



# August 2018

## Newsletter

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### SIRS RC/CL



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## Model Airplane Club

AMA District VI Chapter 621 Founded in 1964



Great Fun At The Open House!!

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Come

Fly

With

Us!

Before

The

September 8<sup>th</sup>

7:00 PM

Club Meeting

SIRS Airfield

On McLean

County Rt 36

North west of

Funks Grove,

IL

Prospective

Members

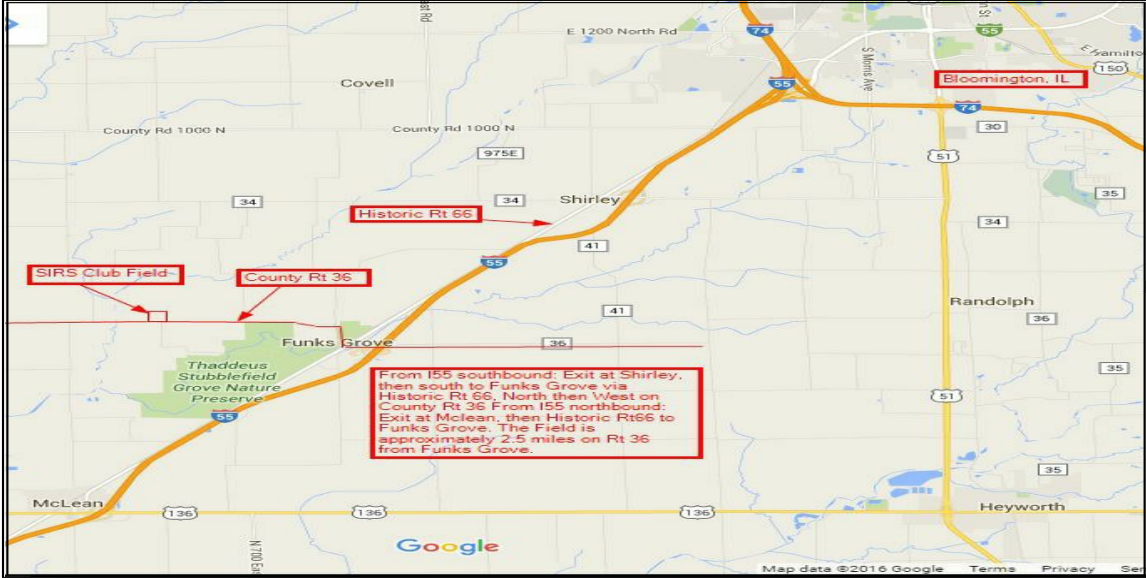
Visitors Guests

WELCOME

The September Club Meeting is scheduled for 7:00 PM Saturday September 8<sup>th</sup> at the SIRS Airfield

Rain or Shine the meeting is ON!!!!

**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!!**



**2017 Members, your dues for 2018 were due JANUARY 31<sup>st</sup>!!**

The 2018 dues are \$100 (Jan.1st through Dec. 31st)

New member's dues will be prorated to expire on December 31st.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

AMA # (or applied for) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: home \_\_\_\_\_ cell \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Make Check Payable to SIRS and Mail to : (or bring to a meeting)

John Burrill  
903 Approach Road  
Normal, IL 61761

## Approved minutes from July Meeting

SIRS RC/CL Model Airplane Club

### **SIRS July 2018 Minutes**

- Meeting called to order by Bob
  - Minutes read by Bob
  - Treasurer report read by Greg
    - 9 racers brought in \$731, we paid \$118 in expenses.
- Motion to accept minutes and treasurer report made by John Siebert, second by Kris Akers.

#### **Old Business**

- Jerry thanked Greg for his computer work during the June races.
- Discussed the ongoing rent reduction plan. We sent an email on July 2nd with no response. We decided to send a snail mail letter to Doug Hirsch. Motion to send letter by Jerry Worden, second by Kris Akers. Motion was passed.
- Discussed August 11 Open House.
  - Advertise in Pantagraph.
  - John Cralley will notify surrounding clubs.
  - We will setup on Thursday, September 9th.
  - Perform maintenance and test trainer planes.
  - Jerry Worden will chair the event.
  - \$10 landing fee, includes lunch.

#### **New Business**

- Steve Meyer introduced the idea of a permanent road sign signaling the airfield. Placed with the other Funks Grove sign when entering off of Historic Route 66. Steve will contact the county regarding the sign.
- Passed around mowing signup sheet.
- Outhouse was pumped!
- Motion to adjourn was passed.

