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## The Editors Corner

The Tim Mills air show went well with lots of good flying and great weather. We had 2 jet turbines this year and they were a hit for the crowd. Our first All Electric Flyin was held on a very hot and sunny Saturday and we still had 13 pilots with 5 from other clubs. We had some very interesting aircraft for the event.

On Saturday, Aug 27th we will be hosting our annual Toys for Tots Event. This is a fly what you bring event and with an entry fee of \$10 or a new unwrapped toy with a value of \$10. Gene is working on getting some pilot prizes for this annual event.

If you have any RC related items for sale you can email me the listing and any photos and I can get it out to all of our club members and also the point of contact for many of the area clubs.

Did you see the TV news the other evening showing that someone had crashed a Quad on the roof of the Indiana War Memorial downtown. We don't need this type of publicity. The state representatives said there was no way to get it down from the current location. They also stated that the operator did not violate any of the FAA requirements.

If you are into large Warbirds you might want to make a trip up the AMA Headquarters in Muncie for the Indiana Warbird Campaign Sept 1-3. There are normally lots of giant scale Warbirds including multi-engine and turbines. In looking at the AMA schedule for Sept 3 there will also be RC skydivers and Drone racing championships all going on that day. In addition there is usually vendors selling and showing off lots of RC related products.

Several area events coming up in Aug—see the listing at the end of the newsletter

It is not too early to consider running for club office for 2017. If you are interested in running please contact any of the current officers.

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## Presidents Corner - July 2016

By Jack Sallade

I don't have a lot of pressing club business to discuss at this point. Other than a few field items that still need addressed, I think things are going fairly well at the field. We have at least 2 or 3 students that I'm aware of working toward their L2 designation and a recent rolling of the field seems to have been of some benefit. A few new members have trickled in as of late and we can certainly hope for more, so please make sure to remember your manners and do what you can to encourage anyone who stops by the field to visit or expresses an interest in our great hobby. We have completed several scheduled events in the last month or so. Here's a brief recap of each.

June 18<sup>th</sup> we were well represented at the CAF Warbird Expo at Indianapolis Regional (Mt. Comfort) on the 18th. We had a pretty nice display and were kept pretty busy at the booth answering questions, handing out information and just generally representing the club. It seems like there was quite a bit of interest in letting us do some demo flights next year! Thanks to those who participated there.

In July we had the Air Show on the 9<sup>th</sup> and with the benefit of perfect weather and participation by more members than I have room to thank here, the show went off without any serious hitches. I will take time to thank Corey Lucas who did the lion's share of organizing and running this event. I believe the vast majority of attendees and participants enjoyed themselves immensely. Attendance was apparently down and when the final tally is done I believe we will have netted about \$1000 for the club. In my mind this is disappointing considering the work put out to arrange and pull off this event and in comparison to past performance where we netted multiples of that number. Of course, every little bit helps the club treasury so we'll take it! I think the biggest challenge going forward if we are to continue the event, is how to get the word out effectively and attract an audience. With our hiatus last year and disconnecting ourselves from Derby Days even further (which eliminated using that event as an advertising opportunity) our draw amongst non-RC flyers was very limited.

Finally, on July 23<sup>rd</sup> we had the postponed electric fly. Unfortunately, the weather was blistering but even with the postponement we reportedly had somewhere around 14 folks show up to fly. I was unable to attend myself but I hope everyone had a good time. I did hear that some of the visitors from other fields had positive comments on our field and especially our Geotex runway area which is nice to hear.

Our next big event is the annual "Toys for Tots" fly in at our field on August 27<sup>th</sup>. This has been a great event with some fairly impressive pilot's prizes and blind auction items at past events. I encourage you to participate if you can as it is always a lot of fun and a great cause to boot! There are also a lot of area events upcoming like the City Wide competition, the ADA charity event at the south side field, the Heartnut Festival Fly at Johnson county and others... i.e. lots of excuses to go out and fly RC! Hope to see you at some of these events or just out at our field enjoying the hobby... soon!

## **Minutes of the Indy RC Modelers Club Meeting July 11, 2016**

Meeting was called to order at 7pm at the field  
25 members were present—current membership is 60  
Minutes of previous meeting was approved  
Treasurers Report was discussed and approved  
New Members at the meeting:

Karl Womack  
Gary Bow  
Steve Russell

George reported that the owner of the property where the Tree House Resort was planned attended the Morristown Board meeting and indicated that he would like to do some sort of development and wanted the town to provide the sewer line to the property. (Cost about \$70K) Town is not interested in spending money for that project.

Roy Wilson reviewed the results of the survey that was taken at the field. Mostly all positive comments. Everyone seemed to like the turbines. Most said they would come again.

Air Show—Jack thanked Corey Lucas for his leadership in putting on the air show. Final results are not in but we anticipate we made about \$900 for the club. Discussion was held on how to increase the attendance for future shows.

Discussion held on upcoming area and club events.

Meeting was closed at 7:30pm followed by lots of flying.



Some of the planes at the Electric Flyin  
July 23, 2016

## **2016 Events**

**All Club activities are on the Indy RC Modelers website**

Ft Wayne RC Club Electric Flyin—Aug 6

Ft Wayne RC Club Monster Mash—Aug 13

Toys for Tots flyin—IRCM field—Aug 27

Johnson County RC club Heartnut Festival flyin—Sept 10

ADA Event—Indy South—Sept 17





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