



## Caesar Creek Soaring Club

May 6, 2014

### NEWS YOU NEED TO KNOW

- Thermaling Seminar – May 10 at 10:00 AM

### CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

May 10	Thermaling Seminar - John Lubon – 10:00 AM
May 10	SSD Board Meeting – 9:30 AM
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

### 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 with whom you have been talking about flying gliders. A flier was emailed to each member by John Lubon recently. You are encouraged to use that flier to invite people to come to CCSC on May 17. (Normal guest ride fees will apply.)

### MEMORIAL DAY FUN FLY, MAY 24-26

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 has arranged for “City Barbeque” to cater 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. PLEASE LET [GARY](#) KNOW THAT YOU WILL BE COMING

After a fun day of flying, join us for.....

**First "Annual" CCSC Hangar Dinner Dance!**  
May 24th, 2014

Music for dancing or just to enjoy! Dinner Catered by "City Barbeque"

\$15 per person – Reservation required by May 17th

Respond to Gary Adams 'GB'

GARRARDA@AOL.COM ....or (858)486-5200 please leave a message



# *From the Flight Line*

From: Brian Stoops

Dear Members,

Finally spring is here and we can start dusting off the 'rust' and start aviating again. I just wanted to mention a few things we are trying to accomplish this year, and a few things I want you to keep in mind while on the field.

First, with the start of spring comes a change in our flying schedule. Effective immediately ALL CREWS will **begin flying** at 10:00 a.m. and can start closing down operations around 6:00 p.m. So plan on being on the field at 9:15, and leaving at about 6:45. If you need to miss all or part of the day, get a sub and contact your Crew Chief. That does not mean showing up at 10:00 a.m. and start flying at 11:00 am. I said it as clear as I can. This is considered our summer hours and we will move back to winter hours in October which will be 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

I am opening up the time between 10:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. as get current or a field check. Since flying may be slow during the first part of the day, come out early and get some hassle free flights. You might even get 3 in a row? This is NOT to say that you can ONLY fly during this period, it is just a chance to get yourself current in a hassle free way. Operations will be open and operating as normal. You can then fly in the middle of the day when the lift is booming!

Crews, when you pull the planes out in the morning be sure to check tire pressure on the hangar floor and not in the grass. You can do a visual check and it is much easier. The air hose is on the South outside of the hangar, and the compressor is inside the hangar on the South side. If the tire side walls seem to be bulging, then put air in it. Especially the ASK-21's and the Grob 103, as they are usually carrying more weight and should stay inflated to proper levels.

For the Golf carts, since most of them are running on gas and oil now, we need to check them before they go out to the flight line. Just top off the fuel every morning and check oil regularly. On the electric golf carts be sure to check the water (distilled water ONLY) levels on the batteries. That is what has been killing the batteries. The water gets low and the battery runs 'dry', burns up and become unusable.

Also I have put new batteries in the Blue Walkie Talkies and they have been charging since 4/26. Please use them with each golf cart. The crew chief should have one to direct traffic. The chargers have rusty contacts that I cleaned. Just wiggle the walkie-talkies to get the RED light to come on. They all came on for me. Just need a little TLC. Use'm... don't abuse them!!!

I was attending the tow pilots meeting this past weekend, and several pilots commented on how long it takes a crewperson to hook up the glider. Remember folks, the longer the tow plane idles, the more gas they use and the higher prices we pay. We have a very nice system here, and our prices are ridiculously low. Just to put this in perspective. At a visit to a California commercial soaring site, to rent a (shitty) GROB 103 and for a 2 hour flight it was about \$160. No we cannot rent for 2 hours, but even if you did it would be less than \$50. So do you want to pay \$100 or \$50 for a tow? The choice is up to you and how you conduct yourself on crew. It is only one weekend day a month, and I know it can be ~HOT~ or <COLD>, but do your best to get the planes in the air. The sooner the glider is in the air, the sooner you can have your lunch and a water. The club is making bottled water available to ALL CREWS the summer. There is a 70 Qt. (blue) cooler in the trailer and bottled water in the office. If the temperature is over 70\* F please make sure you use the water. There are some Sharpies around (I will add some to the trailer) so you can mark your bottle. Ice is available at Ellis in Waynesville, and billed to the club. I would recommend 2 BIG bags of Ice for the cooler. You can also throw in a Gatorade in if you would like. If you don't mark it, it is FREE reign.

