# Caesar Creek Soaring Club NEWS YOU NEED TO KNOW

December 1, 2015

## **CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS**

Dec 5 Board of Directors Meeting - 9:30 AM - John Lubon

# REFURBISHING N3616Q HAS STARTED

Under the guidance of Steve Statkus the 4th Saturday Crew disassembled 16Q and moved it into the shop where they commenced stripping the fabric covering from the fuselage. On Sunday fabric removal was finished and removal of internal hardware commenced. Minor surface corrosion on some fuselage tubing was observed but overall the structure is sound. The clean up will continue this coming Wednesday and a materials list for the covering process will be prepared. The only repair needed so far is some minor damage to the rudder which will need a doubler on a rib. Great work by our crews this weekend to get the project off to a flying start.



Under the watchful eyes of Bernie Fullenkamp, John Murray and Steve Statkus, Lynn Alexander delicately removes some of the fabric covering.



Henry Meyerrose and Lynn Alexander enjoy a moment of relaxation after disassembling 16Q and moving it into the shop.

The steady rain on Saturday prevented any flying but the 4th Saturday Crew was busy. In addition to the work on 16Q, Henry Meyerrose located a problem switch in the water system and replaced it. Joe Jackson repaired a toilet water closet handle that has caused the draining of much of the water cistern. Chuck Lohre cleaned the gutters on the south side of the clubhouse (but the drains still need to have the pine needles cleaned out). Chuck also is taking care of re-upholstering both the ballast seats for the Blanik. Thanks to the 4th Saturday and Sunday Crews for their hard work.

# **WEDNESDAY CREW HAS MORE FUN**

Holding true to form the Wednesday crew arranged for better weather and enjoyed 8 flights on the day before Thanksgiving. Three training flghts were completed in 15H and five fun flights were taken in the Grob-103 and in CC. Chris "C.R." Gillespie who joined earlier this month completed a checkout to be a tow pilot and made several tows Wednesday.



Wyant Winsor is a glider pilot who currently lives and soars in California. He was at CCSC on Wednesday to check out the claim that the Wednesday Crew has more fun. Bernie Fullenkamp managed to find some zero-sink to extend their flight long enough for Wyant to survey the area. He is now thinking about moving to Ohio so he can join us (and also live near his wife's family).

### **GLIDER PILOT STOLE A-4 SKYHAWK FOR JOYRIDE**

Anil Mahajan provided this link to a story that will interest many members: Frustrated by a ruling that he was medically unfit to fly for the military because of an injury incurred at 41,000 MSL while trying to set a glider altitude record, 21-year-old Lance Corporal Howard A. Foote Jr. climbed a ladder leading into the cockpit of an A-4M Skyhawk in the early morning hours on July 4th, 1986. He started the jet up, taxied to one of Marine Corps Air Station El Toro's runways—which was unlit at the time—and pushed the throttles



A-4 Skyhawk

forward. Moments later, the Lance Corporal would realize his dream to fly a tactical military jet, albeit just once and illegally with only his glider flying experience and a little simulator time for training. Read the whole story <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>.

#### IT'S ANNUAL TIME!

It's that time of year when we do the annual inspection of each of our aircraft. Some of the work we contract out but a lot is done by club members who volunteer their time. Take a look at the following

schedule and pick one or two gliders with which you would like to help. This is a great opportunity to stick your head inside the airplane and see what really happens when you pull that spoiler handle or stare in amazement at the geometry of push rods, bellcranks and levers found in the innards of the Grob gliders. (I'm pretty sure the retract mechanism was simpler on the ME-109 then the G-102.)

Please contact the plane captain and make your availability know to him. Thanks in advance for your help. This club operates on the basis of volunteers like yourself stepping up to help with all aspects of operating the club. December and January are the months that we most need help to assure the gliders, tow planes and golf carts are ready when the thermals start bombing in the spring.

