



## August 2023 Edition

It was sunny, a little breezy, & about 82 degrees when the July 12th meeting of the Monroe County R/C Club was called to order at the club field at 7:00:28 with nineteen members in attendance (as counted by Tim 2 Mellott).

New members Mason West & Or Dantsker were voted into the club but neither was present. Welcome Mason & Or!

Our Civil Air Patrol guy Brad Thompson & club secretary Tim 3 Porter reported on the booth we had at the Monroe County Fair. Several folks stopped by the booth & talked with Brad & Tim. When the booth was un-manned, hand-outs were available to interested fair goers. Thanks to all who assisted!

During one of this year's apocalypses one of the pit stands at the club field was damaged beyond repair. Club member Eric Ruggles picked up the pieces & built a new one. Thank you Eric!

The new pit fence project at the club field is proceeding slowly. VP Steve Dorsett has been pretty busy at work with all the severe thunderstorms that keep tearing things up in our area. Stay tuned & see Stick Man if you want to help.

Club treasurer Rick Hill & wife Barb put the seam tape on the geomat at the club field over several days. It looks great & should help hold things together. Thanks Rick & Barb!

If you got your FAA account & number back when the whole mess got started, your account will expire at the end of this year. Go back to the FAA site & give 'em five bucks to keep 'em off your back for another little while. See the club website for a handy link if you can't remember how to get there. You may have to register an aircraft while you're there to get it all to work right. You can put in about anything. I just typed in "Turbo Timber by Horizon Hobby" & gave it the serial number PT-109. It worked for me. I don't think they realized that was a boat.



**Meetings:** (monthly) 2nd Wednesday at 7:00 P.M. **Clariti Advanced Vision** 481 S. Landmark  
**\*Club meetings June-September held at the club's flying site.**

**Flying Site:** 1 mile East of I-69. Exit 125 then East to South Watport Rd. then left (East) on Wylie Rd. Bloomington, Indiana

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Tim 1 Sparks gave a report on the pylon races at the NATS at the AMA site in Muncie. Several club members did well & they all had a great time. Sparky reported that he placed 2nd in the 424 Quickie class with Clint Seyer as his caller. He also won the raffle prize which was an NX10SE Spektrum transmitter. Congratulations Tim!



VP Steve Dorsett reported on the "Charlie Built" fly-in at Nebo Memorial R/C Field in Martinsville. Stick fed us lunch & the weather cooperated for several flights of aircraft built by our own Charlie Thompson. Thank you Stick & thank you Charlie!

There was an announcement made about the date, time, & expected behavior for this year's annual club picnic. An email reminder will also be sent out before the event.

March 2nd, 2024 was the date selected for the next club swap meet. The date seems to keep changing every year now so be sure to mark your calendar.

In "Stick's Safety Corner" we talked about the toxic fumes that come from a lipo fire even if the battery is safely inside a lipo bag. There's a device available called a "Bat Box" that will filter the smoke before it dumps into your garage. It was also recommended that you remove the propeller from any electric aircraft before working on it (duh).

Thanks to Tim 2 Mellott for donating some fence hardware!

In the sorry saga of the coveted "Dork Award", nobody saw anything "dorkable" this month (again) so Les Mobley is stuck carrying the little gem around for another month.

The meeting was closed at 7:28:42...



## Interesting Bits

We had great weather for the club picnic this year! A little warm but nothing like what it was the week before the event. Thanks to everybody who helped, participated, & brought something good to eat! Thanks to Barb Hill for the pictures!



Yikai, Mark, & Stick rented a big professional, metric, steam roller (no Manheim & without the steam) in Brownsburg & brought it down to roll the club field & Nebo on Saturday, July 29th. The geo-mat was very smooth for the picnic on the 30th! See Stick if you would like to make a contribution to the effort or to the new pit fence fund.



Randy Byers is selling a load of stuff donated by Jack Finney. That money will go to the pit fence fund. Thanks Jack & Randy! Contact Randy to see what's left.

We had a great fish fry at Les Mobley's pond one nice Friday evening in July. Thanks to Les for having us over & doing the cooking! Les caught the fish we ate in Lake Michigan because the little ones I keep hauling out of his pond just get thrown back in. Thanks to Les & Bob Shireman for the fish pictures!



## Event Calendar 2023

- August 9th Monthly Club Meeting
- August 12 Johnson County Model Aviation Day (Atterbury)
- August 20th Formerly Nothin But Cubs Fly-In (Club Field)
- September 9 Johnson County Never Forget Fly-In (Atterbury)
- September 13th Monthly Club Meeting
- September 17th Big Bird Fly-In (Club Field)
- October 11th Monthly Club Meeting (Back Inside)
- October 12th Fall Festival Fly-In & Truck Run (Nebo)
- November 8th Monthly Club Meeting
- December 13th Annual Christmas Dinner / Meeting
- March 2nd 2024 MCRCC Swap Meet

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