



# Pit Talk

November 2016







The official newsletter of the Madison County R/C Flyers, AMA sanctioned club 291

# Meetings held on the second Monday of each month at 7:30pm at Anderson Municipal Airport. Everyone is welcome to attend!





Dave Morris













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November is upon us, but so far there have still been some good flying days...... Get out there and enjoy the weather while you can! This month our big event was our Chili Fly, put together by member Tom Seres. Not only did we have the traditional summer send off with steaming bowls of excellent chili, but we had a couple of new twists on the event this year. A group of special guests from the Bona Vista Center of Kokomo joined us for fun and fellowship, and later that evening a night fly was held. Thanks to all who braved the wind to attend and help out, and thanks to Scott Carpenter and Tom Seres for taking the photos included in this issue!

Coming up this month is our annual Swap Meet, being held on Saturday, Nov. 26<sup>th</sup>. This year it will be held at the Main St. Wesleyan Church in Elwood. It's going to be a big event so mark your calendars! Thanks for reading, hope you enjoy this month's Pit Talk!

Our guests from the Bona Vista Center!



#### Chili/night fly!

Gene Wilson

I would like to send out a thank you to all the people helped with the chili fly .My niece was impressed with all the members did to make the afternoon enjoyable for the children from Bona Vista .she said they talked about it all the way back to Kokomo .This is the reason I am very proud to be a member of this club! I want to thank Randy Thomas for braving the wind and doing a flight demo with his helicopter and plane .And Tom Seres for giving a speech on flight safety .The club left a memory these children won't forget. Thanks again for sharing your time for the good of the club!





























#### Cool old pics from Jim Mahoney

Our friend (and my uncle) Jim Mahoney shared these photos from the 1970's. The first one is Jim with aviation legend Roscoe turner. The second one is a mystery, Jim wonders who are the people in the photo. To me the guy looks like Meat Loaf and the girl looks like Daisy Duke! If you recognize these people, email me (Dave the newsletter editor) at **madisonrcnews@yahoo.com** 





Why, why, why do we press harder on the remote control when we know the batteries are getting weak?

#### Sale notice!

Long time friend and club member Jack is selling out his R/C stuff. Glow and electric stuff, planes, parts, and misc items. If interested, give him a call (765) 623-1845

#### Officer's reports

#### V.P. Dave Morris

Dave sent in a couple of interesting photos to share. Apparently a friend of his was cleaning out a garage somewhere and found a really old mystery motor, also a biplane new in the box and a helicopter. Gotta love these "barn finds", you never know what you're going to get!





#### Secretary Bill Hallsworth

October Minutes:

October, 10, 2016

There were 11 members present.

Meeting was brought to order.

The September minutes were read aloud, as the newsletter hasn't been sent out. They were accepted unanimously. Byron presented the treasurer's report. It was accepted unanimously.

Tom Seres suggested we set the Chili Fly for October 29 (Saturday before Halloween). He suggested including another night fly, with the event starting at 1:00. Mrs. Dewitt will cook the chili for the club. We will eat chili for lunch at 1:00 and ribs for dinner, around 8:00. We will have a climb and glide event; one class for gliders, and another for traditional fuel powered aircraft. Jon Fish will leave his fire ring for this event.

November is coming up, that means elections for officers. All club members are encouraged to attend the next meeting to nominate candidates for club officers.

Swap meet: new location, better price, more tables...WIN!!! The AMA wants to rent tables to sell model aircraft donated to the AMA. The club stands to make quite a bit of profit, so we need all the participation we can get. Randy Thomas brought a Chinese Stik for show and tell.

50/50: Bill Dewitt won \$7.50 and donated to the tractor fund.

The meeting was adjourned.

And a project I am working on:



I just started building a Sig Fazer kit. In typical Sig fashion, it's going together quite fast. In two evenings I have built the tail feathers and have the wing about halfway finished. I plan to use a well weathered OS .40-something to power it, and whatever servos I have laying around. I haven't decided on a color scheme yet, but I will use Koverall sealed with water based polyurethane and painted with latex house paint. The polyurethane is fuel proof and provides a tough finish. I will document the process for future newsletters, if anyone wants to give it a try. Happy flying!

