



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**
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July 2007 Edition

June Meeting notes

The June 13th meeting of the Monroe County R/C Club was called to order promptly at 7:00:32 under the shelter at the club field on Wylie Road.

President Mark Sexton announced several new members. AB & Deric Bradfield, Chris Rogers, Jim Hail, Bernie Doane, Scott Ferran, & Jim Robinson. He also mentioned a couple of longtime members (Brent Hoover, Joe Jackson, & Michael Hinz) who recently renewed their memberships.

Delbert Davis passed out special pins from the AMA to those members who participated during our display at the Scout-O-Rama in Martinsville in April.

The brass plaque from the AMA denoting our "Gold Leader Club" status has been installed in the shelter at the club field.

Several of our business/corporate sponsors / advertisers have renewed this year & Mr. Jim Scott is still working to get all the signs back up on the shelter. Several were damaged during a windstorm last Winter. \$200.00 in materials have been used so far to repair the damage.

Mark has checked with his legal people & found out that it will be OK to have a raffle during the club's annual airshow again this year. He will also secure a food permit for the concession area.

Tim Mellott went over final plans for his first annual 4-stroke fly-in at the club field on June 16th. The event will run from 9:00 till 2:00 with food at 1:00. The landing fee will be \$5.00.

Mark reminded everyone about Jim & Vanessa's wedding on 7/7/07 @ 7:00.

Mr. Scott says the club fun-fly will be June 23 with a rain date of June 24. Vanessa will be making those tasty brownies again.

No date has been selected for an IMAA fly-in at the club field. Contact Mark or Bruce if you have any ideas.

Tina Rogers will be working on advertising & public relations for the annual airshow on August 12th. Contact Tina if you have any ideas or media connections.

Mark will be AWOL from the July meeting. Bruce Hoffman & Delbert Davis will preside on the 11th. Matt Fornefeld will try to have a guest speaker lined up for the meeting.

Steve Shoop announced that his runway in Brown County is available anytime for R/C flying to AMA members.

It was suggested that the club bylaws be changed to require spotters for all pilots. There was some debate on the subject & it was decided to leave things as they are for now. Contest

Directors for special events can require spotters as they see necessary & anyone can voluntarily have a spotter any time they wish (as long as there is somebody else at the field to spot for them). If you feel you need a spotter or just want one for any reason, just ask somebody else to come out & spot for you. Most people will be more than willing to assist you.

Michael Friesel did a real nice job of laminating & posting the club bylaws & the AMA rules at the club field. Please don't stick any tacks or pins into them! It will let water under the lamination & destroy his work. All the rules & statements are equally important & we don't need to highlight anything. If you have a problem, bring it to the club meeting or see a club officer.

We have a carpenter bee problem in the club shelter. The bees are boring holes in the rafters that support the roof & their cuttings are getting all over everything that happens to be in the shelter while they are working. It was suggested that we hire an exterminator to get rid of the bees. The club voted to have Randy Byers spray the shelter with something to cure the problem.

The meeting was closed at 7:44:28.

Interesting Bits

The Blue Moon Racing Team participated in the USRA pylon races at Rantoul, IL on June 8-10. The team consists of Tim Sparks, Dennis Friesel, & Michael Friesel. They did very well. **Congratulations gentlemen!**

I got this email from Dennis after the event.

Just an update on Rantoul. First, It was very Windy Thursday (> 30 mph) and Friday (> 20 mph). Races started Friday afternoon about 2 pm, although some pilots elected to not race because of the wind. Tim, My son, and I all raced and got firsts, I believe. Saturday was better and Sunday was Great. We all made it into the money rounds. Mike (my son) got 1st in Gold with the dominator and won a GT 80. I took second in Gold in FIGT and got a plaque, and Tim took 4th in Gold in Unlimited and won \$200. No mid-air and no damage to aircraft. All in all a great weekend, except that now Mike thinks he needs an FIGT plane for his GT-80, and guess who will probably have to pay for it. Denny

I just received this email from Tim.

OBTW we will be racing at Ashtabula in Aug 17-19 and Parker AZ 26-28 Oct.

Mike Friesel has set the new Dominator 1500 speed record at the Rantoul race flying only the second sub 2 min time in our history.



And I want to thank Brian Elliot and Jimmy V for their help with my unlimited race plane. I am now 1 point out of first place for the overall season championship. Tim



The club fun-fly got rained out on June 23rd & again on June 24th. Stay tuned to see when & if it will be rescheduled. What did Vanessa do with all those brownies? My phone didn't ring...

Tim Mellott's first annual 4-stroke fly-in was held on June 16th at the club field on Wylie Road. The event brought out eleven pilots. Tim provided lunch & prizes for seven events. The winners were; Joe Rogers (spot landing), Randy Byers (slowest pass, most loops, & longest flight), Tim Mellott (fastest pass), Lane Jorgensen (flat turn), & Jim Robinson (best looking aircraft). Thanks for lunch Tim & we'll be looking forward to getting fed again next year.



Here's the photos of the event that I got from Tim, as he congratulates the winners.



A few secrets to a happy day at the flying field.
 Come prepared. Start with a pleasant attitude.
 Don't forget snacks & drinks.
 Go to the frequency board before you get out any radios.
 Refer to your checklist often.
 Check your battery. Check your control surfaces.
 Check them again! Check the wind direction.
 Make sure everyone on the flight line knows U are coming out.
 Use the rudder! Fly the pattern.
 Call your landings. Use the rudder again!
 Holler when you're clear. Check your battery again!
 Most important tools: Lawn Chair, Sun Glasses, #25 Sunscreen

Event Calendar

- July 7 Jim & Vanessa s Wedding 7/7/07@7:00**
- July 11 Monthly Club Meeting**
- July 21 Jimmy Vanvleet s Retirement Party**
- July 21 Warbird Fly-In (Atterbury)**
- July 23-29 Airventure Oshkosh**
- August 8 Monthly Club Meeting**
- August 12 Annual Club Air Show**
- August 17 19 USRA Racing (Ashtabula)**
- August 18 TAG Program (Club Field)**
- September 7-9 Heartnut Fly-In (Atterbury)**
- September 8 Warbirds Over Washington, Indiana**
- September 9 Annual Club Picnic**
- September 12 Monthly Club Meeting**
- September 21-23 Dawn Patrol Rendezvous Fairborn, Ohio (WPAFB)**
- October 10 Monthly Club Meeting (Back Indoors)**
- October 13 Nebo Memorial Fall Festival Fly-In**
- October 20 Indy Swap Fest**
- October 26-28 USRA Racing (Parker, AZ)**
- November 14 Monthly Club Meeting**
- December 12 Annual Christmas Dinner Meeting**
- February 24, 2008 Annual Club Swap Meet**

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