

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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April Meeting Notes...

It was sunny & 72 as the fuel order was distributed before the April 12th meeting of the Monroe County R/C Club. The meeting was called to order at 7:07:22 in Dr. Matt's Clariti office with twenty-seven people in attendance as counted by Tim Mellott. Four of those present were visitors. Scott & Levi Mitchel, Arron Bingham, & Scott Nelson.

President Mark Sexton announced the passing of former club member Dan Drake in Wisconsin. Many of you "old timers" will remember Dan as a good guy & quite a character.

The club voted to extend the length of the geo-textile mat at the club field. The width will remain the same leaving plenty of grass runway for those who prefer not to use the mat. The mat will be paid for with donations & the installation supplies will be paid for by the club. If you wish to donate toward the mat cost, contact one of the club officers or Mark Claerbout.

The club voted to amend the by-laws to allow limited night flying at the club field. The restrictions will be posted at the field & on the club website. The main concern is not to upset the

neighbors by making a bunch of racket in the middle of the night.

It was announced that the date for the pylon race at the club field has been moved to June 3rd & I changed the date on the event calendar also.

Randy Byers announced that he is working with Sig to arrange a date for a Sig Fly-In at the club field this year.

Clint Seyer & Matt Fornefeld stood in for an absent Tim Sparks to report on the Science Olympiad at Indiana University on March 18th, where

several club members volunteered their time to assist with the events & we got to do some serious indoor flying after the event.

It was reported that pylon racer Ken Erickson has had his brain tumor surgery & is at home doing well.

A group of Cub Scouts will launch rockets at the club field on Monday evening May 22nd from 5:30 P.M. to 7:30 P.M. (weather permitting) if you want to check it out.

The medical rescue helicopter training for the local fire department that was to happen in April was cancelled due to the weather. They are going to try again on Monday evening May 1st (weather permitting).

Club secretary Brayton Thompson is researching the possibility of adding an FPV pilot station near the existing pilot stations at the club field to help maintain communications among all pilots using the airspace. If you have any suggestions or comments, contact Brayton.

In "Stick's Safety Corner", Steve Dorsett was absent so safety officer Randy Byers stepped in & reminded all pilots to read & understand the safety rules and to stay away from the pilot's box during your flight operations.

In the sad saga of the coveted "Dork Award", current holder Mark Sexton couldn't locate a worthy candidate to pass the award along to. If you have a "dorkable" tale to tell, please contact Mark before the May 10th club meeting.

The meeting was closed at 8:02:20...

Interesting Bits...

We had a great time at the Toledo R/C Expo on April 7th & 8th. Thanks to Mark Sexton, Rick Hill, & Jeff Snodgrass for allowing us to trash their vehicles. Nobody got lost or left behind this year. Some of our favorite vendors were not at the show but we still came home with plenty of loot & I don't believe anybody came home hungry.

The indoor flying season is over for River Valley Christian Church & will be over for Paragon Elementary School before the next newsletter comes out.

Thanks to those who participated at both locations

& to those who organized the events.

We will be doing some outdoor demonstrations at the church in the parking lot for the next several Wednesday evenings



(except for club meeting night) to support their community night program. Contact Steve Dorsett or Randy Byers if you would like to assist & remind Stick to pay his club dues.

If his health & his schedule permits, we will start spending Friday evenings at Jeff Snodgrass's place on Lake Edgewood in Martinsville when the flying at Paragon school is over. We had a great time over there last year float-flying, fishing, water skiing, & running R/C boats. It's only a few miles from the Tomato Pie Pizza Joint which enables us to continue our Friday nite pizza habit.

Pictures this month came from Tim Porter of Sparky loading fuel at Toledo & from Sparky of an overloaded van.





Event Calendar

May 6 Steve Shoop's Butterfly Hills Fly-In

May 10 Monthly Club Meeting

May 18-21 EAA Trimotor At BMG

May 20 Indy Electric Fly-In (Morristown)

May 22 Cub Scouts Rocket Launch (Club Field 5:30 P.M.)

June 3 Pylon Racing (Club Field)

June 6 Boys & Girls Club Intro To Model Aviation

June 10 Float Fly On Lake Edgewood (Martinsville)

June 11 Public Demo Day (Club Field)

June 14 Monthly Club Meeting (Club Field)

June 16-17 AMA Swap Meet (Muncie)

June 24 Charlie Built Fly-In (Nebo Field)

July 8 4-Stroke Event (Club Field)

July 24-30 EAA Oshkosh "Airventure"

August 5 Indy Air Race (Full Scale)

August 6 Club Picnic (Club Field)

August 19 Nothin But Cubs (Club Field)

September 9 Big Bird Fly-In (Club Field)

December 13 Club Christmas Party / Meeting

February 25, 2018 Annual Club Swap Meet

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