



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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April 2015 Edition

March Meeting Notes...

It was sunny, 65 degrees, & the snow piles were melting outside as the March meeting of the Monroe County R/C Club was called to order at 7:00:13.

I didn't get a count of how many were present for the meeting since my people counter, Tim Mellott, had to leave early to rescue "Rocket Man" (his son Devin) at the mall with a dead vehicle.

Visitor Adam Oliver came to join the club & was voted in. Welcome Adam!

Before Tim left to rescue Devin, he did report that forty-three of the fifty available tables were sold at our annual swap meet. The club decided to raise the advance sale table price from ten to twelve dollars each next year and keep the "day-of show" table price at fifteen dollars each. This increase won't make up for the amount we now have to pay for the building at the fairgrounds but it should help a little. President Mark Sexton reported that the concession stand at the swap meet did OK but was down a bit from last year. The general consensus was that we did alright considering the weather and the huge increase in the building rental.

Brayton Thompson reported that there was nothing new to report from the FAA. Their recent proposal doesn't seem to contain much that would effect us.

President Mark Sexton reported that the fuel order this year would be coming from "Rich's Brew" & would be picked up at the Toledo show. It will have to be distributed after we get back from Toledo & will not be available at the April 8th club meeting.

The mall show at the College Mall in Bloomington is still scheduled for Saturday, April 4th. It will be outside the Target store. Please bring some old magazines to give away & an aircraft to display (display space will be limited). Those club members working the early shift will be meeting at the Bloomington Cracker Barrel for breakfast at 8:00 A.M.

Dennis Friesel reported that the introduction to model aviation for the Bloomington Boys & Girls Club will take place at the club field on June 9th. Lots of volunteers will be needed to assist.

Eric Ruggles reported that he "spaced" the flying session at the Eastern Green School on March 8th. He apologized to those who drove down. There will be no flying at the school on March 15th & Eric advised those who wish to fly on Sunday evenings after that to call or email him.

Larry Collins, who had spent some time at the club field training in the last couple of years, has passed away. His sister Debra donated his airplane to the club & it will continue to train

students as a club trainer. Dennis Friesel volunteered to keep the aircraft in his hangar.

Brayton Thompson reported that there may be a demonstration of R/C aircraft for a group of Cub Scouts, at the club field, sometime in May. Stay tuned for details.

Randy Byers reported that there may be a demo for the Martinsville Lions Club at Nebo Field. No date has been announced yet.

Steve Dorsett's coverage of the club bylaws dealt with frequency control this month. A discussion followed about the use of the yellow tags for 2.4 Ghz radio systems. There may be times when there are not enough yellow tags available for all the pilots using the 2.4 systems. Dennis will ask Michael Friesel to make up some more yellow tags. The spirit of the rule is to keep everybody going to the frequency control cabinet & posting an AMA card or your club card. All club members may not know all other members & it's easy to check the cabinet to make sure all pilots flying have AMA insurance. Those who still fly some aircraft with 72 Mhz radio systems will not forget how important it is to visit the frequency cabinet to obtain the numbered tag for their channel. Steve also talked a little about a three-day UAV course available & the new "Know Before You Fly" program for UAV & drone operators.

In the saga of the coveted "Dork Award", current holder Clint Seyer was not at the meeting. Clint will have another month to find the next club member worthy of holding the popular award.

The meeting was closed at 7:51:36...

Interesting Bits...

March 15 was one of those first warm Sundays in 2015. It was windy & the club field was really muddy with standing water. Member Barry Taylor took this picture of the water & went to Karst Farm Park to try some electric aviation. Barry got knocked over by a loose dog while flying & damaged a plane but said he still enjoyed the nice weather.



Several went North to Nebo Memorial R/C Field to try their luck. Member Charlie Thompson's airplane fought with a gust of wind & suffered a premature landing in the big tree they call "Old Bushy". He's been there before but tries not to make a habit of it. The remains were rescued a few days later by Steve Dorsett.



The club's display at the College Mall in Bloomington was enjoyed by the public on April 4th. Traffic in the mall was slow but quite a few people came by to check out the aircraft on display, watch some of the crash video DVD, & try their luck on one of the three flight simulators we had operating. Some picked up hand-outs with AMA & club info. A few took some of the old modeling magazines we were giving away. Thanks to all who came out & participated!



Event Calendar

- April 8 Monthly Club Meeting
- April 10—12 Toledo R/C Expo
- May 2 Butterfly Hills R/C Challenge (Shoop's Place)
- May 13 Monthly Club Meeting
- May 30 Pylon Racing (Club Field)
- June 7 Float-Fly (Lake Lemon)
- June 9 Boys & Girls Club Intro To R/C (Club Field)
- June 10 Monthly Club Meeting (At The Field)
- June 27 "Charlie Built" Fly-In (Nebo Field)
- July 7 Float-Fly Demo (Lake Lemon)
- July 8 Monthly Club Meeting
- July 11 4-Stroke Event (Club Field)
- July 20—26 Airventure "Oshkosh"
- August 9 Club Picnic (Club Field)
- August 12 Monthly Club Meeting
- August 16 "Nothin But Cubs" Fly In (Club Field)
- September 9 Monthly Club Meeting
- September 12 "Big Bird" Fly-In (Club Field)
- September 27 Float Fly (Lake Lemon)
- October 14 Monthly Club Meeting (Dr. Matt's Office)
- December 9 Annual Christmas Dinner / Meeting

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