



Meetings: (monthly) 2nd Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. **Hoosier Bar & Grill**
Richland Plaza, Ellettsville, 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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February 2008 Edition

January's Meeting Notes...

The Monroe County R/C Club's January meeting was called to order at 7:03:40 with twenty-four members and one guest in attendance. That guest was Jeremiah Rieke. He came to check us out & may consider joining at a later date.

Club secretary/treasurer Delbert Davis read a letter we received from "Jill's House" thanking us for our donation & letting us know the progress on construction & how important our donations have been to them.

President Mark Sexton went over the Christmas dinner & mentioned some details that we need to work out before next year's gala event.

Dave Poland has removed the old dilapidated outhouse from the club flying site & recycled it at the Martinsville transfer station. Thanks Dave!

Dues are due now for 2008 and don't forget to renew your AMA membership if you haven't done it already. There is no dues increase for 2008 but we are treading a thin line since we have lost three of our sponsors / advertisers. It's time for everybody to start beating the bushes & recruit some new sponsors so that a dues increase can be avoided. Thanks to PC Max who just renewed their advertiser/sponsorship!

March 12th is the deadline set for dues renewals. If you have not renewed by that date, you will be taken off the club roster & lose your flying privileges at the club field. Don't fart around & wait till the last minute! Get it done now & make Delbert's job a little bit easier. There is talk of a late fee for members who refuse to renew until they want to go out & fly in May or June but no official action was taken (yet).

Tim Mellott reported that plans for the annual swap meet on February 24th are going smoothly. He still has around fifteen tables available for the event. Reserve yours now, before it's too late!

Mark brought up the annual issue of club officer's dues. The club voted again to suspend dues for the president, vice president, secretary/treasurer, webmaster, & newsletter editor. I had \$50.00 burning a hole in my pocket for dues but couldn't find anyone to take my job...

The club sent flowers from Mary M's when Jay Strosnider's father Carl passed away on December 29th. Our thoughts are with Jay & the Strosnider family.

Bruce Hoffman reported that the Batteries Plus store in Bloomington is now under new (local) ownership and has

cleaned up their act. The problems that some members have had in the past should be just that, a thing of the past. Show them your MCRCC membership card & receive a discount on your purchase. Bruce is going to approach them about becoming an advertising sponsor for the club.

There seems to be some pirates flying at the club field who are not paying members or a guest of a member. Don't be shy about asking to see someone's membership card if you suspect this practice. AMA membership is also required to fly solo at our field & all AMA cards have a name on them. Get it. Members may bring AMA members as guests to fly at the field but that member had better be in attendance with them...

The meeting was closed at 7:46.

Interesting Bits...

Nobody would tease poor old Jimmy Vanvleet, if that's what you're thinking, but at least half of the members attending the meeting on January 9th asked Jimmy if he knew where his keys were. I didn't know that many actually read the newsletter!

Thanks for driving down from Franklin for the meeting Jimmy!



After a nice breakfast at Chambers in Spencer, several club members traveled down to Vincennes on January 12th to visit with our friends & attend the Tri-County Aero Club's annual R/C swap meet. Being the professional connoisseurs of food (fat boys) that we are, we stopped at the Gasthof Amish restaurant near Montgomery on the way home for lunch. Tim Mellott made the three block trip to breakfast but didn't get to attend the swap meet. He was headed to Florida to suffer in the oppressive heat for a week (must be rough).

We had a nice time at Jeff & Diane Stone's party after the Vincennes swap meet. Jeff already knows what airplane guys like to do when they're not flying, eat. Good snacks, good food, & good company. Thanks for having us over Jeff & Diane!

I know U've all been waiting breathlessly to see the new Blade 400 heli. I ordered mine in October & finally got it on January 10th. It flew for the first time in the Paragon gym on the 11th. Here it is with the Blade CP & the Blade CX2 for size comparison. It's much more stable than the CP but will never be as easy as the CX2. We've got head speed now!



2008 Club Dues Notice & Schedule

(IF YOU HAVE ALREADY PAID 2008 DUES, PLEASE DISREGARD - THANK YOU)

Several Members have asked how and when to pay 2008 membership dues.

Dues for 2008 are now due.

A Check or Money Order (payable to MCRCC) may be mailed to the following address:



Monroe County RC Club
c/o Delbert Davis
2059 S Andover Ct
Martinsville, IN 46151

Annual Dues rates are as follows:

Age 19 thru 64: \$50.00

Age 65+ (anytime during 2008): \$40.00

Youth (18 or less), full-time student, or *family member: \$25.00

*Spouse or significant other of a current member.

Children/grandchildren (age 18 or less) of current members are free.

Don't forget to renew your AMA membership if you haven't already!!

Best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year!

Happy Flying!!

Regards,

Delbert Davis

Secretary/Treasurer Monroe County R/C Club



Now that you're thinking of Spring, it might be a good time to go over all your aircraft & do some periodic maintenance. Cycle those batteries & check their capacity. If you're in doubt, replace that old battery with a new one & recycle the tired one. Check your fuel systems & replace lines & stoppers as necessary. Check for loose fasteners & fittings. Iron down any

loose covering or trim. Just give everything a general "going-over" now so you won't get caught "off-guard" when the weather turns nice. Some famous dude once said "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure".

Event Calendar

1/1/2008 Dues & AMA Renewals Due Now!

February 9-10 Great Planes E-Fest

February 13 Monthly Club Meeting

February 24 Annual Club Swap Meet

March 1 Indy Sportliners Swap Meet

March 12 Monthly Club Meeting

March 12 Deadline for Dues Renewals

March 15 Columbus Swap Meet

April 4-6 Toledo Show

April 9 Monthly Club Meeting

July 26-27 Hoosier Hospitality Sr. Pattern Contest (Atterbury)

July 28-August 3 Airventure "Oshkosh"

December 10 Annual Christmas Dinner/Meeting

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