

Meetings: (monthly) 2nd Wednesday at 7:00 p.m., at the Eye Center of Southern Indiana. 1011 W. 2nd, Bloomington, IN

*Club Meetings June September, Held At The Club's Flying Site

Flying Site: 1 mile East of SR 37 on Wylie Road, Bloomington, IN

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August 2006 Edition

July Meeting notes

The July meeting of the Monroe County R/C Club was called to order under the midday sun at 7:04:48 P.M. (Eastern friggin Daylight Time) at the club field on Wylie Road.

President Mark Sexton introduced two guests who had come to join the club. Both were voted in. Please welcome Bill McFarland of Martinsville & Phil Gach who is a student at IU & lives in Princeton.

We discussed a static display at the Monroe County Airport on Tuesday, July 18 during the American Barnstormers event. Having not acquired the necessary set-up information by meeting time, Brian was fired as the contact person & Bob Watson volunteered to contact Rex Hinkle at the airport in

Mark reported that the club had sent flowers to the family of Jeff McGlocklin following his passing in June.

Mark also reported that the club now has a 501(C)4 not-forprofit status with the Internal Revenue Service. There are still a couple of issues with Mark's accountant & some tax that may be due but thanks to many hours of work by Mark & Delbert, this important issue has finally been taken care of. The club Constitution was also officially amended to reflect the required policy about what would happen if the club were to disband.

Mr. Jim Scott reported on the club's annual fun-fly in June. Seems everyone had a wonderful time, ate well, & hopes we can repeat the event again in 2007. There were some questions about how the CD happened to win the grand prize at the contest, but Jim quickly changed the subject & moved on.

Mr. Tim Mellott reported on the paint party that was held on Wednesday evening the week before the meeting. Eleven

people participated & one wasn't even a member. The shelter looks great! Mark & Tina Sexton were unable to come out to paint but donated all the materials used, which were purchased from one of our sponsors, Kliendorfer's Hardware & Variety Store. Thanks to Mark & Tina & to everyone who helped!



Michael Friesel has framed & posted the vinyl posters from the AMA. They look very professional. Thanks Michael!

Jim Scott & Bill Black are still working on the advertising signs & hope to have them all finished & on the shelter before the Air Show. Thanks for your work gentlemen!

The club will be moving it's accounts to Monroe Bank in Bloomington. They have offered us a better deal & they also support us as a paid advertiser.

Matt Fornefeld brought the finished Air Show flyers to the meeting for distribution. Tina Rogers is working on advertising for the show with several newspapers & radio stations. Matt is working on donations for the raffle. Someone is getting an electric aircraft for the grand raffle prize but I didn't write down who it was, (If I wasn't old, I'd remember who it was). Chris Chandler is working with his employer to get some Coke & ice donated. He's also working on some big Coke banners to promote the event. Thanks to everyone who is pitching in to make the Air Show a success.

We had some vandals visit the field in early July. They got on top of the shelter & broke down the wind sock mast & the wind speed meter's mast. Tim Mellott is looking into replacing the broken wind speed meter parts & what was left of the wind sock mast was put back up on the shelter. The new sock was damaged but may hold together for a while. A report was filed with the Monroe County Sheriff's department & they hope to increase patrols in the area.

Bob Watson reported on the flying at the Judah Heritage Festival in June. Several MCRCC members flew under less than ideal conditions & a little close to the highway but had a good time promoting the hobby.

The meeting was closed at 7:50 & twenty-one people were present according to Mr. Mellott. Thanks for counting Tim!

Interesting Bits

It was amazing to see how many people could turn out in the middle of the week, on a work day, to see some antique aircraft.

The American Barnstormers Tour stopped in Bloomington on July 18 on their way to a final destination of Airventure at Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

Nearly twenty "golden age" aircraft made their way to Monroe County Airport from Fort Wayne on Tuesday morning using state highways for



navigation. Several amateur radio operators were out along the route keeping track of their progress.

It was quite a sight as they arrived at Bloomington in small groups & lined up on the tarmac in front of Cook Aviation.



Crowds of people also began to arrive at the airport hoping to get a ride in a piece of history. Several booths were set up along the flight line & one of them was signing up those who wanted to fly.

The Monroe County R/C Club set up a static display of model aircraft in the grass right in front of the Barnstromers & several members kept busy passing out lots of flyers for our annual Air Show on August 13. Thanks to the folks at Cook Aviation for the use of their copy machine!



It was very hot & shade was a hot commodity, but many waited quite a while for their trip into the hazy skies over the airport. The Barnstormers sold rides until after 7:00 P.M.



Thanks to Russ Ryle N9DHX & Rex Hinkle of Cook

Aviation for putting the show together & inviting us to display our model aircraft! We sure hope the tour will stop in Bloomington again next year & that the R/C club can participate.



Some club members have been doing a little float flying on Lake Monroe. If you'd like to try something a little different, you might want to join em. Just make sure somebody brings a boat to retrieve aircraft!











Mr. Mike Habig has been AWOL from the club field & at Nebo since he received the "Dork Award". Somebody said he was just afraid he might see somebody do something stupid & have to give up the award.

He has been seen at Atterbury, flying with the Johnson County club, & at Centerton, so it could be true or maybe he just doesn't like us anymore.

Mike Jorgensen created this attractive NASCAR scheme on his model aircraft. Very nice Mike!





Jimmy Vanvleet demonstrated what can happen if you get too low & slow with a Cub at Nebo. The resulting stall means a trip to Charlie's repair hangar.

Several club members made the annual trek to Oshkosh for Airventure 2006. It was very hot & very fun & if you thought we might have missed a meal along the way, you thought wrong! Members attending were Mark Sexton, Dave & Janet Poland, Lane Jorgensen, Jason Breeden, Larry Cain, Jimmy Vanvleet, Bob Shireman, & Brian Elliott. Here's an Avro Lancaster in Aero Shell Square.



Event Calendar

August 9 Monthly Club Meeting

August 13 Annual Club Airshow

August 18-20 Hoosier Dawn Patrol (AMA Site)

September 3 Paragon Homecoming Fly-In (Paragon School yard)

September 10 Annual Club Picnic (Club Field)

September 13 Monthly Club Meeting (Last 1 at the field this year)

September 22 Fatboys annual trek to visit Tri County Aero Club in Vincennes (Contact Mark Sexton)

September 23 Warbirbs over Washington (Daviess County)

October 7 Heather s Wedding (Mark s daughter)

October 11 Monthly Club Meeting (Back in the Eye Center)

October 14, 2006 Nebo Memorial Fall Festival Fly-In

November 8 Monthly Club Meeting (Elections)

December 13, 2006 Annual Christmas Dinner/ Meeting

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