

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 Flying Site: 1 mile East of SR 37 on Wylie Road, Bloomington, IN

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May 2015 Edition

April Meeting Notes...

It was warm, wet, and we were under a severe thunderstorm watch when the April 8th meeting of the Monroe County R/C Club was called to order at 7:05:38 by president Mark Sexton.

Tim Mellott (Tim 2) counted twenty-five people in attendance and one of those was a visitor from the mall show who came to check out the club meeting.

Mark reported that the mall show went well but we didn't see as much traffic as we have in past years. The administrative person at the mall finally got the contract to Mark after the show was over. We may or may not do it again next year, depending on the cost to the club & professionalism of the person we have to deal with at the mall. Thanks to all who came out to assist!

Brayton Thompson reported that there's not much new news concerning the FAA drone proposal but warned about posting videos on "You Tube". Since the site contains advertising, it can be construed as "commercial" & has gotten at least one person into hot water.

Mark reported that the fuel order has been ordered & we will pick it up at the Toledo show.

Brayton Thompson is doing a demo for some Cub Scouts at Childs Elementary School in Bloomington on Tuesday evening April 14th. Dennis Friesel, Michael Friesel, & Bruce Bundy volunteered to assist.

Randy Byers reported that he has no information yet on a demo for the Martinsville Lions Club at Nebo Memorial Field.

Michael Friesel just found out from the newsletter that he is going to make more yellow tags for 2.4 GHz radio users. He is hoping to get this done & hang the new advertising signs at the club shelter before the June club meeting (which is at the club field).

Randy Byers & Steve Dorsett announced that they have no news yet about when we might get back into River Valley Church for indoor flying on Monday evenings.

The indoor flying season is over for Eastern Green School.

Steve Shoop announced that he wants everybody that is heading to his Butterfly Hills R/C Challenge on May 2nd to stop at the barn & sign in before they head back to the flying field.

Tim Mellott (Tim 2) announced the date for the 2016 club swap meet will be February 28th.

In Stick's Safety Corner, Steve Dorsett went over the "traffic control" section of the club by-laws & warned about unattended charging of LiPo batteries & bringing them out of storage for the flying season.

In the saga of the coveted "Dork Award", Clint Seyer said he had several possible recipients this month but

passed the award to Tim Porter (Tim 3) for the destruction of an Extra at the club field. An unofficial accident report cited possible battery failure as the cause. Congratulations Tim! You're now a member of the elite group of pilots who have held the prestigious award.

The meeting was closed at 7:54:56...

Interesting Bits...

We are now back in the River Valley Church for Monday evening flying. Contact Randy or Stick for more info...

We have two Fridays left in the Paragon gym this season. May 8th & May 15th. They are not paid for so bring five bucks to help cover the cost. It is unknown at this time if we will be able to fly at Paragon next Fall. The principal is retiring in July & Karen is retiring on August 31st. We hope to make an arrangement with the new principal during the Summer & have a party in the gym on August 28th for Karen's retirement...

Tim Sparks (Tim 1) (Sparky) missed his turn off of 37 on the way home from the meeting after the meeting in April. It was reported that his navigator (a Mr. IPA) made a mistake & didn't recognize the Wylie Road turn turn-off with all the trees cut down from the I-69 construction...

We had a great time again at the Toledo R/C Expo this year. It was a little dark in the building on Friday but they got the power problem fixed late that night & all the lights were back on for the show on Saturday. Thanks to Mark Sexton, Rick Hill, & Jimmy Vanvleet for letting us trash their vehicles! Here's a picture of the fat boys at their favorite lunch stop...



Jack Finney joined the Nebo tree club on Friday, April 24th. Charlie's airplane was removed a few weeks ago so there wasn't a traffic jam in the upper deck parking area. Picture by Randy Byers...

VP Rick Hill has posted the pictures from the swap meet & the mall show that didn't make it into the newsletter on "Flickr". You should be able to

access them from the club website.

There's a pair of bald eagles nesting a short distance from Nebo Memorial R/C Field in Martinsville. They have been seen cruising the area looking for dinner & one even made a low pass down the runway for us on Thursday evening April 16th. Here's a picture of the parents in the nest, which is the size of a small truck...



The pylon racers drove to Logansport on Saturday, April 25th for a race but the weather was wet & very windy. I ran into Clint Seyer, Dr. Matt Fornefeld, Tim Porter (Tim 3), & Tim Sparks (Tim 1) in the Kroger parking lot in Martinsville as they were heading back to Bloomington.

Event Calendar

May 2 Butterfly Hills R/C Challenge (Shoop's Place) May 3 Float-Fly On Lake Edgewood (Jeff's House) 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** February 28, 2016 Annual Club Swap Meet

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