

Meetings: (monthly) 2nd Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. Clariti Advanced Vision Correction
481 S. Landmark Ave., Bloomington, Indiana

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

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May 2008 Edition

April's Meeting Notes...

The meeting got underway right on time at 7:00:02 in Hoosier Bar & Grill's meeting room. Mark & Delbert are turning into clock watchers & the clock they are watching has the correct time. We have three new members since the March 31st cut-off date for renewals. Jim Ek & Wayne Broadfield renewed their memberships a couple of weeks late. Welcome back gentlemen! Megan Barlow is a new member. Megan married club member Phil Barlow & was already into R/C flight, having been to the field many times with relatives Carl & Dale Terpenning. Please welcome Megan when you see her at the field!

We have another new club sponsor! L.K.R. Inc. is the Radio

Shack dealer in Martinsville.
Manager Doug Singer was bitten by the R/C bug a few years ago & has been stocking & selling hobby supplies at the Radio Shack



store for some time now.

You won't find this at all Radio Shack stores. You'll have to stop on the South side of Martinsville near the Kmart & Ace Hardware stores, in the plaza, at the intersection of SR 37 & Burton Lane. Many of you have already been over to see Doug & his crew about parts for your Blade electric helis. Give him a call! If he doesn't stock what you're after, he can get it at a competitive price. Thanks for you support of the Monroe County R/C Club Doug!

Rick Hill & Michael Friesel are working on the sponsor signs at the club flying field. Rick has also found web links to several of our sponsors & they have been forwarded to Vargha Manshadi for inclusion on our monorecountyrc.org web page. Michael has posted the RC Jets Unlimited sign to see how it holds up to the weather for a few weeks & they will continue the project in May. Thanks Rick & Michael!

Mark Sexton & Randy Byers are working with Rick Mowery of RC Jets Unlimited & Wildcat Fuels to secure our annual bulk fuel order. April 9th was the last day to place your order & Rick & Randy hope to drive to Kentucky to pick up the order before

the end of April. After the transportation cost has been calculated, Delbert will send out an email, including details on how to pick up & pay for your order. Thank you gentlemen for your efforts!

Michael Friesel has researched the possibility of having the new Park Pilot Magazine from the AMA sent to the Monroe County Public Library. They are interested & some club members suggested having it sent to the branch in Ellettsville as well & also to the Martinsville Public Library. Michael is checking on the Ellettsville branch & Rick Hill is checking with the Martinsville library. Good work men!

It was decided to not apply to the AMA to host a TAG program this year. We may hold a similar event during the September 14th Annual Air Show or on a separate date. Air Show chairman Dr. Matt Fornefeld is formulating a plan of attack

The R/C club will have a booth again this year at the Scout-O-Rama in Martinsville on April 26th. The event is at the Morgan County Fairgrounds & we will begin setting up around 8:00 A.M. after breakfast at "Forkey's" in Martinsville at 7:00 A.M. if you would like to participate. Charlie Thompson will be running the static display area. Jason Breeden, Tim Mellott, & Mark Sexton will be working the R/C flight simulator area & Joe Rogers will be doing a stationary radio / flight control demonstration with his new Extra. We will also try to do some flight demonstrations in a roped off area out in the back of the fairgrounds if the weather permits. Small glow power or electrics are about all we can fly in the limited space. Hope you can attend!

Lane Jorgensen & Dennis Friesel have been helping some students with their Science Olympiad project. They earned 2nd place in the state competition which was run by Tim Sparks. Congratulations to the team & good job Lane, Dennis, & Tim!

Bob Watson finally was awarded his certificate for outstanding service that he missed getting at the Christmas dinner. Hoosier Bar & Grill received a certificate for allowing us to hold our meetings in their establishment for the last several months. Bruce Hoffman announced that the plaque honoring the late Phyllis Naylor has been installed at the flying field. The plaque was donated by Mark Sexton & Everlasting Monuments.

Dave Poland & Carl Ward have been cleaning up the flood debris left at the field in March. Dave has rolled the field & plans to mow & roll it again in the next couple of weeks before Michael Sexton starts his weekly mowing schedule. Thanks Dave & Carl for a job well done!

Bruce is going to get some topsoil to fill in the ruts & divots in the runway & Mark will get some grass seed to put on those areas. Mark has also contacted the Monroe County Tuff-John people and they will begin servicing our rented outhouse immediately. Please make sure the unit is locked if you are the last one to leave the field.

Tim Sparks is investigating the possibility of putting some pylon flag poles in the fields East & West of the runway for racing practice. He is working with Mark & John Naylor about the method & placement so as to not interfere with planting & harvesting operations in those fields.

Mark announced that our web hosting fee has been paid for the year & that our tax return has been completed. We didn't owe any tax but the fee for preparation was \$80.00.

The May club meeting will be held in Dr. Matt Fornefeld's new office at 481 S. Landmark on May 14th. A map will be emailed to members when it becomes available. Landmark runs between 2nd Street & Third Street on the West side of Bloomington. A couple of "landmarks" to look for are Buffalo Wild Wings at the 2nd Street intersection & Landmark Auto Body at the 3rd Street end. There is a stop light at both intersections. Landmark is just a little West of Matt's old office on 2nd Street where we used to hold our meetings. That should be enough landmarks to enable you to find Landmark. Good luck!

The executive committee reminded everyone to use courtesy at the flying field. They received an email from a visitor from out-of –town who complained that he was treated rudely by a club member. We have visitors from other locations from time to time & most but not all take the time to contact a club officer for instructions & authorization. If you encounter someone at the field who is not a member, be courteous & diplomatic. Introduce yourself & explain how our operation works. If they are truly a guest flyer, they will be willing to cooperate & abide by our rules. If they refuse, they can be asked to leave. If things turn sour, call the Monroe County Sheriff's Dept. & a club officer in that order. Most modelers are pretty decent people & get along fine together. The committee is looking at some better options for displaying the club rules at the field & on the pit fence where they will be more visible to visitors.

