



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 2018 Edition

January Meeting Notes...

The weather was wet & around 50 degrees when the January 10th meeting of the Monroe County R/C Club was called to order at 7:00:23.

It was a small group with eighteen in attendance as counted by Tim Mellott.

It was announced that Tim Sparks is now "officially" retired. Tim won't quit flying he just won't be getting paid for it now. Congratulations Tim!

Mike Anderson rejoined the club after several years of absence. Welcome back Mike!

There was a discussion of the Christmas dinner and it was the opinion of those present that all went well, the food was good, there was plenty of it, & we should plan on going back to Hoosier Bar & Grill for the event in December of 2018. The date is on the calendar if you need to plan in advance.

President Mark Sexton announced the passing of club member Bruce Bundy.

Several dates for indoor flying were announced & the membership was reminded that the FAA has decided that the model pilot registration deal that was on then off is back on again. If you registered before there's no need to do it again unless you got your name taken off the list during the period when it was "off".

Tim Mellott reported that table sales are near normal so far for our annual swap meet at the Monroe County Fairgrounds on February 25th. We will meet at the Bloomington Cracker Barrel at 6:00 A.M. for breakfast on the 25th & head over to the fairgrounds around 7:00 A.M. to set up the tables. Vendors will be allowed to set up at 8:00 A.M. and the public will be welcomed in to shop at 9:00 A.M. Contact Tim if you haven't already reserved your tables. The flyer is posted on the club website (monroecountyrclub.org).

Clint Seyer is still trying to make connections with the Bloomington Boys & Girls Club about an indoor model aviation demonstration date.

Mark is still trying to make connections with Winters & Associates about some cold weather club apparel.

Several dates were selected for club events & they have been added to the event calendar. The Snodgrass float-fly on Lake Lemon in Martinsville is scheduled for June 3rd. The annual club picnic will be August 5th at the club field. The annual "Nothin But Cubs" fly-in will be August 18th at the club field. The annual "Big Bird" fly-in will be September 8th at the club field. Other dates will be added when details are worked out. Brayton Thompson is working on a date for a "Demo Day" for the public at the club field & Randy Byers is looking for

somebody to take over working to organize a Sig fly-in at the club field.

Mark Claerbout added himself to the growing list of those who have experienced possible radio interference off the West end of the club field. He has donated to the fund to purchase a device to help monitor the frequency spectrum.

Mark Sexton & VP Rick Hill passed out several certificates of appreciation to members who were not able to attend the Christmas dinner.

Steve Dorsett was not at the meeting so there was no "Stick's Safety Corner" but it was reported that Steve did secure a new first aid kit for the club flying site. Thanks Stick!

In the sorry saga of the coveted "Dork Award", Dr. Matt passed the little gem to Mark Claerbout for an incident that happened quite some time back. Seems there was some photographic evidence on Matt's phone of a damaged airplane at the club field. We're digging deep during the dead of Winter to keep the prestigious award moving forward.

The meeting was closed at 7:56:55...

Interesting Bits...

Tim Sparks & Clint Seyer celebrated the new year on January 1st at the club field. Tim took this picture of a chilly Clint.



You should have received the email about the February club meeting being moved to Tuesday the 13th because Wednesday the 14th is Valentines Day. Seems the club is either composed of a bunch of hopeless romantics or many of them have been to a few too many airplane events and are already in trouble with their valentines.

Tim Sparks is recruiting some help with the Science Olympiad at IU on March 17th. Contact Tim if you can assist.

We had a bit of snow in January & Les Mobley took some pictures at Nebo Field on a chilly Thursday evening. He also included a picture of the custom ski installation on his Timber. Thanks Les!



The president looks cold but the little grin says he's having a great time!



Memorize your checklist so you don't have to remove a glove to read the tattoo on your hand.



High speed touch & go...

Event Calendar

- February 13 Monthly Club Meeting
- February 25 Monroe County R/C Club Swap Meet
- March 10 Columbus Swap meet
- March 14 Monthly Club Meeting
- March 17 Science Olympiad
- April 6-8 Toledo R/C Expo
- April 11 Monthly Club Meeting
- May 9 Monthly Club Meeting
- June 3 Lake Edgewood Float-Fly (Martinsville)
- June 13 Monthly Club Meeting
- July 23-29 Airventure "Oshkosh"
- August 5 Club Picnic (Club Field)
- August 18 "Nothin But Cubs" Fly-In (Club Field)
- September 8 Big Bird Fly-In (Club Field)
- December 12 Annual Christmas Dinner / Meeting

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