier while flying. Pilots are allowed to stand behind the plane on the runway, only during take-off, if they feel it is necessary. **NOTIFY OTHER PILOTS** when you are taking off, landing, going onto the runway, or if you are in a dead stick or other emergency situation.
6. **.NO FLYING** over the pits, spectators, or parking area at any time! **WARNING!!!** This rule is strictly enforced!

7. All flying is to be done to the East of the asphalt runway (or West of the camping hookups for heli and park flyers) and do not fly within the field boundaries; that is the runway, except for take-off, landing and practice approaches.

**KNOW AND OBEY THE DIRECTION OF THE PATTERN.**

8. **NO SMOKING IN THE PIT AREA.**

9. All aircraft and field boxes (when not in use) must be kept in the pit area. No spectators, children or pets in the pit area without escort.

10. Aircraft must be restrained while starting and running.

Taxiing only East of the red safety line.

Walkways between the runways and pilots stations must remain clear.

11. Do not start engines in the pits. Engines must be started in the designated starting area.

12. Discharge of firearms is prohibited on club property!!!

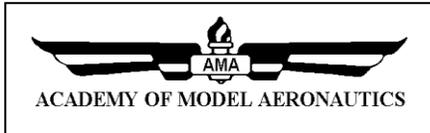
13. Please, remember to be courteous to both your fellow pilot and the club field!

**THE AMA SAFETY CODE AND CLUB RULES MUST BE FOLLOWED AT ALL TIMES! THESE RULES ARE IN PLACE FOR YOUR SAFETY AS WELL AS THE SAFETY OF OTHER PILOTS, SPECTATORS, AND PROPERTY.**

Every club member is a Safety Officer. Please do your part. If you see a rule violation, politely confront the pilot. It is your responsibility as an AMA and LSK club member to inform offending pilots of a rule violations. Politely explain to the pilot the rule and how they violated it. Most pilots want to fly safely and obey the rules; however, if the pilot continues to violate the rule, you may file a formal complaint. Contact a club officer for information on filing a formal complaint. We take safety very seriously. Repeat rule violations or filing false formal complaints may result in the loss of flying privileges and/or club expulsion.

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local events and activities

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**WHO TO CALL FOR HELP!**

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**2018 Event Schedule**

Friday March 9<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> Indoor flying at  
37<sup>th</sup> and Sheridan 7-9 PM

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PERSON AT THE FIELD IN THE EVENING,  
PLEASE BE SURE THAT THE CLUBHOUSE AND  
THE GATE ARE LOCKED!!!!**

Tuesday night flying will run from May thru  
September. Guests can receive introductory  
flights from our members.

Meetings are the first Friday of every month at the  
LSK field 7:30 PM

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