Glider	Planned Sequence (Date)	Expires	Plane Captain	Phone
G103	Dec. to ? (Svc. Bulletin)	December	Bernie Fullenkamp	937-848-5951
			Chris Uhl	513-400-4905
ASK21-SD	After G103 (December?)	January	John Lubon	513-870-0994
ASK21-CC	After SD (January?)	January	Rolf Hegele	937-862-8662
G102	After CC	May	Steve Statkus	513-720-8955
2-33 16Q	Start refurbishing in Nov.	May	Steve Statkus	513-720-8955
2-33 135	After 16Q	March	Keith Kilpatrick	513-208-3622
2-33 15H	After 135	May	Mauricio Berrizbeitia	513-720-3378
Blanik	After 16Q	August	Lucy Ann McKosky	937-435-1576
			Mike McKosky	937-435-1576

Tow Planes: Plane captains are responsible for washing the aircraft prior to the start of the annual, either at CCSC before the delivery flight or at Cubbys'.

Tow Plane	Planned Sequence (Date)	Plane Captain	Phone
48L	December	TBD	
33Z	After 48L	TBD	
909	After 33Z	Tony Bonser	513-759-7452

Golf Carts: All carts need to be pressure washed before the oil/air/fuel filter change. Steve Statkus will acquire the parts and recruit the crews. - Steve Statkus

# **CALENDARS FOR 2016**

2016 SSA Calendars are available for \$11.00. If you would like one, sign up using the form on the merchandise case in the clubhouse.

# **ANNUAL BANQUET**

Maury Drummey has been investigating options for our annual banquet. The current thinking is to hold the event at our own facility in the spring after the weather warms enough to permit our tow plane hangar to be used for the catered meal and program. A committee is being formed to formulate plans that may include other activites the same day to make the event much more attractive to a much larger number of club members and their families. If you have ideas, please send them to Maury Drummey, or better yet tell Maury that you are willing to help on the committee.

# Albert J. "Bert" Connolly (1920-2015)

Bert Connolly passed away recently. Details are expected in the Cincinnati paper on Wednesday. His son, Brian, contacted Bob Root to let members of the club know. Bert was 95 and had been suffering from leukemia. Bob remembers that Bert was in his 70's when he started flying gliders. He got his private license and was a regular member of the Wednesday Crew from the beginning.

# MINUTES FROM BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

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

<u>CCSC IS ON FACEBOOK</u> (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.

## **CCSC GROUND CREWS:**

#### 1ST SATURDAY

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

#### **1ST SUNDAY**

CC: Mike Karraker (cell: 937-830-0627), ACC: Mark Miller, Tow Pilots: Manfred Mauer, Norb Mauer, Dieter Schmidt, Andy Swanson.

Instructor: Bob Miller, Rich Carraway. Crew: Carter Aleson, Jul Alvarez, Bill Barone, Don Burns, Russell Cook, Del Doddy, Michael Fuller, Bill Grawe, Christian Maurer, Bruce Porter, Dave Rawson, Skye Toomey, Michael Williams, Joe Zeis.

#### 2<sup>ND</sup> SATURDAY

**CC**: Dick Holzwarth, **ACC**: Bob Root. **Tow Pilots**: Bob Anderson, Haskell Simpkins. **Instructor**: Bob Anderson, Jim Price. **Crew**: John Antrim, Stuart Delk, Jim Hurst, Anil Mahajan, Irwin Mahajan, Jim Marks, Nick Oleska, Dan Staarmann.

#### 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY

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

#### 3RD SATURDAY

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

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

**CC:** Brian Stoops (cell: 937-750-3788), **ACC:**. **Tow Pilots**: Tony Bonser, Tim Christman, Richard Perry. **Instructor:** Dick Eckels, Bill Gabbard, Chad Ryther. **Crew**: Daniel Beans, Tom Bonser, Mike Brewer, Jon "Rusty" May, Laura May, Topher May, Tony Rein, Zach Siefker, Joey Tomei, David Whapham.

#### **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, Ethan Maxwell, Henry Meyerrose, John Murray.

#### **4TH SUNDAY**

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

# **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

Nee-20 2nd Sat Crew

Nov 29 - 2nd Sun Crew

## **POINTS OF CONTACT:**

PRESIDENT: John Lubon, 513-543-9154

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**DIR OF OPS**: open

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