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SIRS RC/CL



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Model Airplane Club

AMA District VI Chapter 621 Founded in 1964



Good Bye to the lumpy/bumpy turf!
Rented Asphalt roller does the trick!!

Come
Fly
With
Us!
At SIRS
Field
BEFORE
Our Next
Meeting
At 7:00 PM
Our Field is
Located near
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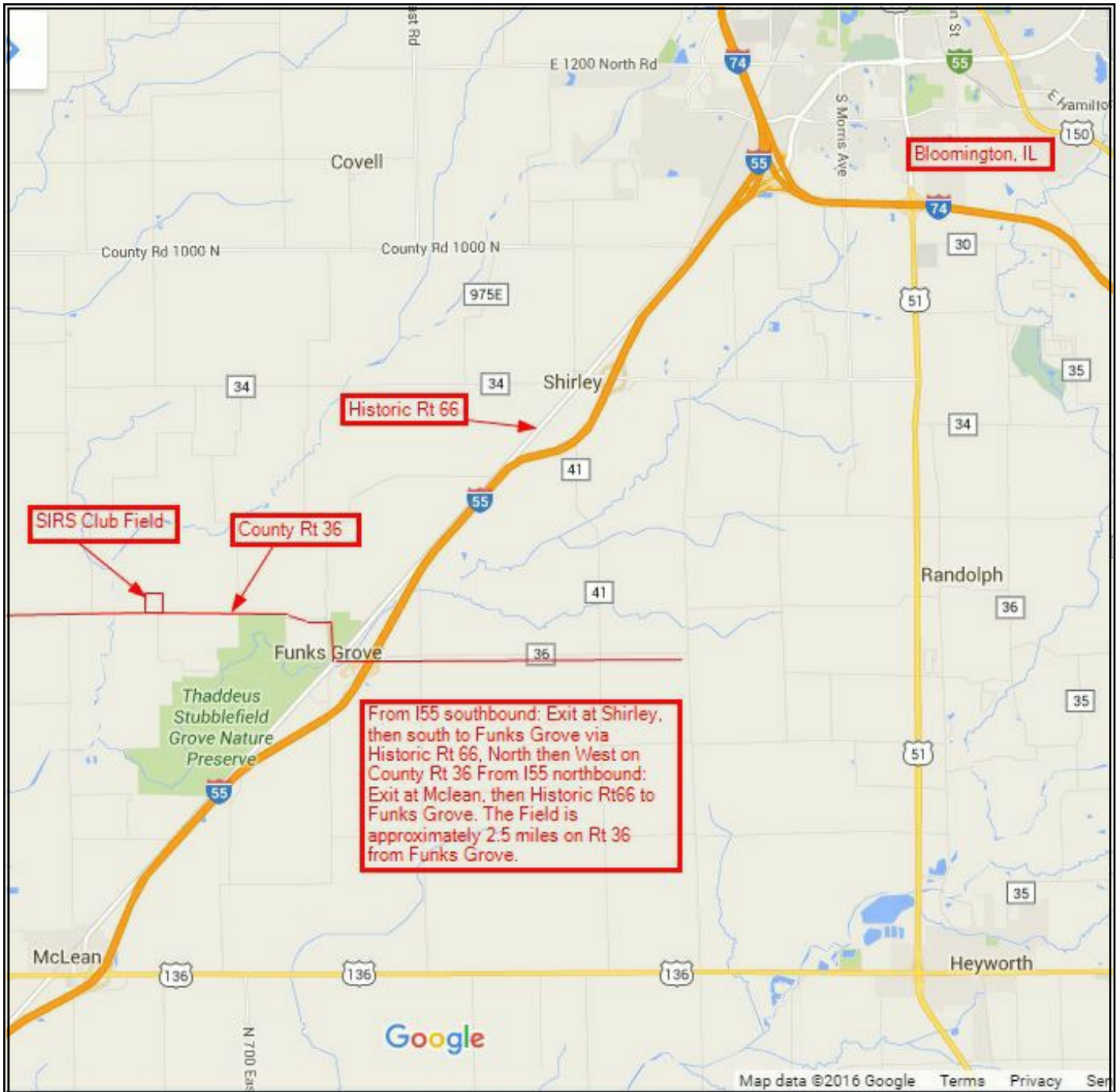
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**Club meetings are on the second Saturday
of each month (April through October)
at 7:00 PM**

At SIRS Club Field

Guests and prospective members are welcome to attend.

