



The Lark's Lip

Monthly Newsletter of the Hastings Skylarks

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The September meeting will be held on Monday, September 7th at 7:00 pm at the field.

September 7th is Labor Day, so come out early and get some flying in before the meeting.

The following items will be on the agenda:

- Prairie Lake

The August meeting was held on Monday, August 3rd at 7:00 pm at the field. John presided, Brian read the minutes. Dennis was not present.

We had a busy August. First up was Red Cloud. Thanks to all the Skylarks who attended and put on a good show. We had a great turnout with lots of planes, but not much flying due to full-size traffic. The fly-in breakfast was successful for Red Cloud, which is good for us as they will likely continue to invite us to be part of it.

Next up was Kool-Aid days. We set up on the large open area in the NW corner. We were able to fly park flyers. We had a lot of people early as the parade went right by where we were set up. There wasn't much activity after the parade, possibly due to the road adjacent to us being closed for construction. The entire event was somewhat disorganized as it was the first year at CCC. I don't know how beneficial attending Kool-Aid days is to our club. We will decide next year whether to attend or not.

Our fun fly was a great success. The forecast for high winds did not happen and didn't keep people away. We had 32 pilots register. The weather was great. The food was great (Thanks Kevin and Dennis). Congratulations to John C. and Don M. for winning the raffle prizes. We collected \$169 for the WWP. Thanks to all who helped make our fun fly a lot of "fun"!

The sanction for our 2016 fun fly has been approved. The date is Saturday, August 20th.

If you haven't heard yet, the AMA is raising our dues next year. Open membership will go from \$58 to \$75. Club fees will go from \$30 to \$40 and site insurance from \$60 to \$80. This is the first dues increase since 2003. You can still get the \$58 price for your annual dues for up to two years if you pay before September 15th.

Another change in your AMA membership is the switch to an annual basis. If you pay your dues in September, you are good through the following September. This is a great change and will benefit those contemplating joining the AMA towards the end of the year.

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

It's time to start thinking about your 2016 AMA and club memberships. AMA membership (\$58 if paid before September 15th and \$75 after) can be sent in 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.

Visit our website at hastingsrc.org.

Upcoming events:

September 7th – Club meeting at the field.

September 12-13th – Warbirds over the Platte, GI Modeler's Field

October 5th – Club meeting at the field.

November 2nd – Club meeting at ??.