

Meetings: (monthly) 2nd Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. Clariti Advanced Vision Correction 481 S. Landmark Ave., Bloomington, Indiana & via Zoom *Club Meetings June - September Are Held At The Club's Flying Site Flying Site: 1 mile East of I-69 (Exit 125) on Wylie Road, Bloomington, IN Website: http://www.monroecountyrcclub.org

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November 2020 Edition

October Meeting Notes:

It was a nice evening at the club field on October 13th when the Monroe County R/C Club meeting was called to order at 6:02:28 with nineteen masked members present (according to chief counter Tim Mellott). A few participated via Zoom as well.

Visitor Bill Strack from the Paragon area was voted into the club. Welcome Bill!

Randy Byers reported on the Big Bird Fly-In held at the club field on September13th. The weather was excellent, there was lots of flying, & a good time was had by all except maybe Roman Chrzanowski. Roman's big drone crashed during a filming session & sustained major damage but Roman reported that he has it flying again. He has not tried to salvage the film yet.

Tim Sparks reported on the pylon race at the club field on October 10th. Sparky thanked all the volunteers that participated

& helped staff the event. The pylon race generated seventy bucks for the club treasury.

It was confirmed that there will not be a Christmas dinner this year due to the plague & the fact that the new owner at Hoosier Bar & Grill has not returned club president Mark Sexton's calls. We will have a regular club meeting on December 8th at Dr. Matt Fornefeld's

Clariti office & probably on Zoom as well.

The club's annual swap meet scheduled for February 27th, 2021 will be a wait & see game for a couple of months. Depending on what the plague does & what local regulations are by then a decision will be made by the January club meeting to proceed or cancel the event.

It was announced that there will be a swap meet in Columbus on October 18th. Maybe we can get some insight from their swap meet on how ours might go.

Randy Byers & Steve Dorsett are working on a plan to tear down the current pit fence at the club field & replace it with plastic snow fence next Spring. A few new posts will be required & some help from the membership to remove some of the old posts & install the new fence. Contact Randy or Stick Man if you can assist.

President Mark Sexton announced that he will get some joint plates & screws to "beef-up" the club shelter. Some of the joints are pulling apart as the structure ages & the ground moves around during flooding & wind. Contact Mark if you are available to assist with that project.

VP Rick Hill & secretary Tim Porter are working to reduce our website's footprint & move some of the older files to another location to save us some money. They plan to also back-up all the information in case of a crash.

Mark also announced that he has contacted the outhouse people & they will fix the problems & service the unit. Keep an eye on things & report anything amiss to Mark.

Club officer elections will happen at the November club meeting. The current club officers agreed to accept nominations for their current club offices & no new nominations were heard at the meeting. If you are interested in running for a club office, contact president Mark Sexton, VP / treasurer Rick Hill, or secretary Tim Porter. Thanks to Mark, Rick, & Tim for their past & current service & their willingness to continue to serve the Monroe County R/C Club!

It was announced that the November 10th club meeting will be held at Dr. Matt's Clariti office & remotely via Zoom. The

officers are working on a plan to keep the attendance at Dr. Matt's office below the fifteen person limit set by the Mayor of Bloomington.

There was some more equipment from the estate of Greg Hepfer auctioned. Tim Sparks brought some old transmitters & Rick Metz brought some foam board.

"Stick's Safety Corner" was presented via Zoom from Charlie Thompson's garage. Steve Dorsett reported that the pilot

barrier should be used on pilot station 4 until the tall grass barrier grows back. The tall grass in that area was cut back for the pylon racing event.

In the saga of the coveted "Dork Award", current holder Mike Patton passed the little gem to Tim Porter (Tim3) for running out of fuel during the pylon races. It also slipped out that Charlie wacked his finger at the Big Bird Fly-in & that Mark shucked the wing on a Sportster at Nebo but Tim won the prize for a month.

The meeting was closed at 7:48:08...

Interesting Bits...

The pylon race pictures came from Les Mobley & Ted Backs. Thanks Les & Ted!



Club member Brayton Thompson needs a kidney transplant & is in search of a donor. You can check out the website his friends have put up for him at

www.savebraytonthompson.com

Kevin Nuetzman sent this picture of a B-25 that one of his fellow club members in Arizona 3D printed. Kevin reports that it flys great. Thanks for the picture Kevin!



Dave Townsend is selling a giant scale Cessna 188 ARF from RC Guys that is new & never been finished. Contact Dave at <u>davet70@comcast.net</u> or call him at 765-318-2260.



Zoom Report From Club Secretary Tim Porter

We had 4 participants using Zoom in the last meeting. They reported that it was simple to join and they could hear what was happening. Stick gave his safety report, reminding those who fly in station 3-4 that they should use the barriers since the long grass barrier was trimmed for pylon racing. Charlie said hello. We will be sending out a fresh invitation to the next meeting on the 10th of November at 7 pm. If anyone has questions please let VP Rick Hill or Secretary Tim Porter know. Zoom will be a good method to help the club comply with the mayor's restriction of no gatherings larger than 15 people when we have to meet inside during the winter of COVID.

We are flying micro electrics again in the gym at Paragon Elementary School on Friday evenings from 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. Social distancing & masks are required. There are also tables on the gym floor that make things more interesting but after two sessions so far, we're getting better at take-offs & landings. Bring a \$3.00 donation to the school per session.



Event Calendar 2020

November 10 Monthly Club Meeting 7:00 @ Dr. Matt's Club meeting also available via Zoom December 8 Monthly Club Meeting (No Dinner This Year)

February 27 2021 Annual Club Swap Meet (Saturday)

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