

The Frequent Flyer

The Monthly Newsletter of the Caesar Creek Soaring Club

August 2008



Summer Potluck / Fly-In Reminder

Maury Drummey

The next Summer Potluck Dinner will be held starting at about 5 pm on August 16. CCSC will also be hosting a fly-in that day. Just a reminder – Hope to see you there!

Summer Soaring Camp Reminder

Eric Cochran

Summer Soaring Camp 2008 is set for the week of August 25th – 29th. Last year's event was a great time full of learning and camaraderie. Summer Soaring Camp is the best way to progress towards your soaring goals in the shortest amount of time. Any of those who could make their time available as tow pilots or instructors this year will be greatly appreciated and surely find as much fun and satisfaction as the students. I've marked my calendar and I hope you can too. To contact me my email is – eric.i.cochran@ae.ge.com

2008 Summer Youth Camp

The 2008 Summer Youth Camp was a great time. Everyone learned a lot about soaring and had fun, too!





Neighborhood Appreciation / Ox Roast **Maury Drummey**

CCSC will host our annual Neighborhood Appreciation Day in conjunction with our annual Oktoberfest with an ox-roast on the 18th of October. Every year we invite our neighbors to come on down and see what we are all about. Glider rides are available as well as food, drink and fun. Our neighbors are important to us as they are the ones who have to listen to us fly about during summer weekends. So come on out, have a little food and fest, and show our neighbors how much we appreciate their support of CCSC.

Gas Alert

We had several new gas bills. The latest from Landmark was \$4.099 per gallon while the bill from Waynesville for 100LL was \$5.50 per gallon which averages to \$4.799. Therefore, in accordance with the Schedule of Fees and Dues, tow fees will increase to \$1.35 per 100 feet of altitude effective 1 August.

Glider Winch Training and Endorsements are currently available at Waynesville Airport. Future availability for/ at CCSC is being evaluated. For the endorsement, approximately 15 flights are needed. For winch re-currency, approximately 5-7 flights are needed. Training is in Schweitzer equipment. At present, please contact Jim Goebel or Gerry Proffitt for available training opportunities.

Here are a couple of pictures of my recent winch launch:



Upcoming Events – Mark Your SSA Calendar !

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| 2 August | CCSC Board Meeting, 9:30 AM at the clubhouse |
| 16 August | Fly-In and 5 PM - Pot Luck Dinner |
| 25 – 29 August | Adult Summer Camp |
| 6 September | CCSC Board Meeting, 9:30 AM at the clubhouse |
| 4 October | CCSC Board Meeting, 9:30 AM at the clubhouse |
| 18 October | Neighbor Appreciation Day – Oktoberfest Ox-Roast |
| 1 November | CCSC Board Meeting, 9:30 AM at the clubhouse |
| 6 December | CCSC Board Meeting, 9:30 AM at the clubhouse |

Congratulations, Dave

Rich Carraway

Dave Coucke recently joined CCSC, and made his first glider solo flight, in the Grob on July 26. Dave is a power transition guy, with commercial, multi-engine and instrument ratings, but now he is really hooked on gliders. Great job, Dave!

Another Who-Dey is here! Can you identify the two adventurous CCSC souls in the picture below?



CCSC Board Meeting Minutes

Rolf Hegele

August 1, 2008

In attendance were Andrew Dignan, President; Rolf Hegele, Secretary; Jim Lowe, Treasurer; Maury Drummey, Social; Steve McManus, Glider Maintenance; and Jim Goebel, Operations. The meeting was called to order at 9:50.

Secretary – The minutes from the July meeting were reviewed and accepted. We also reviewed two new membership applications. All applicants were approved Steve Fenstermaker and Nathan Herli (youth member).

Treasurer – The July financial statement indicated we have about \$24,000 available. This includes some nice income from the contest. We also discussed the gasoline situation and the price we pay at Cubby's will be averaged into the standard calculation. The Treasurer's Report was approved.

