

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 2019 Edition**

## January Meeting Notes...

It was cold, windy, & dark when the January 9th meeting of the Monroe County R/C Club was called to order at 7:00:03 in Dr. Matt Fornefeld's Clariti office.

Several members arrived early to look over the load of stuff from the estate of Steve Shoop that was in the back of Randy Byers's van & several came early to pay their club dues for 2019.

A couple of new members were voted into the club. Tony Cornell is from Michigan but has relatives in Martinsville that he will be visiting. Charlie Ritter is from Plainfield & has been flying indoors with us at Paragon & River Valley. Charlie is a good friend of Les Mobley but we won't hold that against him. Welcome Tony & Charlie!

The report on the annual Christmas party at Hoosier Bar & Grill revealed that everybody got enough to eat & enjoyed the evening. The plan is to do the same again for this December's party.

Tim Mellott was AWOL but reported via text that several tables have been reserved for the annual club swap meet on February 24th at the Monroe County Fairgrounds. If you want a table for the swap meet, get your money to Tim before they are sold out.

It was reported that there is a look-alike scam website out there that you might end up on while trying to check your FAA registration. Be careful using a search engine to find the site. If the address doesn't end with .gov, you're probably in the wrong place.

Steve Dorsett announced that he would be hosting the annual "Charlie Built" fly-in this year at Nebo Memorial R/C Field in Martinsville on June 1st. Start getting your airplanes that were built or blessed by club member Charlie Thompson ready for the event.

Club secretary Jeff Snodgrass announced that he would host a club float fly / fish fry from his back yard on Lake Edgewood in Martinsville on June 8th.

Tim Sparks announced that he is looking for volunteers to assist with the Science Olympiad at IU on March 16th. Those who volunteer will get to do some indoor flying in the huge Mellencamp Pavilion after the event.

President Mark Sexton announced that the annual club picnic at the club field will be August 4th & the "Nothin But Cubs" (& other floaty things) fly-in will be at the club field on August 10th.

In the "Safety Corner" members were reminded to put their LiPo batteries into "storage charge" during the Winter months to help preserve them for next Spring.

Certificates of appreciation were handed out to those present who were not able to make the Christmas dinner. In the opening round of the "Dork Award" saga for 2019, Steve Dorsett passed the award to Rick Metz for his amazing landing on top of the overhead projector at River Valley & for trying to put away his new micro PT-17 into a box that clearly said "Vapor" on the front. No wonder it wouldn't fit.

The meeting was closed at 7:47:08...

## Interesting Bits...



Several of the pylon racers took a Winter break trip to Arizona to compete & enjoy the weather. Clint Seyer & Tim Sparks sent pictures of the racers & their prizes.



Tim Sparks sent this interweb link for a device to help locate aircraft lost in the corn field. Check it out. https://alofthobbies.com/vifly-finder-2.html

After selling several items at the club meeting & a couple of swap meets, Randy Byers still has some aircraft & supplies for sale from the estate of Steve Shoop. Contact Randy at 765-346-0088 to see what's left.

The big media frenzy this month has been the weather. Reporters were on every corner reporting on the snow, cold, & slick roads. On January 29th through the 30th, tempretures got

well below zero with wind chill values of – 25 to –40. There were plenty of flat tires, dead



batteries, frozen pipes, & other cold related problems around. Hope you all got through it without too many hassles & now that January is over, the forecast is for warmer weather ahead. Think Spring!

You can still enjoy some model aviation before Spring arrives by taking advantage of several indoor flying opportunities. We fly micro size airplanes, helicopters, & quads at River Valley Christian Church in Martinsville on Monday evenings from 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. Paragon Elementary School gym on Friday evenings from 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M., & in the Eastern Greene gym near Bloomfield on Saturdays from 3:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.

Contact Randy Byers about River Valley Mondays at 765-346-0088, Brian Elliott about Paragon Fridays at 765-346-1123, & Eric Ruggles about Eastern Greene Saturdays at 817-913-4696. Winter will be over before you know it.







### **Event Calendar**

February 13 Monthly Club Meeting

February 24 Annual Club Swap Meet

March 13 Monthly Club Meeting

March 16 Science Olympiad (IU)

April 5-7 Toledo R/C Expo

**April 10 Monthly Club Meeting** 

May 8 Monthly Club Meeting

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

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

June 12 Monthly Club Meeting

July 10 Monthly Club Meeting

July 22-28 EAA Airventure "Oshkosh"

**August 4 Club Picnic (Club Field)** 

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

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