



**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 2012 Edition

### May Meeting Notes...

The May 9th meeting of the Monroe County R/C Club was called to order at 7:05:08 P.M. at Dr. Matt's office (Clariti). It was cloudy, windy, & 63 degrees outside and the flying field was underwater. That's why the October through May club meetings are not held at the flying field.

Visitors Clint Sire & son Jack were voted into the club. Welcome to the club Clint & Jack!

Jerry Keener made it back from another rough Winter in Florida & was at his first meeting of 2012.

It was reported that there is a big hole in the ground near the pit fence on the East end of the pit area. Please be careful over there & don't trip in it before it gets filled in.

President Mark Sexton reported that he was out & poisoned the weeds on Monday (5/7) before the flood came.

Steve Shoop reported that his May 5th Butterfly Hills R/C Challenge was a huge success. He reported eighteen pilots attended with two from the Chicago area & five aircraft in the air at one time. Steve reports that this year's event had the best weather on record. Coupons from Hobbytown USA were awarded & as usual, all ate very well. Thanks for hosting Steve!

Mark reported that this year's bulk fuel order is a done deal now & that the club was left with five gallons of 2-stroke blend which will be available for purchase by new members.

The new fascia was installed on the club shelter on a hot Sunday afternoon (5/6) by Tim Mellott, Randy Byers, Carl Ward, & Tim Porter. Thanks men, it looks real nice!

Vandals have damaged the frequency cabinet again at the club flying site & totally destroyed the wind meter this time by bashing it to bits. Aren't people funny?

It was reported that Butch Thomas rolled the runway on May 4th with his big machine. Thanks Butch!

Several of the sponsor / advertising signs on the club shelter are getting faded & in bad shape. They will be replaced as Michael Friesel & Rick Hill get them done. Thanks Michael & Rick!

The club voted to continue it's donation of a subscription to Model Aviation Magazine to Fairview School in Bloomington.

Webmaster Varqa Sharif & family came up from Southern Indiana for the meeting to present a proposal to upgrade our web site hosting & make it possible for club officers to post & remove content to & from the site on demand as needed. This new arrangement would cost the club an additional thirty bucks a

month over the twenty we pay now but would give us unlimited data storage & offer more access to those who need to get things on the web page or edit what's already there. The club voted to "go for it" & seemed very excited about the new possibilities.

Dennis Friesel lost his AMA card on Sunday 5/6. If you picked up Dennis's card by mistake at the field, give him a call.

In the continuing saga of the coveted "Dork Award", Randy Byers passed the gem to Jim Parker for a performance that happened at Shoop's place during the R/C Challenge. It was a little unclear exactly what happened but it seems that Jim lost two airplanes during the event. He got what was left back but it took a while searching with Shoop's golf cart down the road. Congratulations Jim!

There's a lot of flying going on now since the weather has gone from March-like straight to July-like & Jim shouldn't have any problem finding the next candidate to receive the award.

The meeting was closed at 7:57:22...

### Interesting Bits...

The indoor flying season has come to an end at the Paragon Elementary School gym. We flew on Wednesday evening (5/30) & the last day of school was Thursday (5/31). The school is closed for the Summer but we signed a new contract that will have us back in the gym flying on Friday, August 17th...

Dave Poland's Wilga bit the dust on Monday, May 28th (Memorial Day). It was impressive in the air, while it was there but it didn't stay there long after Dave flipped the elevator switch to high rate. About five seconds (counted out: snap, Oh sh\*%, stall, stall, crash). Dave had fun working on it during the Winter & will find something else to put that big radial on next Winter or before...

We finally are getting some nice Tuesday evenings for "trainer nite" but there haven't been any trainees. Is there

anybody out there interested or is Tuesday evening a bad time? Let your instructors know...

We had a great time at the annual Monroe County Heli-Fly on June 9th. Thanks to Jeff Self & his crew for another fine job of putting on the fly-in & to Willie "T" for his barbecue! The pictures this month all are from the event.

The more complicated your flying machine is, the more stuff there is to go wrong, & it will at some point...





## Event Calendar

- June 13 Monthly Club Meeting (At The Field)
- June 15-17 Extreme Flight Championship (AMA Site)
- June 21 "Longest Thursday" Pizza Nite at Nebo
- June 22-24 Indy Airshow Indianapolis Regional Airport
- June 22-24 R/C Fly-In Sullivan Airport (Terre Haute)
- June 23 "Charlie Built" Fly-In (Nebo Memorial Field)
- July 7 4-Stroke Event (Club Field)
- July 21 Nothin But Cubs Fly-In (Club Field)
- July 23-29 Airventure Oshkosh
- July 31 Boys & Girls Club Intro To Model Aviation
- August 5 Club Picnic (Club Field)
- August 11 Indy Air Race (full scale)
- September 15 IMAA Fly-In (Club Field)
- December 12 Annual Christmas Dinner / Meeting
- February 24 2013 Annual Swap Meet

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