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### Pilots, start your engines ... for breakfast

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The Sumter Airport terminal will be a little busier than normal Sunday when the South Carolina Breakfast Club comes to town.

"It's a very old club," said David Bernshouse, a Sumter native who recently returned to the area after retiring. "It's kind of an aviation social thing. It's an excuse to go out and fly some place. It's a chance to see some experimental aircraft. A lot of these are home built."

Except for during World War II when there was a fuel shortage, the club known for having no dues or meeting requirements has met every other Sunday since 1938 at

airports in South Carolina as well as surrounding states, according to the organization's website, [flyscbc.com](http://flyscbc.com).

Breakfast is usually about \$6 a plate.

This year, it will be catered by Golden Corral, Bernshouse said.

"Last year, Rascals did it, and it was very good," he said. "We didn't have that much of a crowd, about 15 airplanes and 40-some-thing people. The weather was a little off, but it was still nice. I still enjoyed it. When we have good weather, there is quite a good fly in. The one they had in Laurens recently,

#### WANT TO GO?

**WHAT:** South Carolina Breakfast Club

**WHEN:** 9 a.m. Sunday

**WHERE:** Sumter Airport, 2945 Airport Road, Sumter

**COST:** \$6

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they had 50 airplanes and 175 people."

The event isn't limited to pilots, though.

"Nothing says you've got to fly in," Bernshouse said. "You can drive in. It usually last an hour or so. They put up tables in one of the hangars. We sit around and talk airplanes."

People usually start arriving about 8:30 a.m., he

said.

The next meeting will be held Nov. 3 in Orangeburg.

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