

N.E. Kansas Blue Sky Squadron, Inc.

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President's Column

Greeting members and happy Spring!!! We have been having some good flying weather since daylight savings time change. It was nice to see several of our members out flying at our field lately. By the time you get this newsletter our field should have new grass seed down and hoping for some rain to get it growing.

Bud Park is putting a lot of time and work in our new wind sock and camera tower. Bill Miller has purchased a new camera for the field site and will be getting it installed on the new tower. Thank you Bud and Bill for all the work you do for our club.

We will have a work day soon to replace/fix the fence around the field and parking lot. This will be a project that will need several of our members to help with. You will be getting an email when the time is determined. Also, be thinking if you would like to be on the mowing committee for this year. If we have 4 guys on it, then you will only have to mow about once a month.

We will be having our meetings on Sundays again, but at 2:00pm. Our next meeting will be the 15th at Bob Longyear's place. Bring something to fly before and after the meeting if weather permits. Congrats to John Dalton for winning the \$20 gift certificate from Dee and Mee Hobby. Breakfast has been going strong at HyVee. We meet at 8:00 on Thursdays.

Remember that if you have anything you want to share with the club, send it to John Kauk (john@kauk.net). Hope to see you all at our next meeting!!!

I hear there will be rum cake to eat at the meeting!!!! Thanks Toni!!!

Vernon Nelson

Editor's Column

I don't have a lot to add to the newsletter this month, having just returned from a short trip out west. Fortunately, our esteemed Vice President, Jim Eastburn, sent in a batch of photos and comments from his winter refuge in Florida. I do appreciate that!

Take advantage of the good flying weather we're having - this time of year it could change for the worse at any time.

John Kauk

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Jim's Photos From Florida

This set of photos is from back in February, which I remember as being fairly cold around here. It sure looks warmer in these...

Jim says, "We had several warbirds at the field the other day. All of them were 84 inch except the P 40 which was bigger. "



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This plane, the Mosquito and the big P40 were built and flown by Bill McCallie. Bill has won Top Gun twice in the past and is an amazing builder. He has around 14 airplanes like these.

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Chip Greene's 120 inch Tiger Cat. Chip makes awesome custom exhaust systems for his planes and flew this plane at Top Gun last year.

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Bill McCallie's Waco is powered by a Moki 150cc 5 cylinder radial engine.