



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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August 2011 Edition

July Meeting Notes...

The July meeting of the Monroe County R/C Club was called to order by VP Rick Hill at 7:-00:23, under a sunny sky, with a temperature of eighty-three degrees, & a nice breeze.

President Mark Sexton was AWOL at some racing facility near Indianapolis but that didn't stop visitors Kim Heishman & Sebastian Smigelski from being voted into the club. Welcome Kim & Sebastian!

Visitors Ken Erickson & Gary Waters came from the Columbus area to help Tim Sparks promote local pylon racing on a budget. Thanks Ken & Gary for stopping by!

Michael Friesel wasn't at the meeting but it was announced that he has made replacement frequency pins for the ones that have been missing for over a month. Thanks Michael!

Joe Rogers reported that the annual "Charlie Built" fly-in at Nebo Memorial R/C Field in Martinsville was a huge success. Lots of Charlie Thompson's creations flew during the event, Joe fixed us a nice lunch, & a good time was had by all!

Tim Mellott reported that the 4-Stroke event held at the club field was well attended & prizes were awarded for several flying contests. The entry fee included lunch, which was prepared by Tim's wife (rocket mama) & was very tasty. There was no contest for best crash but Joe Rogers would have qualified when he found out just how slow a three dollar Cub will go before it stalls & falls. Thanks Tim for putting on the event!

Dennis Friesel reported that there were sixty-five kids & twelve club members participating during our "Introduction To Model Aviation" event that was held at the club field for the Bloomington area Boy's & Girl's Club. Dennis is preparing a report with photos to send to the AMA. There are also plans to make it an annual event. Thanks to all who participated!

There was some discussion about the pit stand that Lane Jorgensen brought out to the field & if more were needed. Lane volunteered to build more but there was little input at the meeting.

Mr. Kleindorfer of Kleindorfer's Hardware & Varsity Store was voted club sponsor of the month for donating a case of insect repellent to the club after reading about our insect problems at the field in last month's newsletter. You see, somebody really does read this stuff! Thank you Mr. Kleindorfer! It really works.

Tomato Pie Pizza Joint in Paragon has joined the list of club sponsors. Rick Hill is working on a sign & their graphic has been added to this month's newsletter. Stop in for some of the best pizza & breadsticks around & tell Kim thanks for sponsoring the Monroe County R/C Club!

Members were reminded about the annual club picnic coming up on July 24th at the club field.

Our visitors from Columbus mentioned that their Big Bird Fly-In on August 6th was not IMAA sanctioned but the same aircraft requirements apply.

The holder of the coveted "Dork Award" could not be present for the meeting since he was in Texas but Randy Byers prepared a statement that was read by Rick Hill that detailed how difficult it was for Randy to make his selection this month. Out of all the amazing things that were "dorkable" this month, Randy selected Dennis Friesel for some strange activities that occurred during the "Charlie Built" fly-in at Nebo. It seems that sometime after Dennis had taxied onto the runway while somebody else was landing, he was working on his speed control in the pit area when the aircraft came to life & flew from the pits & onto the active runway before he could get it shut down. Thank goodness it wasn't pointing the other way! Congratulations Dennis & good luck with your selection for next month's award winner. It shouldn't be too difficult.

The meeting was closed at 7:45:06...

Interesting Bits...

It was a rainy Sunday afternoon on June 19th but when "the locals" found out there was "pylon practice" scheduled, they turned out in mass to see the action & pick over anything that was left.



We had a fine time at Oshkosh again this year & stayed an extra day to make things less hurried while looking at all the aircraft. On our first day at the show, we just happened to be in the warbird area when an F-16 ran off the runway & broke apart

while landing. Nobody was injured but it could have been much worse than it was. As usual, we stopped on the way up in Milwaukee for our favorite tour of the Miller Brewery. If you haven't been to Airventure, start making your plans for next year now.



A club member & long-time Bloomington resident called the other day to get directions to Treasure Chest Hobbies in Bloomington. Don't you think that's strange? Could it be dorkable? I won't mention his name but he's a retired

Bloomington educator. The Treasure Chest is downtown at 4th & College on the North West corner...

There have been reports of "old guys" playing in the cornfield around the runway. If you find one out there, please lead him back to the pit area. If you loose one out there, call his cell phone **before** you call the police! With heat indexes of over 100 degrees, it could be dangerous for "old guys" to venture out into the corn looking for model airplanes! The best way to avoid this situation is to just land on the runway...

Bill Von Harz of Martinsville has been flying mode 1 at Nebo for a couple of years but finally got around to filling out his application for membership to the Monroe County R/C Club & we got it (along with his check) to Delbert on Thursday, August 4th. Welcome to the club Bill! You'll enjoy the "tree free" skies at the Bloomington field...

I saw cameras at the introduction to model aviation event for the local Boys & Girl's Club, at the 4-stroke event, & at the annual club picnic but I haven't seen any of the pictures. Maybe we can get some for the newsletter next month. Here's a few from the "Charlie Built" Fly-In & Oshkosh...



Event Calendar

- August 10 Monthly Club Meeting
- August 27 IMAA Fly-In (MCRCC Club Field)
- September 14 Monthly Club Meeting
- September 23-25 GWAA Dawn Patrol (WPAFB)
- October 1 Nothin But Cubs Fly-In (club field)
- October 8 Nebo Memorial Fall Festival Fly-In
- October 12 Monthly Club Meeting (back at Clariti)
- October 15 Shoop's Chili Cook-Off / Fly-In
- October 23 Columbus Swap Meet
- November 9 Monthly Club Meeting
- November 26 Anderson Swap Meet
- December 14 Annual Christmas Dinner / Meeting
- February 26 2012 Annual MCRCC Swap Meet

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