



February 2023 Edition

It was about 50 degrees & foggy with light drizzle outside when the January 11th meeting of the Monroe County R/C Club was called to order in Dr. Matt's warm & dry Clariti of-fice at 6:58:00 by president Mark Sexton with twenty-five members present as counted by Tim 2 Mellott.

New member Jay Kolk was voted into the club. Welcome to the club Jay!

Mark announced that past club member & old friend Marty Bassett of First Insurance Group in Bloomington passed away on November 25th and that loyal club sponsor Mr. Dave Kleindorfer of Kleindorfer's Hardware & Variety Store in Bloomington passed on December 28th as did Randy Byers's mother-in-law Betty Fleener on December 29th. Our condolence to all their families.

A report on the club Christmas dinner held at the Monroe County Fairgrounds revealed that club member Joe Jackson is a pretty darn good dessert cook! You can find Joe's recipes in last month's newsletter thanks to Barb Hills' Recipe Round-up.

Tim 2 Mellott reported that the AMA didn't get the ad for our March 4th swap meet into Model Aviation magazine yet. It better be in the February issue! Reserve your tables now with Tim 2. The flyer is available on the website but here it is for those that don't negotiate the interweb well.



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Monroe County R/C Club

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P.O. Box 484, Bloomington, IN 47402

www.monroecountyrclub.org



R/C Swap Meet

**Buy, Sell, Swap, & Trade New & Used
Radio Control Aircraft & Related Equipment**

Saturday, March 4th, 2023

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 I-69 / SR 37 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

For Table Reservations, Contact:

Tim Mellott 812-821-6137

warbird142@gmail.com



Meetings: (monthly) 2nd Wednesday at 7:00 P.M. Clariti Advanced Vision 481 S. Landmark

***Club meetings June-September held at the club's flying site.**

Flying Site: 1 mile East of I-69. Exit 125 then East to South Watport Rd. then left (East) on Wylie Rd. Bloomington, Indiana

Website: <http://www.monroecountyrclub.org>

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Mark passed out certificates of appreciation to several club members that were unable to attend the Christmas dinner.

If you wish to participate in the bulk fuel order this year, please submit your order to VP Steve Dorsett. The fuel will be ordered right after the February 8th club meeting and be available for pick-up at the April 12th club meeting if all goes according to plan. Stick man's contact info is at the top of the newsletter.

It was announced that Tomato Pie Pizza Joint in Paragon has closed. They were a loyal club sponsor & we are sad as well as hungry & thirsty!

Yikai announced that some drug addicts have been leaving their used needles in the parking area at the club field. The police were contacted & passed the buck to the county health department. The health department picked them up. Thanks to the health department & to Yikai! Be careful & stay aware out there.

There was some discussion of the of the new FAA regulations & when they will actually go into effect. There is some delay from the original announcement while the government tries to get it together. Stay tuned for updates & continue to operate your equipment in a safe & responsible manner.

In Stick's Safety Corner, Steve reminded everyone to inspect the airlines & fittings in those aircraft that have air driven retracts. Plastic & rubber can get hard & start leaking when they get old (just like us). Congratulations to Stick for getting Mark's P-39 painted after all these years! Electric retracts probably hadn't been invented yet when that baby was built!

In the saga of the coveted "Dork Award", current holder Ted Backs didn't have a new candidate for the award but Joe Jackson volunteered that he had an issue trying to test a glider at home instead of at the field even though he knew better. Ted was happy to pass the award on to Joe so pass along any "dorkable" events to Joe for the February 8th club meeting. Joe's email is josephdjackson@hotmail.com.

The meeting was closed at 7:41:03...

Interesting Bits

We were having so much fun racing & jumping trucks in the dirt out at Nebo Memorial R/C Field that we decided to bring it

indoors to the gym at Paragon Elementary School with smaller vehicles. We downsized to 1/18 scale two wheel drive trucks called Losi Mini Ts. There is also a Mini B. I believe the "T" is for truck & the "B" is for buggy. They run around thirty minutes on a charge & don't mark up the gym floor doing power slides. They are on backorder at Horizon but we have been getting ours at Singer Hobbies in Martinsville.



We lost another one. Scale modeler, past club member, & full scale pilot Fred Jungclauss passed away on January 24th. Fred was a regular participant in the WW1 Dawn Patrol Rendezvous at WPAFB flying his 7/8 scale SE5a. Dave Townsend sent this picture of Fred with his museum quality 1/4 scale Neuport 17 he built for a movie around 1990. Fred was quite a craftsman & will be missed.



Event Calendar 2023

February 8th Monthly Club Meeting

February 18 Johnson County Swap Meet (Franklin)

March 4th Annual Club Swap Meet (Fairgrounds)

March 8th Monthly Club Meeting

March 23rd Equinox Thursday (Spring starts on the 21st)

April 12th Monthly Club Meeting

May 10th Monthly Club Meeting

June 14th Monthly Club Meeting (at the field)

July 12th Monthly Club Meeting

July 15 Johnson County Warbird Fly-In (Atterbury)

August 12 Johnson County Model Aviation Day (Atterbury)

September 9 Johnson County Never Forget Fly-In (Atterbury)

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