

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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June 2017 Edition

May Meeting Notes...

The May 10th meeting of the Monroe County R/C Club was called to order at 7:00:07 in Dr. Matt's Clarity office. It was mostly cloudy & 82 degrees outside which might explain the low attendance with only eighteen members present.

President Mark Sexton reported that the new section of Geomat was picked up by Dennis Friesel & Mike Wolford. A work day will have to be organized to level the ground & put the mat down on the runway at the club field when it gets dry enough. The heavy rain recently flooded the area & Michael couldn't even get in to mow. There was some discussion about which end of the runway to extend but most of those voicing an opinion seemed to want to extend the new section of Geomat to the East (right standing in the pilot's box facing North).

Quotes for replacing the pit fence are not in yet so that discussion will be continued.

Bob Shireman reported on the Butterfly Hills R/C Challenge at Steve Shoop's place on May 6th. It was a little wet on top of the ridge but eight pilots took to the air & all had a great time. It was also reported that there was no shortage of food on hand to feed the hungry pilots. Thanks to Steve & his wife for putting on the event & thanks to Les Mobley for the pictures.

The annual visit to the club field by the Bloomington Boys & Girls Club is coming up on D-Day (Tuesday, June 6th). Dennis Friesel is looking for volunteers to supply equipment & staff the event. If you are available & want to help, contact Dennis at dfriesel@comcast.net.

Due to a lack of advertising & some conflicts, the public demo day at the club field has been moved from June 11th to August 13th. The event calendar has been updated.

In "Stick's Safety Corner" Bob Shireman & Mark Sexton filled in for an absent Steve Dorsett & reminded everyone to remove the propellers from any electric powered aircraft before working on them or changing any programming. They can bite you in a hurry. Always remember to re-bind with the throttle set at the off position after the set-up is complete so if you loose radio contact the fail-safe will kill the motor.

In the "Dork Award" saga, Mark Sexton passed the plaque to Bob Shireman for a bad day at Shoop's place. It was reported

that Bobby took a wrong turn near Nashville when traffic was re-routed around their annual parade but finally made it to Shoop's only to get stuck in the mud on the drive out to the runway. After a tug from a 4x4 he got set up to



try his luck in the air. The flight went well but the landing got blown a little off line & he knocked the landing gear off of his



Army Aircore in the tall grass. It flew again & landed successfully later in the day but he had already earned the coveted award for at least a month.

The meeting was closed at 7:44:28...

Interesting Bits...

Several club members were on hand at the Bloomington Airport for the visit of the EAA's Ford Tri-motor. Tim Porter &

Tim Sparks were working the event with the local EAA chapter & Mark Sexton, Brayton Thompson, & Les



Mobley went for a flight in the 1929 aircraft powered by three Pratt & Whitney radial engines accompanied by Mark's son-inlaw David Torphy. There are several pictures & videos available that you can check out on the club webpage after VP Rick Hill gets them posted.

Several club members were interested in a contact list for current members. An edited list of current paid members (as of

5-10-17) is now available in PDF format with phone numbers & email addresses. It will not be posted on the website for security reasons but you can request a copy from a club officer. If you don't want your contact information available to other club members, contact VP Rick Hill. His contact information is on page 1 in the top, right corner of this newsletter. You will also find a purple line up there that says club meetings June through September will be held at the club flying site. That pertains to the next club meeting on June 14th.

Tuesday Trainer Evenings started in May at the club field. The weather has not been cooperating very well but we've had a couple of nice Tuesdays so far. If you would like to get some help with flight instruction or setting up an aircraft come out to the club field on Tuesday evenings from 4:00 to 7:00 P.M.

Most of the pictures this month are from Les Mobley. He had



his camera at Steve Shoop's Buterfly Hills R/C Challenge & at the EAA's Ford Tri-motor visit to the Bloomington Airport. Thanks Les!

We wrapped up the indoor flying season at Paragon Elementary School with a group photo as Jack Finney presented a pile of cash to our host Angela Summitt. We donated a little over \$400.00 to the school this

year. Thanks to all who participated & thanks to school principal Tiffany Johnson & Angela for allowing us to use their facility.







Event Calendar

June 6 Boys & Girls Club Intro To Model Aviation June 10 Float Fly On Lake Edgewood (Martinsville) June 14 Monthly Club Meeting (Club Field) June 16-17 AMA Swap Meet (Muncie) June 24 Charlie Built Fly-In (Nebo 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 13 Public Demo Day (Club Field) August 19 Nothin But Cubs (Club Field) September 9 Big Bird Fly-In (Club Field) December 13 Club Christmas Party / Meeting February 25, 2018 Annual Club Swap Meet

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