



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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October 2018 Edition

September Meeting Notes...

The weather was perfect for the last meeting of the Monroe County R/C Club at the club field for 2018 on September 12th. It was sunny, calm, & 72 degrees. The weekend before the meeting had been very wet & rainy but the field didn't flood.

The meeting got started at 7:01:05 with eighteen members present as counted by Tim Mellott.

Visitor Roman Chrzanowski was voted into the club. Welcome Roman!

VP Rick Hill reported that Carl Ward is no longer at Bell Trace but Rick has not been able to contact Carl by telephone to see how he's doing.

Charlie Thompson reported that the "Charlie Built" fly-in at Nebo Field on August 9th met with his approval & thanked everybody that participated.

A report on the "Nothin But Cubs" fly-in at the club field on August 11th revealed that a good time was had by all who attended & that Tim Mellott & Randy Byers did a fine job cooking lunch.

The pilot protection fence built by Steve Dorsett is still being tested on pilot station #4 and Steve plans to build three more. Please put the fence back in the shelter after you are finished so the lawn mower can get through.

President Mark Sexton announced that we will meet for breakfast at the Bloomington Cracker Barrel at 7:30 A.M. before the Big Bird fly-in on September 16th.

Mark & Rick are already working on plans for our annual Christmas party / meeting on December 12th. Details should be available at the October 10th club meeting.

The indoor flying season will begin on September 21st at Paragon Elementary School. Bring three bucks to donate to the school & keep your AMA membership current to satisfy the insurance requirement with the school system.

The last Friday evening float-fly on Lake Edgewood at Secretary Jeff Snodgrass's place in Martinsville for this season will be September 14th. Thanks to Jeff & Jill for having us over all Summer!

Eric Ruggles is working on a schedule for indoor flying at the Eastern Greene School this Winter. Stay tuned for details next month.

In "Stick's Safety Corner", we were reminded to check the

firewalls in all your airplanes. Things can work loose over time & the firewall is a vital connection on fuel & electric powered airplanes. A rope around the tail may hold the airframe on the ground but if the firewall fails the whirling implements of death can exit the airframe & travel quite a long way.

Rick Hill announced that the club motorcycle ride will be Saturday, September 29th, weather permitting. We will meet at the Bloomington Cracker Barrel at 7:45 A.M. & tour part of beautiful Southern Indiana.

Tim Mellott reported that the date for the 2019 club swap meet will be February 24th. The flier will be updated & sent to the AMA as soon as possible to be posted in Model Aviation Magazine & Rick will post it on the club website.

In the "Dork Award" saga, current holder Eric Ruggles didn't have a candidate to pass the little gem along to so he decided to retain it for another month. If you have any "dorkable" incidents to report, contact Eric.

The meeting was closed at 7:45:17...

Interesting Bits...

The club's annual "Big Bird" fly-in was a huge success. Thanks to everybody that participated & to Randy Byers, Tim Mellott, & Mark Sexton for feeding us. The weather was warm & it got a little bumpy in the afternoon but it was a good day of flying. I forgot to take a group photo so if you have any good pictures from the event send me one for the November newsletter.

We got off to a good start flying in the Paragon gym with six pilots on September 21st. The turnout wasn't so good on September 28th when nobody showed up but me. That's more clean air for me but not so good for donations for the school. It was a nice Fall evening & everybody must have been busy outside with other activities so maybe attendance will improve as the weather gets bad.



It was a crisp 48 degrees on Saturday morning September 29th when four of the R/C club's motorcycle riders met at the Bloomington Cracker Barrel for breakfast. I got a report from Les Mobley that he made the event along with Tim Mellott & Eric Ruggles. They were led by VP Rick Hill who organized the ride. It was reported that it was a nice Fall day for a motorbike ride after the morning chill wore off. The riders put on

about 100 miles touring beautiful Southern Indiana. Thanks to Rick for putting on the event & sorry it was too cold for my wimpy body to participate. The pictures are from Rick Hill & Les Mobley. More details should be available at the October 10th club meeting.

As part of the Martinsville Fall Foliage Festival there will be a fly-in at Nebo Memorial R/C Field (just East of Martinsville off of SR 252). The public has been invited to come check out the hobby from 1:00 to 3:00 P.M. AMA membership is required to fly. Contact Randy Byers at 765-346-0088 for details. The pilots plan to do breakfast at 8:30 A.M. at Forkey's restaurant on East Morgan Street in Martinsville. There will be detours around the downtown square in Martinsville during the festival. Here's a picture from Steve Dorsett's "drone" at the 2017 event.



Check out the event calendar for some recently added swap meets. Make your plans now.

Event Calendar

- October 10 Monthly Club Meeting
- October 13 Fall Festival Fly-In (Nebo Field Martinsville)
- October 21 Columbus Swap Meet
- November 14 Monthly Club Meeting
- November 17 Floyds Knobs Swap Meet
- November 24 Madison County Swap Meet
- December 12 Annual Christmas Dinner / Meeting
- January 9 Monthly Club Meeting
- February 13 Monthly Club Meeting
- February 24 Annual Club Swap Meet

R/C Swap Meet
 Buy, Sell, Swap, & Trade New & Used
 Radio Control Aircraft & Related Equipment
Sunday, February 24, 2019
 Vendor Set-up at 8:00 A.M.
 Shop from 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.
Monroe County Fairgrounds
 5700 W Airport Road, Bloomington, Indiana
 Follow SR45 West from SR37 /I-69 for 1.8 miles.
 Turn right on Airport Rd. for 0.7 mi. to Fairgrounds on right
Admission \$5.00
 Children 12 & Under Are Free
Advance Sale Tables Still Just \$12.00
 Any Available Tables Will Be \$15.00 day of show
 * We don't want to make any money today. We just love to buy, sell, swap & trade model aviation related merchandise...

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