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### Indoor Flying - Bloomington, IL

Tom Kirk of Henson Disposal and Kirk C&D Recycling has again agreed to sponsor electric flying at Game Time Gym II, 404 Olympia Drive, Bloomington, IL 61704. (This is near the airport on Bloomington's East side. Near the Palace Theatre).

- Friday, December 11th
- Friday, January 8th
- Friday, January 29th
- Friday, February 19th

8:00 PM until 10:00 PM, must be out of building by 10:15 PM.



**Aircraft are limited to:**

Foamies or other light planes suitable to slow indoor flying. Blade mCX or Blade CX or Blade CP size helicopters, or other similar smaller micro size helicopters are great too. 400/450 size helicopters are allowed, but are strictly limited to low level practice hovering in the farthest corner. Please check with organizers for instructions.

\$10 for pilots.

\$5 for pilots 18 years and under.

\$2 fee for spectators on the flight line, free spectators behind the safety nets.

**Directions:**

From Veterans Parkway, take Rt. 9 East toward the Bloomington-Normal Airport. Continue past the airport to Towanda-Barnes road. Turn right on Towanda-Barnes road and head south to Oakland Avenue. Make a right turn on Oakland and follow to Olympia Drive. Turn left on Olympia Drive and Game Time Gym II will be the 2nd building on your left.

### Christmas Shopping is upon us.

Please don't forget to visit our sponsors, Hobbyland, Computer Deli, and Slot and Wing Hobbies. Each of these great stores have been avid supporters of our club and hobby for years.

Pick up a Gift Certificate for your favorite pilot!

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News and article submissions are encouraged

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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 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 - November, 14 2009

**The SIRS Annual Awards Banquet was held** Saturday, November 14th, at the Covell Town Hall. Friends and pilots gathered at 5:00 pm and dinner was served at 6:00 pm. Once again Peanut Catering did an outstanding job.

### Reports, Old and New Business were bypassed.

#### Call to order:

Webmaster Doug Mock called the meeting to order at 6:55 PM.

Awards and certificates of commendation started with our gratitude to Mike Wilson for his two years of successful leadership. Included were two books on model aircraft design from RCAdvisor.com.

Mr. Wilson took the floor and presented the following:  
Certificate of Appreciation for Vice President - Fred Logue  
Certificate of Appreciation for Treasurer - Jim Danforth  
Certificate of Appreciation for Secretary - Jay Cappis  
Certificate of Appreciation for Webmaster - Doug Mock  
Certificate of Appreciation for Safety Officer - Dave Ludington

Certificate of Recognition for Record Consumption of Pickles on a Stick (Bombers) - Stan Thompson  
Certificate of Recognition for First Flight - Dave Ludington  
Certificate of Recognition for Most Improved Pilot  
Certificate of Recognition for Most Crashes  
Certificate of Recognition for Most Flights  
Certificate of Recognition for Winner of the Thomson Cup

The new leadership for 2010 was introduced:  
President - Fred Logue  
Vice President - Jay Cappis  
Treasurer - Jim Danforth  
Secretary - Dave Haas  
Webmaster - Doug Mock  
Safety Officer - Dave Castiglia

Door prize, 50/50, and drawings followed.





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### Stan Thompson Health Update

Stan was taken to BroMenn Friday, November 20th. Apparently he has an infection in his blood system. They are giving him IV antibiotics. He will be in the hospital for at least six days. They said his immune system needs to be strong enough to help out.

Please keep the Thompsons in your prayers as they face this difficult time.

Get well soon Stan!

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### Builders' Corner

To get off the ground, you've got to have an engine. The most common has been a 2-stroke. Depending on the model, you can also use a 4-stroke, gasoline, or an electric motor.

The size and type of engine is determined by the size and type of model. Keep the engine proportionate to the plane. Trainers use a .40 size 2-stroke engine. Boosting power by up-sizing is attractive, but too much power can be an issue.

Many modelers prefer a 4-stroke engine due to a different rhythm in its operation and produces a distinctive sound. The more "realistic" aircraft sound produced by 4-stroke engines.

Giant scale modelers can also opt for engines fueled by regular gas instead of glow fuel. More economical to run, they are also large and powerful.

Desert Air, the top name in gas engines, offers sizes ranging from 2 horsepower/1.37 cubic inches to a whopping 6 horsepower/4.45 cubic inches. They are definitely designed for the "big birds."

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