

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
Flying Site: 1 mile East of I-69 *Exit 125 Then East To South Wayport Road Then

Left (East) on Wylie Road, Bloomington, Indiana

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February 2021 Edition

January Meeting Notes:

The January 13th meeting of the Monroe County R/C Club got underway at 7:05:28 after VP Rick Hill got all the late "Zoomers" logged into the virtual meeting. I counted seventeen members logged in but must have missed one because Rick counted eighteen.

It was a little warmer outside (about 40) but it was clouding up again & very dark.

President Mark Sexton announced the passing of long time club member Bill Stucky on December 20th.

Mark also announced that Bart Johnson is getting back into R/ C after being away for several years & may be looking for some

assistance getting back in the air since he is going all electric this time.

Tim Sparks reported that he has a line on a canopy that he was looking for. It may take some modification but should work.

Ted Backs reported that he is making cowls for LA Racers. He couldn't find a new one & didn't check with Sparky about his inventory.

Mark reported that he now has acquired plans for his Sportster 60 & will start planning the fuse repair. He may have Ted try his hand at making a cowl for it.

VP Rick Hill reported that he has received all the reservation & deposit

money back from the fairgrounds after our annual swap meet that was scheduled for February 27th had to be cancelled due to the plague. If the swap meet is rescheduled later in the year, it will probably be held outdoors at the club flying field.

Club members were reminded that 2021 club dues are due as well as your FAA registration. AMA expirations can vary now so check your AMA card to see when your dues are due with them. Thirty-four club members have paid their 2021 club dues so far this year.

Secretary Tim Porter & VP Rick Hill worked several hours to repair & update the club website. It was down for a short time when I tried to upload the January newsletter & the host program decided to hide one of the key files. All seems to be working now. Thanks Tim & Rick!

During the discussion on the new FAA rules Mark announced that he is working to have Nebo Memorial R/C Field in Martinsville listed as a sister field to the Monroe County R/C Club Field in Bloomington. This should mean that if you fly at either field you should be exempt from buying more equipment & installing it in each of your aircraft to broadcast it's location as long as you have your AMA card & your FAA card, & your club card. Don't forget to have your driver's license unless you walked to the field, your vehicle insurance card if you drove, your medical insurance card in case you cut your finger, your charge card to buy lunch, and maybe your AAA card, your AARP card, your ARRL card, your EAA card, your NRA card, your WNAP gold card, your Mickey Mouse Club card, and some I probably forgot. You may need a helper to carry & keep track of all those

cards! There is still some debate over what our altitude limit will be. It could be 400 feet or 2000 feet. That should get worked out in the next few years. For now, just use a little common sense & fly like you normally would & stay away from other aircraft. Yield the right-of-way to anything up there. The buzzards need a little love too.

Steve Dorsett didn't have anything for "Stick's Safety Corner" so everyone was reminded to be careful & stay safe.

Dr. Matt Fornefeld didn't have a candidate to pass the coveted "Dork Award" along to but he gave us a nice tour of his latest scale project in progress. Matt's Cessna 195 features metal covering, a radial engine, & full interior. Very nice Matt! Thanks for the

tour. We also got to check out some shop work from Tim Sparks, Ted Banks, Charlie Thompson, & Jasper Kozacek.

Secretary Tim Porter announced that he has a 3D printer & may be able to assist those needing a part if you have a file to send him. Tim also announced that the local EAA chapter is working on a Taylor Craft project & you can check it out on the interweb by going to **EAA650.org**.

Bill Van Harz announced that he has six gallons of fuel for sale. Ted Banks quickly snapped up some of it but I'm not sure if he got all or just part of it.

The meeting was closed at 8:10:55 with no time-outs this month!



Interesting Bits...

Dennis Friesel is feeling much better & has been coming up



from the Bloomington area to fly in the Paragon gym the last few weeks with Lane Jorgensen. The other two masked men flying with Lane & Dennis are Les Mobley from Gosport & Charlie Ritter from Plainfield.

Ted Backs is looking for a crankshaft for an OS 52 Surpass 4-stroke engine that still has the crankpin attached. If you have one available, contact Ted at tf.backs@gmail.com.



We finally got to play in the snow at Nebo on Thursday, January 28th. It was a nice "warm" afternoon (about 30) with a pretty blue sky & about 2 inches of snow on the runway.

That's enough snow for this Winter now come on Spring! Les Mobley shot the pictures after his Timber did the spiral of death out near the East tree line. Thanks for shooting the pictures Les & sorry about your Timber.







Event Calendar 2021

Club meetings via Zoom Only Until At Least April February 10th Monthly Club Meeting (Zoom Only) February 27th Annual Club Swap Meet Postponed **Due To The Plague**

March 10th Monthly Club Meeting (Zoom Only) April 14th Monthly Club Meeting (Zoom Only) May 12th Monthly Club Meeting June 9th Monthly Club Meeting

June 12 Indy RC Modelers Cubs and Floaty Flyers July 10 Indy RC Modelers Fly Anything RC Aug 21 Indy RC Modelers Toys for Tots Flyin

Sep 25 Indy RC Modelers All Electric Flyin and Swap Meet

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