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The Editor's Corner

Now is the time to pay your club dues for 2022. You can pay at the club meeting or mail a check to Vern at the address here in the newsletter. Remember that you need to have your AMA paid through 31 Dec 2022 before Vern will issue you a club card. Include a stamped envelope with your address and Vern will mail you your card.

We will **not** be able to have our December and January club meeting at our normal location at the Trinity Park Church because of a youth activities at the church. Jeff Thomas has arranged for our club to meet at the Shelbyville Community Church, 720N 325 E, Shelbyville, IN 46176. We will also be able to use their facility for indoor flying starting at 5pm with the meeting at 7pm. Included in this newsletter is the information on how to get to the field.

Plan now to attend and fly at our annual January 1 freeze fly-in at the club field.

To increase interest in members attending club meeting we will start including an educational session at the end of the meeting. For the December meeting we will have a video about the Spektrum Smart batteries and chargers. Also, if you need your Spektrum TX firmware updated bring you fully charged TX to the meeting and the login information for your SpektrumRC.com account.

2022 Officer elections will be held at the December meeting. We have a slate for the election and if you would like to run for one of the offices please contact one of the current officers or nominate yourself at the December meeting.

Be well and stay healthy.



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Meeting Minutes Nov 2021

Presidents Corner

Directions to Dec meeting

Event Calendar

The next meeting will be held on Monday, 6 Dec at The Shelbyville Community Church at 7pm

Minutes from the Indianapolis RC Modelers Meeting 4 October 2021

Meeting was opened at the church at 7 PM in the gym

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved

A motion was made to update the club ByLaw. The update was emailed out before the meeting and presented again at the meeting. The motion was approved as presented.

Ted reviewed upcoming area events

Nominations were held for club officers for 2022

Jeff Thomas—President, Vice President—William Brewer, Treasurer—Vern Doty, Secretary—Ted Brindle

It was announced that because of youth activities at the Greenfield church we would be having the December 2021 and January 2022 meeting at the Shelbyville Community Church. They have a gym so we will be able to do our flying at 5pm and meeting at 7pm. We will be able to do a Club Only swap meet also.

Tony Stillman said that for AMA sanctioned events in 2022 we will need to list a required altitude.

Meeting closed at 7:35pm

Notes from our Prez

Here is to a Blessed and Great Year! 2021

Hello IRCMC members and friends. This will be my last note to you for 2021. It has been quite an exciting year, and I'm truly blessed to say that I had more flights this year than almost any other in my 49 years of RC flying! I am aiming for my 50th year since my first RC solo flight in 2022. Wow, that seems like a long time and many airplanes ago!

I first want to say a sincere **Thank-You** to all who helped on our field workdays, all who worked hard to keep the field and equipment nice, and those who worked with us to welcome newcomers and people showing interest as this will pay off for years to come. Next, I want to let you know that we had a great year financially, member quantities, winning grants, and trying new things. We'll keep working incrementally to stay focused on the goal of being one of the best RC flying experiences in Indiana. All of us appreciate your help and cooperation in promoting safe and educational RC model operation.

I have to laugh; in my November note, I wrote to you about my SR-71 Project and my "mastering" of F-16's (finally.) In one week here in November, I found the SR-71 to only takeoff with stability, then depart from controlled flight at about 50 – 60 mph, and that incorrectly wiring an F-16's reverse thrust function prevents it from flying! Two jets down in one week and now lots and lots of spare parts as most all the equipment and power systems survived without a scratch. So goes test flights of new designs (apparently with a complex Center of Lift versus Center of Gravity issue) and maintenance/wiring errors! Sadly, the Horizon Hobby 80mm F-16, then converted to 8S power and flying superbly, was completely avoidable if I paid a bit more attention.

The following are the candidates for the 2022 Indy RC Modelers Club Executive Leadership team. Additional nominations can be made and the elections will be held at the December 6th club meeting.