#### **Attendance:**

Kris Akers  
John Cralley  
Bob Stadsholt  
Tony Cellini  
Jim Nettleton  
Jerry Worden  
Justin Worden  
Gary Lenhardt  
John Siebert  
Rich Anderson  
Dan Amolsch (Guest)

#### **September Race Signup:**

##### **Saturday 22nd**

Kris Akers  
John Cralley  
Jim Nettleton  
Jerry Worden  
Justin Worden  
John Siebert

##### **Sunday 23rd**

Kris Akers  
Jim Nettleton  
Jerry Worden  
Steve Meyer  
John Siebert  
Larry Kupferschmid  
Greg Vertrees  
Steve Meyer  
Larry Kupferschmidt

The August 11<sup>th</sup> Open House /Air Show was a good time for all members and visitors!!

We had 22 Pilots register and an unknown number of visitors at the field.

Numerous demonstration flights were held and a number of visitors took the sticks of the Club Trainers with “buddy box” instructors to try their hand at flying RC models.

A visitor from Horizon Hobbies Company put on a great demonstration of Helicopter aerobatics that was a hit with the crowd. Maybe not as big a hit with the kids as the candy drop!!!!

At least one of several rockets launched fell victim of a parachute streamer and was lost in the soybean field. Control Line models were on demonstration both on the ground and in the air.

Club members present deemed the event a success and the possibility of having more than one Open House/ Air Show next year will be discussed at the next meeting.

Below are a few photos from the event:



Unapproved August meeting minutes:

**SIRS August 11, 2018 minutes**

**Attendees**

John Burrill  
Greg Vertrees  
David Ashley  
John Siebert  
Kris Akers  
Larry Kupfershmidt  
John Cralley

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER** by Kris Akers

- Kris read minutes
- John B read treasurer report
- motion to accept minutes and treasurer's report made by John Cralley, 2nd by Kris. Passed.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- Brought up rent business.
- discussed the letter. We have not yet heard back. decided that after 30 days of no response we would send a registered letter. Larry volunteered to talk to Jim (the farmer) regarding the best way to contact Hirsch. UPDATE: the property has been sold again, and Hirsch is no longer the owner.
- reminded club that we are still looking to talk to the county about signage for the airfield. Sign to go up with the other Funks Grove signs.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- open house earned us \$220 in pilot fees
- John Siebert printed the manual for the big red generator.
  - Contacted customer support to inquire a cause and solution to why it has stopped working.
  - will wait for response/cost to fix it, and decide what to do next.
- John Siebert started discussion on the clubhouse floor. We have most of the wood needed to install a floor, and additional purchase would cost around \$130. UPDATE: David Ashley has donated plywood that might be used in the installation.
- John Burrill started a discussion about an installation of wheelchair ramp for the porta-potty. A committee was formed: Steve Meyer and John Siebert. UPDATE: John Siebert, Steve Meyer, and Kris Akers completed an installation.
- The open house had a great turnout of 22 pilots. Lots of flying. Got a handful of new people in the air with the buddy box.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN** by Kris Akers, 2nd by John Cralley. Motion Passed.

### **SIRS Members Note:**

According to the SIRS By-Laws the Executive Committee must nominate a slate of candidates for the next year's offices at the September meeting. Accordingly the committee has nominated the following members for the indicated offices for the Club year 2019. Additional nominations will also be entertained at the September meeting after which the membership will be informed of the final list of candidates running for office and the election will be held at the October meeting. Officers elected will be installed at the November meeting.

### **Executive Committee Nominations:**

President, Bob Stadsholt

Vice President, Kris Akers

Secretary, Larry Kupferschmidt

Treasurer, John Burrill

Communions Officer, John Cralley

Safety Officer, Steve Meyer

### **Upcoming events of interest:**

**Streator RC Flyers Warbirds Sept. 28 -30, 2018**

**URL: [https://www.rcflightdeck.com/event.cfm?event\\_id=7861](https://www.rcflightdeck.com/event.cfm?event_id=7861)**

**Pekin RC Club Big Bird Gathering Sept 16, 2018**

**Email: [Pekinrc@yahoo.com](mailto:Pekinrc@yahoo.com)**

**Litchfield, IL Route 66 Jet Rally Sept 6-9, 2018**

**URL: <http://www.litchfieldil.com/airport/flyer.pdf>**

**This is a big one!! May be well worth the drive!!**

## 2018 Events Schedule

All EVENTS at the Field are subject to favorable weather!

**Canceled**

~~Sept 8-9 Field of Dreams Fall Classic Pylon racing~~

September Club Meeting : Saturday 9/8/2018 at 7:00 PM

October 7th Ringmaster Fly-A-Thon

October 13<sup>th</sup> Thompson Cup Pylon Race (club meeting at the field)

November ??? Annual SIRS Banquet

**Some links that may interest (entertain) you!!**

**Red Bull Pylon Races! Note: The pylon is clipped  
at 1:17 in the video.**

**RC Scale "Mishaps" !!**

No longer forward nor behind  
I look in hope or fear;  
But, grateful, take the good I find,  
The best of now and here.  
John Greenleaf Whittier

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