

Meetings: (monthly) 2nd Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom On The Internet Only For Now *Club Meetings June - September Are Held At The Club's Flying Site

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April 2021 Edition

March Meeting Notes:

The March 10th meeting of the Monroe County R/C Club was called to order via "Zoom" by president Mark Sexton at 7:04:08 with twenty-one members logged onto the interweb

meeting link.



It was about 70 degrees, overcast, & pretty windy outside as Mark tried to sell a club jacket (size XL) that he has available with the all white logo. The price is \$65.00. There are also two club hats available. Due to the current money crunch there will not be another club apparel order until the current inventory is depleted.

Membership renewals are down for this late in the year. If you have not renewed your club membership, please mail your dues to VP Rick Hill.

The annual club swap meet that was

cancelled in February due to the plague will be rescheduled in May if things work out.

Stay tuned to your email for "official" information.

It's official! The swap meet is Saturday, May 8th at the Monroe County Fairgrounds. The flier is available from the club website.

Club member Dennis Friesel was voted in as the club's latest life member. Congratulations Dennis!

Club secretary Tim Porter & Clint Seyer built & installed a new pit stand at the club field. The new design has the landing gear out in front of the leading edge of the wing (platform) which should help prevent a nose-over. Experience gained from warbird taxi trials. Thanks Tim & Clint! Les Mobley announced that he has some good used lumber available if anyone wants to build more new pit stands. Hardware is always available at Kleindorfer's (one of our sponsors) in Bloomington.

Deven Mellott was hired to cut the grass this season at the club field for \$55.00 per mowing. Thanks Deven & good luck! Scheduling mowings around club events & wet conditions can be a challenge.

Mark announced that anyone wishing to order fuel should contact him before the April 14th club meeting. The fuel will be ordered in April & be picked up in Muncie at the AMA site in June.

Tim Sparks announced that there will be pylon races at the club field on May 22nd & June 26th. Sparky will need plenty of help from club members to staff the events.

There was some discussion about the new rules from the FAA. The new rules will take years to all go into effect but the bottom line is that if you fly at an authorized site (FREIA) you should see no changes in the way we normally operate. If you want to fly somewhere else, it could get interesting & expensive as the new rules go into effect. You can read all the details in Model Aviation Magazine or Model Airplane News.

Secretary Tim Porter & VP Rick Hill have updated the club website to include a list of life members & members who are no longer with us. Please check it out & notify Tim or Rick if you find any mistakes or omissions. Thanks Tim & Rick!

In "Stick's Safety Corner", Steve Dorsett didn't have anything so Ted Backs related an incident involving a pit stand & a broken propeller. Get your aircraft off the stand & restrained on the ground before doing a high speed run-up. Keep it pointed away from the fence & make sure no one is in the prop arc (danger zone).

Current holder of the coveted "Dork Award" (Dr. Matt Fornefeld) didn't have a new candidate for the award & will hang on to it again until the April 14th club meeting. Please relate any "dorkable" events you've observed to Dr. Matt.



Tim Sparks announced that he assisted a visitor at the club field (Mike Smith) with a Cub & is attempting to recruit him into the membership.

It was announced that the April 14th club meeting could be held outdoors at the club field if the weather cooperates. Watch your email & the club website because there could be very short notice about a change of plans. The current plan is to also host the meeting on "Zoom" even if the weather allows us to meet at the field.

The meeting was closed at 8:03:02. It seems that the meetings run a little longer when we're all snug at home "Zooming" on the computer (or smart phone).

Interesting Bits...

The club membership list & email lists are being purged this year to remove unpaid members. If you didn't pay your dues, you will be moved to the "inactive" list. This didn't happen last year because of the plague & all the associated hardship. Unpaid members should have received an email from VP Rick Hill. For those that did renew, thanks for your continued support! If you need to check on your status, please email Rick at hill2@indiana.edu.

I don't have many new pictures this month. We got rained out several Thursdays in a row at Nebo & the wind has really been howling the last few Sundays at the club field. If you have any good pictures, please send a couple my way. I did get a picture of Jasper Kozacek on the runway with a fishing pole. He wasn't casting into Mr. Peterson's pool, he was launching his free-flight glider. The sign may say R/C club but that doesn't mean we can't do a little free flight too. No fish were harmed.

To celebrate the Easter holiday I've included an old photo I ran across of the late Joe Rogers dressed up as the Easter Bunny. You may have seen it before back in 2009 but it made me smile (again).

I've added some event dates for other clubs to our event calendar & they will be listing some of our events. You can call it sharing, cooperation, or just trying to fill blank space in the plague ravaged event calendar.



Event Calendar 2021

April 10 Indv R/C South Spring Picnic

April 14th MCRCC Monthly Club Meeting

April 9-10 Toledo RC Swap Meet & Auction (Seagate Center)

April 23-24 Dayton Modelrama (Montgomery Co. Fairgrounds)

April 25 Indy R/C South Ticket Fly #3

May 8th MCRCC Swap Meet (Monroe County Fairgrounds)

May 12th MCRCC Monthly Club Meeting

May 15 Indy R/C South Last Chance Fly-In

June 9th MCRCC Monthly Club Meeting

June 12 Indy RC Modelers Cubs and Floaty Flyers

July 10 Indy RC Modelers Fly Anything RC

July 14th MCRCC Monthly Club Meeting

August 8th MCRCC Nothin But Cubs fly-In (Club Field)

August 11th MCRCC Monthly Club Meeting

Aug 21 Indy RC Modelers Toys for Tots Flyin

September 8th MCRCC Monthly Club Meeting

September 12th MCRCC Big Bird Fly-In (Club Field)

Sep 25 Indy RC Modelers All Electric Flyin and Swap Meet

October 13th MCRCC Monthly Club Meeting

November 10th MCRCC Monthly Club Meeting

December 8th MCRCC Monthly Club Meeting

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