



ROTATE

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St Louis RC Flying Association
Radio Control Fly In
June 6th and 7th 2015
 Highway 44 at 109, 788 Augustine Road, Eureka, Mo. 63025

- > Concessions
- > Raffle
- > Balloons for Kids
- > Scale Fly Bys - Saturday at Noon
- > On site Primitive Camping
- > Night flying under lights, all planes welcome, 8pm-?
- > Night Flying requires small fee for unregistered pilots
- > Demos Daily
- > Pilot Fee \$30, includes Dinner Saturday night
- > IMAA Rules Apply (80+ inch wingspan)
- > All Flyers Welcome
- > Spectator \$5 per car Gate Donation Appreciated

Hotels Close to Flying Site
 Drury Inn 1-636-861-8300 Hampton Inn 1-636-529-9020
 Holiday Inn 1-636-349-4444 Pear Tree Inn 1-636-343-8820

Check slrcfa.com for more information
 Email: kce19555@aol.com

Night Flying

1/4 Scale Ted Smith AEROSTAR



By: Stan Burak

In the mid 1940's, Ted Smith and some guys designed the Aero Commander. It was done in a small hanger, part time as Ted was the project engineer of the Douglas A-20 bomber. Twenty years later in 1963, Ted left Rockwell Commander with a new idea, similar to the Jet Commander except piston power. The Ted Smith Aircraft Company was started in the San Fernando Valley in Northridge in 1965 to design the structure and build the proto type. In March of 1965, I was employee number 7. I designed structure until July of 1966, when I left for TWA. I had to build a model. The Aero Commander is well known, but the Aerostar is not. Four companies built it, with Piper the last one ending in 1984 after 1010 built. My model is 1/4 scale, 110 inch span, 37

SLRCFA's annual Big Bird and Jet fly-in is just around the corner, June 6th and 7th. The landing fee is \$30 for the weekend and includes Saturday's Pilots' dinner. All aircraft must be true 1/4 scale (or larger), 80inch wingspan for monoplanes, or 65inch wingspan for biplanes. All turbine powered and exhibition/special interest aircraft are excluded from the size requirements.

Volunteers are still needed for some positions. If you are interested in volunteering, or would like more information, contact Kerry Eisenbach by phone 314-638-8755 or email kce19555@aol.com

pounds and powered by DLE35RA's. It has not flown, but hope to fly it this year. It should be available in kits. Laser Design Services is now looking at the drawings for possible selling of the drawings and laser wood kits. I am starting the fuselage plug for giantscaletwins.com to make the production molds for his fiberglass and foam kits. I have flown the Aerostar and if my model flies as well, that will be fabulous!

If anybody in the club is interested in building one, please contact me at slburak1@gmail.com or 636-265-0535 Stan Burak



SLRCFA Work Day

A field work day is scheduled for Saturday, May 23rd at 9am until finished. The field will be closed while work is being performed. Several cracks have developed and need to be repaired. Other items include: general grounds cleanup, trim bushes, repair flight stands, roll high traffic areas and grass runway/runway ends and so on. If you can help and/or have tools to get the job done faster, we will be glad to see you there.

5/23/15 at 9:00am

Upcoming Events

- May 21st, 7:30pm SLRCFA Club Meeting @ SLRCFA Club Field
- May 23rd 9am SLRCFA Work day
- May 23rd 9am-5pm Midwest Air Wing Warbird flying event Please visit our website: <http://midwestairwingrc.com/events/> for directions to the field and additional information. Richard Mowery CD email: excelr82@charter.net Phone (618)670-6828 cell
- June 4th, 7:30pm SLRCFA Board Meeting @ SLRCFA Club Field
- June 6th-7th SLRCFA's Radio Control Fly In SLRCFA's annual Big Bird Fly-in
- June 20th 9am-5pm Warbirds over Columbia, Contact Tyler Blanchett Tylorblanchett@hotmail.com 618-772-3386
- June 20th 10am-2pm ESRC Float Fly @ Horseshoe Lake more info: www.eastsiderc.com or Email membership@eastsiderc.com
- July 11th-12th Big Bird Fly In @ Buder Park
- August 21st-23rd RedwingRC Show-Me 3d flying event @ SLRCFA
- September 19th-20th Buder Park Extravaganza
- October 3rd-4th SLRCFA's Warbirds Over St. Louis warbird only Event
- October 18th SLRCFA's Toys for Tots/ Chili Fly

