

August 2008 Edition

July's Meeting Notes...

The July meeting of the Monroe County R/C Club was called to order at 7:07:17. There were twenty-six people in attendance for the first meeting at the field this Summer, after June's meeting was moved to Dr. Matt's office because of the flood. New members Mark Pyclik & Ratan Suri were present & voted in.

Michael Friesel & Rick Hill reported that the new Radio Shack sign has been installed on the shelter. It was also mentioned that the red color has already started to fade on the RC Jets Unlimited sign. We may need to refrain from using red on signs in the future or find another way to make them. All other advertiser signs on the shelter are now current. Michael also brought out the first prototype "visitor" sign. It was approved & several more will be made & installed along the pit fence.

Matt Fornefeld reported that he is working on the airshow flyers & should have them ready for the August meeting. Jill's House in Bloomington will get the profits from the show again this year & Matt is going to see if they will assist us with the advertising. There will be a one-tent ground school after the airshow for people interested in taking a buddy-box flight. Jim Scott volunteered to get a prize for the raffle on Ebay. Club members can sign up to fly during the airshow at the August meeting. The airshow will run from 1:00 P.M. till 3:00.

The crops have been planted around the club field so the pylon racing poles can go up now.

Tim Mellott reported on the 4-stroke fly-in. He thanked Steve Shoop for his help during the judging and announced that there was no income from the event. The prizes awarded cost just a little more than the entry fees collected.

Mark Curtis was the only club member float flying at Boggs Lake over the 4th of July holiday. Mark had company from some other R/C flyers but they were not from our club. As he experimented with his CG & control throws, Mark showed the others how to make an inverted landing on the water.

The grass at the field seems to be recovering from the flood & should be back to normal before the growing season ends.

The club sent flowers & several members attended the calling when Vanessa Osborne Scott's father passed away. Vanessa & Jim Scott were married last Summer on 7/7/07 and Vanessa has helped with several club events. She also makes some very mean brownies.

Meetings: (monthly) 2nd Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. Clariti Advanced Vision Correction 481 S. Landmark Ave., Bloomington, Indiana *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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Joe Rogers reported on the 2nd annual "Charlie built" fly-in. A good time was had by all & Joe cooked some good hamburgers on his birthday but couldn't remember if Charlie was there. Good thing I took that picture that was in last month's newsletter.

Mark Sexton reported on the demonstration we put on for the 100+ Boy Scouts at the Martinsville City Park. Jill Newby contacted the club and asked for a program on model aviation during their day-camp. We gave them some information on the models, about the club, & the AMA. We also flew some small electric aircraft on the baseball diamond in the park & gave them some modeling magazines.

The Collins Foundation is bringing some WWII aircraft to the Bloomington airport July 30—August 1st. There will be rides for sale in a B-17, a B-24, & a 2-seat P-51. Rex Hinkle of Cook Aviation asked the club if it could set up a static display for the event & also do some flight demos. Club secretary/ treasurer Delbert Davis will contact club members about participating via email.

Club VP Bruce Hoffman has club hats available for \$12.00 each. Bruce's contact info is at the top of this newsletter.

Rick Mowrey requested that the tall grass at the ends of the runway be cut a little shorter on a regular basis. He crashed a jet recently when the tall grass reached out & grabbed his airplane on take-off. The beans might be a taller issue than the grass very soon.

The meeting was closed at 7:40 P.M.

Interesting Bits...

People drove hundreds of miles to Oshkosh, Wisconsin to buy a yellow Piper Cub t-shirt. Jimmy Vanvleet didn't want to look like everybody else so he bought a white one.

We've only been to Oshkosh the last ten or so years. It's so easy to get lost. Mark Sexton & Jim Scott were running dual GPS units on the windshield of Mark's van on the way home. They were trying to remember where we saw those ag planes on 39, South of Rockford, II. on the way up so we could stop & check them out on the way home. I was kinda sleeping in the back when they started complaining about all the toll booths on the highway. That's when I woke up. There aren't any toll booths South of Rockford on 39. The nice girl in the GPS box had directed them to Chicago! Mark only skipped through two of the toll booths in the IPASS lane. I wonder if the GPS people will pay the fine if they got his picture?

It wasn't all bad. We stopped at the Milhon farm in Centerton on the way home and got to check out five Air

Event Calendar

August 10 Club Picnic (Club Field)

Tractors sitting in & around the hangar area. We got some good pictures & talked with the pilots. I went back on Monday morning to watch them take



off from the private grass runway on the Milhon farm along Centerton Road.

We had a great time in Oshkosh & hope to do it again next year. Thanks for taking us along Mark!

I haven't received a report or any pictures from the extravaganza at the Monroe County Airport yet. I did hear that Dennis Friesel paid the big bucks to fly the 2-seat P-51 Mustang. Delbert reported that all went well but that's about all I know. Anybody have any commentary or pictures?

Joe Rogers said something about selling his giant scale Sportster ARF. It has an OS 1.6 2-stroke in it. I believe he wanted \$500.00 for it on that day. It is a good flying aircraft. Look Joe up on your contact list & give him a blast!

Dave Townsend is selling his Fury helicopter to help pay for flood damage at his home. Contact Dave at 765-318-2260 if you're interested in a high performance machine.



This was Jim Scott's first trip to Oshkosh & he wasn't sure what to expect so he dressed for the occasion.





Where else could you see a P-38, a P-51, & your F-22 flying in formation?













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