



Meetings: (monthly) 2nd Wednesday at 7:00 p.m., at the Eye Center of Southern Indiana. 1011 W. 2nd, Bloomington, IN
***Club Meetings June - September, Held At The Club's Flying Site**
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September 2007 Edition

August Meeting Notes

It was sunny, hot, muggy, & dry when the August meeting of the Monroe County R/C Club was called to order at 7:01:00 P.M. under the shelter at the club field on Wylie Road.

There were lots of members present but I didn't get an official count from my people counter Mr. Tim Mellott. There was also one visitor present. Mr. Jim Busey came by to check us out.

Michael Hinz's nephew John Dever who paid his dues nearly a month ago was officially voted into the club. Past member Bob Miller has also renewed his membership.

Previous Monroe County R/C Club member Eddie Arbuckle passed away in July & a paper was passed around to gather signatures for a sympathy card to be sent to his family.

Airshow Chairman Matt Fornefeld went over some last minute details for the club's annual airshow scheduled for August 12th. Matt made a nice display poster to display at the airshow to promote the AMA Take-off And Grow program scheduled for August 18th. A sheet was passed around for members to jot down what they wanted to fly at the airshow. Matt will create the final airshow program schedule from the sheet & from email communications with members unable to attend the meeting.

The TAG program was the next order of business. Mr. Phil Mix announced that he has lined up a big tent from his employer to house the computer flight simulators. It is self contained with power & air conditioning! Since we've had such an abnormally hot Summer, that should be a popular spot during the heat of the day. Rick Hill has printed up the program schedules with included meal tickets & area signs. His wife Barb will be the official event photographer. It was reported in error in this newsletter last month that Jim Hail would be assisting with the simulator area. Jim will be in charge of the static display area.

Mark Sexton reported on the retirement party he hosted for Jimmy Vanvleet. Everyone who attended ate well & had a fine time. Mr. Vanvleet was AWOL from the meeting & unavailable for comment. Retirement seems to be a busy time.

Rick Hill has completed plans to build another picnic table for the club shelter that is identical to the existing one. After several members reported on prices, sizes, & quality of commercial tables that are available, it was decided to proceed with the plan to build it.

There was some discussion of the field rules. Common sense should help to remember that a landing aircraft has the right of

way and if other pilots in the air are flying a right hand circuit, it would be wise for you to do the same. We don't want or need the free for all atmosphere & midair carnage that goes on at some other fields. Thanks for your cooperation!

Due to the recent passing of Phyllis Naylor, the club voted to install a plaque in the club shelter in memory of Phyllis. Mark Sexton & Bruce Hoffman are going to work on the details.

Delbert Davis & Randy Byers have installed a windsock on the club shelter to replace the one stolen by vandals last month. Thanks for your service Delbert & Randy. Just in time for the airshow & the TAG program!

The meeting was closed at 7:50:30 so we could all retreat to an air conditioned area!

Interesting Bits

I didn't receive an official report on the airshow yet. There seemed to be a good crowd & everybody seemed to be enjoying the show. The heat was oppressive & the concession area was busy. Raffle tickets sold well & there were some happy winners. There were no major crashes & no serious safety issues. A good job by all volunteers & pilots. Thanks for your participation! It's a team effort & it takes all of you to make it work. The official numbers & the amount to be donated to "Jill's House" should be available at the September 12th club meeting.

Another team effort that went smoothly was the TAG program on August 18th. Please see Delbert's report to the AMA that is posted on the web page.

I wanted to share with you the funny thing I heard on the flightline during the TAG event. Ron Glasscock's girlfriend Jodi Anderson signed up & went through the program. While she was in the air flying on the buddy box, she calmly asked how that old guy with all the propeller scars on his hands became the safety officer. I was laughing so hard that I had a rough time landing the trainer!

Seems that Randy had made an impression on her.



Delbert isn't that old. He just gets a little confused at times. Larry Cain was at the field & Delbert got him confused with Larry McIntosh. Delbert walked up to Larry Cain & told him that he didn't have any problem remembering his name because he really liked those apples (Macintosh). Larry Cain then became a little confused also.