Me (Jeff Thomas) ---- President
Vern Doty ----- Treasurer

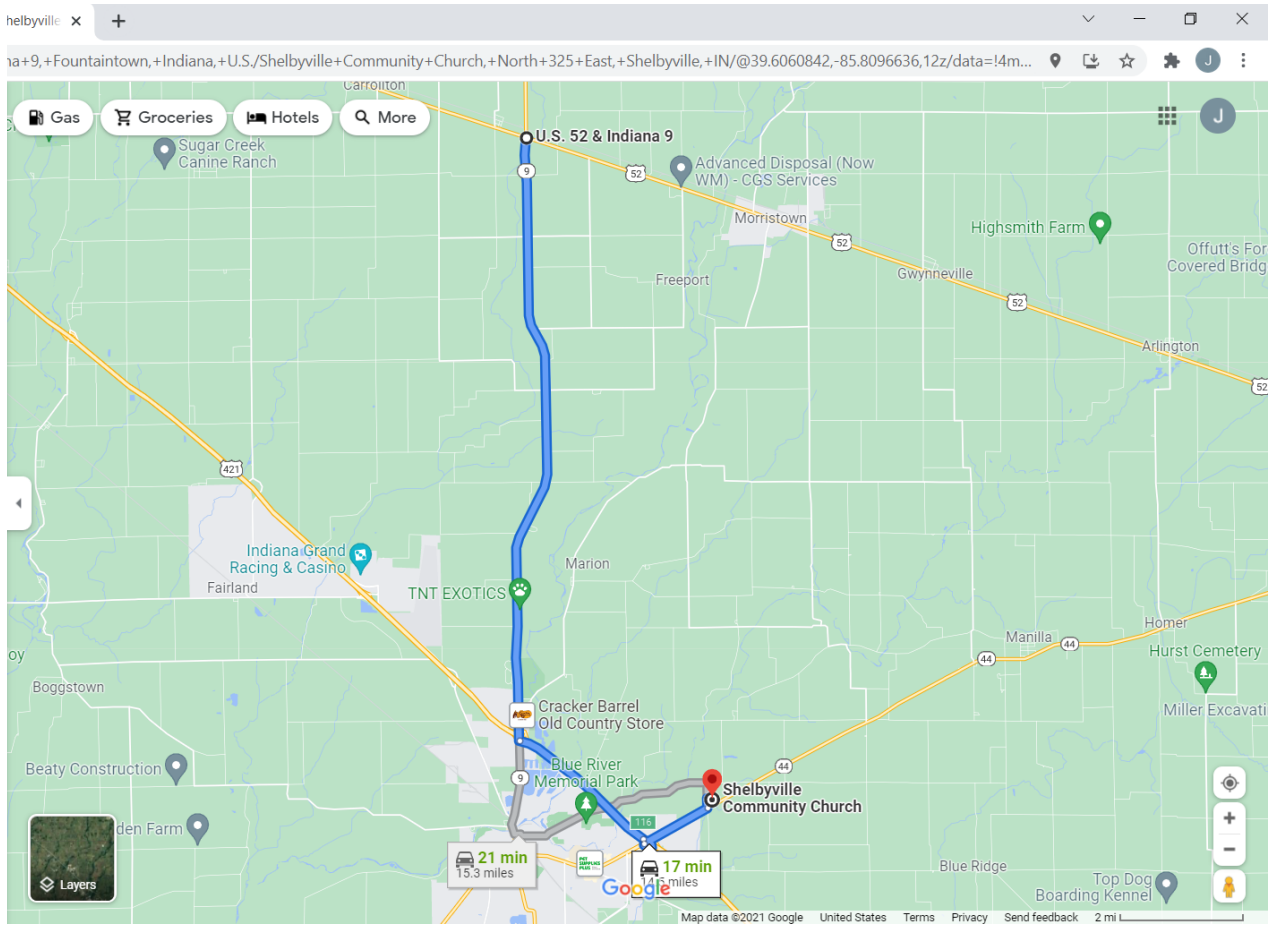
William Brewer ----- Vice President
Ted Brindle ----- Secretary

So, what does 2022 hold in store for us? I foresee some continued field improvements (not sure what those may be yet.) I would like to have some more club combat meets with the SPAD airplanes, as this is quite hilarious. I'm also looking into an "equal airplane" low-cost electric pylon racing club airplane to see who would be interested. We want to continue to build and improve our introductory flight and training programs. These are important to the long-term health of the club. Finally, I'd like to see what could be done to get more youth members and young fliers involved. We have some excellent young pilots now, and we need more to keep ourselves excited and revitalized.

Have a Merry Christmas and a Blessed and Safe 2022!

Jeff

**December 6th IRCMC Club Meeting:
Shelbyville Community Church, 720 N 325 E, Shelbyville, IN 46176
Indoor Flying / Club Swap Meet 5:00, Meeting 7:00**



Take 9 South to I-74 East. Take I-74 East one exit to I-44 East. Take I-44 exit and at the light at the bottom of the exit take a right and head East. Go under I-74 and about 1 mile and 325E will be just after the PKG Express Truck building (old Carter's Lumber fenced-in buildings) on the North side (left). Turn North (left) onto 325E



and the Church will be on your right.

RC Activities 2021 – as of 1 Dec 2021

Dec 6 – **IRCM** Club meeting at the Shelbyville Community church



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