



The Lark's Lip
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The February meeting will be held on **Wednesday, February 3rd at 7:00 pm at the old Hastings Middle School gym.** Club meetings through February will be held on the first Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm at the gym. Bring your indoor flyers.

The January meeting was held on Wednesday, January 6th at the gym. John presided, Brian read the minutes and Dennis gave the treasurer's report.

Reminder: We are set up for winter flying at the old Hastings Middle School gym. We will meet on the first and third Wednesday of each month from 7:00 – 9:00 pm. The indoor sessions will run through February 17th. The gym is located on the south side of 7th Street between Lincoln and Hastings Avenues. Enter on the south side.

Per FAA regulations, you must register all airborne vehicles that weigh over 0.55 pounds (250 grams). For now, the AMA is telling us to register with the FAA. The registration deadline is February 19th. The registration fee is \$5. 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.

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:

February 3rd - Indoor flying and **club meeting** at the old Hastings Middle School.

February 6th – Lincoln Sky Knight's Auction

<http://www.lincolnskyknights.org/LSKDOCs/2016%20auction.pdf>

February 17th - Indoor flying at the old Hastings Middle School.

March 7th – Monthly club meeting at the field (hopefully).