



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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June 2011 Edition

May Meeting Notes...

The May 11th meeting of the Monroe County R/C Club got underway at 6:59:50. It was sunny & 85 degrees, which is pretty warm for the first part of May. Scott Kopp brought his wife along to sit in on the meeting & previous visitor Tom Liebig came back this month to pay his dues & join the club. Welcome aboard Tom! Tim Mellott counted twenty-five members present.

Secretary/treasurer Delbert Davis reported that several of our corporate/business sponsors have renewed for this year already & several more plan to do the same in the near future. This will be a big help in paying the mowing bills this Summer. Be sure to check out their graphics & contact information in this newsletter & on the club web page. Please do business with them whenever possible & tell them thanks for supporting the club!

Steve Shoop reported that nearly twenty pilots received T-shirts by attending the Butterfly Hills R/C Challenge on May 7th at his place in Brown County. Steve also reported that there were only two "dorkable" incidents during the flying. I hear they ate very well &



there are pictures to prove it, thanks to photographer Chuck Fleming. The next event at Shoop's place is the Fall Chili Cook-Off on October 15th.

The Friesel's were at the Joe Nall fly-in & missed the meeting so there was no report on

the filming of a segment for a TV show on channel 30 about model aviation. Stay tuned next month for details.

President Mark Sexton reported that there will be a demonstration on model aviation given by a few club members to a 4-H group at the Monroe County Fairgrounds on May 22nd.

Dr. Matt Fornefeld has possession of the pylon racing aircraft that were ordered by Tim Sparks but was unable to attend the meeting. If you ordered a plane, see Matt & pay Tim. No date has been set for the first round of racing at the club field (yet).

It was reported again that there are twenty-two gallons of club fuel available for sale at \$15.00 each.

Club members were advised that since we can't seem to keep a good fire extinguisher at the field without it being stolen, it would be a good idea for all to keep a small extinguisher in their vehicle. Batteries are becoming bigger & hotter & more aircraft are being fueled with gasoline than ever before because of the high price of glow fuel. Safety is just like flying. You gotta practice to get good at it. It was also mentioned that some homeowners insurance policies classify your modeling equipment as hobby related & may only pay you a few hundred dollars for it in the event of a loss. Most all of you have much more invested than that so it might be a good idea to discuss this with your agent.

The insects are back again this Spring & eating the members & the club shelter alive. It was suggested that we consult a professional to see if anything can be done to combat the carpenter bees & the little black biting flies. There was a very long delay after that while several members tried to figure out how much acreage we had.

Safety officer Randy Byers suggested that we have Michael Sexton mow the runway exit paths narrower & with more curve to them to make it safer for pilots in the pit area. Several don't seem to get the idea about not pointing a running airplane directly into the pit / spectator areas before shutting it down.

VP Rick Hill passed out special pins from the AMA to those who participated in the club's mall show in April. If you helped at the mall show & missed the meeting, contact Delbert to get your pin.

Mark announced (for those who don't read the newsletter) that club meetings June through September will be held at the club field (weather permitting).

Joe Rogers announced that he has reserved the West Middle School gym in Martinsville for indoor flying again this weekend since the weather has been so nasty this Spring (so far). Thanks Joe!

Jeff Self is finalizing plans for the 3rd annual R/C helicopter fly-in at the club field on June 4th.

Bob Watson is looking into building & placing a starting bench or two in the pit area for those who have problems bending over & working on their aircraft on the ground. We may need to place some concrete pavers under them so that Michael can mow around them & they will have to be staked down to keep the flood waters from washing them away. Contact Bob if you would like to assist with this project.



Steve (Stick) Dorsett still has the coveted "Dork Award" but was not at the meeting. There might be a "passing of the torch" later this month at Nebo. Stay tuned.

The meeting was closed at 7:54:28...

Interesting Bits...

How many mechanics does it take to fix a Duraplane? Butch Thomas had five working on his one Tuesday evening & he wasn't even there! How's that for service? We need some trainees on Tuesday evenings to keep these members busy!



Stick Dorsett couldn't miss an opportunity & passed the "Dork Award" on to Bob Shireman on a Thursday evening at Nebo Memorial R/C Field after repeated attempts by Bob to turn his little foam F-86 electric ducted fan jet into a yard dart. After a CG adjustment, the little jet flew fine.

Here's a picture of the 4-H group glued to Mark Sexton & Michael Friesel's presentation on model aviation. I believe they were very interested...



The indoor flying is drawing to a close for the Summer. We had a long Winter & are thankful that we had multiple opportunities to practice our passion where thermal underwear was not required! Thanks to the Martinsville school system for allowing us come in from the cold!



Event Calendar

- June 8 Monthly Club Meeting (at the field)
- June 11 & 12 SIG Fly-In (Iowa)
- 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
- September 23-25 GWAA Dawn Patrol (WPAFB)
- 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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