



## Caesar Creek Soaring Club

May 19, 2015

### NEWS YOU NEED TO KNOW

- Express your opinion about proposed changes to UOP & Code of Reg.

### CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Jun 6	Board Meeting - 9:30 am - Clubhouse - John Lubon
Jun 20	Pot Luck - after flying - JoAnne Pedersen
Jun 22-Jul 3	Sports Class National Contest - Rolf Hegele
Jul 12-18	Youth Camp - Steve McManus
Jul 15	<i>Cloudstreet - Soaring The American West</i> - 10:00 pm - Dayton & Cincinnati PBS
Jul 18	Wright Patterson Single Airmen Introductory Ride Event - Kevin Price
Aug 9-16	Adult Camp & Vintage/Antique Glider Rally - Steve Statkus

### SKYE TOOMEY - NEWEST MEMBER OF CCSC

At the Open House on Saturday Skye Toomey enjoyed her first glider flight so much that she decided to join the club on the spot. Skye is a sophomore at Saint Ursula Academy in Cincinnati. She is active in sports, including playing lacrosse and rowing. Her interest in the performing arts includes singing, dancing and theater. She was in the play, *Annie*, performed at Saint Ursula this year. Astronomy has also sparked her interest. Now she is eager to start on a new adventure, learning to fly a glider and earning a Private Pilot Certificate! Welcome Skye to CCSC.

Although the weather was overcast all day with occasional drizzle and the threat of rain, the Open House attracted several who were eager to experience the exhilaration of soaring. It was possible to complete only 14 flights before the weather caused the day's fun to be prematurely curtailed. At least 6 more individuals were waiting a turn for an Introductory Flight when the rain commenced.



**Skye Toomey, preparing for her first flight in a glider during the Open House, May 16.**

## WEDNESDAY WAS A GOOD DAY TO FLY

Bob Root reports that Wednesday continues to be the best day to fly. There were 21 flights with near perfect conditions. Cu started popping by 9 am. By early afternoon all the clouds were gone, but the thermals weren't. Thermals topped at around 5000 ft or better. Jeff Grawe brought Charlotte to CCSC for her first soaring experience. While Jeff was taking an instructional flight with Bob Miller, Charlotte soared for a full hour.

Wednesday was the only day in the past week that members logged flights to OLC (<http://www.onlinecontest.org>). OLC shows that Don Burns had the best flight from CCSC with a distance of 282 km at an average speed of 69 km/hr for the 4 hour 17 minute flight. Meanwhile, Joe Simmers and Dan Reagan were working the ridges in Pennsylvania. Their nearly identical flights from Ridge Soaring lasted 8 hours and 13 minutes, which was enough time to cover 939.4 km at an average speed of 133 km/hr. That was helpful in keeping CCSC in 8th place nationally in the Silver League contest.

Steve Statkus and Keven Kilpatrick power washed all the golf carts and Rich Perry gave 909 a bath. Jeff Grawe.



**Charlotte awaiting her first glider ride.**

## JOIN THE ONLINE CONTEST

If you have a smart phone you can log your flights for free and contribute to CCSC's club score in a couple of categories, even if your flights are in slower club ships and you remain within gliding distance of the home field. An article in the [Frequent Flyer, November 26, 2013](#), provides one approach.

## THIRTY YEARS AGO AT CCSC - JIM HURST

Jim Hurst has been browsing through old newsletters from 1985 and has provided these snippets.

The club was scurrying around trying to get ready for the Region 6 Sports Class Meet scheduled for May 26th to 31st. Five new members signed up during the spring of 1985; they have all moved on except for Mike Pflieger (now an MD). There was good soaring in April: Rich Griffiths reported a climb to 9000 feet. Norb Maurer took off with his tail dolly still attached and didn't know it until he was informed on the radio. He landed, removed the dolly and had a relight and a good flight. On St. Patrick's day, a solo student named Mark Meyerrose got trapped away from the gliderport by an unexpected snow squall and wisely landed at Cubby's. He later got a tow back home without incident. Marty Martindale and Jim Davies were doing a check flight in the club's last Stinson L-5 tow plane when they had engine trouble and had to land in the field south of the gliderport. They fiddled with the engine and got it going again and flew back home. That showed a lot of confidence in a sick engine!



