



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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September 2012 Edition

August Meeting Notes...

The August 8th meeting of the Monroe County R/C Club was called to order at 6:58:23 under sunny skies with a temperature of ninety-seven degrees.

Secretary Dennis Friesel was AWOL & VP Rick Hill filled in for Dennis. It was reported that William Rugenstien from Indy paid club dues to support our indoor flying opportunities. Thanks William! Bob Shireman's older brother Phil Shireman also joined the club. Welcome Phil!

It was also reported that Steve Shoop's airplane that had been lost in the briars at Atterbury for some time has found it's way back home & the damage was minimal. Congratulations Steve!

"Visitor" Jim Scott was welcomed back to a club meeting & was thanked for running the "Nothing But Cubs" fly-in in July. All who attended had a good time & enjoyed the day.

A report on the club picnic revealed that all who attended enjoyed the event despite the heat & a little shower of rain. Jeff Self was thanked for taking care of the arrangements with Willie T for the barbecue & there are already plans to repeat the process next year instead of making Randy Byers & Tim Mellott slave over a hot grill cooking burgers & hotdogs.

A report was given on our 2nd annual effort to introduce the Bloomington Boys & Girls Club to model aviation. The event seems to have been labeled TAG Day, which was an acronym for Take off And Grow, coined by the AMA for a special promotion several years ago. Around forty kids & their leaders were given flight instruction on computer simulators & then taken to the flightline for some experience in the air on four flight stations manned by instructors & buddy boxes. The highlight of the afternoon for the kids was watching club president Mark Sexton ditch his Kadet Senior in the beans after a throttle malfunction caused some severe flutter issues which threatened to destroy it in the air. The highlight for the club officers was seeing Jimmy Vanvleet show up to help at a club event. Now he needs a certificate of appreciation less than a year after he got them discontinued. Thanks to all who participated & helped make the event a success!

Rick reported that there is no new news on our new internet web hosting deal. The expanded services are still not working & we will continue to pay the old rate charge until the new services become available.

The club voted to not mow again till we get some rain.

There is a college group wanting to use our field to test an aircraft equipped with GPS & FPV. Lane Jorgensen & Dennis Friesel will work with them to make sure all AMA guidelines concerning such things are followed.

Don Williams has donated an Alpha 40 trainer to the club to use at events such as the Boys & Girls Club TAG Day. Lane

Jorgensen has equipped it with 2.4 Ghz. radio gear & offered to sell the transmitter & radio equipment to the club for 100 bucks. Lane also agreed to care-for, store, & transport the aircraft. It was a no-brainer! Thanks Don & Lane!

We "officially" thanked Carl Ward for building the new workbench in the club shelter. As suggested, Carl left enough room under the shelter to set up a lawn chair & take a nap. Thanks Carl & good work!

Amateur radio operator Fred Bennett N9TA was getting ready to move & came across a load of R/C equipment that he didn't really want to move again. Fred donated the load to the club & Randy Byers got the job of hauling it to the field for the mini swap meet. Thanks to Fred for the donation & thanks to Randy for the leg-work!

In the continuing saga of the coveted "Dork Award" Steve Shoop passed the torch to club president Mark Sexton for his high-speed trip into the beans during the Boys & Girls Club event. Mark may be too busy to hang out at the field much to look for the next recipient but he has eyes everywhere so beware!

The meeting was closed at 7:49:45...

Interesting Bits...

You may not know yet but Joe Rogers is not just an airplane guy. He's also a bass guitar player & is well on his way to fame & maybe fortune. He's been playing with a band called "Crossin Bridges" & they have been keeping pretty busy. We filled a big table at the "Mixing Bowl" in Martinsville a couple of Saturdays ago with R/C couples & enjoyed dinner while we listened to them play. It was a good time! Good luck Joe & remember us when U get famous...

The much anticipated hurricane moisture didn't turn out to be a drought buster but at least the grass is growing again...

Seems that the retired guys group that flies on weekday mornings are having some trouble finding the runway since the big white stripe is gone. I hear there's a plane lost in the beans way out West somewhere & another in a tree North of the runway. Better not let Mark hear about those "dorkable" adventures...

The pylon racers put on a good show at the club field on August 25th & I believe they all went home in 1 piece, although one ended up in the beans. It nice early but got hot pretty quick as the sun got higher in the sky. They'll be racing again in Columbus on the 15th...

Tim Sparks reports that Interstate Battery in Bloomington has some good deals on NiCads for modelers. Check em out...

Here's some pictures from the "TAG Day", the pylon race, & Airventure Oshkosh...



Event Calendar

- September 12 Monthly Club Meeting (Club Field)
- September 6-9 Scale Masters (Rosewood, Indiana)
- September 15 IMAA Fly-In (Club Field)
- September 15 Pylon Racing (Columbus)
- October 6 Nebo Fall Festival Fly-In (Martinsville)
- October 7 Cheer Fund Charity Fly-In (Columbus)
- October 10 Monthly Club Meeting (Back Indoors)
- October 21 Columbus Swap Meet
- November 14 Monthly Club Meeting
- December 12 Annual Christmas Dinner / Meeting
- February 24 2013 Annual MCRCC Swap Meet

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