

Indianapolis Aero Club

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1933-1987

3 folders, 5 volumes

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Organizational History:

Edward F. New, William Sherman, and Dr. Charles W. Roller founded the Indianapolis Aero Club in 1933. Originally known as the Hoosier Flying Club, the Indianapolis Aero Club had thirty-five members who were interested whose aviation interest included the Indiana Air Tours, dead stick landings, and scavenger hunts.

In 1983, the club membership dropped considerably and the club almost disbanded. Bob Bruce, took over the club as the president, and did much of the administrative work. In his first year, membership rose from forty-five members to 200. The club is active and its members are still aviation enthusiasts, but are not necessarily pilots themselves. The Indianapolis Aero Club has transitioned into a dinner club that monthly has a speaker give an aviation talk.

Source:

<http://indyaeroclub.blogspot.com/2000/01/history-of-indianapolis-aero-club.html>

Scope and Content:

This collection contains three folders and five volumes, dated from 1933 to 1987. The folders contain correspondence, news clippings, and miscellaneous items such as club rosters, postcards, photographs, and the magazine *Flight*.

The first volume is a registry of members who attended the Indianapolis Aero Club's monthly meetings from January 4, 1934 to April 13, 1965.

The second volume is a scrapbook dating from 1933-1978. The third volume is "The Golden Anniversary Year" scrapbook, from 1983. This scrapbook contains pictures from events that commemorate the Indianapolis Aero Club's 50th anniversary.

The fourth volume is a scrapbook from 1984, which contains pictures and flyers from the club's meetings and outings during that year. The fifth volume contains club biographies dating from 1983-1987.

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Folders: S3319

Folder 1 Correspondence, 1933-1987
Folder 2 News clippings, 1933-1987
Folder 3 Misc. Materials, 1933-1987

Volumes: V468

Volume 1 Register, January 4, 1934-April 13, 1965
Volume 2 Scrapbook, 1933-1978
Volume 3 Scrapbook, 1983- The Golden Anniversary Year
Volume 4 Scrapbook, 1984
Volume 5 Biographies, 1983-1987

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