



Spring brings in a new flying season!!!

Editor's note: It's almost spring, and with nice weather comes the urge to fly. Now is the time to check your airplane. Why not make a quick check list?

Start with something like this .

- General overall condition
- Hinges—make sure they are tight and not binding
- Bolts, nuts, and screws—make sure they are tight
- Covering—make sure it is tight, not torn, and does not have any small holes
- Servos—make sure it is not binding or loose
- Batteries—make sure they are cycled and charged with no damages or leaks
- Flight box—make sure you have all necessary tools and spare items (this year, how about putting some Band-Aids in your flight box)
- Attitude—make sure you keep it good

-taken from the AMA newsletter online.



Start the season off right. Check your plane out before your first flight this spring.

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Club Meetings

Club meetings are held on the second Saturday of each month at the flying field in Covell, IL. Meetings begin at 7:00pm during the winter (CST) and 8:00pm during the summer (CDT).

SIRS Inc Meeting

March 12th, 2005

CALL TO ORDER:

President Jim Danforth called meeting to order at 7:00. There were 15 members present.

PREVIOUS MINUTES:

Mike Wilson read the previous minutes from the February meeting.

TREASURE'S REPORT:

Treasure Tom Kirk gave the treasure's report. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Received charter renewal papers

Flyers for the Big Bird were mailed out in March

Pat is selling stands that hold your plane for \$25.00.

Motion accepted and passed for buy lights and soap bottles for clean up day.

SIRS will be placing fuel order on May 1st. If interested in buying fuel please make check out to SIRS. There is a sign up sheet and pricing in the club house at the field.

OLD BUSINESS:

Pat has made arrangements to get the outhouse pumped out.

SHOW & TELL:

Nate showed and told us about his Hobbico Sukhoi and his Funtana .40 sized planes

Bob Hawkes showed and told us about his Quickie Racer II.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourns at 9:00pm. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Mike Wilson, SIRS Secretary.



Fuel orders are being taken!!



As the time changes for Daylight savings time, so does the club meeting time. Starting this month the club meetings will start at 8pm.

The SIRS Club fuel order sheet has been posted in the little club house. This is a great opportunity to purchase your years worth of fuel at below average prices.

Prices for the fuel are per gallon (Includes sales tax):
Omega 10% = \$12.09
Omega 15% = \$13.44
Cool Power 10% = \$12.09
Cool Power 15% = 13.44
Wildcat 2&4 Cycle 10% Cat 108 = \$11.67

You can order fuel in any 1 gallon increment. Please sign up at your earliest convenience and leave a check for the amount in the sign up folder. Checks should be made to SIRS RC Club. Fuel orders will be taken through Sunday May 1st. Fuel will then be ordered and will hopefully be ready for pickup at the May 14th SIRS club meeting.

If you have any questions please feel free to email Todd Guttschow at toddg@connectingpoint.com or call my cell phone at 309-261-6133.



**SIRS
Classifieds**

FOR SALE

**** YOUR AD HERE ****

Submit your classified ads to the SIRS Newsletter Editor at:
Sirsnewsletter@verizon.net

From the President:

We sprung forward this last week-end, so winter is really over. Don't forget, with the start of daylight savings time, our meeting times move from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM.

The agenda for our meeting is:

- Call the meeting to order - Jim
- Introduction of Guests - Jim
- Read minutes from the last meeting – Mike
- Vote to Accept
- Treasurer's report - Tom
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- Old business - Jim
- Pump out the Out House - Pat
- Status of Charter renewal – Jim
- Status of Fuel Order - Todd
- Status of Static Show – Bob
- Status of Big Bird Fly-in - Orville
- Aviation Camp on July 20 - Chuck
- New business - Jim
- Cedar Rapids Electric Fun Fly, August 6 & 7
- Other new business
- Show-n-tell - Jim
- 50/50 drawing - Jim
- Motion to adjourn - Jim

Hope to see you at the meeting on Saturday, 8:00 PM.

Jim.

Who's That?



Tom Kirk

Occupation: Kirk C & D Recycling

How long you've been flying: Three years fly'n..two years crash'n

How did you discover the hobby: I went to the hobby store when I was 14 to buy a r/c/ car. I spotted a helicopter on the wall and I wanted it so bad. I finally got the money about 5 years ago and I have been trying to fly ever since.

How many aircraft do you own: 1 helicopter & 4 planes and my pride and joy.. My Gee Bee

Favorite RC story: There are a lot of fun stories to tell but what comes to mind is a very recent comment that I think is very funny. I flew a new plane for the first time the other day and I gave it a 50/50 chance of it staying in one piece. After landing my friend Todd told me I did a good job and he was happy I landed. He then said he told his two boys that they need to keep their eyes on that plane because they don't want to miss what might happen. It reminded me that nobody wants you to crash but everyone wants to see it. Todd Guttschow taught me how to fly helicopters and planes. Pat Henson also helped me with fly'n planes.

Additional comments or stories you like share: The past 3 years have been a great time for me. I love the freedom I feel when I fly. The club and its members really mean a lot to me.

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