



# Pit Talk

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*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!**



Art Frye  
*President*



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*Secretary*



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*Newsletter Editor*



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**October** has arrived, and with it crisp clear days, beautiful fall foliage, and the last few weeks of good flying weather. We hope that you are getting out and enjoying it!

The last month has been an exciting one- We had a couple of successful events, the annual Giant Scale fly-in, and the first night fly that we have had in years.

Coming up is our Swap meet, to be held in Elwood on November 26, so mark your calendars. It's going to be great, don't miss it, whether you're buying, selling or just browsing! **See the flyer attached to the end of this newsletter for details.**

In addition, I would like to mention that this Saturday, Oct 15 at noon we will be doing a **flight demo/buddy box session for the Bona Vista Center of Kokomo**. We hope that as many members as possible can be there and participate!

Finally, if you are reading this and not a member of our club yet we would love to meet you! You can usually find a few of us out at our flying field on 1850N north of Elwood on mornings when the weather is nice, or you can check out our web site at [madisoncorc.com](http://madisoncorc.com), find our group on Facebook, or stop by one of our meetings, held the second Monday of each month at Anderson Airport.





## 2016 Giant Scale Fly-in pictures

On Sunday, Sept. 18 we hosted our annual Giant Scale fly-in. Because of the wise decision to postpone for one day due to thunderstorms on Saturday, the weather was great, and a good time was had by all. Thanks to all those who helped and participated!



Is it true that you never really learn to swear until you learn to fly?









**For more Giant Scale Fly-in pictures see our web site at [madisoncorc.com](http://madisoncorc.com)!**

Early aircraft's throttles had balls on the end of them. In order to go to full throttle the pilot had to push the throttle all the way forward into the wall of the instrument panel. Hence "balls to the wall" for going very fast. And now you know the rest of the story!

## Jon Fish B-17 sighting!

A rare sight. While working in the yard last Sunday I heard a faint rumble. Thought was just a bunch of Harleys coming down the road. But it wasn't coming from the direction of any road. As the roar got louder I looked around and didn't see anything. Then as roar got closer it wasn't the sound of Harleys but non other than sound of four radial engines. I looked up and sure enough flying low and slow was a B-17. What a magnificent sight. All polished aluminum from the tail insignia it appeared to be the "Sentimental Journey" didn't have time to grab the camera. Hope maybe some of the guys from Elwood saw it too.



File photo of B-17G "Sentimental Journey"

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## Web address to Oshkosh 2016 photos

Our friend and Webmaster Joe Bays emailed me this address. It will take you to some really nice pictures taken at the 2016 EAA Air Venture fly-in at Oshkosh Wisconsin. Sorry, I am unable to insert a hot link into this newsletter format, but you can "copy and paste" the address into your browser and it will work.

<http://talk.newagtalk.com/forums/thread-view.asp?tid=656700&mid=5523936#M552>

Thanks Joe!

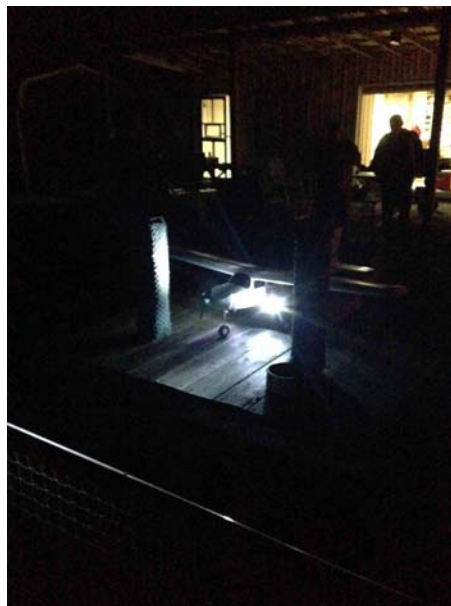




## 2016 Night Fly photos

On Saturday, Oct. 1 our club had a Night fly, the first one we have had in several years. Despite on-and-off rain showers, several hardy souls braved the elements and did some flying. The tasty barbecued ribs cooked up by Bill Hallsworth, baked beans, and Byron Hamrick's world famous potato salad made staying up late in the rain totally worth it! Also thanks to Jon Fish for taking most of the photos.





**This one wins the "Editor's Choice" award. (I love this). What you are seeing is Roger Fish's Cessna 182 with a flashlight duct taped to its belly being prepped for night takeoff. What could possibly go wrong???**

**(Actually, nothing did go wrong. It flew fine and was quite visible!)**

## Officers' Reports

### From President Art Frye:

Greetings..

Our first Night Fly was a great success. I have to give Jon Fish credit for coming up with the idea and how about those smoked ribs by Bill Hallsworth. If you missed it you missed a great time. The rain quit when we were scheduled to start flying and it held off until we were done. We had a bonfire and enjoyed great fellowship with everyone who came out. Jon said we should make it a annual event and I could not agree more. We will be having a Chili Fly in later this month and it will be a topic of conversation at the meeting Monday night. It is great to have members coming up with new ideas for events for our club.. Do you have an idea for an event?? Bring it to the meeting Monday we would love to hear it. See you then. **(Editor's note: Since I failed to get this newsletter published before the above mentioned meeting, feel free to call Art with ideas or bring them next month.)**

Your President  
**Art Frye**

### From Secretary Bill Hallsworth:

September Minutes:

September 12, 2016

There were 14 members present.

