

On the Field

If you are on Facebook you will have a moment of déjà vu if you go to my page. I placed this on my page after our June event. I would like to share it with the rest of you. Sunday happened to be my birthday so I was responding to everyone who found out.

Thanks everyone! It has been a tremendous weekend for me. I just got home from the flying field. We held our first event of the year and even though Saturday was HOT and WINDY, Sunday was beautiful. Our attendance suffered but the event itself was great. My Stryker and Extra flew both days, 8 flights on Sunday. We had a matching pair of T-28s flying formation, an F-16, which is electric, that you just couldn't take your eyes off of, there were Lasers and Spitfires, PT-19 and a L39! Along with those, our resident I.M.A.C. champion was doing his thing with the big airplanes and yes, he has more than one! The control line circle was practically nonstop all day long. We found out one of our members is a Boss in the control line circle. I got dizzy just watching him!

Two BIG items to talk about!



#1 For the very first time, a member, my friend, Justin Worden, flew at our field, at this sanctioned event, a genuine Turbine powered jet. Oh, got to love the smell of jet exhaust anytime!!!!!! The detail on this thing is incredible. We are



talking a museum quality model here. It's also like a college course in several categories. It is very intricate and complicated!

This was my first event as president and my birthday, so it was a present to me in every way. Justin kidded me today that he did it just for that reason. I saw this jet in his basement months ago and he swore me to secrecy. I knew he had it but didn't know when it would be ready. I said nothing about it to anyone. He may have been kidding me, but I think I like the idea of, because it was my birthday, so that's how I will remember it. It was the highlight of the event for me!

#2 Facebook got me today. I was flying when an old tune came across on the radio which we had it linked to the PA system. Jerry grabbed the mic and proceeded to embellish on the song and spoke of times past. Then he decides to tell everyone that today was my birthday and yes it gets better. After I landed and I'm walking back to the flightline he led everyone in a chorus of Happy Birthday. Marilyn Monroe style "Happy Birthday Mr. President" will never be the same for me!

We raised money, no one was hurt and a good time was had by all!

Thanks again everyone. It was a blessed day. I hope you had a wonderful weekend!

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June Vintage Model Fun-Fly at SIRS Airfield



Top right: Jerry Worden puts up a control liner

Above: Justin Worden flying his turbine jet

Right: Fred Cronenwett adjusts his 2X Ringmaster

Below: Gus Rice hand launch his P-40 CL no gear

Below right: Kris Akers and his 500 Extra

Kris up on a great aerobatic show Saturday

