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The Editor's Corner

Now is the time to pay your club dues for 2022. Dues for this year are \$85 for a single and \$115 for a family membership. 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.

The weather is getting warmer but when will the wind drop below 15mph. Last week one of the TV stations said that the average wind speed for March and April has been over 15mph. We are starting to get a few days of sunshine which is great.

We had a good turnout of members to pull out the wrinkles in the north section of Geotex and with rolling the field is ready for a great summer of flying. You will see in Jeff's report that Gary has had some issues come up and won't be able to mow the field for a while. A new club member, Greg Masters, has the equipment and will be mowing the field until Gary is again available. Greg's day off is Friday so if the weather cooperates he will be mowing then. Please thank Greg when you see him at the field.

With the sun setting later the club meetings for the next several months are planned for the field. Come out early for flying and stay for the meeting at 7pm. Reminder to review the AMA and club safety rules that I mailed out a couple weeks ago.

Be well and stay healthy—see you at the field,
Ted



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Meeting Minutes April2022

Presidents Corner

Event Calendar

May Club meeting—Monday 2 May—7pm at the Club field

Minutes from the Indianapolis RC Modelers Meeting 4 April 2022

Meeting was opened at 1901 hours at the Trinity Park Church Gym

23 members in attendance

Minutes of March meeting was read and approved as read

Treasurers Report—Most of the major expenses have be paid except for mowing. Keep encouraging members to send in their 2022 dues. Report approved as presented.

Old Business. Tom Shores updated the status of getting the AMA flight simulator trailer. We are confirming with AMA about liability insurance if someone got hurt when using the trailer. Jeff is trying to confirm that dates for the youth activities in Shelbyville. Plan is the have it at the Greenfield Farmers Market on a Saturday and at Shelbyville on the following Tuesday.

Tom Shores reviewed the Intro pilot program status. Both Aeroscouts are ready to go—we have a handout for the students and a student club card to keep track of their progress in learning to fly.

Field work day is Saturday April 9 starting at 0830. Plan to tighten the north end Geotex and roll the field. Also clean and straighten up the shed. We will hold off on the grass seed until 8 weeks after the contractor puts down the preemergent.

Jeff discussed the status of the club fun fly plane program—hard to get companies to confirm availability of various planes. Will continue to investigate.

Mike Morris asked about listing local sites were members fly to the list of club flying sites so that AMA/FAA will add them to the FRIA site list. Everyone agreed that was a good idea and would not cost the club any funds. We will put out the word to members to submit the alternate sites.

New Business. The new club Facebook group page was discussed and everyone reminded that when the click to join the group to answer all 3 questions. We are not approving joining the group until you agree to follow group rules

Meeting closed at 2010

RC Activities 2022 – as of 4 April 2022

May 2—**IRCM** Club meeting at the field
May 7—Ft Wayne Flying Circuits—Vintage Aircraft
May 13-15—National Electric Fun Fly at AMA in Muncie
May 14—Indy South Ticket fly at the **IRCM** Club Field
May 19-22—Warbirds and Classics—Horizon Hobby Eli Field
May 21—Ft Wayne Flying Circuits Fun fly and Swap meet
May 27-29—AMA Memorial Weekend Fun Fly—no cost
Jun 4—Flyin and Swap meet, Galveston RC Flyers
Jun 6—**IRCM** Club meeting at the field
Jun 10-11—Monroe Cty Club Dawn Patrol
Jun 11—**IRCM** Cubs and Floaty Flyers Event
Jun 15-16 Ft Wayne Flying Circuits—Old Timer (SAM28)
Jun 18—Indy South Club Ticket fly at the JCRC field
Jun 24-26—AMA Fun Fly & Membership MtgMuncie AMA site
Jul 4—**IRCM** Club meeting at the field
Jul 9—**IRCM** Anything RC Event
Jul 16– Johnson Cty RC Club Warbird Event
Jul 16– Ft Wayne Flying Circuits Aviation Day Open house
Jul 23—Indy South Ticket fly at the **IRCM** Club Field
Jul 29-30—Ft Wayne Flying Circuits Electri-Fly
Jul 29-30—Morristown Derby Days
Aug 1- **IRCM** Club meeting at the field
Aug 5-6—Ft Wayne Flying Circuits Warbird Flyin
Aug 10-14– IRCHA Heli Event at Muncie
Aug 13– Danville Club—National Aviation Day Event
Aug 13—Johnson Cty RC Club National Aviation Day Event
Aug 20—**IRCM** Toys for Tots Event
Aug 25-27– Hoosier Dawn Patrol—AMA Muncie
Sep 1-3—Air Power over IAC—AMA Muncie
Sep 5- **IRCM** Club meeting at the field
Sep 9-10 Ft Wayne Flying Circuits Monster Mash
Sep 10– Johnson Cty RC Club Never Forget Fly-in
Sep 24—**IRCM** All Electric/Fun Fly and Swap
Sep 24—Ft Wayne Flying Circuits Hoosier Heli Hangout
Oct 1—Ft Wayne Flying Circuits—Flight at Night
Oct 3—**IRCM** Club meeting at Church in Greenfield
Oct 8—Indy South Ticket Fly at JCRC field
Oct 8—Ft Wayne Flying Circuits Sailplane LOFT Event
Oct 22—Ft Wayne Toys for Tots
Oct 15—Danville Club—Warbird Event
Nov 7—**IRCM** Club meeting at Church in Greenfield
Dec 5- **IRCM** Club meeting at Church in Greenfield

The Prez Says

Welcome to the Flying Season – May of 2022

It is hard to believe that it is now May of 2022! We have a regular schedule of 4 AMA sanctioned events this year and are working on some plans for some club only events for families and some fun.

Here is a sincere ***Thank You*** to several of you who showed up and helped on a nice field workday on the 23rd of April. We were able to roll the grass and Geotex runways, re-stretch some of the runway and taxiway areas, straighten up the line shack, apply weed killer to the gravel areas, and apply one (South) end runway “X” (because I had purchased two rolls of the black Super Tape and not white rolls). All was done very well, and I think the runway and taxiway surfaces look fantastic. I was able to get a flight off in the 17 mph winds after most left and the Geotex was very smooth and nice. I can’t wait to try it some more, it is much better!

I have talked to quite a few people about introductory flights and training. That is a good sign for the longevity of our hobby! Again, I’ll ask that we repeat our efforts from last year to be welcoming and helpful to all newcomers and invite friends, spouses, children and grandchildren or others to come and try an introductory flight on a Wednesday evening or on a weekend.

Be sure to thank Gary Bow for his effort and time taken to mow and care for the flying field over the past couple of years. Also, a shout out to Steve Howard for mowing when we needed some quick help. We also would like you to thank Greg Masters who is a new member in the club and has agreed to mow the field for us as needed until Gary wishes to return to mowing. This type of club member help is vital to affordably maintaining our good flying facilities. Please remember to give leeway to those mowing in the pit and parking areas as needed. Please also remember that there is no flying when any mowing crew is on the grass areas East of the safety fence line or anywhere that is near flight activities.

I see several new airplanes coming out. This is an exciting time for test flights and getting airplanes tuned-in and flying well. I love seeing everyone’s winter and spring efforts coming to fruition. I have one large project to hopefully test soon and one waiting to be covered and test flown after that!

Hopefully I saw some of you in Dayton at the large swap meet at the end of April. I look forward to seeing you at the flying field this season and enjoying our hobby together.

Fly Safely and Have Fun! Jeff



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