**Keith Kilpatrick out for solo practice on Wednesday, assisted by Mike McKosky.**

## **CREW FOR CONTEST - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

One of the fun ways to get involved in Sports Class National Contest, June 22- July 3, is to join the ground crew. You will be welcome to attend the pilots meeting at 9:00 AM and listen in as the day's task is described, the weather briefing is given, etc. Then the ground crew helps to get all the 25+ competitors' gliders out to the runway and positioned in a tight grid. When the signal to launch is given, the ground crew gets into high gear to safely launch all competitors as rapidly as possible using three tow planes. If any competitor is unable to find a thermal and has to land, the ground crew



**Jesse McClintock is shown here on Saturday, soaking wet, as he helped put the gliders away in the rain. Jesse is a senior in Finance at UC and this was his third visit to CCSC. He has yet to get his first glider flight, but has already decided to join the club and start flight training. He had so much fun packing the hangar on Wednesday and again on Saturday (in the rain) that he has already volunteered to help as ground crew for the contest. Will you help also?**

promptly retrieves that glider and positions it at the back of the grid for a second launch. While the race is on it is possible to watch the progress on a computer monitor, catch a bite to eat and relax. The next period of intense activity is when the gliders return to CCSC. The ground crew must rapidly move gliders off the runway to keep it open for subsequent landings. After helping move the gliders back to their trailers it is time to hear all the stories about how the flights went and to enjoy dinner with the pilots and crews. It really is a great way to get to know some very interesting people and to learn about competitive soaring while helping the club host a prestigious contest. Please volunteer for as many days as possible by contacting [Jim Dudley](#). Youthful legs are a big advantage, but there is something that each one can do to help.

## **CLOUDSTREET - SOARING THE AMERICAN WEST TELEVISION DOCUMENTARY**

SSA is sponsoring a high-definition movie showing the beauty and drama of a flying adventure in the American West. Here is a teaser: <https://vimeo.com/88283001>. The documentary is being released to all PBS affiliate stations. It is scheduled to air on Wednesday, July 15, at 10 pm on the Cincinnati and Dayton PBS stations, ThinkTV 14.1 & 14.5. Watch it and encourage others to watch it and then come out and experience an Introductory Soaring Flight.

## **GROB-102 NEARING COMPLETION**

Steve Statkus reports that the parts for the Baby Grob have been received. He worked on it Saturday morning, installing the new parts in the gear retraction mechanism and addressing a corrosion issue on the spoilers. It also has a new vario. Steve had suggested that the wings be reinstalled on Saturday, but that did not happen. What remains is to reassemble the wings and horizontal stabilizer to the fuselage, then wash the interior and install the seat and seat belts, all of which is planned for Wednesday. If the Wednesday crew shows up in full force it is possible that everything can be completed, including a test flight.

## **PLANE CAPTAINS NEEDED - STEVE STATKUS**

Our gliders each require the attention of someone who will take responsibility for assuring that all squawks are promptly documented and reported and the aircraft are maintained to the club's high standards throughout the year. Although the effort is greatest at annual inspection time, a Go-To-Person is needed all year 'round. Three of the four glass ships currently have plane captains, but we need someone to step up and claim the G103 as their baby. And we need plane captains for all 2-33's and the Blanik, as well.

The workload on these trainers is much less than the glass ships as they do not require waxing on a yearly basis, just a wash job and some minor disassembly, lubricating and scheduling the annual inspection. CCSC is performing the annual inspections in house on the 2-33's, while the Blanik is still being done by Cubby. The glass ships are being inspected by John Murray, but the plane captains are responsible for recruiting a crew and preparing for the inspection (disassembly, cleaning, lubricating, waxing) and reassembly.

