



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*

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The January meeting of the Monroe County R/C Club was called to order at 7:01:37 with twenty-three people present. Two of those people were visitors. Jeff & Trevor Chitwood are interested in getting into model aviation & came to check out the club. Another person whom we haven't seen in a while got a hearty Hoosier welcome from all members present.

VP Bruce Hoffman attended the meeting for the first time in several months and gave us an update on his condition. Bruce is doing very well in his battle with cancer. He was in good spirits and looked very good,



considering the hell he has been through with the surgery, radiation, & chemo therapy. Bruce explained his new hair style & said it was very expensive & didn't recommend it to anyone else, especially during the Winter months. He will soon undergo his last chemo treatment & will then have an MRI to determine the success of the treatments so far. Good luck & keep up the good progress Bruce!

President Mark Sexton mentioned a conflict between two swap meets on January 17th. Charlestown & Vincennes are both on that date. Members planning to attend any swap meets were encouraged to print some flyers for our swap meet and take them along for distribution. Our flyer is available on the club's web site (www.monroecountync.org).



We had a recap of 2008 & some discussion about the Christmas dinner at Chapman's. If you have any suggestions for the 2009 Christmas dinner, contact Mark about serving on the planning committee for the event.

Tim Mellott reported that advance table sales for our annual swap meet on Sunday, February 22nd are slow. Twelve of the thirty available tables have been reserved so far. Contact Tim to reserve your table(s) now! Call him at 812-829-8821 or email him at warbird1@sbcglobal.net.

Mark reported that some of the club's funds have been invested in bank CDs for better earning potential. If you want more info on the financial stuff, you'll have to come to the

meetings or call Delbert at 765-318-0120 or email him at k9del@comcast.net.

The special new "lifetime dork" award has been delivered to Mike Habig & the old original pass around dork award was awarded to Tim Sparks, in an emotional ceremony, for dumping a trainer in the beans at a club meeting last Fall. The award will be passed along to the next "dork" when actions by any club member deserve it.



Delbert will contact the AMA & register the club's intro pilots for 2009. They will be the same as last year. Tim Sparks, Matt Fornefeld, Jim Scott, Mark Sexton, Lane Jorgensen, & Brian Elliott.

Steve Shoop announced that his Butterfly Hills R/C Challenge will be held on Saturday, May 2nd at his place in Brown County.

Jeff Self is organizing a heli fly-in for Saturday, May 30th at the club field. Stay tuned for details.

Carl Ward received his certificate of appreciation at the meeting. He was unable to attend the Christmas dinner, where they were originally passed out.

The meeting was closed at 7:48.

Interesting Bits...

Two lonely pilots (Bobby & Brian) took to the runway at Nebo Memorial R/C Field on skis Thursday, January 8th with a small group of supporters to cheer them on. Two pictures were taken. You decide which was taken by a photographer & which was taken by an old, retired, machinist turned farmer, with the photographer's camera. More snow is predicted before Winter lets go, so get ready for the next ski-fly now.





Young Andrew Shireman, son of old Robert G. (Bobby) & Lisa Shireman, isn't so young anymore. He's getting married on March 7th in Martinsville. All his R/C buddies are invited to the reception. The wedding is at The Full Gospel Church in Martinsville at 12:30 P.M.

with the reception to follow at around 1:45. Just a few blocks away at the 4-H Building on the Morgan County Fairgrounds.

You will remember where the fairgrounds are since we've done the Scout-O-Rama display there the last couple of years. It's just down the hill from the hospital on the West side of SR 252 before it's intersection with Morgan Street.

If you plan to attend, please let them know before February 13th. They need to know how many fat boys they will need to feed. Send a note to Andrew Shireman & Barbara Simpkins, 8100 North County Road 900 West, Elizabethtown, Indiana 47232.

Happy birthday to Mark's Dad Everett (Bud) Sexton &

Mark's father-in-law Gerald. They celebrated on January 31st with a trip to the hobby shop & lunch at Hooters with a few of their biggest fans (pun intended fat boys) & some of the Hooters girls.

Bud is 87 years young & Gerald is 74.



Note from Bruce

Those of you that don't have email didn't get the thank-you note from Bruce after the club voted to help him with his medical bills in December. Here's part of his email message to Delbert that was forwarded to the club email list.

The club so GENEROUSLY gave me a check via Mark Sexton. That kindness brought me to tears. I did not know what to say. THANK YOU is not enough! For lack of better words, all I can say is a profound THANK YOU to ALL!!!!!! That gift will truly help with the overwhelming medical bills (no insurance). Please forward my most sincere THANK YOU to all of the club members.

Please keep in touch
Your appreciative friend, Bruce

The big ten- inch snow we were waiting for arrived on January 27th. The Nebo pilots with 4-wheel-drive tested their skis on Thursday the 29th. The snow was too fluffy for Mark

Sexton's skis to support his stick & it sunk like a stone but Jim Scott let Mark try out his Dragon Lady. Jimmy Vanvleet checked out the remains of Mark Curtis's sea plane after he had an oops. The snow didn't make much of a cushion. Bob Shireman & Randy Byers also came out to the field but wisely didn't try to drive down into the pit area. They might still be there if they had.



Event Calendar

- February 7-8 Great Planes E-Fest (Champaign, IL)
- February 11 Monthly Club Meeting
- February 22, 2009 Annual Club Swap Meet
- March 7 Andrew Shireman's Wedding (RSVP by 2/13)
- March 7 Ft. Wayne Swap Meet
- March 11 Monthly Club Meeting
- April 3-5 Toledo RC Expo
- April 8 Monthly Club Meeting
- May 2 Shoop's Butterfly R/C Challenge
- May 13 Monthly Club Meeting
- May 15-17 Dayton Hamvention
- May 30 Heli Fly-In (Club Field)
- June 5-7 Mount Comfort (Indy) Airshow
- July 27- August 2 Airventure (Oshkosh)
- October 10 Nebo Memorial Fall Festival Fly-In
- December 9 Annual Christmas Dinner/Meeting



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