



**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 2013 Edition

### May Meeting Notes...

The May 8th meeting of the Monroe County R/C Club got underway at 7:05:38 at Dr. Matt's office. It was sunny & 80 outside & some were wishing they were out at the flying field instead of indoors. Twenty-two members were present, according to Tim Mellott.

Two new members, Scott Thombleson & Josh Richardson, were voted into the club.

Tim Sparks was absent but we went over the event at the



Monroe County Airport that we participated in, along with the local EAA chapter. Aviation was presented to a large group of Boy Scouts that were camping on the airport grounds for the weekend. It was cold, dark, & windy but those who participated all had a fine time. The highlight of the day for the scouts was when

Tim's pylon racer chucked its wing during a high speed spin recovery. The airplane was pretty much toast but the kids loved it.

Steve Shoop reported on his Butterfly Hills R/C Challenge. Steve said several pilots attended from around the area & many flew between showers (& eating). It was cool & some just hung around near the hangar (where the coffee was). Steve reported that he gave away some nice prizes from Hobbico & Sullivan Products.



Dennis Friesel reported that the Lincoln Boys & Girls Club will be at our field on July 12th for an introduction to model aviation. We will need several volunteers for the afternoon so if you are available to help, let Dennis know.

The club thanked Larry (Butch) Thomas for bringing out his big machine & rolling the runway. Thanks Butch!

Club president Mark Sexton is still gathering information & opinions on the runway mat project. Contact Mark if you want to contribute or have an opinion one way or the other.

It was announced that there will be a 50/50 drawing during the annual club picnic. The proceeds will be donated to the Wounded Warriors Fund.

The club voted to renew the subscription to Model Aviation Magazine for Fairview School in Bloomington.

The annual rent payment is due on the flying field lease & V.P. / Treasurer Rick Hill will pay John Naylor. Thank you John!

Mark announced that the club apparel that was ordered has arrived. If you had something on order, contact Mark. The fine folks at Winters & Associates got confused on the embroidery colors (again) & gave the club logo's airplane blue smoke, instead of white but maybe not too many will notice.

Bob Watson has announced that due to his health problems, he is going to sell some of his R/C equipment. I don't have a list yet but if you have something in mind, send Bob an email at [watson3615@yahoo.com](mailto:watson3615@yahoo.com).

In the saga of the coveted "Dork Award", Mark Curtis passed the prize to Tim Sparks for crunching two pylon racers in one week. Tim wasn't present to accept the award but he must have had some idea it was coming to him because he left instructions with Tim Mellott about accepting it for him. Thanks to Clint Seyer for capturing one of the special moments with his camera phone.

The meeting was closed at 7:49:52...

### Interesting Bits...

Jeff Self had a much larger turnout for the annual heli fly-in at the club field on June 2nd than he had last year. Some came out just for the "Willy T's" lunch special but most of the pit area was full of helicopters & the parking area was overflowing. It was a little breezy at times but the rain held off till late in the afternoon & we all had a wonderful time. Thanks Jeff for another great fly-in!

Bill VanHarz fought with a spinning prop & the propeller whipped him, or at least his finger. Bill joins Bob Shireman in reminding everyone to **beeeeeee careful...**

There have now "officially" been two nice Tuesday evenings this year. Tuesday trainer nights have been slow (so far) but are picking up steam. If you need some help with something, plan to come out to the club field between 4 & 6 to consult with one of the club instructors. If you can't make it on Tuesday, just give one of them a call or send them an email. The instructor list & contact info is on the club website. A few of them are retired & may be coaxed out on days other than Tuesday.

The grass is growing so fast this year that it's been difficult many times to coax a small wheeled aircraft off the ground. The tall, thick, & this year often wet grass really sucks em in on takeoff & landing. That runway mat proposal is looking very attractive. Be sure to let Mark know if you're interested in having an area of runway covered with the mat that won't need to be mowed three times a week...

Here's a few pictures from the Boy Scout event at the airport & the heli-fly-in...



## Event Calendar

- June 6-9 EAA Ford Trimotor At Greenwood
- June 8 MCRCC Cub-Fly-In (Club Field)
- June 12 Monthly Club Meeting (At The Field)
- June 14-16 XFC At AMA Site
- June 22 Pylon Racing (Club Field)
- June 29 Charlie-Built Fly-In (Nebo)
- July 12 Boys & Girls Club Intro To R/C Event
- July 13 MCRCC 4-Stroke Fly-In (Club Field)
- July 29 - August 4 Airventure "Oshkosh"
- August 10 Indy Air Race (Full Scale)
- August 11 MCRCC Club Picnic (Club Field)
- September 14 MCRCC IMAA Fly-In (Club Field)
- September 28 Lake Lemon Float-Fly
- October 12 Nebo Memorial Fall Festival Fly-In
- December 11 Club Christmas Dinner / Meeting
- February 23, 2014 Annual Club Swap Meet

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