

July 2023 Edition

The June 14th meeting of the Monroe County R/C Club got started at 7:00:20 under a partly cloudy sky with 75 degrees at the club field. The meeting was called to order by VP Steve

Dorsett. President Mark Sexton & secretary Tim Porter were absent but Bob Shireman counted twenty members present & Tim Mellott counted nineteen.

Kevin & Liet Simonelic were voted into the club but were not present. Welcome Kevin & Liet!

Plans for the display at the Monroe County Fair were discussed. 100 copies of the club information flier have been prepared & will be placed in the booth we are sharing with CAP & EAA.

The new pit fence project continues. It looks like we will need to purchase 150 more feet to finish the job. The free fence provided by Steve Dorsett is all up now & looks great!



A report was given by treasurer Rick Hill on the CAP rocket build & launch that was held at the club field on June 3rd. All went well & ten kids participated. Thanks for the pictures Rick!

Joe Jackson brought in some dirt, grass seed, & straw to fix

the mud hole near the road at the club field. Looking good! Thanks Joe!

Yikai reports that the runway is still too bumpy for the small wheels on many of the jets. He is looking at bringing in a giant roller to smooth things out.

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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VP Steve Dorsett announced that breakfast before the "Charlie Built" fly-in on June 17th will be at Indy's in Martinsville at 8:00 A.M.

It was announced that the FAA "FRIA" has been approved for the club field & will take effect July 3rd.



In "Stick's Safety Corner", Joe Jackson suggested that if you know you're going to fly in front of the sun, close one eye so that

you will still have one good one left to land.

Ted Backs advised that if your hobby knife starts to roll off the building table, don't try to catch it. Let it go.

It was announced that the 100th anniversary of the "Nats" will be celebrated at the AMA site in Muncie on July 7th, 8th, & 9th.

Weather permitting, we will celebrate the Summer solstice at Nebo field on Thursday, June 22nd.

Dave Poland will start cutting the short grass at the club field while Joe Jackson will continue cutting the tall grass. Joe's mower won't go low



enough to get the short grass down to where it needs to be for runway level. Dave is shooting for Thursday's around 11:00 A.M. for mowing & could use some volunteers to help move the pit stands & such out of the way. He will email the club list each week if plans change. Thanks Dave & Joe!



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Les Mobley kept the coveted "Dork Award" again this month for lack of a worthy recipient. Send any "dorkable" event stories to Les.

The meeting was closed at 7:32:23...

Interesting Bits

We had a good turn-out for the 2023 "Charlie Built" Fly-In at Nebo Memorial R/C Field in Martinsville on June 17th. The master builder Charlie Thompson was there along with several of his past customers & creations. VP Steve Dorsett supervised the lunch detail & the weather cooperated very nicely this year. Thanks to all who participated & to Charlie for building all those amazing airplanes!

We had another severe thunderstorm on June 29th. There was some damage to some pit stands at the club field & some more trees down at Nebo in Martinsville. Thanks to everybody who helped straighten things back up again.

Secretary Tim Porter reported that the display was in place at the Monroe County Fair along with the EAA & the CAP. Thank you Tim!

Yikai Yan sent the picture of Les Mobley's truck trying out a new "corn stalk" style spoiler, designed to keep the truck right side up, wheels on the ground, & out of the corn field. I'm sorry to report that it didn't work.



President Mark Sexton took the picture of VP Stickman playing on the tractor at the Nebo dirt pile.



Charlie Ritter found something on facebook that indicates Tomato Pie may be coming back! Stay tuned.

We have been having some pretty good pizza at CJ's in Gosport after flying on Les Mobley's pond Friday evenings. Even another tree through the roof of Les's pole barn during the latest apocalypse on June 29th didn't stop us.

Event Calendar 2023
July 9 Indy RC South Ticket –Fly 2 (Atterbury)
July 12th Monthly Club Meeting
July 15 Johnson County Warbird Fly-In (Atterbury)
July 30th Annual Club Picnic (Club Field)
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 17th Big Bird Fly-In (Club Field)
October 12th Fall Festival Fly-In & Truck Run (Nebo)

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