

The Frequent Flyer

The Monthly Newsletter of Caesar Creek Soaring Club

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Oshkosh - 2003

By Jim Hurst

Jim Marks and I attended this years Experimental Aircraft Association's annual air show at Oshkosh, Wisconsin. It was the first such experience for each of us, and it was well worth the long auto trip and spartan facilities at Ripon College, where there was no TV, A/C or private bathroom. The price was right however and the breakfast was free.

The airport at Oshkosh is at least a square mile of turf in addition to the runways and taxiways. The turf areas included spectator auto parking, transient aircraft parking and camping, and many hundreds of home built aircraft, war birds, ultralights, hang gliders and antiques going back to the 1930's. Airplanes that we seldom see on a routine basis were there by the dozens, including Cessna 195's, Swifts, Aircoups and many other vintage aircraft. It was reported that there were 2500 aircraft on the field! There were two Ford Trimotors, one of which was making about three trips an hour, giving rides at \$40.00 a seat, all day, every day.

There are many "war bird" organizations devoted to the maintenance and flying of WWII aircraft. They came en mass including dozens of P-51's, T-28's, AT-6's plus a few B-17's and B-25's. There were also a few airplanes I have flown like L-5's and L-19's. There were many hundreds of home built aircraft of all sorts, including high wing, low wing, parasols, biplanes and pushers. All were beautifully finished and maintained. Several mini P-51's were particularly interesting.

Daily lectures and demonstrations of all phases of aircraft construction were held, and most allowed the attendees to practice under the tutelage of experts. We attended classes on gas welding and wing rib jiggging. Jim Marks welded and jiggged while I watched. There was a lecture on "Should I Build an Airplane and If So What Should I Build?" The first question the lecturer asked was "How old are you?"

There were many booths displaying wares somewhat unrelated to flying. One of which was demonstrating the "Segway" or Human Transporter. This is the device that looks like an old time push lawn mower, which you have seen on television. They were selling demonstrations for \$10.00. Jim and I both gave it a try and it was very interesting. You sort of lean forward to go forward, lean backward to go backward and reverse your position to stop. The left handlebar has a throttle like device on the left grip, which makes the thing turn. It goes on turf as well as a hard surface and will climb a 20% grade. Price: \$4000.00 - \$5000.00 depending on the bells and whistles. I can't quite justify it yet.

I wondered what the probability was of running into somebody you know among a daily crowd of 50,000 or so people, and thought it was pretty small. Not so. I ran into CCSC members Felix Johnstone and Bob Anderson on the first and second days. Also stumbled into Tom Knauff and Doris twice. It's a small world.

Upcoming Events!!

End of Summer Covered Dish Dinner
September 14, 2003
5:00pm

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See our website at:

<http://www.wrightdesigns.com/ccsc>

The weather was beautiful on the first day with clear skies and temperatures in the 80's. We had showers on day two, but managed to get under cover. On day three, the approach of thunderstorms was announced on the PA system and we managed to visit the museum during that period. After the storm passed to the air show went on as usual.

The air show was the most spectacular event and went on each day at 3:00 p.m. It started with an air race involving P-51's, a Corsair, a Spitfire and four other high performance airplanes. There were flyovers by whole squadrons of AT-6's and T-28's in formation. And there were aerobatics, aerobatics and aerobatics. There were loops, spins and snap rolls. There were outside loops with the bottom of the loop less than 100 feet off the ground. Many maneuvers

involved the airplanes going below my horizon, which was a sea of parked airplanes. I would never have been surprised if a fireball rose above the horizon instead of an airplane. After you do all the standard stuff, and then get the airplane to tumble end over end, vertically and horizontally, what else is there to do?

Oshkosh is a great experience and everybody ought to do it at least once.



CCSC Board Meeting Minutes / 2 August 2003

This meeting was called to order at 9:37 AM. Board members in attendance were Mike Karraker (President), Joe Jackson (VP), Greg Crook (Secretary), Jim Lowe (Treasurer), Dave Menchen (Operations), Bill Parr (Facilities), Dick Holzwarth (Social) and Rolf Hegele (Maintenance). The minutes of the previous meeting and the treasurer's report were approved as read.

Old Business: Dave Menchen provided a report on his efforts to improve crew performance. Dave described several crew issues along with recommended actions to be taken. Dave and the 2nd Saturday crew are now serving as the "training crew" for all new members. The board also re-addressed the subject of the "floating crew" and confirmed the decision that crew credit can only be provided to members serving on an assigned crew. Pat DeNaples provided a brief financial report on 1-26 Championships and stated that this contest was close to a break-even event. Following discussion the board agreed to ask Sara Palmer if she would assume the responsibility for our accounts receivable and accounts payable duties and Mike Karaker will formally request this action by Sara. Mike will also investigate and report on our current service contract with Coke.

