



Meetings: (monthly) 2nd Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. **Clariti Advanced Vision** 481 S. Landmark
***Club Meetings June - September Are Held At The Club's Flying Site**
Flying Site: 1 mile East of I-69 *Exit 125 Then East To South Wayport Road Then Left (East) on Wylie Road, Bloomington, Indiana
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March 2022 Edition

February Meeting Notes:

The February 9th meeting of the Monroe County R/C Club was a Zoom thing on the interweb due to the surge in plague cases. It was cloudy & 42 degrees outside but there was still some snow left over from the Groundhog Day storm. Twenty-one members were signed into the meeting when president Mark Sexton called the affair to order from his motor home on the East coast at 7:03:32.

Mark announced the passing of long time club member & friend Dennis Friesel on Saturday, February 5th. Dennis organized our introduction to model aviation for the Bloomington Boys & Girls Club for several years prior to the plague & hosted several float-flys near his home on Lake Lemon in past years. We will miss Dennis! The photo of Dennis is from 2017 at Nebo. The service for Dennis was the same day of the club meeting & was attended by several club members.

Plans for our annual swap meet on March 19th at the Monroe County Fairgrounds are in place & Tim Mellott reports that several tables have been reserved. The current plan is to meet at the Cloverleaf (Curry & West 3rd) for breakfast at 6:30 A.M. & then head over to the fairgrounds to set up the tables. Masks will be required for the swap meet & there will be no food available because of the plague. Contact Tim Mellott to reserve your tables or with any questions. The flier is available on the club website.

Deven Mellott will do the mowing at the club field again for 2022. His "Pappy" & assistant Tim 2 hopes it's a little drier this year.

Mark announced that Nebo memorial R/C Field in Martinsville is now included in our AMA charter. Mark also personally paid the \$80.00

insurance fee for Nebo because that's just the kind of guy he is. Thanks Mark!

VP Rick Hill went over the options to renew your club membership & get the new card. Contact Rick if you have any questions about renewal.

A list was compiled of Intro Pilots that the club wants to have registered with the AMA. Their pay will be doubled this year. 0 x 0 still = 0 but it's the thought that counts!

We hope to have the March 9th club meeting in person again at Dr. Matt's Clariti office but keep an eye on your email for any announcements in case it has to be a "Zoom" thing again.

Steve Dorsett didn't have the video set-up working on his computer so we didn't have a "Stick's Safety Corner". Maybe he will have something figured out by the March 9th meeting.

In the saga of the coveted "Dork Award", current holder Ted Backs didn't have a new candidate so he will hold the little gem till the March meeting. If you have witnessed anything "dorkable" contact Ted. Ted is also looking for a Skyraider for pylon racing if you know of one for sale.

Yikai Yan & club secretary Tim Porter (Tim 3) plan to fill in some mud holes in the parking area at the club field & get some grass growing before we lose a small car under the water. Thanks Yiki & Tim!

Several club members plan to practice some formation flying so we can give a tribute to Dennis Friesel at some point when the weather breaks.

Mike Patton announced that he is having good luck with some batteries from RCBATTERY.COM. You may want to check them out.

The meeting was closed at 8:00:10...

Interesting Bits...

There hasn't been much snow this Winter but we got to play in some at Nebo on February 6th. It was sunny & warm & the deep snow was a little sticky but we had a great time with



aircraft on skis, an air boat, & 4-wheel-drive ground vehicles. That's Les Mobley's Timber with the black skis & the air boat, Steve Dorsett's orange Draco on skis & his snow buggy with lights, & my Notorious little blue truck (picture by Les).



Event Calendar 2022

- March 9th Monthly Club Meeting
- March 19th Annual Club Swap Meet (Fairgrounds)
- April 1-2 Toledo Swap Meet
- April 13th Monthly Club Meeting
- April 29th & 30th Dayton Modelrama
- May 11th Monthly Club Meeting
- June 8th Monthly Club Meeting
- July 13th Monthly Club Meeting
- July 25th to 31st EAA Airventure "Oshkosh"

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