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# June 2010 Newsletter

## SIRS Fly-In to Benefit the USO

June 5th, Saturday, 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM  
(Rain date Sunday, June 6th, same times)

### **Come out and bring your best planes to fly and show off!**

Demonstrations of many forms of model aviation including Warplanes Helicopters and Aerobatics!

AMA Membership required for pilots. All airplanes and helicopters welcome.  
\$20 landing fee for pilots, free admission & parking for the public.

David Ludington CD, Fred Logue Field Manager PH:309-359-3395  
Email questions, registration to: d\_mock@hotmail.com

For everyone interested in model aviation this is a great day to  
learn, ask questions and have fun! Bring the family!  
Raffles, Food, Fun!

8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Pilot Registration  
9:30 a.m. Pilots Meeting  
10:00 a.m. Open Flying Begins  
11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Lunch Served  
Raffle drawings throughout the day, must be present to win.

This will be a lot of fun, food, prizes and contests. We may even see the return of the limbo poles!



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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/or 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 - May, 8 2010

President Fred Louge called the meeting to order at 8:03 PM. There were 10 members present. Approved minutes from last meeting

#### Treasurer report:

No report was given

#### Old business:

**USO Calendar:** On hold due to economy, first sale date TBD.

#### USO Event: USO benefit June 5th

Raffle prizes so far - 50cc plane, .60 and .40 size, Flight Sim, one case of fuel and other goodies.

*The Nord family has offered to cook - still need to have help with the serving.*

Planning on 400 meals to be served.

Friday is set up day. 5:00 is the official time but feel free to come out early. Please check the web site for auxiliary food items or check with Fred.

What is not donated the club will have to buy.

We have \$400 left to spend.

We have been given a Saturday at Cub Food to promote the event check the web site or Dave Hass.

We will also be in the Pantagraph twice before the event and possible a radio spot.

#### 424 Races: June 26th and 27th

We should see 15 to 20 pilots from the surrounding states this weekend. We still need volunteers for this event. If not we will have to find an outside club and donate some money from the event to them. There will be a meal on Saturday night after the race. A \$10 donation will get you all the food and drink you want.

**Meeting Attendance:** The warmer weather seemed to have helped attendance; however the hurricane force winds did not. More talk of having a barbeque before meetings..

#### New Business:

No new business

#### Show and tell and tid-bits:

Slot and Wing Hobbies has more FREE flight boxes.

Some are a little damaged, so get two.

Chris Vandenburg showed his new tool for adjusting carb screws on gas engines.

It's a T handled screw driver with the blade recessed in a tube to keep the blade from sliding off.

Chris also donated \$50 to the benefit.

Jay showed his new Jett 40 and Hurricane Q500 racer.

Father Rick auctioned off a Funtana 90 (that Fred won) and donated the money to the benefit - \$100

The meeting adjourned at 8:52 !



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**Spektrum "compatible" receivers hit the market  
Hobby Kings \$15 Spektrum Compatible Rx**

First there were reports of fake Spektrum receivers and now Hobby King has come out with a "Spektrum DSM2 Compatible" receiver for under US\$15.

After admitting that they had spoken with a number of parties who'd offered them Spektrum-compatible products, HK has launched the "OrangeRx-6" which, it is claimed, are built using "original components and MCUs".

If the claims that "the OrangeRx will work with ANY Spektrum DSM or DSM2 2.4GHz transmitter" are correct, and if they also honor their pledge that "all OrangeRx receivers are QC tested before leaving the factory" then Horizon may have a problem on their hands.

In both the HK and RCModelReviews forums, users have clearly stated that they would gladly purchase "compatible" products in preference to genuine ones, if it meant they would make a worthwhile saving.

It remains to be seen whether Spektrum/Horizon will bother to try and take legal action against HK or the manufacturer of the OrangeRx product but, even if they did, the chances of successfully halting the production or sale of the infringing product are very slim indeed.

Will you be flocking to buy a bunch of cheap AR6100-like "Spektrum compatible" receivers now that they are available for little more than pocket change?

What about HK's claims that they have another receiver "arriving soon" that will be both DSM2 and FASST?

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