New Business: Mike Karaker reminded the board that the CCSC board member elections are scheduled for November of this year and that all club members who may be interested in serving on the board contact Mike (or any board member) so that his/her name may be placed on the ballot. Rolf Hegele provided a report on our aircraft maintenance activities and annual inspections. Dick Holzwarth noted that the positive control check and Blanik ground handling procedures are not being performed properly. Following discussion the board agreed to ask the Director of Operations to advise the membership on these procedures in a newsletter article. Dick Holzwarth then advised the board that the application to host the Standard Class Nationals in 2005 was submitted as requested. Dick also noted his appreciation of Gil Stengel for his assistance in preparing this application. Dick also agreed to organize the annual Labor Day picnic with bomb drop and spot landing contest on Sunday August 30. Bill Parr reported on the repairs that have been made to the campground electrical system and noted other problems that were not corrected. Bill Parr also agreed to organize a clean-up day on the same day as our annual Oktoberfest party. The board agreed that the date for both of these events should be on October 18. The board also reviewed and approved ten new club membership applications. It was motioned and passed to adjourn this meeting at 11:27 AM. Our next meeting will be held on September 6 at 9:30 AM.

Submitted by Greg Crook, CCSC Secretary

The Flying Browns

By: Jim Hurst

There's an entry in my logbook for June 19, 1965, when I made an instruction flight with Paul Brown. He's the guy that smokes cigars and rides the Kabota a lot. Our campers can thank him for keeping the grass trimmed in the camping area. On the same day, I made an instruction flight with Paul Brown's 14-year old son Steve. We took 2000 foot tows mostly in those days and on that flight we got to 4000 feet with Steve doing most of the flying. He flew better than Paul at that time.

On July 17, 1965, Paul and Steve both soloed after tutelage by Gerry Nolan. I gave the second opinion for both. On September 21, 1965, I flew with both Paul and Steve doing a little practice for the flight test on that day. They both passed. Paul bought a Ka-7 from Bill Coverdale and set the club record for endurance at that time with a flight of eight hours and fifteen minutes. He was known as "yellow sneakers" Brown for some time after that.

This was the beginning of a long line of Brown family pilots. Steve's mom, Doris got her glider rating too. Paul says I recommended her for the flight test, but I can't remember that. Younger brothers, Stan and Greg both got their glider ratings as soon as they were old enough. Later, Paul, Steve and Stan all got their airplane ratings. Paul bought a Tri-Pacer and flew the family around the country on vacations. Both Steve and Stan now own airplanes. Dr. Greg is busy with a medical practice. Meanwhile (how do they have time for this?) both Paul and Steve have balloon ratings and Paul participates in all kinds of lighter than air activities.

NOW! Who shows up on Wednesday June 18, 2003, almost 38 years to the day after Paul Brown? Thirteen year old, 95 pound Tim Brown, son of Steve Brown and grandson of Paul Brown. I gave him his first two instruction flights and on the second flight he handled the tow from 1000 feet to 3000 feet with very little help. These kids learn really fast!

On July 3, 2003, Paul's second son, Stan was in town for some centennial celebrations and brought HIS son. I rode in the ASK-21 while Stan flew his first glider flight for years and stayed up for 47 minutes. He still knows how to do it. Stan's son had some introductory flights on the same day. Stan lives in Florida so his son won't be able to train with us, but he's very likely to continue the Brown tradition. The Brown family has had the biggest family membership, with five pilots trained by CCSC (SSD) and possibly more to come.

CCSC NEEDS YOU!

Are you concerned about the future of YOUR club?
Worried about the financial welfare of our organization?

Then get involved. The elections for the Board of Directors will be held in November and we need numerous nominations to run for a position on the board. Become involved and don't rely on everyone else to make the proper decisions for the future of the club. Contact any board member by October 25th in order to put your name on the ballot.

Mike Karraker

End of Summer Covered Dish Supper

Sunday September 14th @ 5PM.

NOTICE

We are missing a white bag out of the 1-26 that is Velcro'd to the side of the glider. It contains the checklists and the speaker/mic for the glider. If you know where it is, please let me know at 937-271-5003 or return it by putting it in the glider.

Thanks
Rolf Hegele, Maintenance

Welcome new members!

Timothy Brown
Englewood, OH

Reese Greenlee
St. Paris, OH

Mark Ganis
Beavercreek, OH

Elizabeth McManus
West Chester, OH

Brian Cooper
Cincinnati, OH

Gene Yee
Cincinnati, OH

Congratulations to Brad Towne, Winner of the 2003 Bultman Youth Flight Scholarship Award!

This is a "worker" award for a young soaring pilot who has made impressive contributions to a USA soaring Club or School. This award is intended to finance post-solo soaring by SSA members aged 14-22. This includes activities such as chasing badges, attending wave camps, entering contests, as opposed to flight training for FAA ratings. Winners of this single annual scholarship are selected from young **soaring-pilot** and **SSA member** applicants who are of great **service** at a USA gliderport.

Well done Brad!

PLAN A PARTY AT CCSC

It's party season at CCSC and everyone can participate. There's no such thing as a bad party, although some are certainly better than others. So if you have an idea for party that might be a little different, or if you would just like to take charge and show off your party animal qualities contact Dick or Sandy Holzwarth at: (937) 885 4156.