Flying before the meeting weather permitting!!





Justin Worden has designed a new SIRS T-Shirt

Daughter Kenzie likes it and so may you!

Soon to be available at around \$20

Dues were due January 31^{st!!!}

\$90.00 (Make checks payable to SIRS)

New members dues are prorated = \$67.50

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

AMA # _____ Email _____

Phone Home _____ Cell _____

Mail check to: (Or bring to the meeting)

John Burrill

903 Approach Rd.

Normal, IL 61761

Unapproved minutes from March SIRS meeting

SIRS RC/CL Model Club

April 10, 2017 SIRS Minutes

Vice-President Bob Stadsholt opened the meeting at 6:55 at the flying field..

Members present were: Ken Ausli, John Siebert, Greg Vertrees, Ethan Jett, Jeff Simpson, and John Burrill.

Guests present: Matt, Zack, Terry Husted, Gary Schollman.

Bob reviewed the minutes from the last meeting.

Treasurer John Burrill reported the club has \$5,816.91 on deposit and 23 paid members as of April 7, 2017.

The minutes and treasurer's report were approved on a motion by Greg Vertrees, seconded by John Siebert.

Old Business

Bob reminded members of the pylon racing event coming up June 24 and 25, and that we will need 10 volunteers for same. He circulated a sign-up sheet. Jerry Worden requested that the lumber in the shed be saved until after the pylon racing in case we need it for making protective cages.

Continuing discussion on the use of power poles for vehicle barriers took place. Jerry and Justin are checking on the source of poles for availability and handling issues.

Bob brought up the matter of rolling the flying field with a road (asphalt) roller. The cost would be \$500.00 delivered plus fuel for a 48" wide 6 ton roller. Bob also indicated he would make a partial donation to help cover the cost.

John Burrill moved that we go ahead with the rental and open the expense up for additional donations by those members who wish to help cover it. Motion was seconded by John Siebert. After considerable discussion the vote was taken and was carried 4 to 2.

New Business

Several items for discussion from John Cralley were brought to the meeting in his absence:

1. Suggestion that we change the time of the summer meetings at the field to afternoon to get away from the late meetings and perhaps improve attendance. This was discussed and it was noted that there is no contravention of this in the constitution or by-laws. No decision was taken, but it was offered that we could simply announce a different time (3:00 PM was suggested) and change it again or any time if desired. It was also suggested that we could poll the membership by email to get a feeling of how members felt.
2. Suggestion that we donate a subscription to the AMA magazine to each of the local libraries. There was general agreement. This would be a positive in our goal of becoming a Leader Club. No action taken or assigned.
3. Suggestion of a monthly evening "gathering day" other than the meeting, possibly to include a cook out. No discussion on this (running out of time).
4. Suggestion that we encourage members to bring things for "show and tell". No discussion.
5. Should we circulate a list of paid members with contact information? The suggestion again was to poll the membership on this and all of these proposals.
6. Suggestion: a "classified" section in the newsletter. General agreement and also encouraging ads for vendors.
7. Rumor is that Hobbyland may be sold this year. Is there anything we can do to help make sure someone purchases and keeps it running? Very little discussion, other than to note that the retail world is changing greatly.

Motion to adjourn by Greg, seconded by Ethan.



Because of the compression from the roller aeration is also needed too!

Message from the AMA!!

Dear members,

As you've probably heard by now, a federal appeals court today struck down the FAA's registration requirement for recreational model aircraft.

