



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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April 2011 Edition

March Meeting Notes...

The March 9th meeting of the Monroe County R/C Club got underway right on time at 7:00:00 with twenty-three members present in Dr. Matt Fornefeld's waiting room at Clariti.

The first item on the agenda, after the routine mail call, treasurer's report, & minutes from the February meeting, was the report from our annual swap meet on February 27th. Tim Mellott reported that forty-nine tables were sold & Mark Sexton reported that the concession area did well. It looks like that after all the figures are entered & calculated, we ought to clear around nine hundred bucks from the event. Thanks to all who helped & participated! In this era where Ebay & internet shopping seems to be the norm, we still had a very good swap meet!

Dennis Friesel reported that our plan to introduce the Monroe County Boys & Girls Club to model aviation will be held on Tuesday, July 12th, starting around noon at the club field on Wylie Road. Volunteers will be needed to help with the ground school, simulator stations, & at the flight line as we get them into the air on the "buddy boxes" flying the club trainers. More details will be announced in the next few months but if you are able to volunteer your time &/or equipment, contact Dennis Friesel or Mark Sexton.

After some investigation, Mark found out from the AMA that the reason for the strange expiration dates that appeared on several new youth membership cards is because there is now no charge for youth memberships. They don't expire as long as they still qualify for the "youth" membership.

As requested by the Academy Of Model Aeronautics, club president Mark Sexton & VP Rick Hill took turns reading every line of the AMA safety code aloud at the meeting. If you were at the meeting & paying attention, you can't say that you didn't know what was in the safety code. If you weren't at the meeting, you better get your copy out & read it yourself! Most of it is just



common sense but there are a few things that have changed over the years that you should be aware of. With all the talk about homeland security & possible legislation concerning model aircraft, it is very important that we all follow the rules & stay safe & secure.

Mark announced that he had contacted the College Mall in

Bloomington about the club having a model aviation display in the mall on Saturday, April 9th. The mall is open from 10:00 A.M. to 10:00 P.M. & we will be allowed in to set up at 9:00 A.M. Details will be sent out to club members via email because there will not be another club meeting before the show. Contact Mark or Delbert if you don't do email.

Their contact information is at

the top of this & every newsletter (duhh).

Mark announced that shipping costs for our annual bulk fuel order are up this year. At this time it appears that "regular" 15% nitro fuel will cost around \$15.00 per gallon. Special blends will be more. Mark also extended the deadline to place your order from March 12th to March 25th. Plans are for the fuel to be distributed at the April 13th club meeting.

Joe Jackson mentioned the possibility of having our 2011 Christmas party/meeting at the Bloomington Convention Center. Rick Hill thought that KRC (where we had the 2009 & 2010 events) was the caterer for the convention center. They will check it out.

The saga of the coveted "Dork" award has taken a strange turn. Lane Jorgensen, who has held the award for the last couple of months, hasn't been able to get to any of the indoor flying venues & there hasn't been much traffic at the club field because of the rotten weather, but he was ready to pass on the "Dork". Several suggestions came from the membership present at the meeting but the "winner" was a story from Randy Byers about a pilot who was chasing a "Vapor" around the gym in Martinsville claiming that his aircraft was out of control. As it turned out, the "Vapor" that Steve "Stick" Dorsett was chasing was Randy's & Steve's "Vapor" was safely sitting out in the



middle of the gym floor the whole time. Nobody was laughing if that's what you're thinking. Congratulations Steve! We still have a few weeks in the gym & the field will get busy as the weather turns nice. You shouldn't have any trouble finding the next "winner" of the award.

Joe Rogers announced that he has reserved the West Middle School gym in Martinsville from 11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. every Sunday in March. That will be it for the big gym in Martinsville until October.

The meeting was closed at 7:56:48...

Interesting Bits...

We'll have the gym at Paragon Elementary School (as usual) every Friday from 6:00 to 8:00 P.M. until school is out for the Summer with the exception of a few Fridays when there is a school program in the gym. There will be no flying in the gym on Friday April 1st, which is OK since most of us will be in Ohio at the Toledo R/C Expo anyway, & the school carnival will have the gym on Friday April 15th. We may be able to get it on Wednesday (4/13) that week.

On St. Patrick's Day (Thursday 3/17) it was sunny & 70 degrees. Even with the wind gusting to 25 MPH, we had to "hang out" at Nebo Memorial R/C Field in Martinsville. There were a few acts of aviation committed but the main activity was ground checks & aviation related forums. I heard that Steve Dorsett wants to speak to the "Dork Award" judges about whether a kite crash qualifies as dorkable.



Event Calendar

- April 1-3 Toledo R/C Expo
- April 9th College Mall Show
- April 13 Monthly Club Meeting (pick up your fuel)
- April 18 SkyWarn Spotter Training (Martinsville)
- May 7 Shoop's Butterfly Hills Fly-In
- May 11 Monthly Club Meeting
- May 13-15 Mount Comfort Airshow
- June 4 3rd Annual Heli Fly-In
- June 8 Monthly Club Meeting (at the field)
- June 11 Muncie Swap Meet during National Electric Fly-In
- June 25 Annual "Charlie Built" Fly-In (Nebo Field)
- July 9 Annual 4-Stroke Fly-In
- July 12 Boys/Girls Club Intro To Model Aviation
- July 13 Monthly Club Meeting
- July 24 Annual Club Picnic
- July 25-31 Airventure "Oshkosh"
- August 10 Monthly Club Meeting
- August 27 IMAA Fly-In
- September 14 Monthly Club Meeting
- October 8 Nebo Memorial Fall Festival Fly-In
- October 12 Monthly Club Meeting (back at Clariti)
- November 9 Monthly Club Meeting
- December 14 Annual Christmas Dinner / Meeting

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