Indoor Flying

Has the weather been keeping you from flying? There is a solution close to home. Many SLRCFA members have been flying Friday nights 6-9pm indoors at the Central Baptist Church in Eureka, MO. All are welcome to fly for \$5 a night, but must be a current AMA member (SLRCFA membership not required). It's a great way to brush on your flying skills, not weather dependent, and Fun!!

Contact: Ron Lawson 636-677-1247 for details

Thanks!!!

SLRCFA would like to thank Gary Wood. Gary was kind enough to bring a large construction roller out to our field and allow a few members to operate it. Our field is now smoother than it has been in years... Thanks Gary

SLRCFA Mowing

SLRCFA volunteer mowing is put on hold until the 2nd mower is operational. If you missed the orientation meeting and would like to help out, Email Jonathon Hendrickson at SLRCFA.ROTATE@gmail.com



Your Story Here



Have an interesting aviation or hobby related story/experience you would like to share? Want to let fellow members know about your latest build? Or perhaps a tip or technique that could help everyone out?

Get it published in SLRCFA's Rotate newsletter. It's simple, send your story and pictures to SLRCFA's newsletter editor via e-mail to slrcfa.rotate@gmail.com and it will be published in the next month's issue.



Show Me 3d August 21-23

Family, Friends, Food, and Fun



Enjoy Dazzling Displays of Heartpounding Aerobatics including maneuvers unique to R/C aircraft
Flying starts 9:30 am daily
Friday practice show - Free
\$5 donation per car appreciated for shows Saturday & Sunday



-Pilots \$25 weekend landing fee includes Saturday's pilots dinner
-ALL 3d/Aerobatic aircraft are welcome to fly
-Night Flying
-Free On Site Camping
-Hotels, shopping, and Six Flags Nearby



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SLRCFA will be hosting the 1st Annual "Redwing RC Show Me 3d" flying event later this summer. Updates will be posted later in Rotate, Facebook, and by Email.

WARBIRDS OVER ST. LOUIS

OCTOBER 3RD & 4TH
9:30AM-5PM

JETS, GIANT SCALE, AND PARKFLYERS
ALL WARBIRDS ARE WELCOME TO FLY

600X12FT PAVED RUNWAY
600X60FT GRASS STRIP

\$15 WEEKEND LANDING FEE, AMA REQUIRED
(INCLUDES PILOT'S LUNCH SATURDAY)

SPECTATORS \$5 PER CAR

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SLRCFA will be hosting the 3rd Annual "Warbirds Over St. Louis" flying event this Fall. Updates will be posted later in Rotate, Facebook, and by Email.



GENERAL INFORMATION

2014 Board of Directors

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Club Information

The *Rotate* newsletter is a monthly publication of the St. Louis Radio Control Flying Association. Monthly General meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at the club field in warm weather. The Club's private field is located at 788 Augustine Road, Eureka, Missouri. Guest/members are welcome to attend the Board meeting the 1st Thursday of the month. See web page for details.

Flying Instructors List

Jonathon Hendrickson.....	815.222.5790
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2015 Membership Dues

Annual Dues (includes children under 18 years old).....	\$160
Associate Member (over 75 miles away and Exclusions).....	\$60
Family Dues (includes member + spouse & children under 21 years old or full-time students until 23 years old)	\$200
Junior Dues (17 years old or younger).....	Free
Handicapped Dues.....	\$55
Seniors Dues (65 years old and older).....	\$135

Late fee of \$25 assessed to prior members renewing after March 1st
 Make checks payable to SLRCFA. Mail to Ron Lawson, 3225 Rock Creek Road, High Ridge, MO 63049. Any questions call 636.677.1247.

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