

FLIGHT LINE

The SkyKnights R/C Club Communication Forum

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Club Meeting Moved to Tuesday the 15th

To avoid conflicting with members' Valentine's day plans, the February club meeting has been slid one day to Tuesday, February 15th at Sandy Field.

Flying Field Rules – A Reminder!

Some of our new members who have not been approved for solo flight by a Sky Knights trainer have been flying without the **required monitoring** of a trainer or a Sky Knight member who has been approved for solo flight. This is a safety hazard and is a violation of AMA rules, jeopardizing our insurance.

In addition, there apparently have been instances of **non-members** whose status with the AMA is unknown flying without a **trainer being present**. Again this can be a safety hazard, violates AMA rules, and jeopardizes our insurance.

At Orient Field, some flyers have not been staying clear of workers in the fields by maintaining 250' horizontal separation between the airplane and the workers. This is dangerous and can jeopardize our lease agreement with the land owner.

The Executive Board asks that everyone read the field flying rules on page 2.

E-Board Meeting Hosts

March 7	Gary Cosmer
April 4	Scott Bacon
May 2	Dale McDonald
June 6	Louis Hamilton
July 5	Craig Cook

All members are invited to attend.

By-Law Changes

At the February club meeting, the Exec Board will present proposed by-law changes. The changes are to clarify family and junior membership and dues requirements and to require that junior members be accompanied by a legal guardian whenever engaged in club activities.

A draft of the changes appears on page 3. Please review the proposed changes and come prepared to discuss them.

Club Banquet

The club banquet at the Clackamas Old Spaghetti Factory was a huge success. The room had so many people that the servers were hard pressed to weave their way through to deliver the food and drinks.

Dick Hansen was made a life member with dues paid forever. He was also made the first inductee into the Sky Knights Hall of Fame. These honours are in recognition of his long dedication to the Sky Knights and to model aviation.

Chuck Adams was given a Lifetime Achievement Award in recognition of his many contributions to the Sky Knights and model aviation over the years.

Brian Watts was awarded the Bob Balsh trophy for 2010 for his enthusiastic and very helpful participation in Sky Knight activities.

Bob Oeck, Geoff Pruitt, and Andy Tidwell had the winning tickets for the raffle.

See the pictures on pages 6 - 8

Flying Field Rules

ALL FLIERS MUST

1. Abide by AMA rules and regulations, including Safety Code
2. Be current members of AMA.
3. Be a current Sky Knight member, or a guest thereof.
4. Display current Sky Knight or AMA card as appropriate.
5. Occupy a Pilot flight station while flying an aircraft. Pilots may stand near or behind their A/C during takeoff; but, must move to pilot station immediately afterward .
6. Keep their A./C under control and within the designated flying zone. North of the pilot stations and within the field boundaries.
7. Be responsible for the flight and actions of their students when instructing other flyers.
8. Fly only within the boundaries of the flying field.
9. Be sure to remove all debris (airplane fragments, drink containers, etc.) when leaving the field.

ALL FLIERS SHALL NEVER

- 1. Fly over pit area.**
- 2. Fly outside flying field boundaries**
- 3. Fly over other people. (Stay 250' horizontal clear of them.)**
- 4. Fly over roads, roadways, parking areas, power lines**

Proposed By-Law Changes

Below are proposed changes to the BYLAWS OF THE SKYKNIGHTS RADIO CONTROL CLUB OF OREGON, INC. The purposed of this proposal is to more accurately reflect our current membership and more clearly define issues facing the club today. The highlighted areas are the additions and/or modifications.

Current wording:

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

- 3.1 Any responsible individual showing an interest in building and/or flying radio controlled model aircraft shall be eligible for membership. .
- 3.2 All members shall maintain a current membership in the Academy of Model Aeronautics.
- 3.3 All members shall have read and shall comply with these Bylaws.
- 3.4 No member shall participate in club activities nor be extended voting privileges until the' full amount of his dues has been paid as specified under ARTICLE IV- DUES.
- 3.5 By a majority vote the membership with a quorum present and voting at a regular business meeting the Club may place a limit on total Club membership.

