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### Thompson Cup Results

Saturday September 26th, 2009. The Race started a bit before 1 pm with rain impending. The first heat pitted Todd Gutschow with his electric Stryker against Dave Ludington's Four Star 40. As the first drops of rain fell, Todd posted 80 laps and Dave 70.

After a brief rain delay the rest of the heats commenced. Mike Wilson had the only loss in the race. His Bolt suffered a catastrophic airframe failure resulting in wing loss. His Thunder Tiger .40 Pro and receiver were recovered.

While you may see a higher lap count engraved on the Thompson Cup, the previous course record was prior to the reconfiguration of the course, so this 114 is the new high score. Good flying Jay!



Name	Plane	Heat	Laps	Place
Jay Cappis	Proud Bird	4th	114	1st
Bob Hawkes	Mad Dog	4th	109	2nd
Justin Worden	Scat Cat	4th	105	3rd
Ken Ausili	Q500	3rd	97	4th
Duane Holliger	Mustang	2nd	95	5th
Todd Guttchow	Stryker	1st	75	6th
Dave Haas	Gremlin	2nd	71	7th
Dave Ludington	Four Star	1st	70	8th
Mike Wilson	Bolt	3rd	crash	

### New Members

SIRS would like to welcome our new members this year: Kaushal Bhatt, Carla Cox, Bob Erwin, Doug Husted, Terry Husted, Deepak Monsingh, Paul Nord, Mike Norris, Gary Schollman, Tim Sunderland, and Jeff Werry. We hope to see you take to the skies with us. Reminder, meetings are 8pm 2nd Sat.

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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 - October, 10 2009

### Call to order:

President Mike Wilson called the meeting to order at 8:06 PM. There were 9 members and guests present.

### Previous Minutes:

Minutes were approved as published in the newsletter.

### Treasurer Report:

Jim Danforth was not present to report. Mike reported receiving checks from the AMA for membership drive and the WEEK spot. The AMA has been generous in their support of our club initiatives.

### Old Business:

- The SIRS annual banquet will be November, 14. Doors open at 5:00, eating at 6:00 and awards at 7:00. The food will be from P-Nut Catering at \$12 per person. Invitation will be mailed to Scott Richardson at the Pantagraph and Eric Shangraw. They have been instrumental in bringing the public to our support and new talent to our club. There will be drawings for prizes totaling over \$600 of merchandise. Doug Mock donated a gift certificate for \$55 to Image Air. Invitations have been mailed.
- The vote was taken on the roster of officers and passed. Next years officers who will be inducted at the banquet are: President - Fred Logue, Vice President - Jay Cappis, Editor and Webmaster - Doug Mock, Safety Officer - Dave Castiglia, Secretary - Dave Hass, Treasurer - Jim Danforth
- While the aircraft calendar does not have enough financial support, there is an opportunity to have a poster of your plane with a lovely model. Contact Dave Ludington to inquire about this.
- The benefit event will need to be one day of event and one day of travel/set-up. Therefore we will open the field on Friday for pilots to open fly and have an Event on Saturday. When doing a charity benefit, we can gather prizes and community support. When doing a Big Bird, our income is small and few public attend. Benefits are better for both the club and the charity of choice. We want to rotate charities at minimum of annually or greater. We would like to be assured that these charities are of universal appeal and have a supporting community. We have learned valuable lessons on how to maximize success and minimize problems that we can apply to the future. Dave Ludington would like to do this again and felt the USO would be a great charity with a large veteran population to work with. He will located all the important contacts needed and begin this process. This motion was passed. Please buddy-up with a friend and spend 6 or 7 hours on this for the club.

### New Business:

- Next years events were set:  
Fri, Jan 1 - Chilly Chilli First Flight Day - Ken Ausili  
Sat, March 27th - Field Clean-up Day - Everyone  
Sat, March 20th - Swap Meet @ St Mary's - Mike Wilson  
April ??? - IMAC - Wayne Geffon

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Sat, June 5th - USO Benefit Fly - Dave Ludington (Open Flying on the 4th)

when? - 424 Race - Jay Cappis

Sat, Aug 20th - Open House/Fun Fly - Doug Mock, Dave Haas

September 25th - Thompson Cup - Bob Hawkes

November 13th - SIRS Banquet - Fred Logue

Additionally, there will be an open class race the second Saturday of each month @ 4pm. Race head to head by class against one another, engines open-

class. Quickie vs Quickie, 4star vs 4star, etc. Club meetings to follow.

A motion to change the meeting times and/or day was tabled (held over) for member input at the banquet.

A proposal was discussed regarding an alteration of membership requirements to include club support. This was held over for member input at the banquet.

### Sharing:

Jay Cappis won the Thompson Cup with 114 laps!

Doug Mock recounted his flight at Image Air. Dave Haas agreed that it is an awesome experience and suggested everyone should do it.

Meeting Adjourned 8:55



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	In the coming months.... <b>November 14th - Awards Banquet</b> Indoor flying starts soon.. <b>January 1st - Chilly Chili First Flight and Chili</b>				14 Banquet
15	16					21
22	2	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					