Caesar Creek Soaring Club

October 11, 2016

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

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 this Saturday, October 15.

FIRST FLIGHT IN NEWLY ACQUIRED MOTOR GLIDER

Pictured here is Dan Reagan preparing for his first towed flight in his new Alexander Schleicher

motorglider ASH 31Mi on Wednesday. This self launching glider sports a 21m (70ft) wingspan and a 54 horsepower rotary engine. Although there was no lift on Wednesday Dan managed to stay aloft by testing his engine for a couple of exciting fun filled flights. Congratulations Dan on your new purchase. - Keith Kilpatrick



SATURDAY - DICK HOLZWARTH

Severe clear with a gusting crosswind from north, varying +/- 20 degrees. After a slow start we managed to operate for a while. A post maintenance check flight for 33Z was performed and then it made all tows. There were some good thermals, with two near-hour 2-33 flights, but heavy sink too. A total of 5 flights, all in 2-33s. -Dick Holzwarth



Before you jump to the next page can you guess what year this photo was taken and can you identify any of the members? Hint: Bill Paar provided the photo.

LETTER TO EDITOR FROM BILL PAAR

Hi Jim,

I am an old member that left Ohio in 2011 for FL, I don't believe we have met. My last visit to the club was in late 2012 for a contest. I truly enjoy reading the FF and hearing the news about the club and my old friends. You seem to have been the editor since I left. Many, many thanks.

Currently I am an inactive member and plan to donate my SSD shares back to the club when I give up flying totally. The club should encourage members to do this. I noticed it has been 6 years since my gold/diamond flight Oct 1, 2010. Lubon was my badge observer/mentor, Larry Kirkbride and Dick Eckels my instructors. Sold my LS-4 "11" to Mr. Adkins a week before I moved. I cried that day.

Here is some old content if you wish to use it:



10 years ago (July 7-??, 2006), this image shows the kick off for Youth Soaring Camp (was it the first?). It may bring back good memories for some members. We had a hot air balloon launch and retrieve, followed by a pot luck and a Frisbee game for the kids.

I have many more images if you are interested (My wife and I were cooks/helpers/flight advisors for the week). The next year we had the Line Crew available for contest's because we trained so many youngsters. Steve and Mary Beth were the driving force from the beginning.

Regards, Bill Paar email: William Paar<mariner@me.com>

PS: I would like to read the SSD minutes occasionally but I do not have a password to access. I don't get a bill because I am inactive. If you would pass that on to the board I would appreciate it.



Youth Camp 2006, Photos: Bill Paar

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

CAUTION: PROTECT EMAIL ADDRESSES

Announcements about the Frequent Flyer are sent using the bcc: (Blind Carbon Copy) field to protect the email addresses of each recipient. If you send an email to several members asking to swap crew days or any other topic please use the bcc: field instead of the To: field to enter the email addresses to which you want the email delivered. That will help protect those addresses.

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, Bill Gabbard. **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, 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

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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.