

Caesar Creek Soaring Club

April 8, 2014

NEWS YOU NEED TO KNOW

- SSD Annual Meeting Wednesday, April 9 PLEASE VOTE
- Flight Review Ground School Saturday, April 12
- Spring Cleanup THIS WEEKEND April 12-13 PLEASE HELP
- Pennsylvania Ridge Trip April 13-20

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Apr 9	SSD Annual Mtg 6:30 PM
Apr 12	Flight Review Ground School – John Atkins - 9:00 AM
Apr 12-13	Spring Cleanup – All Members
Apr 26	Tow Pilot meeting at 9:30 AM
Apr 26	Potluck – after flying
May 3	CCSC Board – 9:30 AM
May 10	Thermaling Seminar - John Lubon
May 17	Bring-A-Friend Day – Brian Stoops
May 17	Potluck – after flying
May 24-26	Memorial Day Fun Fly – G. Adams, S. Statkus, F. Paynter
June 7	CCSC Board – 9:30 AM
June 11-22	126 & Region 6 South – Rolf Hegele
July 6-12	Youth Camp- Steve McManus
Aug 11-15	Adult Camp- Dan Reagan
Aug 30-Sep 1	Labor Day Event
Nov 11	Annual meeting and election

SPRING CLEANUP THIS WEEKEND

A great deal of the spring cleanup is already completed, thanks to the few who always seem to be at the club working. This is the weekend for us all to join together to get ready for summer. Bob Miller has the task list ready and materials in place. Bring gloves and your favorite tools.



Steve Statkus pressure washing carts

SSD ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION THIS WEDNESDAY

The annual business meeting of the Soaring Society of Dayton will be held at the CCSC clubhouse on Wednesday, April 9 at 6:30 PM. All share holders should have received detailed information from <u>Jim Marks</u>. The candidates for election to the three positions of Director are: William Maxwell, Robert Root and Richard Scheper. All share holders are encouraged to attend the meeting, but voting by proxy is possible using the form included in the email from <u>Jim Marks</u>. Your vote is very important because a quorum of 50% of the outstanding shares is required for a valid election. At this point only 32 proxy ballots have been received, so your vote is needed.

FLIGHT REVIEW GROUND SCHOOL THIS WEEKEND

If you missed the prior ground school, this is your final chance this year to take care of the ground training portion of the flight review. You will receive a logbook endorsement for completing this portion of the review. Be at the clubhouse by 9:00 am to join in the training session. Then help clean the clubhouse after the training is finished.

FLY THIS WEEKEND

The forecast for Saturday looks great. There will be plenty of time to fly after the spring cleanup tasks are finished. Plan to complete the annual CCSC field check now required by UOP 4.2 this weekend.

CLUB STATISTICS

<u>ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP</u>	<u>3/1/2014</u>	<u>4/1/2014</u>	<u>FLIGHT ACTIVITY</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
Full Members	156	156	Last month	49	63
Family & Youth	35	35	Year to Date	93	72

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS FOR FEBRUARY

The 63 flights in March helped the financial situation, in fact, YTD net income is currently \$600 favorable to plan! The cash situation is good with sufficient in the bank to cover anticipated expenses during the next couple of months. The fuel index remains at \$0.32 per 100 ft.

ANNUAL INSPECTIONS

All fiberglass gliders have fresh annual inspectons and new coats of wax and are available for service. One 2-33 needs annual inspection before the end of April and the other before the end of May. Steve Statkus is working with Cubby to fit them into his heavy work load. One dark cloud is on the horizon as compliance with an AD on tow plane "Zulu" has required removal of the tail, but the reassembly has halted while the FAA helps clarify the procedure for reassembly. 48L is back in service with a fresh annual and 909 is not due until the end of May.

PENNSYLVANIA RIDGE TRIP

For the 40th year in a row a group from CCSC will be heading to Pennsylvania this coming Sunday to fly the ridges for the week. The destination is the Ridge Soaring Airport in Julian, Pennsylvania. A K-21 two place glider is already loaded into the trailer and ready to go. Club members that are familiar with the local area will be there to team up with you if you are new to ridge flying. There is

sure to be good ridge flying during the week, but the trip is worth it just for the fantastic camaraderie that will be enjoyed. And don't forget Jim Hurst's fantastic chili night that is a tradition. Rooms at a local hotel have been reserved. For further information contact Pat DeNaples. – Dan Reagan

BRING-A-FRIEND DAY, AKA OPEN HOUSE, MAY 17

A special effort is being made to prepare CCSC to welcome your friends, neighbors, work colleagues or anyone else you have been talking with about flying gliders. Be thinking about whom you will invite. Speak with them soon, before other events encroach on their calendars. (Normal guest ride fees will apply.)

