

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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February 2014 Edition

January Meeting Notes...

The January 8th (Happy New Year) meeting of the Monroe County R/C Club was called to order at 7:05:22 by club president Mark Sexton with fourteen members present. It was nice & warm in Dr. Matt's office & twenty-six degrees outside, which was a heat wave compared to the –14 we had on Monday the 6th along with 13 inches of snow, depending on your location.

The first order of business was a wrap-up of the Christmas party / meeting at KRC Catering. We thanked VP Rick Hill for making the arrangements & everyone thought the food was good. Mark announced that KRC will be moving to Ellettsville & should the club decide to have the dinner at their facility again in 2014, we would be at the new location, which is across 46 from the old Big Red Kawasaki dealership, which became the Harley Davidson dealer, which is something else now.

Secretary Dennis Friesel showed us the certificate that the AMA sent us for donating to the Wounded Warrior Project.

Steve (Stick) Dorsett couldn't be at the meeting because he was busy in Indy trying to get the power back on from the big storm but Randy Byers passed along the announcement that the new roof on the club shelter is under warranty & if any problems develop, just pass the word to the stick man & he will contact the contractor.

Before the latest Winter storm came in, the field was flooded. Several noticed that the pit stands had floated out into the cornfield but nobody was sure who went out & dragged them back. Thank you, whoever you are! It was also reported that the runway mat is fine after the flood but may require a little cleaning.

Michael Friesel is going to prepare a list to post on the internet for club members to fill in when & where they can volunteer to help at the club's mall show in March. More on that next month.

Intro pilots for 2014 will remain the same as last year & there will be no charge to the club & should require no special paperwork to the AMA from Dennis.

Mark plans to start a bulk fuel order next month if there is enough interest from club members. Many have caught the electric bug & not as much glow fuel is being burned as in years past.

In Stick's absence, the "safety corner" was short & sweet. Don't slip & fall on the ice. If you plan to slip & fall, don't carry anything sharp in your pockets.

Mark passed out certificates of appreciation to several members who were not able to attend the Christmas dinner. Several new dates were added to the 2014 event calendar. There will be pylon races at the club field on 5/31, 7/26, 9/27, & 10/2. Float-flys on Lake Lemon are scheduled for 6/1 & 9/28. The Charlie-Built fly-in at Nebo will be on June 28th, which is also Joe Rogers' birthday.

Tim Mellott will host the 4-stroke event at the club field on 7/12. Steve Shoops Butterfly Hills R/C Challenge in Brown County will be on May 3rd. Jeff Self is working on a date for a heli flyin & Jim Scott was not at the meeting but is surely thinking about a date for the Nothin But Cubs fly-in. Mark is checking on a date for an IMAA fly-in also.

Bruce Bundy was not at the meeting so the saga of the coveted "Dork Award" had to be continued till February. The meeting was closed at 7:57:45...

Interesting Bits...

The severe Winter weather has kept most of us from enjoying outdoor model aviation for a couple of months now. I hope everyone has made it this far through the season without too many hardships. Many have had power outages, frozen pipes, vehicle problems, & high heat bills. Take advantage of your time stuck indoors to get your fleet in shape for a time in June or July when the weather finally turns warmer. Battery & fuel system maintenance often get overlooked until there's a failure at the field. Now is also the time to go over your flight box & check for loose electrical connections & restock items that were used last year. It's also a good time to make sure your club dues & AMA dues are current. It will warm up someday & you'll want to be ready. If you finish all that & want to think about Spring & warmer weather, go out in the garage & sharpen the blade on the lawnmower...

Steve Dorsett says we have the West Middle gym in Martinsville again on Sunday mornings from 9 to 11 from February 2nd thru March 16th. It's **not** available March 23rd or 30th on He's checking to see if we can get any Sunday mornings in April so stay tuned...



Here's a few pictures from my Blade 180 QX that I got for Christmas from Kim (I mean Santa). The quality from it's little camera is not as sharp as from the Canon 50D but they have character when taken in flight...













Notice how excited Mark is...



Event Calendar

February 8 Washington Swap Meet

February 12 Monthly Club Meeting

February 23, 2014 Annual Club Swap Meet

March 1 Converse Swap Meet

March 8 Columbus Swap Meet

March 15 Indy Swap Meet

March 22 Mall Show 10 to 9

April 4-6 Toledo R/C Expo

May 3 Shoop's Butterfly Hills R/C Challenge

May 31 Pylon Racing (Club Field)

June 1 Float Fly On Lake Lemon

June 28 Charlie Built Fly-In (Nebo Field)

July 12 4-Stroke Event (Club Field)

July 26 Pylon Racing (Club Field)

July 28—August 3 Airventure (Oshkosh)

September 26-28 GWAA WWI Show At WPAFB

September 27 Pylon Racing (Club Field)

September 28 Float Fly On Lake Lemon

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