This next subject is something I would like everyone to think about when you are at the Gliderport. We have received some feedback recently saying that the club is anti-social and unfriendly. As we all know this is NOT the case, but that is the perception that guests and friends of members are saying about us. We have lost some prospective members because of this perception. Yes, I have seen some guys in their own little “click” and not engaging new members. I am just as at fault as the next guy. We also know that guest rides helps pay the bills. Without the guest rides and new members we may be flying old sailplanes at \$100/hr. Since I have been in customer service over the past 20+ years, one thing I learned a while ago, was to NEVER walk by someone without saying “Hello!” or asking if you can help them, even club members. The people have come out because they saw something and were interested to drive out. That is the harder thing to do. Now all we have to do is to keep them interested in staying. “The one and done’s” will not pay the bills. Talk to the people. We all love this sport and that is why we are here, I hope. Let’s tell them about our sport get them interested before take-off and calm their nerves. Wouldn’t you do this for a family member or colleague, then do it for the guests. Ask them about what brought them out, and show them a sailplane. Something I learned at an early age when I was making land outs like WT, was to put the kids in the sailplane. Take some pictures. Someone has to have a camera or smart phone and then get their address and sent it to them. I had a guest ride last weekend, and gave the guest a water bottle before takeoff. She thanked me when we got in the air about 20 minutes in she was thirsty. With the bottles you can take them with you. There are so many little things we can do that do not require extra effort. Just treat them like family and make them feel like family and we will continue the lower flying rates. Thanks! See you at the gliderport! – Brian Stoops

## CLUB STATISTICS

<u>ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP</u>	<u>4/1/2014</u>	<u>5/1/2014</u>	<u>FLIGHT ACTIVITY</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
Full Members	156	153	Last month	82	121
Family & Youth	35	34	Year to Date	175	193

## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS FOR APRIL

The 121 flights in April helped the financial situation; in fact, YTD net income is currently \$7,200 favorable to plan! Part of the reason for such a favorable balance is delay in receiving bills for annual inspections and maintenance on two tow planes. 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.

## CCSC TRUSTEE BOARD MINUTES

Available on [website](#). The password is printed on your monthly bill.

## WEDNESDAY

The weather was not suitable for flying so the Wednesday crew tackled more brush removal, cart maintenance and cleanup projects.



**Wednesday Crew preparing for next big project.**

## **SATURDAY - 5/3**



Steve Fenstermaker's First Saturday Crew launched 6 flights. Paul McClaskey flew 16Q and, after landing, kept the

wings level in the head wind almost long enough for us to hook him up again for his second flight. John Lubon flew a K-21 to Oxford and back even though the winds were so strong that forecasts indicated the wind shear should have been breaking up the thermals. Tow plane 909 was washed in preparation for its annual inspection. More limbs and brush were removed from the campground area.



**Paul McClaskey building time at 0 AGL**

## **SUNDAY - 5/4**

Mark Miller reports that the weather was mostly sunny with winds out of the WNW. There were 16 flights, including 3 private ships and several student training flights.



**Saturday Crew prepares 909 for annual inspection**

## **EVENT WITH LOUISVILLE SOARING CLUB & CENTRAL INDIANA SOARING SOCIETY**

CCSC has received an invitation from members of the Louisville Soaring Club to join with them and members of the Central Indiana Soaring Society for fun weekend. The proposal is 4th of July weekend at the Madison, IN airport (KIMS) because that is also the weekend Madison hosts the Regatta of jet boat races on the Ohio River. [More details are available](#). Be thinking about whether you would like to participate.

## **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, [chuck@lohre.com](mailto:chuck@lohre.com).

## CCSC GROUND CREWS:

### 1<sup>ST</sup> 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.

### 1<sup>ST</sup> 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.

### 2<sup>ND</sup> 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.

### 2<sup>ND</sup> 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.

### 3<sup>RD</sup> 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.

### 3<sup>RD</sup> 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.

### 4<sup>TH</sup> 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.

### 4<sup>TH</sup> 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<sup>rd</sup> Sat Crew  
June 29 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun Crew  
Aug 30 – 4<sup>th</sup> Sat Crew  
Aug 31 – 4<sup>th</sup> Sun Crew  
Nov. 29 – 1<sup>st</sup> Sat Crew  
Nov 30 – 1<sup>st</sup> Sun Crew

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