

CCSC Frequent Flier Newsletter

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NEWS YOU NEED TO KNOW:

Flight Operations have begun at Clinton County Airport. We have the Pickle and CC stored in the main hangar and the crew chief's trailer sitting outside. One gas cart with towing gear is also stored inside. Get out there and do some winter soaring!

Potluck Dinners are back! The third Sat of each month beginning Feb 16. No RSVP needed. Bring your own meat and a side dish or desert to share. Guess what three (living in the dark) guys thought the pot luck was the 2nd Sat?

CCSC Ladies Annual Luncheon is scheduled for Feb 23 at the Stone House Tavern, 258 Main Street Waynesville. 513-769-1263. Please RSVP to JoAnne Pedersen (513-769-1263) or dyhr.pedersen@fuse.net by Wed Feb 20. All ladies are welcome and no gift exchange will be held.

CCSC Cats: The critter control board has been hard at work to resolve the issue of the growing number of feline freeloaders. To limit the population Martha Clark has contacted a local organization who has agreed to come to the club Feb 28 and pick up the critters, remove their urge to reproduce and return them to our care at no cost to the club. Barry Clark has offered to provide a couple of glider flights in return for this generosity. I'm thinking about that Top Gun scene where Maverick and Goose were at the piano singing "You've lost that loving feeling."

The **Wright Memorial Contest** is back! After a siesta of many moons the CCSC Wright Memorial Contest is making a come back. May 24-27, 2013 will be the dates for the renewed event. Although we call it a contest it's really intended to be a celebration of our sport, our passion for

gliding and an old fashion flying get together. And when aviators get together some form of competition usually takes place. So in that spirit, bring your glider (the older the better) but any glider can compete. We'll handicap and if more than one glider by type enters you fly man on man but also compete handicapped for overall points. No trophies this year, just bragging rights.

We're planning on Friday 5/24 to be a practice day, Sat and Sunday the main contest days and Monday a makeup or travel day home. The contest will be a three turn point event with large radii on the turn points, distance and speed. Tows to 2K AGL for \$40 each. If you're a CCSC member serving on a crew your tow fees will be just your normal tow fee to 2K with crew credit applied. Dinners and beer provided for a nominal fee. No entry fee. You must have a valid SSA ID card. This is not a sponsored SSA contest. Camping on the grounds. Regional glider pilots are invited to attend. Expect to see a number of 1-26's and some vintage gliders.

The event will be hosted by CCSC with various members performing the tasks necessary that will result in a good time for all. CCSC members are encouraged to come out and help, fly, camp and enjoy our wonderful club environment in a manner of days gone by.

We hope this initial Wright Memorial Day Event will be the first of many to come and will usher in a renewed focus on club wide family inclusive weekend experiences.

Steve Statkus

TRUSTEE'S AWARD PRESENT AND PAST:

Last month at the annual banquet we recognized a number of club members for their contributions to the success of the club over 2012. One award we give each year is the

Trustees' Award and this goes to the individual who is recognized for their continued support over the long term, think multiple years. The individual who receives this award is selected by the last three recipients of the Trustee Award and the selection process is done below the radar screen, in secret. This year Rolf Hegele was recognized for his contributions to the club over a 10 year period during which time he has served on the CCSC board continuously as president, secretary, Director of Maintenance, Director of Public Relations and Treasurer. He has served as crew chief, assistant crew chief, Contest manager and scorer for several Region 6 contests and scorer for the 2007 Sports class National contest. Most recently, Rolf has led the implementation of the new club record keeping and billing system using QuickBooks. He is also the plane captain for ASK-21 SD.

Rolf is a corner stone volunteer that brings a voice of reason to our board meetings and is thorough to a fault with his record keeping. His historical background with respect to club issues is invaluable and offered in an unbiased manner when requested. We are fortunate to have Rolf on the board and as a contributing member to CCSC. He sets a high standard for the next recipient of the Trustee's Award.

FYI. The trustee award goes back some years. And some of those members who received the award go back even further. One member, who is always there and one of those quiet supporters of club activities is highlighted in the following almost illegible hand written report provided by John Antrim.