Proposed Change(s):

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

- 3.1 Any responsible individual showing an interest in building and/or flying radio controlled model aircraft shall be eligible for membership.
- 3.2 Membership is available in three categories:
 - A. Adult – Shall be defined as any person 18 years or older who meets membership criteria
 - B. Family – Shall be defined as membership that includes spouses and/or minor dependants.
 - C. Junior – Shall be defined as any person under 18 years old as of the beginning of the Membership Year (Article IV Section 4.1)
 1. At all times, Junior members must be accompanied by a legal guardian.
- 3.3 All members shall maintain a current membership in the Academy of Model Aeronautics.
- 3.4 All members shall have read and shall comply with these Bylaws.
- 3.5 No member shall participate in club activities nor be extended voting privileges until the' full amount of his dues has been paid as specified under ARTICLE IV- DUES.
- 3.6 By a majority vote the membership with a quorum present and voting at a regular business meeting the Club may place a limit on total Club membership.
- 3.7 New Membership shall be defined as any new member or any previous member who has not paid full dues for at least two previously consecutive membership years.

Current wording:

ARTICLE IV – DUES

- 4.1 Club dues shall be paid at a rate established by the general membership. The rate as approved by the general membership may include late payment fees or dues increases.
- 4.2 New members shall pay an initiation fee; which shall be established by the general membership.
- 4.3 Dues shall not be refundable.
- 4.4 Junior members (18 and under) shall pay such dues as approved by the general membership.
- 4.5 All new members, upon payment of dues, shall be entered on the membership roster and shall be presented with a membership card, name tag, and a copy of these Bylaws.
- 4.6 Members in arrears shall be assessed penalties and be suspended from the club roster and club activities in accordance with a plan approved by the general membership.
- 4.7 Reinstatement of prior members to active status shall be in accordance with a plan approved by the general membership.

Proposed Change(s):

ARTICLE IV – DUES

- 4.1 The Membership year shall be April 1st through March 31st.
- 4.2 Club dues shall be paid at a rate established by the general membership. Dues for membership are due PRIOR to the beginning of the membership year.

a. Current Annual Membership Dues for new members and members in good standing are:

1. Adult \$100.00
2. Family \$150.00
3. Junior \$ 50.00

4.3 The rate, as approved by the general membership, may include late payment fees, dues increases and/or special membership discounts.

4.4 New members shall pay an initiation fee; which shall be established by the general membership.

4.5 Dues for membership after the beginning of the membership year shall be prorated based on the following calculations:

- A. Memberships beginning after April 1st but before September 30th - full dues, plus any applicable late fees
- B. Memberships beginning after September 30th, dues shall be one-half of the annual membership of the then annual membership cost.

4.6 Dues shall not be refundable.

REMOVE 4.7 Junior members (18 and under) shall pay such dues as approved by the general membership.

4.7 All members, upon payment of dues, shall be entered on the membership roster and shall be presented with a membership card, name tag (first year members only), and a copy of these Bylaws.

4.8 Members will be considered in arrears if dues are not paid in full within 30 days of the beginning of the membership year and shall be assessed penalties and be suspended from the club roster and club activities in accordance with a plan approved by the general membership.

- A. Late payment fee - \$10.00

4.9 Reinstatement of prior members to active status shall be in accordance with a plan approved by the general membership.

Hobby Shop Business Cards

The following are businesses that help our club with discounts for our contests and raffles. Please help them out with your patronage when possible. These are local businesses and contribute to our local economy.



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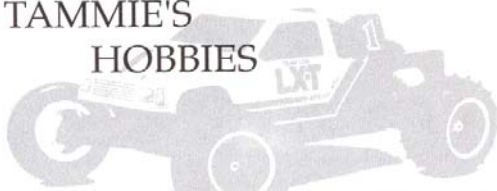
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Thanks to the following friends of the Sky Knights for donating prizes for the raffle at our Banquet

Proctor Enterprises – Mini Antic kit

RC Hobbies – F-14 Kit & \$50 gift certificate

RC Hot Deals – F-14 motor, speed control, and servos

Indoor Flying

Drop by the Mt. View Christian Church multipurpose room this coming Thursday between 6 and 9 and meet the indoor flyers.

The remaining schedule is as follows:

February	10th =	24 th
March	10 th	24 th

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Dick Hansen becomes the first inductee into the Sky Knights Hall of Fame



Brian Watts receives the Bob Balch Award



Chuck Adams receives his Lifetime Achievement Award



It was a big happy crowd of over 65 people.





New President Mike McKay addresses the Sky Knights



Bob Oeck had the first winning ticket and took the F-14.



Geoff Pruett scored the Procter Mini-Antic kit with his second place ticket



Andy Tidwell had the third winning ticket for the \$50 RC Hobbies gift certificate.