



**Meetings:** (monthly) 2nd Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. **Clariti Advanced Vision Correction**  
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\*Club Meetings June - September, Held At The Club's Flying Site

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## December 2017 Edition

### November Meeting Notes...

It was clear, around 50, & dark outside when the November 8th meeting of the Monroe County R/C Club was called to order at 7:00:08 by president Mark Sexton with twenty members present (as counted by Tim Mellott).

New member Steve Scott was voted into the club. Welcome Steve!

Eric Ruggles announced that indoor flying at Eastern Greene School will be from 3:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. on Saturday, December 9th & 16th. It will pick up again on January 6th, 2018 & run through March 10th. Some Saturday afternoons might become unavailable if the school has something scheduled so check with Eric before you venture down to Greene County to fly. His email is [ericruggles@att.net](mailto:ericruggles@att.net) & his cell number is 817-913-4696. The landing fee is \$5.00.

It was announced that the annual Christmas dinner / meeting will be at Hoosier Bar & Grill in Ellettsville on December 13th beginning at 6:00 P.M. Get your \$15.00 per person to Rick Hill before November 30th. Rick's contact info is listed at the top of the newsletter. It was announced that there will be more food available this year since we are an eating organization that likes to fly.

It was decided to wait until Spring to post the new AMA safety code poster & the club by-laws at the club field. There shouldn't be much traffic at the club field during the Winter months & better weather will be nicer to the new documents.

The annual club officer elections were completed and your officers for 2018 are President Mark Sexton, Vice President / Treasurer Rick Hill, & Secretary Jeff Snodgrass. Be sure to thank them (as well as out-going secretary Brayton Thompson) for their service to the Monroe County R/C Club!

Randy Byers brought in a battery charger for sale from Jeff Tacket.

There is some interest in placing an order for some Winter club apparel. If you are interested in a heavier jacket or hat sporting the club logo, contact one of the club officers.

Clint Seyer is investigating the possibility of doing an indoor demo for the Bloomington Boys & Girls Club. We might also get to some regular indoor flying in their new facility. Stat tuned for details.

In the saga of the "Dork Award", Dr. Matt didn't have a new candidate. It was determined that Jack Finney's Vapor stuck in the basketball goal at the Paragon didn't qualify & everybody

missed the piece in the last newsletter about Jimmy Vanvleet trying to fly around at the Nebo Fall Festival Fly-In with his antenna retracted so the award stays with Matt for another month. Send your suggestions to Dr. Matt at [matthew@claritionline.com](mailto:matthew@claritionline.com).

The meeting was closed at 7:36:55...

### Interesting Bits...

Brayton Thompson fixed Jack Finney's gmail account so Jack should now be able to view emails from the club list. Thanks Brayton!

If you're planning to attend the Nebo Memorial Pilot's Association's annual "Shortest Thursday" dinner at Bynum's Steakhouse in Martinsville on December

21st, I need to let them know how many practicing fat people to expect for the eating extravaganza.

It is possible to bind more than one aircraft to the same transmitter although it seems to happen by accident. Don't try this at home. It's better left to the "professionals" in the Paragon gym.

Thanks to Dave & Janet Poland for having us out for their annual bonfire / food-fest on the Saturday after Halloween! The attendance was down a bit this year since it was rainy early in the day but we stayed dry, had a great time, & ate very well (as usual).



Brayton Thompson (aka Brandon Thomas) was sporting his new haircut at the November club meeting. It was suggested that with some imagination & the magic of Photoshop, his new style might remind some of a youth organization popular in Germany during WWII. Just kidding Brayton. The new style looks very respectable.



Randy Byers has a new email address. If you have been blocked from his atm-internet address, try [rgbymers8268@gmail.com](mailto:rgbymers8268@gmail.com).

Congratulations to Jeff Snodgrass KD9JTV! Jeff passed his amateur radio technician class exam in Spencer on November 18th with a perfect score. We now have more than ten licensed amateur radio operators in the club.

If you use any of the small 2S lipos with the funny plug that Horizon Hobby calls "UMX", I did some research & bought some mates for it from Digi-Key Electronics to make some adaptors to change it to a standard 2S balance plug that can be plugged into any meter to check voltage or into a balancer for charging. The number is B3B-PH-K-S (LF)(SN) & they are only eighteen cents each. They are pistols to solder but it's good practice.



Hobby R/C that was on Franklin Road in Indy has moved to 5135 S. Emerson, Unit K. & Hobbytown USA North has moved to 8265 Center Run Drive. Adjust your GPS devices accordingly before you venture North to support your local hobby shops.

Don't forget to pay your 2018 club dues to VP / Treasurer Rick Hill. Club memberships still expire on January 1st every year. Your AMA membership now expires a year after you paid & could expire in any month. Check your AMA card to see when yours is due. No flying is allowed at the club field without a valid AMA membership. It's an insurance thing I'm sure you all understand.

We won't be flying in the Paragon gym on December 29th or January 5th. The school will be closed for the holidays. We'll also be out on March 30th for Spring break.



**Happy Holidays!**

### Event Calendar

- November 30 Deadline To Pay Rick For Xmas Dinner
- December 2 Peru Swap Meet
- December 13 Club Christmas Party / Meeting
- December 21 Shortest Thursday Dinner at Bynums
- January 10, 2018 Monthly Club Meeting
- February 14 Monthly Club Meeting
- February 25 Monroe County R/C Club Swap Meet
- March 14 Monthly Club Meeting
- April 6-8 Toledo R/C Expo
- April 11 Monthly Club Meeting
- July 23-29 Airventure "Oshkosh"

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