



Meetings: (monthly) 2nd Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. **Clariti Advanced Vision Correction**
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*Club Meetings June - September, Held At The Club's Flying Site

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March Meeting Notes...

The March 8th meeting of the Monroe County R/C Club was called to order at 7:00:40 by VP Rick Hill with twenty members present. One member that wasn't present was president Mark Sexton, who was down in Mexico checking on the progress of the wall.

New member Rick Metz from Martinsville was voted into the club. He will be known as Rick 2. Welcome Rick!

Club Secretary Brayton Thompson didn't check the P.O. box for mail so his pay will get docked from "0" to "0".

Tim Mellott (Tim 2) reported that forty-three tables were sold at our annual swap meet on February 26th. Attendance was good & there were plenty of volunteers on hand to help set up & take down the tables. Mark Sexton & Kevin Nuetzman sold about the usual amount of goodies at the food table & thanks to Kevin donating the doughnuts, we made a little profit again this year. Thanks to all who helped during the event!

Randy Byers reported that there were three airplanes left from the estate of Mark Curtis. If they don't get sold before the April club meeting there may be an auction after the meeting.

Tim Sparks (Tim 1) reported that pylon racer Ken Erickson is scheduled to have a brain tumor removed & will be selling some of his collection at the Columbus swap meet. Ken's prognosis is good & we wish him well. Sparky also reported that the date of the June pylon race has been changed from the 23rd to the 3rd. Mr. Sparks put out a call for volunteers to assist at the Science Olympiad at Indiana University on March 18th. To entice club members to volunteer, Tim announced that we could fly in the Mellencamp Pavilion after the Science Olympiad was over.

The club decided to put out an "official notice" that a vote would be taken at the April club meeting concerning the extension of the geomat on the runway at the club field & a proposed change in the club bylaws to allow limited night flying at the club field by "quiet", electric powered aircraft. There was some careful rewording of the proposal during the meeting. It was decided that the term "engine" refers to an internal combustion power source while "motor" refers to an electric power source. I still think "IC" refers to an integrated circuit not internal combustion. but I'm no politician.

It was reported that the club field is wet but safe. No signs of any recent vandalism.

The deadline to order fuel with the club is March 18th. Get your orders to a club officer & the fuel will get picked from "Rich's Brew" while we're at the Toledo R/C Expo on April 8th.

A Cub Scout group is interested in launching some model rockets at the club field sometime in May. No date has been selected yet.

Steve (Stick Man) Dorsett was absent so Randy Byers took the "Safety Corner" segment to remind everybody not to reach over a spinning propeller & that landing in the pit area is a no-no for all aircraft (even drones).

The club will be getting some estimates on replacing the pit fence at the club field this Spring. If you have any recommendations, contact Rick Hill (Rick 1).

In the sad saga of the coveted "Dork Award", the current holder was South of the border sipping a margarita & nobody had any good dorkable stories so we'll try to a new home for the little gem at the April 12th club meeting.

The meeting was closed at 7:58:10...

Interesting Bits...

Thanks to Mike Wolford for passing along the information about the passing of Phil Thomas. Phil was the owner of the Krippled Chick'n R/C Club field near Ellettsville & many of our members flew there also.

Our good friend & club sponsor Kim Raia of Tomato Pie Pizza Joint fame lost her battle with cancer on March 28th. Kim will be missed by many of us who have been her regular customers at the Paragon eatery for many years. She always looked forward to the "airplane guys" coming in on Friday nights.



We had a great time at the Science Olympiad on March 18th. Thanks to Tim Sparks & Jimmy Merry for inviting us. You all know Sparky & Jimmy Merry KC9RPX is the coordinator for amateur radio communications between the different buildings at IU used during the Olympiad. That Johnny Cougar building is one fine place to fly. Thanks to Tim for the pictures!



The Nebo Memorial Pilot's Association celebrated the return of Spring & daylight friggin savings time by dining at Bynum's Steakhouse on Equinox Thursday (March 23rd). Tim Sparks shot a few frames during the extravaganza...



Event Calendar

- April 6 SkyWarn Weather Program (Martinsville EOC)
- April 7-9 Toledo R/C Expo
- April 12 Monthly Club Meeting
- May 6 Steve Shoop's Butterfly Hills Fly-In
- May 10 Monthly Club Meeting
- May 18-21 EAA Trimotor At BMG
- June 6 Boys & Girls Club Intro To Model Aviation
- June 10 Float Fly On Lake Edgewood (Martinsville)
- June 11 Public Demo Day (Club Field)
- June 14 Monthly Club Meeting (Club Field)
- June 24 Charlie Built Fly-In (Nebo Field)
- June 24 Pylon Racing (Club Field)
- July 8 4-Stroke Event (Club Field)
- July 24-30 EAA Oshkosh "Airventure"
- August 5 Indy Air Race (Full Scale)
- August 6 Club Picnic (Club Field)
- August 19 Nothin But Cubs (Club Field)
- September 9 Big Bird Fly-In (Club Field)
- December 13 Club Christmas Party / Meeting

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