Together we can keep our fleet airworthy and in good shape so that we can continue to enjoy safe, economical flying in aircraft we are proud to fly. The glider maintenance team needs your help. Please consider volunteering and adopt one of these orphans. Just a little effort on your part will pay big dividends, and you might learn a bit about these ships you enjoy on the weekends. Email [Steve Statkus](#) to let him know for which glider you are willing to be Plane Captain.

## **CODE OF REGULATIONS - CHANGES RECOMMENDED**

Although a major revision to the Code of Regulations was just approved in April 2015, issues have arisen that warrant additional changes. The Board approved four proposed changes in concept at the May meeting; however, the detailed wording changes had not been formulated at that time. Those changes are still being worked, but [a preliminary draft is available for your review](#) on the website. After the Board approves the final wording changes at the June meeting a special meeting of the shareholders will be called to vote thereon. It is anticipated that shareholders will be given opportunity to vote on each of the four sets of changes individually.

### **1. Family Membership to Include Children**

As currently worded the Family Membership is available only to the spouse of a member. The first change would simply add the words "or dependent minor child" to expand family membership option to children. The current Schedule of Fees and Dues does not require any initiation fee for a Family Member but does require a \$75 initiation fee for a Youth Member. The monthly dues are currently the same for both a Family Member and a Youth Member.

### **2. Membership Required Prior to Flight Instruction**

Currently the Code of Regulations and the Schedule of Fees and Dues permits the spouse and the children of a member to receive instruction in club aircraft prior to solo flight without becoming members. A recent insurance company clarification makes it very clear that our insurance would not cover instruction in club aircraft if the student were not a member of the club. Hence, at the April meeting the Directors approved a motion that required membership in the club prior to any instruction. This change to the Code of Regulations just makes the wording of the Code consistent with the policy necessitated by the insurance situation. Wording changes are necessary in multiple places.

### **3. Active Duty Military Category of Membership**

There are expected to be many members from the WPAFB community visiting CCSC this summer as a couple of things that Kevin Price has set up take place. It is expected that there

will be individuals who have a passion for aviation, may already have experience in gliders and even some with glider flight instructor experience at the Academy. The initiation fees and stock purchase requirements are perceived to be a major barrier to attracting these desirable prospective members. So, it is proposed to create a new category of membership that will enable initiation fees and stock purchase requirements to be adjusted as appropriate for this group.

#### 4. Spouse Eligible to Serve as Director

There has been a long standing debate in the club about the eligibility requirements for serving on the Board of Directors. The Board has taken a fresh look at the issue and is recommending a change to permit the spouse of a Member to serve as a Director.

Your vote on each of these four proposals will be solicited at a Special Meeting of Shareholders that has not yet been scheduled, but will take place after the June Board meeting. Please review the [proposed changes](#) (Access Code for Members Only Area is printed on you monthly statement) and provide your comments to a board member prior to the June meeting.

### **DISCOVER SOMETHING BROKEN?**

If you discover a problem or have an idea to improve our facilities, be sure to communicate it to [Bob Miller](#). Send him an email or write it on the list on the bulletin board in the clubhouse.

### **UNIFORM OPERATING PROCEDURES REVISION PROPOSAL**

The Board of Directors approved changes to the UOP at the April 11, 2015, meeting. Those changes are primarily to be consistent with the new organizational structure (e.g. change Trustees to Directors, change By-Laws to Code of Regulations, etc.) and corrections to spelling errors. Changes to the Section 2.3.2 Ground Signals were also approved to make them consistent with recommendations of the SSA/Soaring Safety Foundation which are nationally accepted. The proposed document was made available on the website. There was reconsideration of the changes to Section 2.3.2 Ground Signals at the May meeting of the Board. The result was a decision to remove the detailed description of the Standard Signals and Launching Procedures from the UOP, leaving only a reference that standard signals and procedures should be used in accordance with training materials. Mark Miller was tasked with drafting a revision to the training materials for review and approval at the June Board meeting.



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The UOP has been revised again and the new document is available on the website. Please review [this document](#) and provide comments to the Board of Directors. Unless additional changes are requested by the membership this version will become official policy of CCSC on June 6, 2015.