Today's Court ruling is effective immediately. As such, if you have not registered with the FAA, you are no longer required under the law to do so. For those of you who have already registered with the FAA, you may be wondering what this means for you. We are currently working to obtain answers from the FAA and will share more information as it becomes available.

Please keep in mind that this is a fluid situation and there is always the possibility of a renewed push in Congress to compel federal registration for model aircraft. If that happens, rest assured that AMA will continue to advocate for your interests and keep you well informed every step of the way. We have repeatedly argued that federal registration for our community is duplicative and unnecessary, as our members already register their model aircraft with AMA. In addition, our 80-year history of safe and responsible flying demonstrates that we're not the problem. We shouldn't be burdened by overly broad regulations.

Today's ruling also bodes well for our pending court challenge to the FAA's interpretation of the Special Rule for Model Aircraft (also known as the Interpretive Rule). That petition, which AMA filed in 2014, is currently before the same Court that today rejected the FAA's registration rule and affirmed the strength of the Special Rule for Model Aircraft, otherwise known as Section 336. This gives us hope for our continued fight against the Interpretive Rule.

We understand that these policy and legal developments are sometimes dizzying and complicated, and they are rarely resolved quickly. We're nearly three years into our challenge to the Interpretive Rule, for example. We truly appreciate your sticking with us while we press on in the fight to protect your right to fly, free from unnecessary and burdensome restrictions.

Sincerely,
AMA Government Affairs

Here are some things that Jim has for sale.

FOR SALE: James Richter 309 275-6218

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1/6 Scale SOPWIYH PUP, Kit.

By Balsa USA

125.00

Stuka Dive Bomber JU 87
By Great Planes 61 to75 Eng.
70" Wing Span 55" Long

150.00

Seagull Yak 54 ARF 60 size
57" Wing Span, Has Servos & a Sup

225.00

Electra Streak ARF
By Great Planes
Has a E Flite Park 670 Brushless & a Speed Control
R700 Rec. And Servos

75.00

Dragen Lady
Ready to Fly.
GMS 2000, 120
Tuned for Alcohol

300.00

Gremlin
With a O.S. LA 40

75.00

Liberty Sport Kit
By SIG

150.00



Central Illinois Radio Society (SIRS) NATS Warmup

**SIRS Flying Site - McLean, IL
Saturday & Sunday, June 24 & 25, 2017**

AMA 424 Q500 - Entry Fee \$25 Each Day - Saturday & Sunday

AMA 426 Q500 - Entry Fee \$25 - Saturday & Sunday

NMPRA EF1 - Entry Fee \$20 - Saturday & Sunday

15% Nitro Fuel Will Be Supplied

Field Will Be Open For Practice On Friday

Saturday & Sunday - Short Course For 424 & 426 & EF1

Lunch Will Be Available On Site On Race Days

Please Pre-register At: www.capsracing.com

For More Information Contact

CD Jerry Worden - (309) 531 - 0073 E-mail: jwfly1697@msn.com

See www.sirsrc.com for directions to the SIRS flying site.



This is the Flyer for our June Pylon Races!!

**Share it with anyone that you think would be
interested in attending!!**

2017 Events Schedule

All EVENTS at the Field are subject to favorable weather!

Club Meeting June 10th 7:00 PM at the Field

June 24-25 Nats Warm-up Pylon Races
AMA Sanction # 623
(See page 7)

August 12th Model Aviation Day SIRS Open House

Sept 9-10 Field of Dreams Fall Classic Pylon racing

October 8th Ringmaster Fly-A-Thon

October 14th Thompson Cup Pylon Race (club meeting at the field)

November ??? Annual SIRS Banquet at Covell Community Building

Some links you might enjoy:

**Seven Jets Showtime!!!
(You may need Facebook to view this)**

Story of a B-29 Total Restoration!!

**The basis of world peace is the teaching which runs
through almost all the great religions of the world.
"Love thy neighbor as thyself." - Eleanor Roosevelt**

John Cralley, Editor

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Send me your **NEWS**, Photos and any model aviation related information to share!!