



**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.**

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## May 2024 Edition

### April Meeting Notes...

Tim Mellott was absent from the April 19th club meeting but Bob Shireman counted eighteen members in Dr. Matt's dry Clariti office. It was raining outside & about sixty degrees when the meeting was called to order at 7:01:00 by president Mark Sexton.

Treasurer Rick Hill reported on the group from Kentucky that used our field during the April 8th eclipse. Lots of club members came out to observe the atmospheric testing & our landlord Josh Naylor was given a guided tour. Barb Hill took lots of pictures which are posted on the club website & Rick is preparing an article about the event to submit to the AMA.

Rick also reported that there is an eagle's nest South West of the field & South of Wylie Road. Remember that they (the eagles) have the right-of-way should they decide to cruise up around the R/C flight area looking for dinner.

Advertising for the Public Awareness Day at the club field on July 27th was discussed. Yikai Yan volunteered to help club secretary Tim Porter create a poster that could be posted around campus & on the club facebook page. Yikai said he would fix the facebook page so that the public

could get in to see it. Local newspapers & radio stations were mentioned as possible advertising sources.

Club member Or Dantsker was to bring some IU students out to the club field in April but the weather has not been cooperating very well & no further information was available.

The plan to donate Model Aviation magazine to a local school was put on hold while club member Brad Thompson gathers information.

Tim Porter reported for the absent Tim Sparks that there would be pylon racing at the club field on April 20th & several volunteers would be needed to help with the event.

Yikai reported that some help would be needed with the food & cooking for the May 11th fun fly that he & Tim Mellott are working on.

Rick reported that thirteen members did not reenlist from last

year. He will send an email to see if any of them are planning to pay dues for 2024.

Club member Mason West is working on a plan for having a drone racing event at the club field. He is consulting with VP Steve Dorsett on the plan.

There was no "Stick's Safety Corner". Steve got the night off for fixing the windsock at the club field & picking up the bulk fuel order. Thanks Stick!

Brad Thompson asked if the club would like to share the cost of participating at the Monroe County Fair again this year with the local CAP & EAA chapters. It worked out well last year & might be the advertising opportunity we were looking for to get out the word about the Public Awareness Day at the club field on July 27th. Brad also mentioned that the CAP group was looking into having a balloon launch at some point in the future & also some type of event at the airport.



Tim Porter reported on piloting the full scale BT-13 around Alabama & points South with Tim Sparks. Thanks for the report Tim! It was very interesting.

Dave Pisoni was at the meeting with the coveted "Dork Award" but didn't find a candidate to pass it along to. We'll try again next month.

The meeting was closed at 8:02:17 so that VP Stick Man could distribute the bulk fuel order out in the parking lot...

### Interesting Bits

Yikai Yan has fixed the club facebook page so the public can get in. Here's the address so you can have a look if you're into the facebook thing.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/351345487405110>

Thanks Yikai!

Yikai finally got to fly his B1 bomber. He reports it flew great & sent the picture you see here via text message.

Yikai will probably not give the F-14 he just purchased a good review. It did a tip stall trick which turned into a prema-

ture landing pass through a big tree at Nebo on Thursday evening April 25th. The Easterly crosswind wasn't helping either. If you are thinking about buying the swing-wing F-14, better talk to Yikai first.

Les Mobley is trying to keep up with Mark on retirement vacations. He sent this picture from his latest fishing trip. Nice fish Les!



Tim Sparks wrote an article about the pylon races at the club field on April 20th & emailed it to the club list. Thanks Tim!



Yikai Yan wrote an article about the Fun Fly coming up at the club field on May 11th and emailed it to the club list. Thanks Yikai!

The last picture this month is from the club website taken by Barb Hill during the eclipse event at the club field on April 8th. Thanks Barb! Interesting aircraft.



## Event Calendar 2023

- May 8 Monthly Club Meeting
- May 11 Fun Fly (Club Field)
- May 21 EDF Fly-In (Indy)
- June 1-2 Terre Haute Airshow (Blue Angles)
- June 12 Monthly Club Meeting (Club Field)
- June 15 Charlie Built Fly-In (Nebo Field)
- June 22 Pylon Racing (Club Field)
- July 10 Monthly Club Meeting (Club Field)
- July 27 Public Awareness Day (Club Field)
- July 28 Club Picnic (Club Field)
- August 17 Pylon Racing (Club Field)
- August 14 Monthly Club Meeting (Club Field)
- August 18 Fly Anything and Cubs (Club Field)
- September 11 Monthly Club Meeting (Club Field)
- September 15 Big Bid Fly-In (Club Field)

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