GRILL MASTERS NEEDED FOR MAY 17

Bring-A-Friend day is May 17. The plan is to provide hamburgers and hot dogs to our guests, possibly at the flight line. If you are willing to work a shift at the grill that would be greatly appreciated. Let <u>Brian Stoops</u> know that you will help.

MEMORIAL DAY FUN FLY

A great weekend is in store for May 24-26. Gary Adams is arranging for a dinner-dance. The tow plane hangar floor will be used for dancing. Mark Schababerle will secure appropriate dance music. Gary is negotiating with caterers for the feast. Steve Statkus is arranging for the Fun Fly special events. Frank Paynter will serve as Contest Director for the contest which will be designed to enable all skill levels to participate and have fun. Be sure that you have completed your annual field check (and FAA flight review if required) so you can join in the fun.

WEDNESDAY - 4/2

Bob Root reports 10 flights operating from the west end. Thanks to tow pilot Don Green and instructor Rich Caraway. Most flights were to complete the CCSC annual flight check requirement. The G-103, L-23, and a 2-33 were all used. The tail was installed on the G-102. Steve Stakus will return the G-102 to flight status after tape is applied to the wing roots on Saturday. Steve also "annualed" the the golf carts so they are ready to go.

SATURDAY - 4/5

The field was judged to be too wet for flying, so the crew pressure-washed the golf carts, cleaned out the hangar, and finished preparing the G-102.



Waseem Jamali cleaning hangar

TWO INDIANA RECORDS CAPTURED BY JOHN LUBON

Last week it was observed that a cold front would be passing the area on Saturday. Concerned that the CCSC runway would be too wet, and wanting to just fly around a local area, John Lubon started looking for a hard surface runway at an airport with a tow plane. The glider club at Alexandria,

Indiana, (Muncie area) was contacted and they said, "Come on over." Once John started thinking about making the drive, it turned from "Fly the local area!" to "I wonder how many Indiana state records I can break with one flight?" It was concluded that if the flight went from Alexandria to Bedford, Pennsylvania, it would break eight or nine. John finally decided to attempt to fly to Bandel airport (Pittsburg) and claim two records this time.

Understand that in the preceding three days there had been three inches of rain from the takeoff point all the way to Dayton and two inches over the rest of the route. Water on the ground means the heat of the sun is used to evaporate the water before it can heat the ground to produce thermals. No thermals-no lift!

Along with the water problem came an issue of not much tail wind for the downwind dash. Not only that, the wind was from the wrong direction. This did not deter John in the least.



This road is one mile from the Alexandria airport and had been covered by six inches of water the previous day.

When John said he was going to attempt the flight even though the conditions were miserable, I volunteered to crew for the retrieve. (I really just wanted to come along to see how you get a glider out of a field covered with two inches of water after a land out)



Preparing for departure from Alexandria, IN

Gradually the thermals increased and by the time of arrival north of Dayton, the lift altitude had increased to 3000 feet above the ground. At the Ohio River near Wheeling, West Virginia, the lift increased to 4000 feet and John arrived at Bandel after nearly six hours of flight.

Two Indiana state records were broken with this flight. We arrived home around 11:00 PM after my driving 15 hours and John flying six hours.

Congratulations to John!!!

I knew he could do it!!!??? - Dan Reagan

At 12:10 PM on Saturday John launched from Alexandria in his glider and I departed the airport pulling the trailer with a radio in hand for communications. The route of flight was planned to follow I70 across Indiana and Ohio to enable me to stay fairly close to John all day. That strategy was intended to keep communications good; also, I planned to track John from his Spot Locator.

At the beginning of the flight the thermals were one to two knots to about 2500 feet above the ground. I could not believe it when I observed the glider headed east. I would not have gotten out of sight of the runway!



At Bandel Airport (22D) in Eighty Four, PA

<u>SUNDAY - 4/6</u>



Mark Miller instructing Micah Ferguson in the art and science of launching gliders

Mike Karracker's first Sunday crew, AKA the "Training Crew", had a productive day with 16 flights. Being fortunate to have a light east wind, they set up shop at the far west end, which despite the abundance of rain during the past week, was surprisingly dry and firm. A flight review was completed

along with annual field checks and student instructional flights. Three of our crosscountry members enjoyed flights of at least an hour.

After rapid recovery from the 6-hour flight on Saturday and the drive home from Bandel Airport in Pennsylvania, the indefatigable John Lubon ventured out on another cross-country flight in the early afternoon. We all know John is a skillful and experienced cross-country pilot, but the real question remains: Where does he get all that stamina? – Rich Carraway



EMAIL PROBLEM SOLVED

Some of your internet service providers have overly protective SPAM blocking software that was filtering out anything that had the CCSC website domain name. Thanks to JoAnne Pedersen working with Cincinnati Bell (fuse.net) it now appears that the problems have been resolved for all members. Two separate tests yielded no indications of blocked mail. Thanks JoAnne.

