

Rink Field Millersburg, IN

Club No. 2959

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August 2004 Newsletter

Hi Guys,

I want to start off by thanking Gene Stutsman for a good set of notes from the August meeting. I was unable to attend the meeting so Gene was good enough to share his notes with me.

I want to remind everyone to note the date change to our "Fall Roundup" fly-in. It seems our original date was in conflict with the "Winimac big bird" Fly-in and so the decision was made to move ours to Sept. 18.

Gene points out in his notes that next year it would be beneficial to schedule our July Fly-in for the first Saturday of the fair. I think the important thing is to avoid the fair so that there is no conflict with the hot air balloon activities. Next years schedule has not been determined yet.

Thanks to Cliff and Ron we now have the siding repaired on the storage shed. I understand that Cliff has also taken care of the fall application of fertilizer.

I have been told that we have had several visitors interested in joining our club. Welcome to Mark Brow and his five boys, that's not a mis-print, 5 boys, Asher, Griffith, Rainer, Orville, and Harvey. (Thanks Gene for getting all of the names straight.) Also welcome to John Bontrager and his son David as well as Mike Miller and his brother Merlin. Last but not least, welcome to Kenneth Yoder.

There has been some discussion about the election of club officers. It has been suggested that we should try a progressive rotation of the top club officers. If I understand it right, the rotation would go like this. The secretary would serve in that position for one year. He would then become Vice President and serve in that position for one year, and, finally move on to President for one year. At the end of the calendar year when we elect officers, we would only have to elect a secretary. There may be an opportunity to vote for this at the meeting on the 18<sup>th</sup> of Sept.

The wisdom of purchasing fuel on speculation using club funds is being questioned. It has been suggested that we establish the price of club purchased fuel ahead of time and the club would only purchase fuel that has been paid for in advance. This sounds like a good idea to me. I also think that the hobby shop should store the fuel and let each individual pick up his own fuel. I don't know this for a fact, but I am pretty sure that the hobby shop would be willing to work with us. It is the 4<sup>th</sup> of Sept. as I am writing this, and I just returned from the flying field. Things were pretty busy out there today. The weather was warm, but very light winds. I was pleased to see several of the new people out there. Congratulations to Merlin Miller, he soloed today and did a fine job! I also had the opportunity to see Chuck Browning's Great Planes .46 powered Cessna fly. It is a pleasure seeing a really small scale airplane fly so well. Chuck was telling me that he has a new ARF B-25 on order that sounds like it will quite impressive.

Well, that about does it for this month. I hope to see you all at the "Fall Roundup" on Sept.18<sup>th</sup>.

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