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The Editor's Corner

The 2023 flying season is getting HOT. We have some windy days, lots of cross wind days and some great flying days and everyone seems to enjoying our outstanding flying site.

Saturday, June 17 was our second CCAP event with 10 pilots participating in a precision landing event. Two pilots would take off and try to touch-down in an approximate 30 foot space on the Geotex runway. If one pilot was successful and the other was not he won the round and moved on to the next. Larry Barr was first and Ted Brindle was second. Everyone participating and watching enjoyed the event and looking forward to our next CCAP event on July 22 from 2 to 4pm.

Our next BIG event at the field is Saturday, July 8th. It is our annual **FLY ANYTING RC**. We should have all sorts of different aircraft from gliders to jet turbines to Helis. Looking forward to lots of members and other clubs in attendance.

The construction the US52 Blue River Bridge continues and the shutdown of US52 at RT 9 started 1 June and they plan to finish by early August. If you normally use US52 from the west you will need to use the various county roads to get to the field. Depending on where you are coming from there are several alternatives. Construction is moving along on the around-about and the resurfacing on US52 between Rt 9 and Morristown is almost complete.

See you at the Club meeting at the field July 3rd

Ted



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Meeting Minutes June 2023

Presidents Corner

Event Calendar

Club meeting— Monday July 3 at 7pm at the Club Field

Minutes from the Indianapolis RC Modelers Meeting

Date: 5 June 2023

Location: Club Field

Recorder Name: Ted Brindle

Qty of Members Present: 20

Time of Start: 7:03

Time of End: 7:41

Opening, Nice Welcome to all – Thank People for Coming. Recognize new members.

New Members: John Rhinehart visited and will be joining on 1 July

Reviewing/Reading minutes from last meeting. Any Questions/Changes/Updates? Accepted/ Approved? Minutes from the April meeting were read— Asked if any issues were noted or needed raised, no objections.

Treasurer's Report. Any Questions/Changes/Updates? Accepted/Approved? YES

Vern presented the financial report—we have 76 paid members as of the meeting. This is well above our normal count for this time of year. The EDF event made the club \$550

Old Business (Any old business items needing follow-up or actioned)? The Indy South new field is progressing with grass planted—they hope to start using the field later this year. The new North-east Side Tail Draggers club field is at 166th and Boden road and is open for flying.

New Business (Topics to raise, reminders, AMA inputs, votes/decisions/elections)?

Rod Pollard presented information an alternate material that is being used by the NEST club for their runway. The specs are nearly identical to the material we are now using, it is half the price and available locally. Everyone agreed that we should use this for the widening project

Rod and Chris gave an update on the CCAP event—next event June 17

Jeff will get final pricing on shirts and Ted will send out the information.

We will again host an open house at the field in conjunction with the 75th anniversary Morristown Derby days celebration on Saturday July 29. This is really just a normal flying day for the field but we will post notices inviting the public to our field and offer beginner flights.

Upcoming Events and Reminders (Ted's list; reinforce IRCMC events coming)

Reviewed the upcoming RC area events

Other member topics or questions?

Any Show and Tell?

Motion to Close Meeting? Accepted/Approved? YES – Closed 7:41

July 2023 Pres-Sez Note to Members – Now Past Mid-Year

Hello everyone. Thank you for taking a few minutes to read this monthly note. Hopefully you find it encouraging and engaging, as that is what I aim for each month. It is already past mid-year 2023, we have had an exciting year with quite a bit being accomplished! Lots of good things below. Here is my quick list:

We continued to expand our training efforts, which now include initial on-site simulator training for a “ground school familiarization,” prior to airplane flying. Very Nice! This continues to attract new RC pilots and new members and is a great program. Thank you, Tom Shores, Greg Masters and others for all the work here.

The fence advertising banners have been a complete success! I like how the field looks. Please visit and utilize our advertisers when you can and mention seeing their sign. A great idea well executed by Tom Shores.

The club held a successful first EDF day jet event. The inaugural event was fun and profitable for a first ever event. Thanks to all who helped make this a success.

