



Pit Talk



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



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Meetings held the second Monday evening of each month at 7:30pm at the Anderson Municipal Airport. The public is encouraged to attend!

Hi everyone, thanks for checking out this issue of Pit Talk. This month is Banquet month! That's right , it's time for the annual Madison County R/C Flyers Banquet, where there will be great food, prizes, friendly fellowship, a distinguished guest speaker, and did I mention great food?

This year the banquet will be held at the Alexandria Christian Congregation Church (same venue as last year) on Saturday March 18, at 6pm. Bring \$9.00 per person and a hearty appetite for food and fun. See the flyer and map attached to this email.

February held a few nice days, and some of our members took the opportunity to do a little flying:



Member Tom Seres had a new addition to his family, named “Delilah”:



According to Tom, Delilah is becoming a fine “shop dog”, and even helps out by checking his balsa stock for proper chewy goodness. By the powers vested in me as Newsletter Editor, I hereby proclaim Delilah to be an honorary member of the Madison County R/C Flyers!

Officers' Reports

Secretary Bill Hallsworth:

February minutes:

All the usual suspects were present.

President Art Frye brought the meeting to order at precisely 7:30.

The minutes were read aloud, as secretary Bill Hallsworth forgot to submit them for the newsletter.

Byron was not present to read the treasurer's report.

Jon Fish is still waiting to get in touch with a trustee at the Eagles club.

Proposed date for the fun fly is Saturday, 6/17/2017. Voted on and accepted by club, waiting for confirmation from AMA. More events will be scheduled at the next meeting.

Tom Seres brought up the possibility of moving the meetings to Elwood. There are mixed thoughts from members. A motion was made to explore meeting at the church in Elwood; seconded, passed by majority vote. This is for investigation only; all future meetings are still scheduled at the Anderson Airport.

A motion was made and passed to incorporate the 50th anniversary into the Fun Fly.

Randy Thomas will look into getting Joe's notes on the website; he has offered to take up webmaster duties.

If anyone plans on attending the club banquet, please let Jon Fish know by the March meeting.

A motion was and passed to adjourn.

We're outta here!

Treasurer Byron Hamrick:

made first deposit in two months of 301.00 as its been slow as far as income. next meeting we need to plan details of spring banquet, may fun fly, and field needs. Sunday we placed the fabric runway back down and stapled down the fabric again to the ground.. see ya Monday at the meeting.

treasurer

Byron

Field Marshal Bill DeWitt:

Hello there members of Madison County fliers . We have had a real mixed up spring this year and as I look out my window the grass is already turning green !! That tells me we may have to get the mowers out of storage sooner than we ever have in the past . I do know that we are still going to have some bad weather but when we can get three or four good days of flying done in February outside then look out !!! Hopefully March will be better if so we will be mowing the field by mid March. This is Indiana weather so any thing goes ! As for rolling the field I may not get it done this year because it should be done right after the thaw , but it has never really froze so when did the thaw happen ! Who knows???

Well enough griping for this month, so hope to see every body at the club meeting we have a lot to talk about this month. Your Field Marshal **Bill DeWitt** P.S. I will try again to get some glow fuel for the coming spring at a price comparable to the last time I ordered will need at least the same amount {40 gal. } . I will try to bring this up at our next meeting!!

Newsletter Editor Dave Johnston:

Hi everyone. As always, a big “thank you” to those who contributed items for Pit Talk. Especially during the winter months, it's hard to scrounge up material. Keep sending those pics and articles!

It was a good month overall. Continuing to make slow but measurable progress on the Easy Sport 40, plan to have it in the air late spring. Also I visited Steve Percyfield of the Tipton club and came away with this foamie Yak just for fun. I installed a receiver and ESC that I had lying around, and as soon as the battery that I ordered arrives in the mail it will be good to go!



My daughter Monica agreed to model the Yak

Club Heroes!

Last Sunday the Ides of March struck our field: The blustery winds got under our electric plane runway, tearing out half of the stakes, and leaving the runway flapping loose at the mercy of the elements. Left unrepaired, the runway would have been in the next county in short order. Fortunately, Field Marshal **Bill DeWitt** sprung into action and assembled a crack team of volunteers to spend their Sunday afternoon getting it re-secured. Among those who helped Bill out were Tom Kelley, Art Frye, Byron Hamrick, Kevin Ramey, Dave Morris, Bill Hallsworth and Mike Sharp. Thanks guys for a job well done!

Sad news to report

As mentioned in my earlier email, Art Frye's mother passed away Thursday, March 9. Viewing will be held on Monday the 13th from 11:00-1:00 at Dunnichay Funeral Home in Elwood, with the funeral service following at 1:00. Our heartfelt condolences to President Art and his family.