The meeting was closed at 8:27. I didn't get a count on the total number of people present because my official people counter Tim Mellott was AWOL.

Interesting Bits...

We broke in a couple of new vans during the annual trip to the Toledo R/C Expo this year. Mark Sexton purchased a new (used) van the day before we left & Rick Hill drove his brand new (only 1300 miles) van. With four fat guys in one & three fat guys in the other, we gave them a rough way to go all weekend. We only brought back one airplane so we didn't really test the cargo capacities but we did play with all the knobs, buttons, & gadgets just to test things out when we weren't watching DVDs or listening to satellite radio. Thanks for letting us trash your new vehicles Mark & Rick!

I'm starting a new feature in the newsletter that I could use some help with. I want to feature one of our business sponsors from time to time with some information about what they do, who the people are, & why they have chosen to support our club. This month our featured sponsor is Tire & Wheel Auto Improvement Center. They have been supporting the club for



many years and I have personal experience with their service. I started doing business with them years ago when I needed some work done on the old airplane van & noticed that they were a sponsor of the club.

I had always had my tire work done up North at another tire store but after my first visit I knew that I would be a repeat customer.

They offer a wide variety of professional automotive services. The people are nice, the prices are fair, & the location is close to



where I work. Their service is always professional, courteous, & fast. Even though I don't visit them any more than I have to, they remember me & always make me feel welcome. They have gone above & beyond the call of duty on more than one occasion to make me happy. I would recommend them highly to anyone looking for any of the services that they offer. If they



don't do what you're looking for, they will recommend someone who does. Be sure to tell them thanks for supporting the Monroe County R/C Club when you stop in at Tire & Wheel and ask Dave how he happened to pick that pretty bluish green color on his new Avalanche. He might also be able to tell you some stories about a certain Mr. Sexton and a race car sponsorship.

Thanks for your support Dave!

Mark took this picture while I was trying to speak with Jim Scott's Futaba 9C transmitter. He thought I looked like a mad scientist at work but I was actually just having a peaceful conversation with the little so & so... I wasn't getting ready to smack it with a hammer or anything, if that's what you're thinking...





I took this picture on March 19th on my way home from work. I couldn't get very close to the field because I didn't have a boat & it was pouring rain, but shooting through the windshield of the truck at maximum zoom you can see the outhouse bobbing around like a cork in the flood waters. I was parked at the base of the hill near the first driveway.

For Sale:

Randy Byers has his Seamaster for sale.

I got this email ad from Delbert.

I have a Thunder Tiger Seamaster for sale.

Red White and Blue with a 59-inch wingspan. NEW O.S. 46 FX engine, switch-charge jack, 600 mah

NEW O.S. 46 FX engine, switch-charge jack, 600 mah battery, and 4 Futaba 3004 servos.

All you need is a receiver, fuel, and \$250.

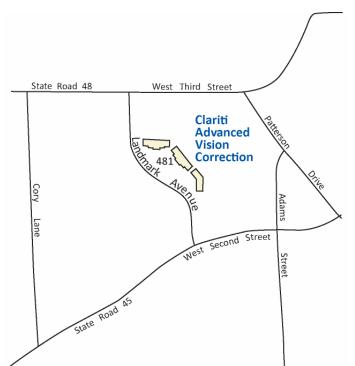
I'm acquiring a new plane and don't have radio space or storage space available for them all, so something has to go.

Home phone # 765-342-7476 or cell# 765-346-0088. The engine has 3 tanks of fuel through it for break-in. NO flights on this engine.

Randy's email address is rbyers@surf-ici.com

Map to the May Meeting

Just in from Rick Hill (Thanks Rick!)



Event Calendar

April 26 Scout-O-Rama Show (Martinsville)Morgan County Fairgrounds 9:00 A.M. till 4:00 P.M.

April 28th SkyWarn Severe Weather Spotter Program

Morgan County Sheriff's Dept. 7:00 till 9:00 P.M.

May 3 Steve Shoop's Butterfly Hills Fly-In (See Flyer)

May 14 Monthly Club Meeting (at Dr. Matt's New Office) (See Map)

May 16-18 Dayton Hamvention

May 31 "Nothin But Cubs" Fly-In (Club Field)

June 11 Monthly Club Meeting (at the field)

June 21 2nd Annual 4-Stroke Event (Club Field)

June 28 2nd Annual "Charlie Built" Fly-In at Nebo Memorial R/C Field (Martinsville)

July 9 Monthly Club Meeting

July 19 Atterbury Warbird Fly-In

July 26-27 Hoosier Hospitality Sr. Pattern Contest (Atterbury)

July 28-August 3 Airventure "Oshkosh"

August 10 Club Picnic (Club Field)

August 13 Monthly Club Meeting

August 29-31 Dayton Giant Scale R/C Air Show

September 5-7 Heartnut Fly (Atterbury)

September 10 Monthly Club Meeting

September 14 Annual Club Air Show (Club Field)

October 8 Monthly Club Meeting

October 11 Nebo Fall Festival Fly-In

October 12 Martinsville Fall foliage Festival Parade

October 18 Steve Shoop's Chili Cook-Off / Fly-In

October 18 Indy Area Swap Meet & Hobby Expo

November 12 Monthly Club Meeting

December 10 Annual Christmas Dinner/Meeting

February 22, 2009 Annual Club Swap Meet



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