



August  
Newsletter  
**SIRS**

Model Aviation  
Club



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Upcoming things to do  
Next Club meeting is August 5th  
meeting will be held at 1:00 pm at the field weather  
permitting. Larry' shed is alternate site.

Model Aviation Day August 12  
POC Steve Meyer [steves\\_tile@yahoo.com](mailto:steves_tile@yahoo.com)

Ringmaster Fly-A-Thon October 7th,  
<https://ringmasterflyathon.com/>

8th as a backup  
POC John Cralley [jccrall@ilstu.edu](mailto:jccrall@ilstu.edu)

Thompson Cup October 14th  
POC Justin Worden [justin.worden@nussbaum.com](mailto:justin.worden@nussbaum.com)

See page 4 for local club events

**2023 dues are past due**

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The old Meeting Minutes  
Sentral Illinois Radio Society  
**SIRS Meeting Minutes**  
July 8, 2023

President Dave Reed called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm with 13 members present. In attendance were Dave Reed, Larry Kupferschmid, Steve Meyer, Bob Statsholt, Jim Nettleton, John Siebert, Tony Cellini, Jerry Worden, Steve Dolniak, Duane Holliger, Jon-Paul Bourret, John Cralley, Kris Akers. Bob King, a SIRS member from years ago, visited.

**WHAT'S NEW AND UPCOMING**

Dave Reed reported on upcoming events and activities, which are highlighted in the Newsletter. Vintage Model Aviation Day July 8 and 9 is being held concurrently with the July monthly meeting. Tony has updated the website with a QR code.

Steve Meyer will coordinate Model Aviation Day to be held August 12. Proceeds will benefit Special Olympics. John Cralley gave a brief update on the annual Ringmaster Fly-A-Thon.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Larry read the minutes from the June meeting. Minutes were approved as read.

In Dennis's absence, Dave R. gave the treasurer's report. With income of \$3,163.20, and expenses of \$2,561.37, the ending balance for June was \$14,621.82. Report approved.

Larry reported that the building expansion is complete, and a revised estimate from Midstate for seamless gutters came in at \$924. Gutter work should be completed towards the end of July.

Bob reported that the 5 ft x 9 ft shed sign will cost \$400. Larry to transport the sign.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Larry will reserve the Dale TWP building in Covell for the November banquet.

John Siebert has consolidated the history binders. Jerry suggested a committee to assemble a SIRS history file.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Jerry and a second by John Siebert.

Next meeting: 1:00 pm, August 12, 2023, at the field.

Respectfully submitted.

Larry Kupferschmid, Secretary



**And now the new**  
**Central Illinois Radio Society**  
August 2023 SIRS CLUB AGENDA – 8/5/2023  
1:00 PM at the SIRS Flying Field

1:00 pm - **WELCOME & CALL TO ORDER** - David Reed, President  
Congrats to our own Kris Akers – 3rd place at NATs !!  
Sign is up  
Orange balls are up – discussion below

1:05pm - **WHAT'S NEW AND UPCOMING EVENTS** – David Leavens – Communications

1:10pm - **MINUTES - DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL** - Larry Kupferschmid - Secretary

1:15pm - **FINANCIAL REPORT** - Dennis Garrigus – Treasurer

1:20pm – **VP Update** – Randy Doss – Vice President

1:25pm - **OLD BUSINESS** - Tabled items from last meetings

- Field Improvement committee updates – Larry
  - o Heat in the shed discussion – Trainer plane melted, well sort of...
  - o Gutters update
  - o Final inspection date?
  - o Update on Orange balls on power lines – Larry
- Vintage Day report – Jerry Worden
- Model Aviation Day – Next Saturday - 8/12/2023 – Steve
- Annual Worldwide Ringmaster Fly-A-Thon – 10/7/2023 – John Cralley
- Thompson Cup – 10/14/2023 – Justin Worden
- Banquet – Nov 11th

1:45 pm - **NEW BUSINESS** - What do we want to do?

- A. Dennis Garrigus - AMA membership for youth under 19 is \$15/yr. Do we want to follow suit and reduce ours?
- B. Officers for 2024 – Form a committee – Elections normally during November club meeting
- C.

2:00 - **ADJOURN MEETING**

**AIRCRAFT MECHANICS**



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**Scan this to find our flying field**



Congratulations to Casey Williams who put up 3 solo flights Tuesday evening! He has a big smile and rightly so!

***SIRS Indoor Flying  
Fridays 5:30 to 9:00  
Mt. Hope/Funks Grove Park District.  
Located on the west side of West Street, Mclean, IL. School gym.  
Enter via Southwest door.***

**The 2023 dues are \$100 and due April 1st 2023**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

Email \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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**Please send me any upcoming events. Please send photos or any other information you would like to see in the newsletter.**

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**Federal Aviation  
Administration**  
FAADroneZone

**Hi Lisa,**

The status for your FAA-Recognized Identification Area (FRIA) application 2022-CBO-00134-FRIA - Sentral Illinois Radio Society #621 has been updated.

**FRIA Application Status:** Approved

Click the link below to log in to FRIA to see the FAA response.

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# MODEL AIRPLANE FIELD

## SIRS RC CLUB

### National Model Aviation Day

August 12th 2023

Pilots Meeting 9:00am

AMA Required

New 43' X 250' asphalt runway

\$10 Landing fee

Lunch Bring a chair

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McLean Illinois

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Donations for the Special Olympics of Illinois