Our condolences to Varga Manshadi & family. Varga's uncle passed away in August. The family had been in Michigan helping his aunt care for him for several weeks.

While Varga was tied up in Michigan there was some minor inconvenience to club members getting the web site updated & the newsletter posted. Family comes first & other things should get back to normal soon. I tried to email the August newsletter file from my computer to the 140+ email list but that didn't go well. I overloaded my server & the plan crashed. Some of you got it & many didn't. I have been sending it out on a one by one basis to those who told me they didn't get it but Varga now has it posted on the web site (monroecountyrc.org). It's in the newsletter archive section. Now I have a dead printer & am having trouble finding a replacement that will run under Windows 98. Delbert may have to print this edition for the thirty or so snail mailers until I upgrade to a Windows XP compatible computer or find a printer that will run with this antique machine. Ahh, the miracles of modern electronics...

September is a busy month & everybody is busy. We had a tough time picking a date for the first ever airplane guys motorcycle ride. At the last minute, we decided on Sunday (normally a flying day)

September 2nd. It was the Labor Day holiday weekend & we figured we could ride on Sunday & fly on Monday. It worked out well & all who participated enjoyed a cool ride to breakfast in the morning with very warm but not unbearable sunny skies in the afternoon. Seven

motorcycles traveled over three hundred miles during the day with our major stop coming around lunch time at the Overlook Café on the Ohio river near Leavenworth, Indiana. Three Kawasakis, two Harleys, a Yamaha, & a Suzuki hauled eleven people around the state on some very scenic & curvy roads. If you own a motorcycle & missed it, shame on you. Maybe you can make it next time. Special thanks to Rick Hill who planned the route & stayed up front most of the day, keeping the rest of us safe & from getting too far over the posted speed limit.

Sometimes you miss a unique photo opportunity but this one didn't get away. We brought back a fake leather flying helmet & goggles from Oshkosh for WW1 model pilot Bobby Shireman & got him to model them with Mark's biplane. What a picture!



The new picnic table is finished & installed! Rick Hill built the unit at home & several of us went to his house & loaded it on a trailer & took it to the field for final assembly. Here's a photo of the delivery group. Carl Ward

donated an anchor to keep the table in place during floods & Randy Byers was in charge of tying the table to the anchor. Good work men & thanks for your service!

For Sale:

Charlie Thompson is at it again, offering another aircraft for sale. This time it's his WWI German JU-10. It flies like a Kadet! No goodies included, just the airplane. Make Charlie an offer at 765-342-4260.

Don Scales has a 27% Hangar 9 Cap "Alitalia" with a Moki 1.8 engine. Contact Don via email at soundmixer@hotmail.com.

I got this email from Nathan Cross who has some items for sale. *I am selling the following if you know anyone that is interested. I just don't have the time to fly them anymore and they're just sitting around collecting dust and the wife is tired of having them spread throughout 3 rooms of the house.*

60 size Hobbico trainer (Futaba analog radio)

40 size trainer needs an elevator control horn (Futaba radio)

40 size Phoenix Fun Star aerobatics 3D plane (JR Digital radio capable of storing many planes and heli's)

All Complete with radios and all flying accessories included.

Real flight G3 flight simulator with add-on also included.

All that you will need is new fuel. \$300.00 for all that I have. I don't have time to fly them anymore. Almost everything is in like new condition.

Contact Nathan via email at crossn@ccrtc.com.

Event Calendar

September 9 Annual Club Picnic

September 10-12 EAA B-17 Aluminum Overcast at Monroe Co. Airport

September 12 Monthly Club Meeting

September 15-16 Terre Haute Airshow

September 21-23 Dawn Patrol Rendezvous Fairborn, Ohio (WPAFB)

September 28-29 Annual Trek to Vincennes

October 10 Monthly Club Meeting (Back Indoors)

October 13 Nebo Memorial Fall Festival Fly-In

October 20 Indy Swap Fest (State Fairgrounds)

October 26-28 USRA Racing (Parker, AZ)

November 14 Monthly Club Meeting

December 12 Annual Christmas Dinner Meeting

February 24, 2008 Annual Club Swap Meet

