

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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March 2010 Edition

February Meeting Notes...

The February meeting of the Monroe County R/C Club got underway at 7:03:40 with twenty-two members present in Dr. Matt Fornefeld's office. Several arrived early to pay their 2010 club dues.

Marvin Foley of Martinsville was voted into the club. He was not in attendance but has paid his dues.

Bob Watson is feeling better & was in attendance. He gave a brief history of the coveted "Dork Award".

Tim Mellott gave a report on advance table sales & reservations for the February 28th swap meet. Tim says that about half of the available tables have been reserved & that we will meet at 6:30 A.M. for breakfast at the Bloomington Cracker Barrel before heading to the fairgrounds to set up the building. Anyone interested in tables for the swap meet should contact Tim at 812-829-8821 or email him at warbirdl@sbcglobal.net as soon as possible. The swap meet flyer is available at www.monroecountyrc.org.

Mark Sexton reported that Bruce Hoffman is holding his own. His mobility may be down a little but his spirits are good and he would like to hear from club members. Call or email him & he will get back to you when he can.

Rick Hill reported that he has taken care of the unpaid advertiser signs on the club shelter. He turned them around to face the shelter wall. If they decide to renew, the signs can just be turned back over.

Mark reported that February is the month for any new life membership nominations. None were heard at the meeting.

Mark also brought up the annual issue of club dues for club officers. The club again voted to suspend dues for all club officers

Mark has completed the AMA forms for "Gold Leader Club" status again this year & mailed them in.

The annual bulk fuel order will be taken in March and delivered in April. Price comparisons are being done at this time.

Mark & Rick read through the AMA safety code as required by the AMA. There was some confusion as to whether our heli hovering pad was "legal". It will be checked on.

Several new dates were added to the event calendar. The annual club Airshow will be September 12th with a rain date of September 19th. The annual club picnic will be July 25th & the annual "Nothin-But –Cubs" fly-in will be August 14th.

There will be some club apparel on sale at the swap meet on February 28th. A few of the older style shirts & hats will be discounted to make room for new inventory.

Jeff Self reported that there will be no AMA sanction for the 2nd annual Heli-fly on June 5th.

Jeff has contacted Dave Townsend, talked him into renewing his club membership, & he will offer instruction & buddy-box training flights during the fly-in. Delbert will get Dave registered with the AMA as an Intro Pilot.

Jim Scott didn't have a new February/March candidate for the "Dork Award". He felt bad that Jay Strosnider didn't have the award to admire during his December/January dork term because he missed the December & January meetings so he had somehow given it to Jay to get rid of it. It's a complicated story but it seems that Mr. Scott is still the dork for now. I guess he missed the little incident that Jeff Self had in the Paragon gym with his CP & Richard Anderson flying his new tail-heavy ParkZone Cub through the crowd & bouncing it off the lights in the gym before removing the landing gear using one of the lunch tables. See what you miss when you don't come out!

The meeting was closed at 8:11:20...

Interesting Bits...

Just got this email from Delbert. Bruce & Leslie Hoffman have new email addresses. Please update your address books.

Hi guys...We have new e-mail addresses: lhoffman@bluemarble.net and propsville@bluemarble.net.

We switched from Comcast to Smithville. Please let everyone know. Bruce is doing ok. He is declining more but still in good spirits. Hope to talk to you soon.

Take care.

Leslie

The first day of Spring is March 21st. If you're not ready for it, you're in the minority! Most everybody has had enough Winter, snow, & below normal temperatures. The snow flyers are even getting tired of Winter.

At the end of January we took Mark's father & father-in-law Bud & Gerald out to celebrate their birthdays. The annual trek always

includes a stop at Hobbytown to look over the hobby supplies & lunch at Hooters to practice our second & third favorite hobbies, eating & girl watching.



Rule #7 for Winter flying pertains to getting your 2-stroke engine started. Richen the main needle. Choke it till you think it's flooded then choke it some more. Turn it over a few licks then choke it again. Now it may start or kick back & break your plastic spinner. That was part of rule #5 about the plastic spinners & cold temperatures. Rule #2 pertains to the Pilot's hands. If you can't feel your fingers anymore, how do you know how much you are moving the sticks on your radio? There are lots of other rules about things not pertaining to the aircraft or the pilot. How good is the battery in the vehicle that brought you to the field? How much gas is in that vehicle in case you have to let the heater run for two hours? Think the sun is bright in the Summer? Wait till it pops out & reflects off of that white snow! I can't give you all the rules. That would take the challenge away & it is said that if you learn them the hard way, you'll remember them longer...













Event Calendar

February 28 Annual Club Swap Meet

March 6 Fort Wayne Swap Meet

March 10 Monthly Club Meeting

March 13 Columbus Swap Meet

April 9-11 Toledo RC Expo

April 14 Monthly Club Meeting

May 1 Shoop's Butterfly Hills R/C Challenge

May 12 Monthly Club Meeting

June 5 2nd Annual Heli Fly-In

June 9 Monthly Club Meeting (At the Field)

June 17 Longest Thursday "Pizza Night" at Nebo

June 26 Annual "Charlie Built" Fly-In (Nebo)

July 17 IMAA Fly-In (Plainfield)

July 25 Annual Club Picnic

July 26-August 1 Airventure "Oshkosh"

August 14 "Nothin But Cubs" Fly-In

August 28? Monroe County IMAA Fly-In ???

October 2&3 IMAA Jamboree (Morristown)

October 9 Nebo Memorial Fall Festival Fly-In

December 8 Annual Christmas Dinner / Meeting



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