



Meetings: (monthly) 2nd Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. ***October's meeting will be at Hoosier Bar & Grill in Richland Plaza, Ellettsville, Indiana.**

*Club Meetings June - September, Held At The Club's Flying Site

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October 2007 Edition

September Meeting Notes...

The last club meeting of the Monroe County R/C Club at the club field for 2007 got underway at 7:02:45 P.M. According to official sources, the two minute plus late start was caused by Randy Byers. There were thirty-four members present after visitors Milton Means & Paul Shriver were voted into the club. Phil Barlow & Jeff Stone had joined previously but were officially voted into the club as well.

The first topic of discussion was the annual airshow that was held in August. The consensus was that the crowd was good considering that it was one of the hottest days of the Summer. Part of that good crowd was due to the fantastic pre-event advertising. \$528.00 was taken in during the show from concessions, raffle ticket sales, & donations. The profit will be donated to "Jill's House" in Bloomington. Thanks to all who attended the show & everyone who participated on the flight line or behind the scenes. The 2007 MCRCC Airshow was another team effort that resulted in a job well done!

Tim Mellott reported that there was plenty of good food available at the annual club picnic on September 9th because Joe Rogers had to work & couldn't attend. Tim & Randy Byers cooked up the hamburgers & hotdogs as all the covered dishes were arranged on the picnic table. We had a few sprinkles of rain in the morning but it turned out to be a beautiful afternoon for eating & flying (our two favorite activities).



Rick Hill reported that the new picnic table has been constructed, delivered, anchored & is now in use. The new table is a duplicate of the original & had doubled our spectator & bench flying seating capacity. Thanks for your fine work Rick!

The local vandals have hit the club flying site again. The port-a-pot was turned over & some grass was churned up where they drove around the site spinning their wheels. It could have been worse. It was so dry that there wasn't much damage from the vehicle & the Monroe Tuff-John



people came & cleaned up our unit.

Mark wanted to pick a date for our 2008 swap meet so that Delbert could get the information to the AMA to be included in Model Aviation Magazine advertising. He's been so busy that he didn't realize that the swap meet date for 2008 has been on the event calendar for many months. Can you say "president needs a vacation"?

It was reported that club member, airshow chairman, & eye surgeon Dr. Matt Fornefeld is no longer with the Eye Center in Bloomington. That means that we need to find a new location to hold our club meetings during the cold months (October—May). The fine folks at Hoosier Bar & Grill in Ellettsville had left us a standing offer long ago that we could hold our meetings at their facility so Mark has contacted them & we will hold the October meeting there. If you have any suggestions for another location, please bring details to the October 10th club meeting. Hoosier Bar & Grill is East of Ellettsville in Richland Plaza. We will be in a private room. Members, families, & guests of all ages are invited. You can enter the private room through the West door, which is to the left of the main entrance at Hoosier. Richland Plaza is on the North side of highway 46, East of Ellettsville & West of SR 37. There's a McDonalds across the street, on the South side of 46.

While on the subject of the Hoosier Bar & Grill, the club voted to have it's annual Christmas Party/Dinner/Meeting at Hoosier again this year. We will have a buffet style dinner as we have done in the past & those who don't want to get in on the buffet can order from Hoosier's regular menu. Details & buffet prices will be coming soon so stay tuned.

Club officer elections are held every year at the November club meeting. The nominating committee this year consists of Dave Poland & Randy Byers. If you wish to run for a club office, please contact Dave or Randy. Dave's email is davidpoland@hughes.net or you can leave a message on his cell phone at 765-516-3192. Randy's email is rbyers@surf-ici.com & his cell phone number is 765-346-0088.

Steve Shoop announced that he will host a chili cook-off & fly-in at his place in Brown County on Saturday, October 27th, starting at around 2:00 P.M.

Jim Scott announced that he has a guest speaker lined up for the October club meeting. Mr. John Walters was a B-17 pilot during WWII and has written a book titled "My War". Mr. Walters had a display at the Bloomington airport while the EAA's B-17 was in town & Jim met him there & persuaded him to speak at our October meeting. Bring some cash in case Mr. Walters brings some copies of his book to sell.

The meeting was closed at 7:51:40...

Interesting Bits...

The EAA's B-17 "Aluminum Overcast" came to Bloomington on

September 10th & left on September 13th. Monday was media & veterans day while Tuesday & Wednesday the aircraft was open for public tours & trips.

On Tuesday, Charlie Thompson & Randy Byers represented the Monroe County R/C Club with a static display of some WWII model aircraft for the public to enjoy. Good work men!



The bi-annual WWI Dawn Patrol Rendezvous was September 21st through 23rd at WPAFB in Fairborn, Ohio. Several club members enjoyed the hot, dry, & dusty Fall weather to check out the full scale WWI aircraft in action as well as the nice selection of giant scale R/C aircraft. Here's a photo of a full scale DR-1 for your enjoyment.

We got stuck in a traffic snarl on I-70 on the way home Saturday afternoon.

A big crash caused the interstate to be closed for around two hours. We had a little tailgate party on the middle of the interstate (parking lot) while we waited for the highway to reopen.

You may remember that last month Delbert got Larry Cain & Larry McIntosh mixed up. That is all taken care of now. Delbert says he will always remember Larry Cain's name because he raised so much cain about Delbert thinking that an apple had been named after him.

Thank Delbert for proofreading the newsletter (again)...

Event Calendar

October 10 Monthly Club Meeting
(Hoosier Bar & Grill)

October 13 Nebo Memorial Fall Festival Fly-In

October 20 Indy Swap Fest (State Fairgrounds)

October 26-28 USRA Racing (Parker, AZ)

October 27 Steve Shoop's Chili Cook-Off/Fly-In

November 14 Monthly Club Meeting (Elections)

December 12 Annual Christmas Dinner Meeting

February 24, 2008 Annual Club Swap Meet



Photo by Jim Scott



I didn't have enough room or time last month to credit some of the people who made your newsletter possible. I had a printer crash & conned Delbert Davis into printing the twenty-seven or so hard copies & the mailing labels. That meant that he got stuck with the job of stapling, folding, labeling, & stamping all of them as well as mailing them. Thanks Delbert! I also used some pictures that were taken by Rick Hill's wife Barb. Thanks for your photos Barb! I need to thank Mr. Vargha Manshadi for taking time from his busy schedule to post all the club documents on the web site. I also want to thank those of you who come out to the field & participate in our club events. You are the people who make the news & sometimes get made fun of in the name of entertainment. There are also the people who actually take the time to read this newsletter. Some don't but a lot of you do & that's why we keep doing it. My computer & printer problems are mostly fixed. It only cost about 1.5 airplanes. It's a long sad story about the conspiracy between Microsoft & HP to get me to buy new equipment. If there are any problems with the email or snail mail lists please let me know. If you talk to anyone who didn't get a newsletter notice or a hard copy in the mail, pass it along so I can get it fixed. If you have anything to contribute or suggest, please contact me or send it through Delbert. Sometimes my server's spam filter kicks out real messages even though I still get around 100 junk mails a day. My contact info is in the header of every newsletter along with the other club officers.

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