



The Lark's Lip

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The April meeting will be held on **Wednesday, April 6th at the field** at 7:00 pm. Note that we have changed the meeting from the first Monday of the month to the first **Wednesday**. We've got light until 8:00 and the weather is getting warmer, so come out for the meeting and get some flying in. And don't forget your hogs.

The March meeting was held on Wednesday, March 2nd at the old middle school gym. John presided, Brian read the minutes and Dennis gave the treasurer's report.

Reminder: Per FAA regulations, you must register all airborne vehicles that weigh over 0.55 pounds (250 grams). The registration deadline was February 19th. The registration fee is \$5. I don't know how it works if you register after the deadline. You only register one time for all your UAVs. Once registered, you will be assigned an FAA number that must be placed on all of your applicable UAVs. You may register online at <http://www.faa.gov/uas/registration>. Below are a couple of answers to common questions. More can be found here <https://www.faa.gov/uas/registration/faqs/>.

Q7. What is the penalty for failing to register?

A. Failure to register an aircraft may result in regulatory and criminal sanctions. The FAA may assess civil penalties up to \$27,500. Criminal penalties include fines of up to \$250,000 and/or imprisonment for up to three years.

Q8. Will an operator be required to have proof of registration while operating the UAS?

A. Yes. You will be required to have your FAA registration certificate in your possession when operating your unmanned aircraft.

The FAA registration is up to each individual to take care of. Not registering with the FAA will not restrict your ability to fly at club fields or events. The only requirement to fly at club fields and events is an up-to-date AMA membership.

It's time to take care of your 2016 AMA and club memberships. 2016 AMA membership is \$75 and can be mailed to the AMA or paid by credit card at modelaircraft.org. Club dues are \$35 per year and can be paid through our treasurer (Dennis) or online through our website.

Skylarks gear (t-shirts, hats, etc.) can be ordered from the Skylarks website.

Visit our website at hastingsrc.org.

Upcoming events:

Wednesday April 6th – Monthly club meeting at the field.

Wednesday May 4th - Monthly club meeting at the field.

Wednesday June 1st - Monthly club meeting at the field.

Wednesday June?? – 8-Man Demonstration.

Friday-Sunday June 17-19 - Big Bird - RC Airplane Exhibition & Fun Fly – GI Modelers.

Wednesday July 6th - Monthly club meeting at the field.

Sunday July ?? – Clay Center.

Wednesday August 3rd - Monthly club meeting at the field.

Sunday August ?? – Red Cloud.

Saturday August 20th – Skylarks Annual Fun Fly.

Wednesday September 7th - Monthly club meeting at the field.