FOR SALE

"6V" ASW 15. Cambridge 302 Vario and moving map Flight Computer. Dittal radio.1/3 share is For Sale. Contact Chuck Lohre 513-260-9025, <u>chuck@lohre.com</u>.

CCSC GROUND CREWS:

1ST SATURDAY

CC: Steve Fenstermaker (cell: 937-581-7713), **ACC:** , **Tow Pilots**: John Armor, Mark Schababerle, Richard Perry, **Instructor:** Paul McClaskey, Bill Gabbard, Tom McDonald. **Crew:** Waseem Jamali, Courtney Schulker, Gerry Daugherty, Kevin Price, John Raines.

1ST SUNDAY

CC: Mike Karaker (cell: 937-830-0627), **ACC**: Mark Miller, **Tow** Pilots: Manfred Mauer, Norb Mauer, Dieter Schmidt, Andy Swanson, Bob Miller. **Instructor**, Bob Miller, Rich Carraway. **Crew**: Don Burns, Dave Rawson, Stephen Kleine, Joe Zeis, Chad Runyon, Jack Runyon, Jacob Moore, David Evans.

2ND SATURDAY

CC:Bob Root (cell: 513-630-8761), **ACC**: Dan Staarmann. **Tow Pilots**: Bob Anderson, Haskell Simpkins©. **Instructor**: Chris Giacomo, Bob Anderson, Jim Price. **Crew:** John Antrim, John Biernacki, Pat DeNaples©, Dick Holzwarth, Jim Hurst ©, Jim Marks, Jim Grueninger.

2ND SUNDAY

CC: Dave Menchen (cell: 513-313-2315), **ACC**: Lucy McKosky, **Tow Pilots**: Tom Rudolf, Lorrie Penner, Gordon Penner, Jim Goebel **Instructor**: Gordon Penner, Jim Goebel, Tom Rudolf, **Crew**: Alyssa Engeseth, Mike McKosky, Katie Menchen, Tom Geygan, Fred Hawk, Dave Conrad.

3RD SATURDAY

CC:Maury Drummey (cell: 513-543-1906), **ACC:**Rolf Hegele, **Tow Pilots:** Don Green, Steve McManus. Dick Scheper. **Instructor:** Dick Eslinger, Charlie DeBerry, Kat McManus. **Crew:** Gary Adams, Eric Cochran, Jeff Crawford, Jim Dudley, John Dudley, Norm Leet, Poul Pederson, Charlie Richardson, Brian Stoops©, Chris Uhl ©, Chad Daughters, Chandler Demler, Jake Click, Micah Ferguson.

3RD SUNDAY

CC: Tom Bonser (cell: 513-673-7746), **ACC:**. **Tow Pilots**:Tony Bonser©, Tim Christman, Mike Hutchison, Richard Perry. **Instructor:** Dick Eckels, Bill Miley, Chad Ryther, Bill Gabbard. **Crew**: Marcos Aranha, Jack Morari, Eran Moscona, Paul Schuette, Glen McDonald, Mary Towers.

4TH SATURDAY:

CC: Chuck Lohre (cell: 513-260-9025). **ACC**: Ethan Saladin. **Tow Pilots:** John Atkins©, Guy Byars, Bernie Fullenkamp©. **Instructor:** John Atkins, Joe Jackson, Larry Kirkbride. **Crew:** Henry Meyerrose, Tom Bales ©, Ross Bales, John Murray ©, Casey Hildenbrand.

4TH SUNDAY

CC: Steve Statkus (cell: 513-720-8955), ACC: Todd Dockum. Tow Pilots: Matt Davis, Frank Paynter, Ron Blume, Tim Morris. Instructor: Lynn Alexander, Frank Paynter, John Lubon. Crew; Richard Cedar, Barry Clark©, Pat DeNaples©, Tyler Dockum, Rik Ghai, Scott Mayer, Dan Reagan, Pete Schradin, Adam Wilson, Josh Young, Shelby Estell, Philip Carl, Kaitlin Gossett, David Meyer, Chandler Beckwith, Kindall Sanders.

2014 ADDITIONAL CREW DAYS:

March 29 – 2nd Sat Crew March 30 – 2nd Sun Crew May 31 – 3^{rd} Sat Crew June 29 – 3^{rd} Sun Crew Aug 30 – 4^{th} Sat Crew Aug 31 – 4^{th} Sun Crew Nov. 29 – 1^{st} Sat Crew Nov 30 – 1^{st} Sun Crew

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