

BCRCF Executive Committee Meeting – Jan. 18, 2022

Members present: John Vinson, Mike Bealmear, Mike Marthaler, Tom Kohler, John Prewitt, Rob Weisemiller, Dave Carothers, Colin Mowery, Jim Sachleben, Chuck Baker, Ken Erickson

Agenda

- Close out old Action Items
- Discuss events for 2022 - IMAC Cheer Fund, model aviation day for Scouts.
 - *Contest will be called Columbus Indiana Firemen's Cheer Fund IMAC Blast. Landing fee \$30 for IMAC member, \$50 for non-IMAC member (for contest participants). Profits would be donated to the Cheer Fund fly-in. Date is Sept 16-18.*
 - *Rob is willing to lead a traditional Cheer Fund Fly-In as well at a different time of the year. Rob to confirm a date.*
 - *Looking at July 9th for Scout Troop Model Aviation Day. Greg to confirm the date.*
 - *Need a leader & proposed date for the Joe Grube Fly-In. Colin is willing to get the CD certification. Mike Bealmear is willing to assist him. Colin to make a date proposal.*
- 2022 AMA charter renewal – Mike Bealmear
- Membership dues collection, I propose that we again do a raffle prize for folks who get their dues paid by March 13 (aligns with an indoor flying date). *\$100, \$50, and \$25 gift cards to Tower Hobbies is what we'll do this year. Mike Bealmear to communicate raffle prize to the club.*
- Plan for gate key change & distribution
- Field topics - discuss two topics raised previously:
 - *a flight line shade shelter. East side club really likes the shelters that they have used for several years. Mike Bealmear to reach out to East Side Club, find out who they used for their shelters & get quotes to develop the concept.*
 - *Concept of putting a geotex runway on top of the grass runway. Chuck & Colin are going to continue to develop this proposal.*
- Develop Agenda for next club meeting, Feb. 1st.
 - Discuss Shelter proposal
 - Events plan for 2022
 - (Colin) Web Site updates
 - (Mike Bealmear) Membership Renewal raffle prize
 - Plan for gate key change & distribution
- Agree on criteria for when we will go back to holding in-person meetings. *50 Covid-19 Hospitalizations in Bartholomew County is going to be our low-risk threshold. When Bartholomew County gets below that number, we would feel it is low risk to hold in-person meetings.*

These two previous action items are now closed out:

Update the Club membership application to show that Youth Dues are Free	Colin Mowery	Nov, 2021	Closed	
Correct this issue: The membership application on the homepage does not match the membership application in the Contact Us page.	Colin Mowery	Nov, 2021	Closed	

We (the Ex Comm) need to think about some objective criteria by which we will resume in-person meetings. Right now, it is very subjective & feels hard to manage. It's driving me a little nuts. I'm also feeling concern that since Covid-19 is never going away, we need to find a way to manage our risk & still function as a club. I submit for your consideration a metric based on Covid-19 hospitalizations in the state of Indiana. I hope this stimulates some ideas, hopefully you guys have better ideas than this one which is just the first one I came up with. Here's what I'm thinking:

The peak Covid 19 hospitalizations in Dec. 2020 was 3441 recorded on Dec. 1, 2020 (see the attached graphic)

Remember how good we all felt back in the early summer of 2021 when it looked like Covid-19 was getting under control & we were feeling like there was a lot lower risk if you had your vaccine? The peak Covid hospitalizations during this period was about 900. It was not zero.

How low would this Hospitalization number need to get before we as an Executive Committee would feel comfortable having club meetings in person? This is a question I have been considering & I would like to make a proposal to get your feedback.

Back when we had our last Ex Comm meeting (Nov. 30) we felt like we still had a shot at doing the banquet, Covid-19 hospitalizations were running at 2244. It was not zero.

This suggests a marginal risk range of 900 to 2200 Covid 19 hospitalizations in our state. Call that a yellow zone. Clearly above 2200 (where we are now) we no longer feel comfortable, so I call that a red zone. Below 2200 and if we had a vaccine requirement; would we feel comfortable to resume in-person meetings? Below 900, perhaps we would feel a lot more comfortable to resume in-person meetings indoors, such that a vaccine is just recommended, not required?