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Model Airplane Club

AMA District VI Chapter 621 Founded in 1964



Three of the 4 SIRS pilots that braved cold windy weather to fly Ringmasters in the 11th Annual Worldwide Ringmaster Fly-A-Thon!!

Worldwide 657 pilots put up 5727 Ringmaster flights!!

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Come

Fly With Us!

Before and

After Our

December

MEETING

12/8/18

7:00 PM

St. Mary's

School

W Jackson

Bloomington

Illinois

Prospective

Members

Visitors

Guests

WELCOME

**Next Club meeting is Dec. 8th
Mary's Church School cafeteria.
527 W. Jackson, Bloomington, IL**

Enter the school from the parking lot behind the church!!

Doors open at 6:00 PM Meeting at 7:00 PM

Indoor flying in the Gym before and after the meeting

SIRS Annual Banquet finance report

Dinner revenue was \$1508, sources as follows:

50/50 draw. \$93
Dinner tickets (32) \$640
Auction. \$775

Expense:
Caterer \$835.92
Prizes. 200.00
Cake etc 50.55

Total: \$1086

Net revenue: \$421.53

John Burrill

2018 Members, your dues for 2019 will be due JANUARY 31st!!

The 2019 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
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No formal minutes were taken at the brief November meeting following the Banquet.

President Fred Logue presented award certificates to the officers for 2018 and recognized Jay Cappis for winning the 2018 Thompson Trophy Pylon Race.

This year marked the 54th year for the SIRS Club and we were honored to have Jay's mother, Mrs Charles Cappis, wife of Founding Member Charles Cappis attend the banquet.

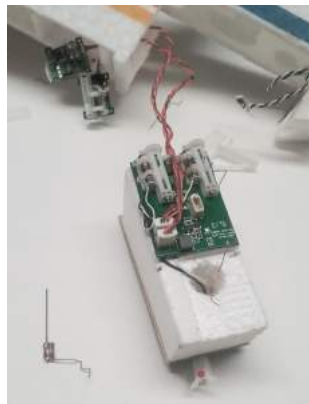
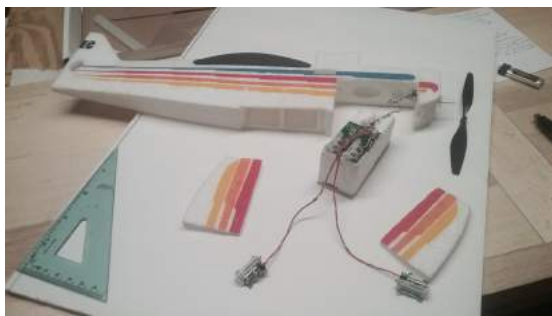
Fred also announced that we are still hoping to negotiate to buy the current field while also searching for a suitable replacement field if the buy option does not succeed. Check page 5 for how you can help in the search by suggesting to the search committee any potential field of which you become aware.

The group then adjourned to the gym floor for the prize drawing and Auction!!



A few of the auction Items!!

One of the Editor's winter projects: Modifying a "Mini Eagle" for a ParkZone Sports Cub S receiver/servo "brick" and motor. I won a cheap eBay auction for the kit but paid almost full price for the "Brick"! Sigh!



Some of the Banquet attendees.

Thirty two meals were purchased and children (there were several) ate free!!

Total attendance was close to forty!

**The 2nd annual Erie RC swap meet.
Saturday December 8th 2018
8am-3pm**

**Location: QCCA Expo center
2621 4th ave, Rock Island IL 61201**

40,000 sq Ft of space. Hundreds of tables available.

**\$15 per for the first table, \$10 each additional
table. NO table limit
\$5 general admission**

**Last year was our first year for this new venue and
we had over 100 tables filled. Let's make this one
even bigger. Open to anything RC!!**

[Click here for map](#)



The SIRS Field Search Committee can use any viable leads to a new field location you may come up with!

Below is a checklist to give you an idea of what an ideal location might include. Just contact Bob Stadsholt: bstads@comcast.net or
Fred Logue: dgsbuilders@live.com with any leads you may have!

SIRS New Field Checklist

file = One drive !Newsletters/New Field checklist.doc
JCCRALL-PC computer. Revised 9/25/2018

ITEM:

Location

Closer to B/N?

Reasonably rural...a bit away from main roads

Reasonable access

Good drainage

Reasonably level

No model traps such as adjacent Woods etc.

No nearby Houses, Businesses, Livestock, etc.

Reasonable rent

Long term lease

Assured access to adjacent property to retrieve models

Available at reasonable date to start preparations

Zoning OK??

Electric connection available?

No likely nearby developments in the future!

Add your own items to check below!!!

2018/2019 Events Schedule:

All EVENTS at the Field are subject to favorable weather!

December 8th Club meeting at St Mary's School 7:00 PM (Doors open 6:00 PM)

Indoor flying before and after the meeting in the gym

January 1st Frozen Fingers Gathering at SIRS Field 9:00 AM.

Claims of first flight of 2019 at the field will be reviewed

January 12th Club Meeting at St. Mary's School 700 PM (Doors open 6:00 PM)

Indoor flying before and after the meeting in the gym

Some links that may interest (entertain) you!!

Fantastic "Bush Plane" Draco!!!

ALSO FANTASTIC HOMEMADE VEHICLES!!

You have to know how to accept rejection and reject acceptance. - Ray Bradbury

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