#### **Treasurer Byron Hamrick**

Swap meet time.......Our plans are completed. We have 66 tables to rent and have rented all but 22 this day (11-6) so we have 20 days left to make this a sweet success. This year we will have 12 tables devoted to AMA models collected from a 5 state region. These planes are in museum condition and are to be sold to build scholarship funds for the AMA. These models were left to the AMA by the builders at their passing. looking forward to seeing these aircraft......Volunteers will be needed the Saturday of the event please......looking to see all our members come to the meet

to support your club. This is our main money raising event for the year. All proceeds will go toward the field rent of \$1680 due next May. My goal is to start the new year with more funds than this time a year ago, as i want our club to stay a success by generating more money than we spend.......From all accounts, the chili/ribs fly was a success, the food was good and the company was even better. The folks from the care home seemed to be pleased to see our activities. Randy Thomas wowed the group by flying a small heli in an impossible wind of 25 mph plus,a feat impossible for most. Hoping to see pictures attached later to the newsletter.

Spread the word, we have tables left to rent

thanks

**Byron** treasurer, Madison County R/C flyers

#### Field Marshal Tom Kelley

Fall is here with winter right behind and our flying season is coming to an end. Building season is coming up fast, have you decided what project to work on this winter? I'm thinking about a Big Stick with a wingspan of about 100 inches.

We still have the mowers at the field in case we need to mow again. I kind of doubt that we will mow again but will be ready I case we do need to mow. I have an Idea about using the solar panels to keep the mower batteries charged over the winter. Need to talk to Bill about it.

There has been a problem with Meadow Voles (I think) digging holes in the field and along the parking lot fence this year. I put some poison pellets in their holes, we will see if that slows them down. Sure hope so!

We have been fertilizing the field each fall for several years but I am recommending that we skip this year and see what happens. The areas at each end of the pit area never gets fertilized and is smoother and has a grass stand as good if not better than the field. We may be wasting our money on fertilizer. The entire area needs sprayed for dandelions next spring though.

This months meeting is an important one. We will need volunteers for the swap meet and nominations are to be held for next years offices. Try to attend.

**Tom Kelley** 

#### Newsletter editor Dave Johnston

Other than working on this newsletter, it has been a slow R/C month for me, due to work schedule and being out of town on weekends for weddings, family events, etc. Tried to order a new fuse for my Avistar Elite, but they are out of stock everywhere. Oh well, with winter coming up there should be time for rebuilding the old one. Thanks everyone who sent pictures of the chili/night fly. There should be some great pics on the web site that Joe Bays has worked on as well. Have a great November!

#### **Webmaster Joe Bays:**

In addition to doing his usual excellent work on the web site, this month Joe sent in the following notice:

#### AEROWORKS CLOSING!

It has been over 25 years that Aeroworks has been involved in the RC airplane industry. Aeroworks takes great pride in all that we have accomplished through our designs, event sponsorships, RC pilot sponsorships, dealer relationships and most importantly all the RC pilots we have come to know around the world. The time has come for Aeroworks to say goodbye as we move on to new endeavors. Aeroworks will be closing effective October 28, 2016. We sincerely want to thank everyone that has supported Aeroworks throughout the years and we will treasure the time we have shared with all of you.

#### And....a few more chili/night fly pics for you!









Have an awesome month!

### MADISON COUNTY R/C FLYERS

# 18th - ANNUAL SWAP MEET

**Sat. NOVEMBER 26, 2016** 

# NEW LOCATION Main Street Weslyan Church

2535 Main St. Elwood IN. (intersection of 26th ST. & IN . 28)

# 9am to 1pm

ADMISSION \$4 (Women & Children Free)

Tables \$18 pre-paid — \$20 at the door Vendor set up begins at 7:30 am

For table reservations: Call or E-Mail -Byron Hamrick (765) 639-2446 1327 South G St. - Elwood, IN 46036

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#### Madison County R/C Flyers, Inc. Membership Application

Proof of AMA membership must be shown. A Xerox copy is OK. You may mail this application with remittance and proof of AMA membership or present it in person at the next club meeting.

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Furnish a stamped and self addressed envelope with your membership application and your membership card will be sent to you. It is recommended that you attend a club meeting and pay the club secretary and receive your membership card in person. The combination to locks at the club field is on the membership card and is privileged information for club members only.

The club rules and bi-laws and this membership application can be found on the club website.

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