We held the annual Cub and Floaty Things fly-in event and had a great turnout and an all-around success. Thanks to Jack Sallade and Ted Brindle for a nice day of calm flying.

We kicked off the Common Club Airplane Program (CCAP) club member-only fun fly series of events. These have proven to be quite fun and low-key, pilot-testing events. So far, two are under our belts. Big thanks to Rod and Jennifer Pollard for being great Contest Directors and hosts for these events this year, and for Chris Kimmey’s help as well in setting things in motion and tracking points, etc. *[Note: Need to have New Hosts/CD’s for 2024. See me!]*

We have again increased our membership over what we have in the previous couple of years. This makes a few years of continuous slow growth. This is important and it shows we are attracting those around us who are interested in RC flying and enjoy our site. Kudos to all for this, as it is a continuous team effort to be friendly, engaging, and enjoyable.

We have funded and are preparing to carry out a runway widening effort. **This is exciting!** With member donations only, we have funded the addition of about 15’ x 408’ of GeoTex runway surface on the East side of our main runway. This will make our runway more usable for heavy crosswind landings, larger aircraft and will make our runway the same width as many other area GeoTex and paved runways. This directly supports our goal of being one of the best RC flying experiences in Indiana. Watch for upcoming workdays to install this and PLEASE join us and pitch in. **This is going to be great!**

We have new club shirts and zippered front hoodies being ordered with Z-Shirts in Shelbyville. These have an updated “all RC inclusive” logo on the back and these provide new members a chance to get a shirt if they don’t have one. Contact me (Jeff Thomas) ASAP if you don’t have your order in as the orders will be finalized on July 5th.

As we celebrate our Country’s 247th birthday (3 years to 250th!) be sure to be grateful for our nation and our ability to enjoy the hobby of RC flight. Also, please help the AMA, yourself, and your club by writing to your Congressional leaders! Your voice counts!

Thank you for your membership and keep flying! *Jeff*

IRCM CCAP

NOTE :

We are moving the August CCAP Event from Aug 26 and will NOW have it as part of our August Club meeting on Aug 7 with the events starting at 5:30pm

Our club has been invited to participate in the Cumberland Community Day event on August 26 from 3 to 5:30pm.

We will be able to display and talk about our hobby with area residents. Greg will be bringing his trailer with the flight simulator. More details will be provided at the August club meeting



RC Activities 2023 – as of 25 June 2023

July 1—Ft Wayne Flying Circuits Antique and Warbird

Jul 3—**IRCM** Club meeting at the field

Jul 8—IRCM Fly Anything RC event at club field Event Director Ted Brindle

Jul 15—Johnson Cty RC Warbird Flyin at JCRC field

Jul 22—Common Club Airplane event—club field

Jul 29— Derby Days Open House at club field

Aug 4-5—Ft Wayne Flying Circuits Electric Flyin

Aug 7—**IRCM** Club meeting at the field

Aug 12—Johnson Cty RC National Aviation Day Flyin

Aug 12—Blacksheep Club Event to support Hoosier Veterans

Aug 19—IRCM Toys for Tots Event at club field Event Director Tony Stillman

Aug 26—Common Club Airplane event—club field

Aug 31 to Sep 2—Air Power over IAC (AMA site)

Sep 8-9—Ft Wayne Flying Circuits Monster Mash

Sep 9—Johnson Cty RC Never Forget Flyin

Sep 11—**IRCM** Club meeting at the field

Sep 16—IRCM All Electric Fun Fly and Swap meet at the field Event Director Jeff Thomas

Sep 22-24—Ft Wayne Flying Circuits Heli Hangout

Sep 23—Common Club Airplane event—club field

Oct 2—**IRCM** Club meeting at Church in Greenfield

Oct 7—Common Club Airplane event—club field

Oct 14-16—Blacksheep Squadron—Warbirds and Classics

Nov 4—Ft Wayne Flying Circuits Toys for Tots

Nov 6—**IRCM** Club meeting at Church in Greenfield

Dec 4—**IRCM** Club meeting at Church in Greenfield

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