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The Editor's Corner

The weather is getting warmer but with it there also seems to be a lot of wind this spring. We have had a couple new pilots join the club so when you see a new face at the field please introduce yourself and welcome them to the club. In addition, the Indy South Club will be losing their field sometime in May or June so we will probably have several members from their club joining us later this spring.

As the flying season starts up this is a good time to do a good preflight on your planes to make sure everything is tight/aligned and ready for flight. Also a good time to check out your batteries and replace them as needed before the vendors sell out of the sizes you need. Also, please take a half hour and review the field rules for safe flying this summer. With the new members and southside pilots joining us they will not be familiar with our safety requirements so please re-view them so we can all be flying safely this year. Don't forget our requirement to place your club card in the frequency board before flying. If you are the last one to leave and there are still cards in the board please put them in the shelter by the window.

We will be having a workday at the field some time this spring—we will discuss the projects and set a date at the April meeting

Dues for 2021 need to be paid as soon as possible. You can send a check to Vern (address on this page) . Dues for single are \$85, junior \$42.50 (18 and under) and family \$115 . Put your AMA number on the check. Include a self addressed stamped envelope and Vern will mail you your 2021 club card with the new combination for the lock on the gate and building. Remember that Vern will not mail you your card unless your AMA is valid through 31 Dec 2021 so if you have not renewed your AMA either call them or go online and pay for your updated AMA today. Be well and stay healthy and safe - Ted



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Meeting Minutes March 2021

President News

Event Calendar

The next meeting will be held on Monday, April 5 at the Church

Minutes from the Indianapolis RC Modelers Meeting 1 Mar 2021

Meeting was held online opened at 7:09 PM

15 members were in attendance

Minutes of February meeting were read and approved

Treasurers report was approved currently have 48 paid members. The company that does the fertilizing/weed killer for the field offered a 5% discount of we paid for the full year up front—this was approved.

Ted provided information on submittal and approval of the club getting the AMA Gold Leader Club Award. There are 10 requirements for a club to meet to receive this award and they must be met annually. This will mean that for 2022 we will need to have host an event that includes the general public (this was waived for 2021).

Jeff provide information on the submittal of the TAG (Takeoff and Grow) grant to AMA. We requested about \$950 that included the purchasing of a trainer plane/TX/Batteries/Spare parts and training documentation. We should know sometime in April if we received the grant.

Ted provided information on a proposal that he submitted to Gary Himes (our AMA District 6 VP) for the chance for the club to awarded a trainer plane and TX.

Ted reported that a member of the southside club, Jeff Yelton, has donated a DX6i TX to be used for our club training program.

Jeff reviewed the AMA Intro Pilot program which gives potential members a 3 month free AMA membership while they try out the hobby. Jeff will be submitting names of club members to AMA for this program

It appears that the Indy South Club will be losing their field in May and as we voted on last year we will allow paid Indy South members to fly at our field for free for the remainder of 2021.

Meeting was closed at 8:08pm

From our Club President

Thanks for the Spring Weather and Test Flying!

The flying season is just around the corner. Thankfully, March will calm down and April will bring back flying weather. Some notes to myself:

Check all airplanes, connectors, servos, hinges, motor-mounts, fans for nicks, etc.

Check and work the LiPo's and make sure they are working properly

Get out and do another runway walk-down, staple push-down and replace loose tapes

Review the IRCMC field safety rules (there is a copy in the on-site flight line shack.)

Prepare to joyfully meet new people and enjoy days of flying!

I feel blessed to have the liberty to fly recreationally and share my hobby with others. Hopefully I get to pass along good lessons and helpful information and instruction to others.

Not much more to say this month except that I look forward to seeing you at the flying field and enjoying airplanes, sun and fun with all of you.

Invite your friends and relatives out to try some flying! Be safe and have some friendly fun!

Jeff Thomas

RC Activities 2021 – as of 31 Mar 2021

Apr 5 – **IRCM** Club meeting at the church
Apr 9-10—Toledo Swap meet
Apr 23,24—Dayton Modelrama Swap meet
Apr 25—Indy RC South—Ticket Fly 2pm
May 3 – **IRCM** Club meeting at the Field
May 15—Indy RC South—Last Chance Flyin 11am
May 22—Ft Wayne Flying Circuits—Fun Fly and Swap
Jun 4-5—USAF Thunderbirds at Ft Wayne Air Show
Jun 5—BCRCF Joe Grubbs Memorial Flyin
Jun 7 – **IRCM** Club meeting at the Field
Jun 12—**IRCM** Cubs and Floaty Flyers Flyin
Jun 25-26—Ft Wayne Flying Circuits Warbird and Classic
Jul 4—Anderson Extreme Flyers Flyin
Jul 5 – **IRCM** Club meeting at the Field
Jul 10—**IRCM** Fly Anything RC Flyin
Jul 17—Johnson Cty Warbird Flyin
Jul 17—Ft Wayne Flying Circuits Aviation Day open house
Jul 30-31 Ft Wayne Flying Circuits Electri-Fly
Jul 30,31 Aug 1—National Fun Flyin at AMA in Muncie
Aug 2 – **IRCM** Club meeting at the Field
Aug 7—BCRCF—Columbus Firemans Cheer Fund
Aug 8– Monroe County Club—Nothing but Cubs
Aug 12-14 Dawn Patrol, Rosewood, IN
Aug 14—Johnson Cty National Aviation Day flyin
Aug 14—Blacksheep Squadron Natl Aviation Day flyin
Aug 21—**IRCM** Toys for Tots flyin
Aug 27-29—National Electric Flyin at AMA in Muncie
Aug 27-29—Hoosier Dawn Patrol at AMA in Muncie
Sep 2-4—Indiana Warbird Campaign at AMA in Muncie
Sep 6 – **IRCM** Club meeting at the Field
Sep 10-11 Ft Wayne Flying Circuits Monster Mash
Sep 11—Johnson Cty Heartnut Festival Flying
Sep 18—Indy RC South ADA event
Sep 25—**IRCM** All Electric Flyin and Swap Meet
Oct 2—Ft Wayne Flying Circuits at Night
Oct 4 – **IRCM** Club meeting at the church
Oct 16—Blacksheep Squadron Warbird Flyin in Danville
Oct 17—BCRCF—Swap Meet Columbus Fair Grounds
Oct 23—Ft Wayne Flying Circuits Toys for Tots
Nov 1– **IRCM** Club meeting at the church
Dec 6 – **IRCM** Club meeting at the church



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