"Our 1996 recipient from the Trustee's Award is a long time contributor to flight operations. A tow pilot, flight instructor, teacher, writer and licensed airframe mechanic. He draws from his expertise in all these fields to provide a major contribution to the club.

As a tow pilot he has made about 10,000 + tows and something on the order of 10,000 glider instruction flights. As an instructor he has a unique gift of recognizing what a pilot is doing wrong and in clear simple terms explaining and demonstrating a better way to fly. Consider myself an expert on critiquing the ability of

instructors, having terrorized something in excess of 70 of them over the last 52 years. Our recipient is right at the tip of the list – not the list of those terrorized – the list of those with rare ability.

Our recipient has also written a series of classic articles on "How to fly a 2-33 and other gliders" for our newsletter, the Frequent Flier. Recently he compiled these 14 articles into a booklet form. A few weeks ago I asked him if the club was at least reimbursing him for the expenses involved in his production of these booklets, not surprising he responded "paper cost nothing I buy it in bulk quantities and the ink for my printer is cheap."

Do you ever wonder how the oil and filters get changed on our Pawnees? Guess who performs this less than fun job that Murphy's Law schedules only on hot humid or cold damp days?

Our recipient also critiques the flying qualities of our gliders and tow planes. Recently he asked me if I had noticed that tone of the tow planes had a tendency to turn right in flight. Somewhat embarrassed I responded "no." By way of explanation to the non-pilots in the audience I explained that I corrected for the out of trim condition with sub-conscious control input – no one else had noted this problem. A visual check of the wings indicated that the left wing had a greater angle of incidence at the tip than the right wing. This was confirmed by Cubby using an electronic protractor. Flight test after adjusting the incidence angles (washout) per the maintenance manual was AOK. So, when the recipient says "John did you ever notice....," I pay attention.

One last comment; in all the years I have known him I have never heard him use an profanity or say any unkind comments or criticize anyone. This is all the more remarkable when you consider the fact that he is an ex-Marine!

Paul, er, Tom Bales is the recipient of the 1995 Caesar Creek Soaring Club Trustee Award.

I should explain that we called him Paul for years; he was too nice of a guy to tell us his real name was Tom.

Tom's response: "John you did make one mistake; there is no such thing as an ex -Marine. Once a Marine, always a Marine."

John's response: "This is the first time I have heard him chew anybody out."

John Antrim 1-23-1996.

CALENDER OF EVENTS:

Feb 16 Monthly Potluck dinner at CCSC Clubhouse.
Feb 23 Lady's Annual Luncheon, at the Stone House Tavern in Waynesville.
March 23 & 24 CFI requalification
April 13 & 14 CCSC Spring Cleaning
April 21st-27th- Pennsylvania Ridge trip
May 24-27 Wright Memorial Day Event
May 25 Get together to celebrate the flights made from CCSC to Blairstown, NJ this spring.
June 10-15 Regional Sport Class Contest
July 8-12 Youth Camp
Aug 12-16 Adult camp
Aug 20-30 1-26 Championships Moriarty N.M.
Aug 31-Sept 1, 2013 - Labor Day Fun Fly, camp & cook out.

CCSC BOARD MINUTES JAN 2013:

Call to order - Frank Paynter: Members present; Frank Paynter, Dan Reagan, Jim Dudley, John Dudley, Mark Miller, Rolf Hegele, Tim Christman. Absent; Mike Hutchison and Steve Statkus

Reading of the Minutes - January board minutes approved as previously distributed.

Reports and Statements of Officers and Committees:

Secretary - Steve Statkus; Rolf reported that four member resigned the last month and two members were terminated due to non payment of dues.

Treasurer - Rolf Hegele presented the 2013 year to date financial statements—All bills are paid and the cash balance total of savings and

checking is \$48,466. There were no unexpected expenses for the month.

Operations/Ground Tow Vehicle Maintenance - Director of Operations-Mark Miller reported that the Clinton County operation is to take place at the next opportunity. Mark is to meet with the Clinton County Airport Authority on Monday February 4th to get the keys to the hangar. Premises insurance will be obtained for the Clinton County operation.