Facilities - It was recommended that Gerry prepare a to-do list for crews in case they get rained out. It should include completing the painting on the clubhouse. The clubhouse computer has been sent for repair and will

probably need a new motherboard. We currently have three golf carts operational and one is still hung up in the repair shop bankruptcy.

Tow Plane Maintenance – All towplanes are operational.

Glider Maintenance – The Blanik should be finished shortly and alternatives for the rear canopy are being investigated. The 1-34 canopy has been repaired and the aircraft is airworthy. 16Q is in for it's annual but may need some fabric work before it can be returned. The SSD is considering having the fuselage recovered in the October/November timeframe.

Operations –The Board is still awaiting the Safety Board Reviews on three separate incidents. It was recommended that we publicize the incidents in some sort of Safety Corner without attribution. Crew Chief reports still have not been automated (but will be shortly after the invoice process has been updated). It was recommended that we issue a different color flight card that will automatically incur a second hour charge.

Social – The Fly-In set for August 16 and Steve and Jim G are the Project Officers. There will also be a pot luck dinner that evening. We will also hold our Neighbor Appreciation Day Oktoberfest on Saturday, October 18. The Heathergreen Senior citizens Aviation Group will visit on the next Wednesday.

Old Business – Jim G. wants to demonstrate winch operations at CCSC. There was concern about whether it can be done safely or how low tows would impact the training curriculum, considering that statistics favor aero tows. His plan involves very controlled instruction. It was decided that Andrew will send an e-mail to the membership to indicate their level of interest in winch operations. He will also form a committee consisting of Jim G, the Safety Committee, Gerry Proffitt, and Dieter Schmidt. They will have a committee meeting on 23 or 24 August to decide the merits of winch launching and allowing a demonstration at CCSC.

New Business – Charlie Richardson has volunteered to put a new roof on the brick building. He will coordinate with Henry on the project. The well water pump has been replaced and a new electrical line will be buried from the barn to the fuel pump. It was agreed that we would pursue a claim with the bank to get our golf cart back.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:10 pm.

Open Items are as follows:

- Establish a SoarCCSC. com address for data updates on the invoices – Andrew
- Complete the automated crew chief report - Andrew
- Move FoxPro files to Access – Andrew
- Review Sport Pilot training and insurance issues – Joe Jackson, Andrew, Rolf, Jim G.
- Prepare a plan for the midfield drainage ditch – Gerry P.
- Prepare draft document regarding trailer removal – Gerry P.
- Prepare the safety policy signs for display on the trailer and on the web page – Paul

- Identify monthly reports for Board consideration -Andrew, Rolf, Sara
- Nameplates for open trailer bay – Gerry P
- Wrap poles in hanger with foam – Gerry P
- Review insurance options - Dave M / Paul M

CCSC at Work ... and at Play!





Classifieds

Editor's note: Ads will be re-run monthly unless otherwise advised. Thanks!

For Sale: Can't be a Thunderbird? The next best thing is to buy my 1/4 share of the best looking best flying 1-34 for sale anywhere. A9 come completewith parachute, trailer, great co-owners and a beautiful Thunderbird paint scheme. \$3,750 Call Dave Menchen (513) 313-2315

For Sale: Garmin GPS Pilot III with EW-D data logger, \$600. The two together can run on their own batteries – connection to A/C electrical system not required, but recommended. Valid for badge flights up to 500K. Contact Greg McDowell, 937-382-5065

For Sale: STRONG PARA-CUSHON 303 PARACHUTE, like new \$650. Contact Greg Crook at (614) 932-9979 or greg.crook@sbcglobal.net

Wanted: 3-5 partners in new DG-1000T. 30k-40k per share, 1 to 3 years until delivery. Contact Rob Cluxton at rjcluxton@cinci.rr.com or phone 513-702-3925

Wanted: Seeking to purchase sailplane or partnership in older glass ship. Please contact David Coucke @ 937-287-0910 if you have something available.

Submissions for *The Frequent Flyer* should be sent to
Tammy Scott at: tspot1@sbcglobal.net

Submissions are due by day's end on the Monday before the second Saturday of each month.

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