# Caesar Creek Soaring Club

June 9, 2015

# **NEWS YOU NEED TO KNOW**

- Watch *Cloudstreet* Monday, June 15 at 10:00 pm on KET (Kentucky Educational Television)
- During the contest, June 24 July 3, member flying will be limited fly now and help then.

# **CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS**

Jun 15	Cloudstreet - Soaring The American West - 10:00 pm - KET (northern KY PBS)
Jun 20	Pot Luck - after flying - JoAnne Pedersen
Jun 22-Jul 3	Sports Class National Contest - Rolf Hegele
Jul 11	Board of Directors meeting - 9:30 am - John Lubon
Jul 12-18	Youth Camp - Steve McManus
Jul 15	Cloudstreet - Soaring The American West - 10:00 pm - Dayton & Cincinnati PBS
Jul 18	Wright Patterson Single Airmen Introductory Ride Event - Kevin Price
Aug 1	Special Meeting of Shareholders - vote on Code of Regulations - John Lubon
Aug 9-16	Adult Camp & Vintage/Antique Glider Rally - Steve Statkus

# **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

On June 6 the Board approved the applications of eight (8) new members: Skye Toomey, Jeff Chiles, Michael Chiles, Tony Rein, Nick Oleska, Ryan Crane, David Lapham and Michael Hayden (returning after a two year break). Several have been introduced during the past weeks, the rest will be featured when pictures are available. Mike Karraker's First Sunday Training Crew was very busy this month with many new members participating for the first time and everyone eager for flight instruction. There were 31 flights, including two Introductory Flights after which Irwin Mahajan and his dad both decided to join and immediately commenced instruction with the training crew.



Skye Toomey is in the front seat and is receiving instruction from Kat McManus as Irwin Mahajan, David Whapham, Irwin's dad, look on and receive instruction in hook-up procedures.

# **CLUB STATISTICS**

ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP	6/1/2014	6/6/2015	<u>FLIGHT ACTIVITY</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u> 2015</u>
Full Members	152	164	Last month	217	230
Family & Youth	42	34	Year to Date	410	446

# **FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

As of the end of May income is exactly as planned in the budget. With flight activity slightly more than anticipated, income from flight activity is about \$1,400 above budget YTD. Stock purchases by members are also \$1,400 above budget. These balance a shortfall from the annual banquet and a delay in posting income from the forthcoming contest. On the expense side there is good news that glider maintenance and annual inspections have cost less than anticipated in the budget thanks to Steve Statkus and his team who have done much of this work. The bad news is that other expenses are over plan, primarily tow plane maintenance expenses triggered by the unexpected AD. Overall the club continues to be in good shape financially with sufficient cash to cover anticipated expenses in the next couple of months.

# APPROVED-TO-FLY-LIST, WEATHER, NOTAMS - BRIAN STOOPS

On the side of the trailer the list of members who have completed an annual check flight is now posted. Aircraft in which pilots have completed a check out are also listed. DO NOT write on the plastic covers (yes, someone did that on Sunday!); only write on the paper, which will be updated each week.

Also, the weather board is also mounted on the side of the trailer. The weather can be found on the computer in the clubhouse by pulling up (soarforecast.com). Wind information is available from the Icon (CCSC Winds). Please ONLY use the Dry Erase marker on the board.. it has a special coating to handle the dry erase marker. Thanks! I will get some Alcohol to clean the board.

# WEDNESDAY, SATURDAY OVERCAST

The weather was overcast all day, with the ceiling limiting flights to 2000 AGL or lower on both Wednesday and Saturday. Nevertheless, there were 12 flights on Wednesday and 14 flights on Saturday. The stable air was just fine for instructional flights. On Saturday two crew chiefs took advantage of the low activity level to fulfill currency requirements and resume training. After we closed the hangar doors for the day the sun came out! John Murray was there to gain experience with his new ASG 29 Es. When the engine refused to start on the ground he gave it a try in flight, the sustainer engine responded and could be heard on the ground..



Richard Perry took advantage of the stable air Wednesday to give Patty Vastine (in glider) and her sister, Marlene, their first glider rides. Although the altitude was limited by overcast, the thrill of the first flight was just as great.



Steve Fenstermaker took time off from his Crew Chief duties on Saturday to fly with Paul McClaskey.

