

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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April 2019 Edition

March Meeting Notes...

It was warm, windy, & felt like Spring outside when the March 13th meeting of the Monroe County R/C Club was called to order at 7:04:42 in Dr. Matt's office with twenty-three members in attendance as counted by Tim Mellott. The late start was due to the open-van giveaway that Randy Byers was hosting out in the parking lot before the meeting. The last few bits from the estate of Steve Shoop were given new homes.

Secretary Jeff Snodgrass was absent due to illness but Jim Scott returned after a long absence.

Tim Mellott, VP / Treasurer Rick Hill, & President Mark Sexton reported on the club swap meet that took place on February 24th while Jimmy Vanvleet tried to answer his cell phone. We sold thirty-nine tables of the fifty available. The gate admissions were down a bit & the concession area was down from last year. We didn't loose money on the event but didn't do as well as we normally do. After some discussion, it was decided to move the date to Saturday next year. The 2020 swap meet date will be Saturday, February 29th. Thanks to Mark & Tina Sexton for donating the concession supplies, Kevin Nuetzman for donating the doughnuts, & to all the club members that worked together to put on the event!

Mark reported that the club charter with the AMA has been taken care of for 2019 & Rick reported that the club website has been getting an average of eighty-five "hits" a day. By looking at my email inbox, you might think that many of those eighty-five were just spammers looking for someplace to send their junk mail.

Tim Sparks gave a pitch to drum up a few more volunteers to work the Science Olympiad at IU on March 16th.

The club voted to give life member status to long time

club member & all around nice guy Lane Jorgensen. Congratulations Lane!

Mark announced that he would organize a work day at the club field sometime in April to clean up the flood mess. Hopefully things will dry up a bit & we don't get another flood this Spring.

Mark is putting together a bulk fuel order that we plan to pick up at the Toledo R/C Expo on April 6th. If you want fuel this year, contact Mark before March 24th. The price is not confirmed yet but it looks like it will run somewhere around twenty bucks a gallon this year.

Eric Ruggles reported on a nice aviation museum in Ohio he checked out recently while attending a swap meet near Urbana.

Steve Dorsett reported in "Stick's Safety Corner" that those with desk jobs & those sitting at a building table for hours on end should remember to get up & move around more to stimulate some circulation.

Rick Metz is still looking for a candidate to pass the coveted "Dork Award" to. He hasn't witnessed anything dorkable & hasn't been getting any coaching from the membership. That problem should be taken care of with the arrival of Spring & more members venturing out to the field after a long Winter's nap. Make sure your batteries are charged, your club dues are paid, your AMA is current, & you have that pesky FAA number somewhere on the exterior of your aircraft!

The meeting was closed at 7:50:27...

Interesting Bits...

It was a long day but we had a good time assisting with the Science Olympiad over at IU on March 16th. Tim Sparks recruited several Monroe County R/C Club members & several



members of the local EAA Chapter to assist with timing & scoring during the flying events that ran from about 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. A few of us stayed later to enjoy some indoor electric model aviation inside the Mellencamp Pavilion after the Science Olympiad events had concluded.

The pit stands have been returned to the club field. After they floated a half mile down the road & across a field in the last flood, our good neighbors to the South West pulled them back out to the Wylie Road & Joe Jackson brought them back to the field. VP Rick Hill chained them up to keep them from floating off again. If you get out to fly & get one out, please chain it back up before you leave. We still have some clean-up to do & a work party will get organized soon. Thanks to Joe & Rick for your help getting the stands back to the right property!

The indoor flying season is over at Eastern Green School & River Valley Christian Church. Thanks to Eric Ruggles & Randy Byers for their efforts during the cold months to provide us a place to practice! We will continue to fly at the Paragon Elementary School on Friday evenings from 6 to 8 until May 24th. Thanks to all who have participated!









Event Calendar

April 5-7 Toledo R/C Expo

April 10 Monthly Club Meeting

May 8 Monthly Club Meeting

May 10-12 EAA's B-17 at Greenwood Airport

June 1 "Charlie Built" Fly-In (Nebo Field)

June 4 Boys & Girls Club Intro To R/C (Club Field)

June 8 Lake Edgewood Float Fly (Jeff's Dock)

June 12 Monthly Club Meeting (Club Field)

June 15 Pylon Racing (Club Field)

July 10 Monthly Club Meeting (Club Field)

July 13 4-Stroke Event (Club Field)

July 22-28 EAA Airventure "Oshkosh"

August 4 Club Picnic (Club Field)

August 10 "Nothin But Cubs" Fly-In (Club Field)

August 14 Monthly Club Meeting (Club Field)

September 11 Monthly Club Meeting (Club Field)

October 9 Monthly Club Meeting (Not at club field)

November 13 Monthly Club Meeting

December 11 Annual Christmas Dinner / Meeting

February 29, 2020 Annual Club Swap Meet

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