

**Caesar Creek Soaring Club**

October 4, 2016

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

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| Oct 15 | Oktoberfest Event - Maury Drummey |
| Oct 15 | Potluck Dinner - 6:15 pm - Maury Drummey |
| Nov 5 | Board of Directors Meeting - 9:30 am - John Lubon |

POTLUCK DINNER WILL FEATURE PARATROOPER

At the potluck dinner on October 15 there will be a guest speaker that you will want to hear. James H. "Pee Wee" Martin was in the 101st Airborne Division, 506th Parachute Infantry Regiment and parachuted into Normandy (landing near Saint-Côme-du-Mont behind Utah Beach) at 12:30 AM on June 6, 1944. He fought in the Normandy campaign for thirty-three days until the 101st Airborne was relieved and returned to England in July. Not only does he have an interesting story to tell he also has a reputation as a great speaker. See the back page for more about Jim Martin and plan now to be at the potluck dinner on October 15.

SATURDAY

At the beginning of the day, it appeared that the forecast for rain would be correct so few members showed up to fly. It did not rain all day and turned into a nice day. There were a total of 4 flights, all instructional flights with Jim Goebel instructing. Meanwhile new member Martin Hosta worked on the golf cart charger cable. - Steve Fenstermaker

SUNDAY

Low ceilings limited the 1st Sunday crew to only three flights so attention was redirected to thorough inspection of equipment and the requisite maintenance tasks - Mike Karraker



Jack Morari at the controls of the Grob-103 on Sunday, Sept. 18, 2016. Bernie Fullenkamp took the photo and reports that Jack and he concluded that flight is great therapy.

CLUB STATISTICS

<u>ACTIVE MEMBERS</u>	<u>10/1/2015</u>	<u>10/1/2016</u>	<u>FLIGHT ACTIVITY</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>Budget*</u>
Full Members	166	177	Last month	230	188	250
Family & Youth	36	31	Year to Date	1658	1452	1610

*The 2016 budget is based on 200 members and 1800 flights for the year.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Martin T. Hosta and Bryan D. Sanbongi.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Because maintenance expenses have exceeded budgeted amounts in several categories and weather has reduced the number of flights below plan it now appears that the club will be challenged to meet this year's budget.

FUEL INDEX REMAINS LOW

The fuel index for September was 30 cents per hundred feet and will remain at that low rate for October.

CCYSA YOUTH MEMBERS – EARN A FREE FLIGHT

We announced during Youth Camp in July, that CCYSA will pay for the equivalent of one flight for each month in which a youth member earns crew credit. The goal is to encourage youth members to stay active, participate on a crew and fly throughout the year. CCYSA has provided funding for CCSC to draw from as credits are earned. Some youth members have already taken advantage of the offer. Each month that you get crew credit CCYSA will put \$35.00 in your CCSC account as a credit equivalent to the cost of one flight.

Rules:

- 1) Only applies to current year YC attendees: 2016 attendees.
- 2) Must be assigned to a CCSC crew. (Contact Brian Stoops.)
- 3) Must earn crew credit by working as part of your assigned crew and receiving approval by CCSC crew chief.
- 4) Youth may accrue flight credits in their account for up to one year.
- 5) Flight credits may only be used for flights at CCSC, they have no cash value.
- 6) Unused credits after one year will be returned to CCYSA.

Please take advantage of the funds we have set aside for you all to use and attend and support a crew! - Steve McManus

FREE AIRPLANE RIDES FOR YOUTH - KEVIN PRICE

The Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) has a Young Eagles program at the Greene County airport near Xenia. This program provides youth ages 8-17 with an opportunity to go for a free flight in an airplane or helicopter. There is no requirement to join EAA. The only thing that is required is for the parent or guardian to sign a waiver. For those that attended Youth Camp this summer, Finley Barfield flew his helicopter in and gave a couple of rides. He is one of the pilots who gives rides with the Young Eagles program. So, if you are age 8-17 and want a free airplane...or helicopter ride...please contact the coordinator as soon as possible. Flying for the year is about to end. Call Kay or Wayne Moyer at 937-426-9312 for reservations. More information on the Young Eagles can be found at www.youngeagles.org.



Finley Barfield explains his helicopter to Youth Camp participants in June 2016. Photo: Jim Dudley

MISSING: ONE-MAN-RIG

Chuck Lohre's one man rig is missing. He keeps it in the second to last hanger, next to Tim Christman and behind Henry Meyerrose's trailer. It's black and gray. He thinks it had his name on it. Please let him know if you know its whereabouts.

MINUTES FROM BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

<http://www.soarccsc.com/resources/members/meetingminutes/>
(The password is printed on your monthly statement.)

CCSC IS ON FACEBOOK <https://www.facebook.com/CaesarCreekSoaringClub>

CCSC WEBSITE <http://soarccsc.com/>

FOR SALE

Schweizer SGS 1-23, S/N 14, MFG Date May1950, includes open trailer. Has won vintage sailplane awards. Contact Thomas G. Bonser at bonsertom@aol.com or 513-673-7746.

CCSC GROUND CREWS:

1ST SATURDAY

CC: Steve Fenstermaker (cell: 937-581-7713) **Tow Pilots:** John Armor, CR Gillespie. **Instructors:** Paul McClaskey, Bill Gabbard, Tom McDonald. **Crew:** Gerry Daugherty, Mark Hanlon, Waseem Jamali, Courtney Ohl, Kevin Price.

