

INTERIM SRCS PROCEDURES

'THE MISSIONS' **GUNDERMAN**

Policy.

During all SRCS operations at 'The Missions', neither the club nor any of its members shall take any actions that shall prejudice continuing use of the site. In the event of any circumstances not being covered by the rules or if there is any ambiguity in methods of operation this shall be the guiding principle to resolve the issue.

Limits of flying area

See layout drawing

Hours of Operation

Available for use from 9 a.m. to dusk seven days a week unless otherwise determined from time to time by the owner or the SRCS Committee.

Emergencies

Members are advised that only the Telstra Mobile network provides reliable mobile communications in the area.

General Safety

Members should carefully consider the risks involved before operating model aircraft on the site without other persons being present especially if operating helicopters or large models.

Recovering aircraft from the river should be done with extreme care and members are advised that mud, especially in the areas where vegetation grows, including mangroves, can exhibit properties similar to quicksand. Be very wary prior to entering these areas for any reason particularly if you do not have independent assistance.

Rescue Boat

All members are advised that the Hawkesbury River in this area is deep and also has a strong tidal flow.

Any use of the rescue boat is specifically at the user's risk. Use of the boat by any member is considered to be acceptance of this condition.

Members should be aware of the rules covering the use of watercraft on the river before launching.

SRCS strongly recommend that all occupants of the rescue boat wear the life jackets provided.

After use, the outboard motor is to be removed from the boat, cleaned in accordance with the instructions provided, and secured to the container.

Snakes

Members are reminded that, as in most areas of Australia, snakes are to be expected. It is known that both brown and red belly black snakes share this area and members should be aware of this when moving around, particularly in the warmer months

Notices

SRCS have placed mandatory and safety information notices on locations throughout the site. These must be observed by all members.

Litter and other items

Members shall not leave any litter on the site and shall use their best endeavours to remove as many fragments of any crashed aircraft as possible.

IF YOU BROUGHT IT ONTO THE SITE THEN YOU TAKE IT AWAY.

Access

Access shall only be by the dedicated SRCS Gate.

In the event that significant damage would be caused to the access track by vehicles due to surface water, or otherwise, the field shall be considered closed.

The owner, or his representative, can close the field on a temporary basis for any reason, at any time, and without notice.

The SRCS Committee can close the field on a temporary basis for any reason, and if practical will provide as much notice as possible to the members.

The main road gate shall never be left unless it is closed and locked. The person opening the gate is specifically responsible for ensuring that it is locked again.

The SRCS padlock for the main gate shall be placed in the chain in such a manner so that no other padlocks are bypassed and each can separately allow the gate to be unlocked.

All internal gates shall be left in the condition they are found.

Unless for specific maintenance purposes, vehicles are not allowed to access the paddock area in which the runway is located.

No persons, including SRCS members, shall enter, or be let onto the site, for any activity that is not being conducted by SRCS on that day.

Out of Bounds

Unless specific permission is granted, SRCS Members are not to approach any of the owner's buildings on site.

Whilst camping and fishing from the site may be permitted at some time in the future this is not allowed until a protocol has been agreed with the owner.

Livestock

Livestock have priority at all times.

Livestock are not to be allowed to get through any gates whilst they are opened for the passage of vehicles.

If livestock are required to be moved off the SRCS runway, this shall be done in a slow and non threatening manner and this shall take priority over model aviation needs.

Flag

When SRCS Members are present on the site, the Australian Flag shall be flown from a flag pole. The first member on site is responsible for raising it and the last to leave to lower and safely store it.

Full Size Aviation

The site is also an airfield used by full size aviation. In accordance with CASA requirements full size aviation has absolute priority over model aircraft operations.

There may be occasions when SRCS is advised that full size operations are expected. This information will, wherever possible, be placed on the club notice board. This may indicate specific times when model flying is prohibited.

Irrespective of any formal notice, aircraft may wish to land at any time. At all times SRCS aircraft must keep well out of the way of any aircraft that are heard or seen in the vicinity, normally by immediately flying to a low altitude or landing.

An aircraft wishing to land would normally be expected to overfly a runway at altitude before commencing a full landing circuit. If any manoeuvre is seen which could be interpreted as this, or for any other reason it is believed that an aircraft is preparing to land, then all model aircraft shall land as soon as practical until either the aircraft has landed or flown out of the area.

If a full size aircraft is seen preparing for takeoff then all model aircraft shall land as soon as practical until either the aircraft has flown out of the area, or the takeoff has been clearly aborted for the foreseeable future.

Transmitter Pound and Keyboard

Normal SRCS Transmitter Pound and Keyboard practice shall be followed.

Flight line Procedures and Safety Barrier

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Other Procedures

All existing SRCS Policies and Procedures shall apply including use of aircraft safety restraints.