

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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December 2016 Edition

November Meeting Notes...

It was very dark when the November 9th meeting of the Monroe County R/C Club was called to order at 7:56:48 by president Mark Sexton, thanks to the time change. The lights were all on in Dr. Matt's warm office with twenty-four members in attendance, according to Tim Mellott.

Visitor Tim Cornwell came to join the club & was voted in. Welcome Tim #4. For those who may not know, Tim Sparks is "Tim 1", Tim Mellott is "Tim 2", & Tim Porter is "Tim 3" and no, we're not going to change the name of the club to the Monroe County Tim Club.

Mark announced that club hats are now available for \$15.00 each while they last.

Details for the annual Christmas dinner / meeting on

December 14th were discussed. The location is Hoosier Bar & Grill in Ellettsville & the price is \$12.00 per person. Get your money to **VP Rick Hill** before December 1st. Tim Mellott is working on a DVD presentation using some of the pictures

taken during the

year & Dennis Friesel has some entertainment prepared as well.

Those that missed Dave Poland's bonfire / cookout on November 4th got a report on how nice it was that evening & all the good food they missed out on. Thanks Dave & Janet for having us over!

Mark announced that there will be no dues increase for 2017 due to the support of our club sponsors / advertisers. Be sure to check out their graphics at the end of the newsletter & thank them for their support when you do business with them!

There was some discussion on the 2017 swap meet that's scheduled for February 26th. There will be fifty tables available but they won't all be located in the main room. Tables that are used from other areas must be returned there after the swap meet

or there will be big trouble, according to a cranky janitor at the fairgrounds.

There were no new nominees for club officer positions and the current officers all agreed to continue in their positions for another year. Please thank club president Mark Sexton, Vice President / Treasurer Rick Hill, & Secretary Brayton Thompson for their continuing dedicated service!

Several indoor flying opportunities were discussed. Monday evenings from 6:00 to 8:00 at the River Valley Church, North of Martinsville, Friday evenings from 6:00 to 8:00 at the Paragon Elementary School, just two blocks from Tomato Pie Pizza Joint, & on Sunday afternoons December 4th & 11th from 4:30 to 6:30 at Eastern Greene School. More dates for Eastern Greene school will be announced.

Steve "Stick" Dorsett was AWOL in Hawaii so in the "Safety Corner" segment Brayton Thompson reminded everyone about having a "kill" switch set on your transmitter for electric aircraft & removing the prop before working on them, even if they

aren't

mounted in an airframe vet. Brayton told a story about Jeff Snodgrass testing a speed control on the bench using a loose motor & wrapping the wiring up in a

mess when the un-mounted motor came alive. Jeff wasn't at the meeting & the vacationing Stick is the current holder of the famous "Dork Award" so the next chapter of the saga will have to wait another month.

Randy Byers reminded club members to close the frequency cabinet & lock the outhouse when leaving the club field.

Secretary Brayton Thompson mentioned that there may be a new director of the FAA in Washington next year to go along with the new presidential administration. We'll have to wait & see if anything interesting develops concerning the FAA's model aircraft proposals.

The meeting was closed at 7:27:32...

Interesting Bits...

There were more sellers than buyers at the Floyds Knobs swap meet but we had a fine time just the same. Check with Randy Byers to see what he has left from the estate of Mark Curtis & if you are interested in electric helicopters, check with Mark Sexton about his Blade CP Pro & his Blade 400.

The unseasonably warm weather this Fall has been bringing out lots of aviators to the club field on Sundays but the time change has brought a stop to trainer nite on Tuesdays. If you need help from an instructor, use the list on the club website & contact an instructor directly to make an appointment. Tuesday trainer nites will resume next Spring when it warms up & we have some daylight.

The dates for next year's Toledo show & Oshkosh are now on the event calendar. Make your plans now & contact Mark Sexton if you plan to travel with the fat boys. Don't wait until the last minute & expect to have a seat & a hotel reservation.





Event Calendar

December 1 Christmas Dinner Reservation Deadline

December 3 Peru Swap Meet

December 14 Annual Club Christmas Dinner/Meeting

January 11 Monthly Club Meeting

January 28 Charlestown Swap Meet

February 26 Annual Club Swap Meet

April 7-9 Toledo R/C Expo

July 24-30 EAA Oshkosh "Airventure"



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