



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 2012 Edition

July Meeting Notes...

The July 11th meeting of the Monroe County R/C Club got underway at 6:59:02 under the club shelter at the flying site. With this Summer's drought, there was no threat of rain but shade was the objective.

Bill McFarland rejoined the club & he was put back on the snail mail list as was Bob Watson who hasn't had a good email address for several months now.

Joe Rogers reported on the "Charlie Built" fly-in at Nebo on June 23rd. A good time was had by all who attended & the weather was wonderful. We flew many of Charlie's fifty-some creations.

Tim Mellott reported on the 4-stroke event that took place on July 7th at the club field. The key word for the event was **HOT!** We got started early & had lunch early & were headed home to the air conditioning by noon. I believe it was the hottest day in recorded history for Indiana. Thanks to Tim, Jeff Self, & Steve Shoop for braving the heat while scoring the flights & to all who endured the conditions to make it a fun event!

VP Rick Hill reported that he has no news yet on the status of our website upgrade. It wasn't up at meeting time & he has had no reply from Varqa to several emails. The July newsletter didn't get posted so the file was emailed to the entire member list.

The white stripe that Butch Thomas painted down the center of the runway is still in good condition & may stay that way all Summer if the drought continues. There has been no need to mow for several weeks.

The club thanked Michael & Walter Friesel, along with Carl Ward for building & painting the charging station / work shelf in the club shelter. It is already getting regular use & there are plans to build another work table in the open area on the West end of the shelter. They promised to leave room for my sleeping chair.

Joe Rogers made a request for AC in the outhouse but it was denied for fear that he would never come out or charge admission.

The club voted to have Willie "T" do his barbecue thing for the club picnic on August 5th. There will be a tip jar at the event for Willie "T" & club members should still plan to bring their families, lawn chairs, a side dish, table service, & drinks. Don't forget to bring something to fly also.



Dennis Friesel is finalizing the plan for our introduction to model aviation with the Boys & Girls Club on July 31st. Computer flight simulators will be used to "train" the students before they head out to the flightline & get on the buddy-boxes. We'll need several easy-ups for shade & help from club members getting all the kids exposed to model aviation. Contact Dennis if you have a tent & are able to help on Tuesday afternoon the 31st.

Michael Friesel reported that he has registered to participate in the "Wings Across America" program that has been going on for some time now. A trainer aircraft is passed from one club to another all across the country & the object is to get as many people to fly the aircraft as possible. Michael will let us know when the traveling trainer will be at our field.

The racing pylons (pronounced; plastic pipes) had to be removed so that the farmer could spray the beans. They will have to be reinstalled before the August 25th racing event.

The first aid kit has been stolen from the cabinet at the club field (again). VP Rick Hill will work on a solution. We may have to put it in the outhouse to lock it up & make it less visible to the vandals.

There is still a big hole in the ground in the East end of the pit area at the club field. Maybe somebody could bring out a bucket of dirt or sand & fill it in before somebody trips in it & twists an ankle.

In the saga of the Coveted "Dork Award", current holder Jim Parker passed the prize on to Steve Shoop for an incident at Atterbury on a Tuesday evening where Steve lost a plane. It didn't just crash, it's lost, as in gone. It's still there somewhere in the briar patch. Congratulations Steve & good luck with the search.

Randy Byers has some engines for sale. I heard a .9, a .10, & a .40 FP. Contact Randy if you're interested.

The meeting was closed at 7:41:42...

Interesting Bits...

Carl Ward built the work table in the West end of the club shelter & it has been getting plenty of use. Thanks Carl!

Charlie Thompson's new Flyin King (#59) had an exciting 1st test flight but he made some adjustments & now it floats on the air like a Vapor. Good work Charlie!

I heard at the Cub-fly that Randy Byers will give a clinic on landing gear installation at a future club meeting...



The 4-Stroke Event Heat Seekers 7-7-12



“Nothin But Cubs” Event Pilots 7-21-12

Event Calendar

- July 31 Boys & Girls Club Intro To Model Aviation
- August 5 Club Picnic (Club Field)
- August 8 Monthly Club Meeting (Club Field)
- August 11 Indy Air Race (full scale)
- August 11 Big Bird Fly-In Columbus
- August 25 Club 40 Sport Pylon Racing (Club Field)
- September 12 Monthly Club Meeting (Club Field)
- September 15 IMAA Fly-In (Club Field)
- December 12 Annual Christmas Dinner / Meeting
- February 24 2013 Annual Swap Meet

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Safety Tip:
 If there's lighting in the area, get in your vehicle, not under the shelter. The shelter may be a little better than standing on the flightline (holding a lighting rod in your hand) but you could be killed under the shelter also. If you can hear thunder, it's time to act!
 Get in the vehicle...

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