1ST SUNDAY

CC: Mike Karraker (cell: 937-830-0627) **ACC:** Mark Miller. **Tow Pilots:** Manfred Maurer, Norb Maurer, Dieter Schmidt, Andy Swanson. **Instructors:** Bob Miller, Rich Carraway. **Crew:** Carter Aleson, Bob Bohl, Don Burns, Bill Clawson, Joan Clippinger, Jonathan Criss, Aaron Marshall, Daniel Miller, Christian Maurer, Bruce Porter, Dave Rawson, Laviniu Tirca, Cy Young, Joe Zeis.

2ND SATURDAY

CC: Dick Holzwarth (cell: 937-542-9612) **ACC:** Jim Marks, Bob Root. **Tow Pilots:** Bob Anderson, Haskell Simpkins. **Instructors:** Bob Anderson, Jim Price. **Crew:** John Antrim, Jim Hurst, Ron Kellerman, Aaron Marshall.

2ND SUNDAY

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

3RD SATURDAY

CC: Maury Drummey (cell: 513-871-1998) **ACC:** Rolf Hegele. **Tow Pilots:** Don Green, Steve McManus, Dick Scheper. **Instructors:** Charlie DeBerry. **Crew:** Gary Adams, Soren Adams, Chad Beckwith, Jake Burd, Jake Click, Eric Cochran, Chandler Demler, Jim Dudley, John Dudley, Micah Ferguson, Norm Leet, Poul Pedersen, Joshua Rising, Jack Runyon, Chris Uhl.

3RD SUNDAY

CC: Brian Stoops (cell: 937-750-3788) **ACC:** Mike Brewer. **Tow Pilots:** Tony Bonser, Tim Christman. **Instructors:** Dick Eckels, Bill Gabbard, Chad Ryther. **Crew:** Blake Bailey, Daniel Beans, Darin Caviness, Jack Morari, Tony Rein, Zach Siefker, Joey Tomei, David Whapham, Chloe Williams, Michael Williams.

4TH SATURDAY:

CC: Chuck Lohre (cell: 513-260-9025) **ACC:** Ethan Saladin. **Tow Pilots:** John Atkins, Guy Byars, Bernie Fullenkamp, Larry Kirkbride. **Instructors:** John Atkins, Joe Jackson, Larry Kirkbride. **Crew:** Ross Bales, 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. **Instructors:** Lynn Alexander, John Lubon, Kat McManus. **Crew:** Bill Barone, Mauricio Berrizbeitia, Richard Cedar, Shelby Estell, Bill Grawe, Jeff Grawe, Keith Kilpatrick, Dan Reagan, Pete Schradin, Stefano Sinigaglia, John Williams.

2016 5th WEEKEND CREW DAYS:

Jan 30 - 4th Sat Crew
Jan 31 - 4th Sun Crew
Apr 30 - 1st Sat Crew
May 29 - 1st Sun Crew
Jul 30 - 2nd Sat Crew
Jul 31 - 2nd Sun Crew
Oct 29 - 3rd Sat Crew
Oct 30 - 3rd Sun Crew
Dec 31 - ?? Sat Crew

POINTS OF CONTACT:

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James H. "Pee Wee" Martin

101st Airborne Division

506th Parachute Infantry Regiment

3rd Battalion / G Company

1942 - 1945

D-Day / Market Garden / Bastogne / Berchtesgaden

On the 70th anniversary of D-Day, Jim Martin became the last WWII era American paratrooper to jump over Normandy. He landed behind Utah Beach...just as he had 70 years earlier on June 6, 1944.

One of Colonel Sink's original "Toccoa Men", Jim Martin joined the now famous 506th Parachute Infantry Regiment at Camp Toccoa in July, 1942. He was soon given the nickname "Pee Wee" due to being the lightest man in the regiment. He accepted the moniker as a badge of respect. After completing their initial training at Camp Toccoa, the 506th moved to Ft. Benning for jump training and then on to Camp Mackall for further training.

In anticipation of the coming invasion of Hitler's "Fortress Europe", the 506th crossed the Atlantic on the HMS Samaria. After arriving in England in September, 1943 3rd Battalion was billeted in the town of Ramsbury in Wiltshire where they completed their pre-invasion training.

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returned to England in July.

On September 17, 1944 the 101st Airborne Division jumped into Holland in the leading wave of "Operation Market Garden". Jim Martin landed near the town of Son. G Company fought to secure "Hell's Highway" during this ill fated operation. The 506th PIR was then sent to Mourmelon, France in November after more than sixty days of fighting in Holland.

On December 16, 1944 Germany launched it's last major offensive in the West, The Ardennes Offensive...soon to be known as the "Battle of the Bulge". The 101st Airborne Division was trucked over 100 miles to the Belgian crossroads town of Bastogne. 3rd Battalion established defensive positions on the northern perimeter where they endured bitter cold and some of the most difficult fighting on the Western Front.

After participating in operations in Germany early in 1945 the 101st Airborne Division ended their war by occupying Adolph Hitler's mountain home in Berchtesgaden, Bavaria in April, 1945.

Being a "high point man" Jim Martin shipped home out of Marseilles in September, 1945. In early 1946 Jim married Donna Veverka of Newton, Iowa. They built their own home, had five children and have lived on the same property since 1946.

At this late date Jim "Pee Wee" Martin is one of the last remaining "Toccoa Originals" of 1942 (made famous by the HBO mini-series, "Band of Brothers") who is still traveling, meeting the public and carrying forward an eyewitness account of his unit's experiences. He does so as a representative of the veterans of the 101st Airborne Division who are no longer here and in an effort to promote and preserve the legacy and lessons of the Second World War.

Come to the pot luck dinner on October 15 and enjoy meeting Jim Martin and hearing his story.