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Open House

SIRS August Open House
August 22, 2009, 9:00-4:00

This will be the three-ring circus of aeronautics, with Control Line, Radio Control tricks, and Rockets.

Invite the public to this Open House event for free fun.

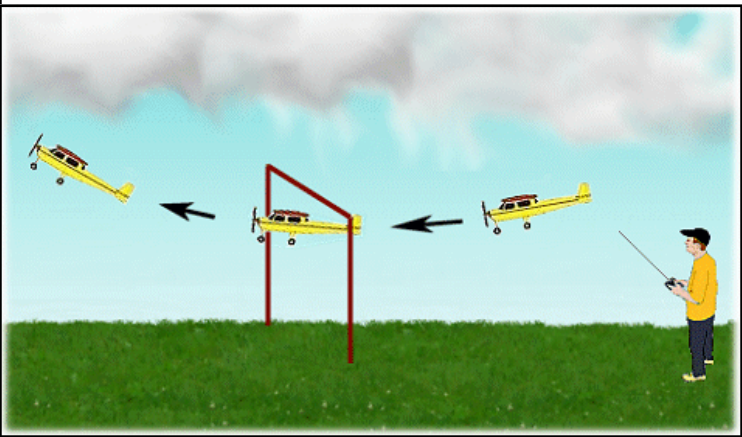
We are planning our famous lunch, drinks and our infamous 'Bombers'. Bring your appetite. Feel free to alert the media in your customary manner.

Contests are open to electric, though scored separately:

- Take Off Loop and Land - intact
- Limbo – go under the line
- Skyhook – hook the line
- Taxi Slalom – one way
- Accurate Landing – within the lines on the field
- Combat Streamers - cut the other guys streamer

Race Results

Way to go Duane! He finished 1st place July 18th at PRCM Four Star race. He also, had the fastest time. I believe it was 1:41.



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News and article submissions are encouraged

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Club Meetings

Club meetings are held on the second Saturday of each month at the flying field. Meetings begin at 1900 (CST) and 2000 (CDT).

Classified and Advertising

Commercial advertising rates and submission information is available from SIRS-RC.com.

Ads are taken on a first come, first served basis with limited space available.

Advertising is also available on the SIRS website and may be included in print advertising packages.

Classified Ads may be placed by members for no additional charge. These are to be of a private sales nature.

SIRS, Inc Meeting Minutes - July, 11 2009

Call to order:

President Mike Wilson called the meeting to order at 7:58 PM. There were 21 members and guests present

Previous Minutes:

Minutes were approved as published in the newsletter

Treasurer Report:

The club has \$5,467.45 in the account. The club generated \$6,794 with the Leukemia Benefit. \$4,529 went to Leukemia

Old Business:

- Leukemia Benefit June 5th, 6th and 7th - The club voted to pay for non members that helped who would like to attend the Holiday Party
- The 424 race had 10 participants both days from five states. Mike Wilson was second on day one
- Pekin fourstar Race is in August
- The Fun Fly will be run By Doug. It will be a Fun Fly/open house/aviation day August 22nd
- The trip to help the new Clinton club went well. The field was a little small

New Business:

- Club elections a coming up. Tom Kirk has offered to "play the roll" of president. If anyone would like to run for an officer please be at the next meeting.
- A current member list can be obtained from Jim Danforth. We are currently at 63 members
- Nate says hello to the club. All is well and he should be home around December

New Members:

Gary Schollman, Doug Husted and Terry Husted all joined the club. They have been flying in Clinton and lost there field. They fly Helicopters and glow planes.

Show and tell:

Todd showed off his Striker F27C. It is a plug and play jet that can reach 70 MPH out of the box

Meeting adjourned at 8:26



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You want to make your model as visible as possible considering adverse visibility conditions. You have to be able to see it to be able to control it! The following are some characteristics that have been proven.

There should be a large pattern contrast between wing top to bottom. For example 2 or 3 large span-wise bars or strips on the top. Small patterns will fade into a blur in the distance.

Large white or yellow wing tips on the topside show up really well making the top of the wing highly visible. It almost looks like a neon sign flashing in a turn/roll at the end of the field. White or yellow wing and stab leading edge's show up much better on approach to landing and make it much easier to judge attitude on approach to landing. A white or yellow band (about 3") down the side of the fuselage helps in determining attitude when flying wing-level, making it much easier to determine whether the airplane is climbing or diving.

Colors should be sharply contrasting such as white or yellow against insignia blue, missile red, or dark green. Most airplanes use either white or yellow as their light color. Look to see which is most visible to you. At large distances and under low light conditions the eye can no longer distinguish colors. Small patterns with non-contrasting colors may cause you to be unable to tell up from down under poor visibility conditions. If you can't see it you can't fly it!

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