President Art Frye called the meeting to order.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes as printed in the newsletter. The motion passed unanimously.

Byron Hamrick presented the treasurer's report. A motion was made and seconded to accept it; passed unanimously. Byron figures the club cleared around \$700 from the Glass Festival.

Tom Seres: the fly-in forecast is not looking good for Saturday, so he suggests moving it to Sunday. It will be posted on the club's Facebook page and the flyer on the website will be updated. Jon Fish will take of procuring the food for concessions. Pilot meeting will be at 10:00.

Night fly: October 1, weather permitting. Flying starts at dusk. Aircraft must be equipped with a light system of some sort. A motion was made to purchase ribs to cook for the fly-in. A cooker and charcoal will be provided to cook the ribs. There will be a fire pit and wood to burn.

Henry Olberholtzer is not doing well. Please keep him in your thoughts and prayers. **(Editor's note: Henry has since passed away)**

There was some random discussion.

50/50: \$13 was donated to the club by Bill Dewitt.

The meeting was adjourned.

Other stuff:

Thanks to all who helped with the Giant Scale fly-in, especially Jon Fish and Tom Kelley for their help in the concession stand.

And another thanks to all who participated in the night fly. I was worried that the weather would leave me with a stack of left over ribs, but there was a great turn out. I would love for this to become an annual event, or perhaps twice a year...once in the spring to welcome the flying season and maybe again in the fall to end the flying season. Anyone who has any thoughts is welcome to discuss this and other thoughts or concerns at any of our monthly meetings. **-Bill**



## **From our Treasurer Byron Hamrick:**

October financial report.... we put 509 in the bank and spent 111 on the rib fest night fly. not much left to do for the year on the field. aeration of the field with possible fertilization and spraying for weeds. discussion of field needs next meeting. enjoy any flying between now and winter, soon to be cold.....  
Treasurer; **Byron H**

## **From Field Marshal Tom Kelley:**

I didn't write an article last month because I was on a trip to the western states but I'm back and will attempt an article this month.

Byron and Bill took good care of the field while I was gone, A big thanks to them for taking care of the field. We could not mow last week because of the rains so the grass was pretty high for the Night Fly. But because it was dark no one could see that the grass needed mowed so no one complained. Speaking of the Night Fly, I thought it was a big success. Really enjoyed the sumptuous spare ribs, the bodacious baked beans and the delicious potato salad. It was just cool enough to make the bonfire feel good and it seemed everyone enjoyed visiting with each other. The few people that had planes set up for night flying gave us a good show, a lit up plane looks great in the dark. If it comes to a vote I will vote to have this an annual event. There was a lot of food left over so I took a rack of ribs and a bowl of potato salad to Ira Sherman. I'm sure he and his wife will enjoy the food.

Hope to see you at the meeting this month.

**Tom Kelley**

## **From Dave the Newsletter Editor:**

What a fun month! The flying weather was mostly good, so got in quite a few trips to the field. The Giant Scale fly-in went well- I was scheduled to work that day, but Company put me on standby instead so I got to attend. Sure was fun seeing all those biggies. I guess size does matter after all! Then came the night fly. I had never been to one before, so it was a new experience for me. Great fun and great food!

One sunny Saturday I was invited to be a guest at the Anderson club field while Joe and Randy test flew Joe's DR1. Something about the place seemed almost familiar to me. Then Joe said something about the place being an old airport and it clicked: ***I was flying RC on the old Ace Airport grounds where I learned to fly full scale nearly 40 years ago in the mid 1970's!*** It struck me as somehow poignant the way life sometimes comes full circle.

Finally, I finished up the flying month by doing the maiden flight on my Avistar Elite which I won at the annual Banquet, using the motor graciously supplied by John Tumulty. **It actually didn't go quite as planned..... (see following page):**

Due to (I think) an improperly installed receiver, I lost control and she went into the bean field to the west of the flying field. Fortunately my sharp-eyed wife Brenda saw approximately where it went in, and we were able to find it without too much walking. Guess I've got a bit of repairing to do over the winter!!!

**“Epic crash of the month” award goes to..... Me!**



Well ladies and gentlemen, that's all I've got for this month. All of us here at Madison County R/C Flyers hope you have a great month, safe flying , peace and happiness!



**MADISON COUNTY R/C FLYERS**

**18<sup>th</sup> - ANNUAL  
SWAP MEET**

**Sat. NOVEMBER 26, 2016**

**NEW LOCATION**

**Main Street Wesleyan  
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.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (     ) \_\_\_\_\_ AMA# \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday \_\_\_\_\_ Place of work \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Homepage Address \_\_\_\_\_

Club Secretary  
Bill Hallsworth  
2917 Morton St.  
Anderson, IN 46016

You give permission to the club officers to publish this information for club business?

I will follow all AMA rules for the flight of radio control model aircraft. I have read the club rules of the Madison County R/C Flyers, Inc. and I will abide by them at all times. My actions will always be in the best interest of our land owner and our club.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ Regular Membership.....\$30.00  
(Received after September 30th & good for the following year)
- ☐ Associate Membership .....\$15.00  
(no AMA required and no voting privileges)
- ☐ Spouse Membership.....\$15.00  
(wife of a regular member)
- ☐ Junior Membership.....\$1.00  
(under 18 years and living with a regular member)
- ☐ Late Summer Membership.....\$15.00  
(Received from August 1st through September 30th and expires December 31st  
Late Summer membership applies only to those that were not members the prior year)



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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