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### Presidential Helicopter Squadron Visits Dyersville Airport

By Mary Radloff



The Dyersville Airport was honored to host HMX-1, the Presidential Helicopter Squadron, on August 16, 2011. An H60 and a CH46 travelled in support of the President's visit to Peosta Iowa and chose the Dyersville Airport as a refueling location due to the activity and facilities of the field. Scott Schuster, White House Liaison for the squad, scouted area airports in advance and spoke with Ron Radloff and Jim Wessels seeking refueling capabilities. Dyersville Aviation does not sell fuel, but Radloff and Fred Lansing volunteered their personal vehicle and fuel tank, respectively, to help out the Marine Corps.

HMX-1 was in the area "in case the President needs a ride," said Schuster. If HMX-1 had planned to fly the President, the fuel would have been flight-tested first. The Lieutenant Colonel piloting the H60 said it was his first grass landing in 16 years of service. The locals thought he handled it well.



Shortly after the Presidential Helicopter landed, the support helicopter landed with personnel and equipment.



Although the copter was under guard, any local people that wanted to take a photo with the copter, were allowed to do so.

The two helicopters were on the ground in Dyersville for a little over two hours and the military were available to answer questions. They were well trained and very courteous.





## 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Radio Control Airshow Draws hundreds

The airshow start with Tony Wagner and Justin Riesburg representing the Honor Guard from Legion Post 137 in Dyersville and the National Anthem.

Jerry Kramer of Dyersville was the emcee and introduced the pilots and the manovers they were preforming. The pilots came from as far away as Kansas City and Davenport to enjoy a day of flying and their ages ranged from 5 to ? (the older ones would not give their age).

Chris Kramer checks out the P47 Thunderbolt before his flight.

While pilots were checking their planes on the ground, families were watching the planes in the air. At times, there were as many as three planes flying in the same airspace



During a break in the action, the planes were placed on the runway and spectators could walk past them and ask the pilots questions. Below is our youngest pilot, Caden Kramer, showing his airplane and answering any question.

The pilots flew from 12:00 noon until dusk.





Organizer Tony Mineart of Dyersville answers question during the break in the action



When up close, you can see the beautiful detailed workmanship of the aircraft.



Handling the food stand for the airport were Jill, Joan and Nick Kramer.

Nick also sold chances for a remote control airplane the Model club raffled. The Model was donated by Tony Mineart and Tauke Motors and the profits were donated to the airport.




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## Events Calendar 2011

Feb 28	Buffet Lunch every	Noon	Iola WI (68C)
	Friday thru November	Come early watch planes	
Aug 27	Able Island Fly-In	Noon – 3	Guttenberg, IA
Aug 28	Annual Wings Fly-In		Greenfield, IA (GFZ)
Aug 28	Flight Breakfast	7 – 12:30	Iowa City, IA ( IOW)



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