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*Left: Ken Ausili, first flight and first crash of the year.*



*Right and below: Justin Worden demonstrates winter flying.*

## SIRS Chilly Chili

Jan 01, 2008—Ken Ausili took the first flight of the year. Unfortunately, he also had the first crash. The wind was 16 mph, bringing the icy 5 degree weather down to -14. Congratulations Ken!

The disorganized Gremlin combat was won, by default, by Jerry and Justin Worden. They continued to fly in the 20+ mph wind throughout midday.

About 20 SIRS members braved the roads to enjoy great chili and snacks in the machine shed. Our hats are off to the cooks, Ken and Mike, who made this an event to remember.



**Field Safety**

In an effort to help keep everyone safe, please remind everyone:

Modelers are to refrain from flying over area buildings, the pit or spectator area. You are asked not to taxi into or out of the pit area.

Low pass fly-bys are to be confined to the middle of the flying field and only when no one is on the field.

Lets work on helping our peers in this, please.

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#### **Club Meetings**

Club meetings are held on the second Saturday of each month at the flying field in Covell, IL.

Meetings begin at 7:00pm during the winter (CST) and 8:00pm during the summer (CDT).

### **Classified by Members**

Chuck Tarbox is selling off most of his hangar. Included are: Cloud Dancers in 120 and 40, Decathlon 40, 'Not For Sale' 40, 'Key Two' 28, J3 Cub, 61 Super Tigre, and .65 Saito FS.

All are listed online in forum.

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### **SIRS, Inc. Meeting Minutes—January 12, 2008**

#### **Call to order:**

President Mike Wilson called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM. There were 19 members present.

#### **Previous Minutes:**

Minutes were approved as published in the newsletter.

#### **Treasurer Report:**

The Treasurer was absent. Dues \$84 if paid by February 1ST. \$90.00 if paid after February 1st.

#### **Old Business:**

Leukemia Benefit Fun-Fly -

\* Wayne is waiting on the Sanction number then he will start asking for donations he is also going to work on the food catering. The fliers will start going out when the sanction number arrives.

\* Dave is going to talk to the Sheriffs Department about parking on the road.

\* Need someone to get price quotes for more port-a-pots.

#### **FourStar Racing -**

\* May 10th, 9:00 AM. Jerry Worden asked for 8 non-flying volunteers. You can contact Jay Cappis to be put on the list. This is the first event and we will have 3 guest clubs coming to fly with us.

#### **Club patches and news letter ads -**

\* Doug has all the club emblems if you would like one please contact him. He also has pricing from the original vendor and they are willing to make more if our demand is great enough. The Club also has enough pilot proficiency patches and we are going to issue them to new members as they complete training. Please contact Doug if you would like to purchase patches.

\* Doug had one advertiser in the newsletter and this will cover postage and the new color format of the news letter. Wayne will check to see if Horizon will be interested in an ad.

#### **Static Show -**

\* Gene proposed the format for the SIRS 08 Static Show and the motion was passed. The entries must have radios and engines installed - "able to fly". There will be six classes: ARF, ARF customized, Kit built iron on covering, Kit built cloth covered and painted, Plans built iron on covering, Plans built cloth covering painted. There will be two judges and the group will vote for the peoples choice award.

#### **The Chilly Chili -**

\* Ken Ausili was the first member to fly in 2008 at about 7:00 AM on January 1st . Justin and Jerry Worden also took to the sky that day. We had 22 people at the field to talk and enjoy the Chili that Ken and Mike made. Ken also has the first crash of the year...

#### **New Business:**

##### **Electric Flying -**

\* Tom Kirk talked about the indoor flying at Game Time Gym. The next night is January 25th from 8-10. This is a non club event and there is no need for an AMA membership. It is \$10 to fly and \$2 to be on the flight line. Please spread the word and come join the fun flying in a warm wind free place this winter.

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**Advertising:** Commercial advertising rates and submission information is available from SIRS-RC.com. 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 Swap Meet -

\* The spring swap meet has been postponed. Several ideas were explored. Tom has offered to organize the event for late '08 early '09 at Game Time Gym. The event will be a swap meet/ indoor fly in.

### News of Note -

Denny Chesney's wife Sharon recently passed away. Denny is a charter member of the club and was a great pilot. There was a very nice obituary in the Pantagraph and a huge turnout for the interment.

### Show and Tell -

Dave brought his completed FourStar racer and explained how he formed the canopy to the fuse as well as use of paper patterns to get a nice clean iron-on covering job.

Jay Cappis brought his framed-up FourStar racer. It is looking very good.

Meeting adjourned at 8:18

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### SIRS Club Patches

Patches are for sale.

We will sell the remaining patches in stock and make a re-order based on demand. These will be marked up from our wholesale cost by only a fraction since these are a product, incentive, and advertising.

Pricing is: Wings \$5; 3.5" appropriate for hats; \$5; 6" \$12; 10" \$30

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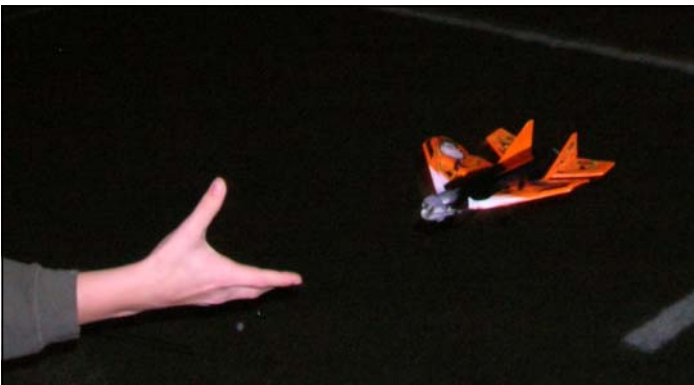
### Indoor Flying

The indoor flying series continues thanks to Tom Kirk, Pat Henson and Todd Guttschow. Game Time Gym has agreed to a reduced, per head, rate that makes this a fun and affordable time for slow fly and heli pilots. There have been some interesting indoor planes and a few surprising crashes.

Next scheduled flight:

Friday, January 25th, 8:00 PM until 10:00 PM.

Below: Foamie flying at Game Time Gym.



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