# <u>CLOUDSTREET - SOARING THE AMERICAN WEST TELEVISION DOCUMENTARY</u>

SSA is sponsoring a high-definition movie showing the beauty and drama of a flying adventure in the American West. Here is a teaser: <a href="https://vimeo.com/88283001">https://vimeo.com/88283001</a>. The documentary is being released to all PBS affiliate stations. Watch it Monday, June 15 at 10:00 pm on KET (Kentucky Educational Television) 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.

# IF YOU CAN'T LICK THEM ... JOIN THEM

With clairvoyant knowledge that weather and then stable air over Ohio would prevent competitive flights this past week, part of our team headed west in search of long flights and exciting scenery. In fact, there have been no noteworthy flights from CCSC reported to OLC since May 24 and CCSC is now down to 10th place with about a quarter of the points of the leader. Moriarty Soaring Club is the leader in our league with nearly twice the points of the closest competitor. Today's flights have not yet been uploaded to OLC, but Dan Reagan, Mark Miller, Bob Miller and John Lubon have all had good flights. On June 1 Dan's flight lasted 5 hours and earned 396 points, just squeaking ahead of Bob Miller who earned 387 points with his 4 hour and 13 minute flight during which he traveled 364 km at an average speed of 92 km per hr.



Moriarty weather! Mark Miller was ready but made the decision to stay on the ground. The lightning in the distance was a factor.

Mark Miller reported that on Monday, June 8, John Lubon arrived just before the pilot's meeting. All the local pilots evaluated the sky conditions and chose not to fly. Even Dan Reagan chose to stay put. But John launched off into the sky shown in the accompanying photo. OLC indicates that he was up for 3-1/2 hours during which he coverd 333 km at an average speed of 95 km/hr. His was the only score for our team for the day.

# **RIDE OF A LIFETIME**

Have you been outside the 5 mile radius of CCSC? Have you ever wondered what is beyond the 5 mile radius of CCSC? Well, now is your chance for the ride of a lifetime. Karl Streideick will be attending the 2015 Sports Class National with his Duo Discus. He is offering FREE rides, but you have to make \$200 donation to the USA Soaring team, if you fly. He has a few more spots available. Karl is like the "Godfather" or an Andretti or Petty of racing. He has been around the world a few times. The Duo Discus is a two place high performance racing sailplane, and would be like flying in a Lexus, Audi or BMW. You can't miss this chance. Contact him at (<a href="mailto:karls@uplink.net">karls@uplink.net</a>). You won't regret it.

# **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 24 competitors' gliders out to the runway and postioned 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 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.

# "SNIFFERS" NEEDED FOR CONTEST

Each day of the contest two club member pilots will serve as a "sniffer" to determine whether the thermals have commenced and are strong enough for the day's contest flights to be initiated. The contest is from Wednesday, June 24 through Friday, July 3. Club flying on contest days will be very limited to assure no risk of interference with the contest. However, Club members are invited to be sniffers on contest days. Two club members are desired each day with free relights as necessary. This is a first come first served sign up opportunity, so please email Rolf with the days you prefer.

#### **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 the wording changes at the June meeting and set August 1, 2015 at 11:00 am for the Special Meeting of Shareholders to vote on the proposed changes. Expect to receive a proxy ballot in advance of the meeting in case you are unable to attend. Please review the <u>proposed changes</u> (Access Code for Members Only Area is printed on you monthly statement) in preparation for casting your vote.

# 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. There were no comments received during the prescribed period, so those changes have now been implemented.

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 and again at the June meeting because of comments received. The result was a decision to retain the detailed description of the Standard Signals and Launching Procedures in the UOP, with changes to be consistent with SSA/Soaring Safety Foundation with the exception of continuing CCSC standard practice for the "Halt" signal. Mark Miller has revised the training materials consistent with the Board's decision about the UOP.

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 July 6, 2015.

#### **CCSC BOARD MINUTES**

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**

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:**

#### 1ST 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.

#### 1ST 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.

#### **2ND 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.

#### 3RD 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.

#### **4TH 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, Michael Hayden, Casey Hildenbrand, Henry Meyerrose, John Murray ©.

#### **4TH 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

#### **POINTS OF CONTACT:**

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