**Skye Toomey and Chris Uhl prepare for Introductory Flight, assisted by Poul Pedersen on Saturday.**

## **CCSC BOARD MINUTES**

[http://soar-ccsc.com/?page\\_id=484](http://soar-ccsc.com/?page_id=484) (The password is printed on your monthly bill.)

## **CCSC IS ON FACEBOOK**

<https://www.facebook.com/CaesarCreekSoaringClub>

## **CCSC WEBSITE**

<http://soar-ccsc.com/>

## **FOR SALE**

Russia AC-4A. S/N 14. N126TH Manufactured 1995. Total time 293.3 hrs. 12.6 meter wingspan. Empty weight 290 lbs, gross weight 551 lbs. Basic instruments & very nice Sno Bird enclosed trailer. Trailer always stored in hangar at CCSC, Waynesville, OH. Fresh annual at time of sale. \$16,500 Tom Holloran, [tholloran@cableone.net](mailto:tholloran@cableone.net), 928-251-1078  
<https://www.flickr.com/photos/129750433@N07/sets/72157650983503295/>

One eighth share available for the Red Wing Soaring Club 1-26. \$1000.00 Call Jim Grueninger, 740-503-0032, share owner, or Bob Anderson, 937-609-8937, managing partner Red Wings. Fun, easy soaring! Always tied down and ready to go!

LAK 12 glider and trailer. 50/1. It's big. Price negotiable. Located on the field. Interested parties should contact Wally Detert, 937-667-6950 or John Biernacki.

1/3 Share in N11rdbird. A beautiful Libelle201b, Serial No.74. Includes Eberle trailer, tow out gear, Cambridge LNav Vario and GPS, MicroAir Radio, with IPAQ 3955 running SeeYou Mobile. New Chute with Annual through May 2015. Call Rolf, 937-271-5003.

## CCSC GROUND CREWS:

### **1<sup>ST</sup> SATURDAY**

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

### **1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY**

**CC:** Mike Karraker (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:** Jul Alvarez, Don Burns, Stephen Kleine,  
Jacob Moore, Dave Rawson, Joe Zeis.

### **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.

### **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:**  
Tom McDonald, Gordon Penner, Jim Goebel, Tom  
Rudolf, Chad Ryther. **Crew:** Dave Conrad, Alyssa  
Engeseth, Tom Geygan, Fred Hawk, Mike  
McKosky, Kate Kreiner.

### **3<sup>RD</sup> SATURDAY**

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

### **3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY**

**CC:** Tom Bonser (cell: 513-673-7746), **ACC:**  
**Tow Pilots:**Tony Bonser©, Tim Christman,  
Richard Perry. **Instructor:** Dick Eckels, Bill  
Gabbard, Chad Ryther. **Crew:** Daniel Beans, Jon

"Rusty" May, Laura May, Topher May, Jack  
Morari, Zach Siefker, Joey Tomei.

### **4<sup>TH</sup> SATURDAY:**

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

### **4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY**

**CC:** Steve Statkus (cell: 513-720-8955), **ACC:**  
Rik Ghai. **Tow Pilots:** Matt Davis, Ron Blume,  
Tim Morris. **Instructor:** Lynn Alexander, John  
Lubon. **Crew:** Chad Beckwith, Mauricio  
Berrizbeitia, Jake Burd, Richard Cedar, Pat  
DeNaples©, Shelby Estell, Jeff Grawe, Keith  
Kilpatrick, Dan Reagan, Stefano Sinigaglia.

## 2015 5th WEEKEND CREW DAYS:

Jan 31 – 3rd Sat Crew  
Mar 29 – 3rd Sun Crew  
May 30 – 4th Sat Crew  
May 31 – 4th Sun Crew  
Aug 29 – 1st Sat Crew  
Aug 30 – 1st Sun Crew  
Oct 31 – 2nd Sat Crew  
Nov 29 – 2nd Sun Crew

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