Submissions for *The Frequent Flyer* should be sent to:

aaronsorrell@ameritech.net

- or -

Aaron Sorrell
128 McDaniel St.
Dayton, Ohio 45405
(937) 220-9026

Classifieds

For Sale:

1977 MacGregor 22' Venture sailboat with 5hp Evinrude. Sleeps 4. \$3250 Complete and ready to sail. Remember that glider pilots make natural sailors. Gene Wade 937-667-5619

For Sale:

One-fifth share of Big Wings, ASH-25E, including Cobra trailer, competition instruments, new winglets and 55-1 L/D. Contact Greg Crook at 513-494-1350 or email gregcrook@att.net.

For Sale:

Dutchman Travel Trailer, **Price Reduced to \$6500**, 1991, 30', \$8000 OBO. Currently on site at the CCSC campgrounds. Contact Greg at 513-494-1350 or greg.crook@att.net.

For Sale:

Security 150 parachute, chair-type. Also Raine Winter barograph, 10 km.
Contact Kent Sorrell 937-855-7135

For Sale:

1/16 share in Redwing Soaring Club. Two 1-26's, recently refurbished with trailers, radios and parachute. Contact Jim Hurst at 859-331-7557 or e-mail at jfhurst@fuse.net.

For Sale:

1996 Innsbruck 30' travel trailer by Gulfstream Asking \$7,500. Located on site at CCSC campgrounds. Contact Joe or Kathy at 614 864-9852 or e-mail jmuth@infinet.com.

For Sale:

One-fifth share for one-eighth the price in a Russia AC-4.
Contact Pat De Naples 937-291-1466 or pat126@go-concepts.com

For Sale:

Casita 16' Fiberglass Travel Trailer "Liberty Deluxe", Built 1994, Every accessory. AC/Heat. Gas/Electric Frig. Very dry. Bathroom and kitchen never used. Ready to trailer. \$4500. No charge for Mako Shark. Will consider partners if they are on a regular crew. Contact Chuck Lohre 513-731-3429, chuck@lohre.com

For Sale:

Paraphernalia Long Softie Parachute, blue in color with quick ejector snaps, excellent condition, always protected from sun and humidity, and has no stains etc. Used very infrequently by myself \$550.
Norb Maurer (513) 552-6708 or (513) 774-0380.

For Sale:

One share of Redwings SGS 1-26. Contact Stewart Trefzger at 513-561-5579 or e-mail at strefzger@worldnet.att.net

For Sale:

1/2 share in 6V, N178K, 1972 ASW-15. \$7500, contact Gil Stengel 513-233-2103 or gstengel@fuse.net

Crew Schedule

Date	Crew Chief	Tow Pilots	Instructors	Ground Crew
1st Sat & 3/29	G. Daugherty	J. Armor T. Hudson	R. Hennig W. Miley	J. Beaupre, J. Chiles, A. Colvin, P. Nord, Dave Edwards, J. Lowe, A. Sorrell
1st Sun & 3/30	M. Karraker R. Carraway	M. Maurer N. Maurer D. Schmidt	A. Swanson	W. Van Breukelen, M. Jett, W. Schmid M. Munz, B.& B Towne, J. Miles, D. Rawson J. Sorrell, S. Tagariello, T..Lynch
2nd Sat & 5/31	R. Root D. Staarmann	R Anderson	J. Price J. Hurst M. Williams	J. Antrim, J. Biernacki, B. Connolly, D. Colvin, W. Detert, S. Trefzger, J. Benner, J. Inman
2nd Sun & 6/29	D. Menchen T. McDonald	L. Kirkbride F. Hawk T. Holloran	G. Wade T. Rudolf	R. Anderson, Ed Dorosz, M. & L. McKosky, K. Menchen, J. Muth, P. Pedersen, R.Sexton, M. Debeque, J. Smissaert, T. & G. McDonald, H Goebel, E. Tete
3rd Sat & 8/30	R. Hegele R. Griffiths	D. Green A. Widner	B. Gaerttner C. De Berry	B. Boesel, R. Weaver, D. Klenbanow E. Lopez, T. Bresser, T. Lynch, J. Miquel H. Poelzing, P. Vintrup, D. Rivers
3rd Sun & 8/31	J. Morari B. Paar	B. Oagley	R. Eckels * B. Gabbard	S. Estell, K. Sorrell, J. Koons, M. Keller K. Robertson, S. Shields, T. Bonser R. Reinhart, J. Macnicol
4th Sat & 11/29	J. Miceli J. Murray	T. Bales G. Byars S. Day	J. Jackson ** T. Bales	T. Spillane, C. Lohre, H. Meyerrose, E. Saladin, B. Stoops, A. Dignan, D. Corni
4th Sun &11/30	R. Holzwarth M. Statt	F. Paynter R. Scheper	J. Lubon	C. Burns, R. Cedar, G. Crook, B. Kish, J. Jordan, P. Lubon, G. Stengel, G. Berneir

* Designated Examiner

** Chief Instructor

**If you are not assigned to a crew and would like to be, contact Dave Menchen at
513-779-0821.**

**Former Floating Crew members should contact Dave Menchen
for crew credit information.**