



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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February 2017 Edition

January Meeting Notes...

The January 11th meeting of the Monroe County R/C Club was called to order at 7:00:42 in Dr. Matt Fornefeld's waiting room at Clariti Advanced Vision Correction in Bloomington with eighteen members in attendance. It was warm, wet, windy, & dark outside.

Club president Mark Sexton announced the passing of club member Jeff Lutane, member Tim Porter's mother, member Les Mobley's mother-in-law, and vice president Rick Hill's son Doug. Our

condolence to all the families who suffered a loss. Mark also reminded everyone that our friend Kim Raia, the owner of Tomato Pie Pizza Joint in Paragon, is battling cancer. Kim will need our thoughts & prayers as she continues the fight.

We had a review discussion of the Christmas party / dinner at Hoosier Bar

& Grill. Everyone agreed that the food was good but there needed to be more of it. The plan is to contract with Hoosier again this year for the Christmas party but we will make arrangements to have more food available for those fat boys that get stuck at the end of the buffet line. The price has been very reasonable the last few years but we may have to raise it a bit this year to insure that there is enough food to fill up all the members of the eating club that practices model aviation on the side.

Tim Mellott reported that only twelve tables have been sold (so far) for our annual swap meet on February 26th at the Monroe County Fairgrounds. Fifty tables will be available for the event & they will go fast as the date approaches. Contact Tim at 812-821-6137 or email him at warbird1@sbcglobal.net to reserve yours now! The swap meet flier is available for download from the club website & Tim has been passing them out at other swap meets in the area.

The membership was reminded that club dues for 2017 are due now. They run from January 1st to January 1st. Your AMA dues date may be different now. They have started a new policy that gives you twelve months from the date you last paid & some of you may have paid for multiple years in advance. Check your



card & make sure you are covered! You can not fly at the club field, Nebo field, or any of our indoor facilities without a current AMA card unless you are on a buddy box with an AMA intro pilot.

There is some interest in making the geo-mat portion of the runway at the club field longer for ducted fan jets. If you are interested, contact Mark Claerbout at 812-339-3551 or email him at mclaerbout@att.net. A committee can be formed to explore the possibilities.

Eric Ruggles reported that Eastern Green School would be available for indoor flying on Sunday afternoons from 4:30 to 6:30 except for January 15th & February 5th. The last session for the season at Eastern Green will be March 12th.

There was some discussion about a segment on Sixty Minutes on military drones dropped from moving aircraft.

There was no "Stick's Safety Corner" since Steve Dorsett was absent. He was at work getting the lights back on in Indy after an ice

storm.

Stick Man is also the holder of the coveted "Dork Award" so there was no passing of the little gem this month. I'm sure Steve will have a presentation to make at the February 8th club meeting.

The meeting was closed at 7:28:00. That might be a record...

Interesting Bits...

After many months, I finally got to see some Oshkosh pictures from Jimmy Vanvleet's new camera. They were all very good but this one was a real keeper. I hope you enjoy it



too. Jimmy might be a little old for a fighter pilot but still looks very stylish...

The weather man says we are way below normal on snowfall this season but there was enough on the Nebo runway for some ski-flying on Thursday, January 5th. Randy's engine wouldn't start but Mark, Bob, & Brian got the chilly finger syndrome. Jeff Snodgrass volunteered to take the photo since Mark thought I needed to be in the picture...

Les & Bonnie Mobley flew to Colorado on a big bird for Bonnie's mother's funeral & sent a couple of pictures from the trip. Thanks Les...



Event Calendar

- February 8 Monthly Club Meeting
- February 26 Annual Club Swap Meet
- March 4 Indy Sportliners Swap Meet
- March 8 Monthly Club Meeting
- March 11 Columbus Swap Meet
- 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
- July 24-30 EAA Oshkosh "Airventure"
- August 5 Indy Air Race (Full Scale)

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