Glider Maintenance - John Dudley: With the exception of the Grob 103, all the glass ships have been inspected. The Grob 103 is currently in the shop and is well along in its inspection. John will review upcoming inspection dates to determine which 2-33 should go to Clinton County first.

Tow Plane Maintenance - Tim Christman/Paul McClaskey:

54909 - In operation, no known squawks, no maintenance due until the annual. The annual is due by 4/30, but it will probably be done in March.

7333Z - I understand the battery won't start the engine. This airplane will be going to Stewart's this week end for its annual and engine overhaul. I expect it to be finished around March 7. The engine will require a proper break in after that, so it won't be available for towing until April 1. More on that is it develops. We will get the issue with the new Gomolzig muffler resolved also.

8848L - Annual finishing this weekend. It should be back to CCSC and available for towing this week. Key items accomplished include carburetor overhaul, new throttle cable and throttle cable rigging to address the performance issue and fuel tank bladder Velcro to address the bladder snap problem.

Tow plane captains have been recruited. Jim Goebel (33Z), Tony Bonser (909), and Norb

Maurer (48L), who are all A&P mechanics, have stepped forward to help.

Facilities/Grounds Equipment Maintenance –

Mike Hutchison: The insurance inspector is checking the clubhouse roof this next week to see if a claim is justified.

Henry has taken measurements for the counter top in the men's restroom in preparation for the rest room rehab.

It was reported that the utility bills for the campground have increased during the cold weather. It was suggested that a notice be put in the Frequent Flyer asking that those not using the camper during the winter, winterize the camper and turn off all electric heaters. If electric usage continues to increase, the campground fees might have to be increased to cover the utility bill.

Public Relations – John Dudley: CCSC has been invited to participate in a public event that will occur on Huffman Prairie Flying Field on Saturday, October 5, 2013. Known as the Great Wright Brothers Aero Carnival, the event will take place from 10:00 - 4:00. A glider static display is being considered.

John Dudley agreed to supplement posts on the CCSC Facebook page.

Social Activities – Jim Dudley: The CCSC Banquet was a success with 71 members attending.

Unfinished Business

2013 Region 6 South Contest application has been approved for the requested June date.

New Business

Disaster Drill – Waynesville Fire Department wants to conduct a disaster drill at the Club in conjunction with several other departments simulating an aircraft accident. Tom McDonald will be coordinating the date with Waynesville FD and is targeting early April. We will probably try to have our annual meetings of crew chiefs

and instructors to coincide with this event, so that we will all understand our roles.

Conference call added to board meeting - It was suggested that the CCSC board have a better way for board members who are absent to monitor the board meeting. This will be researched and it is possible that a better quality speaker phone will need to be purchased.

Youth Camp- Tom McDonald attended the board meeting and gave more details of plans for the Youth Camp. It was agreed that applications and youth inquiries need to go out very soon since the kids summer schedules are filling up. A date of Memorial Day was set to try to have the attendees finalized.

CCSC corporate status- It was suggested that the board revisit the issue of reviewing CCSC's corporate status. After much discussion, a committee was drafted to investigate this issue.

Sales Tax – Jim Dudley stated that he would like to review our State sales tax policy. A discussion took place hitting some of the high points of research that was done over the past year

Board voted to adjourn.

CLASSIFIEDS:

Editor's note" Classifieds can be sent to stevestatkus@gmail.com. Date of entry noted in (). Ads may time out in three months unless resubmitted.

For Sale: 1997 Ford Camper-Van. Great glider support vehicle. Sportsmobile pop-top roof with bed, storage shelves, drawers and crank out awning. 7.3L turbo diesel gets 20 mpg highway and tows up to 12,000 lbs. 125,000 miles. \$6,000 obo. Rob Cluxton [513-702-3925](tel:513-702-3925) or rjcluxton@cinci.rr.com

For Sale (5/12); 1991 Elite Travel Trailer 30ft. Great shape, interior is in super shape, no known leaks. Newer refrigerator. Trailer is located on west end of the trailer park. Sale includes gas grill. A steal at \$2000 **OBO**. Norb Maurer [513 774 0380](tel:513-774-0380)

Need a cool place to hide out from the wife or girl friend? Think about a Time Share at CCSC's campground. Shark Manor is looking for a co-renter to enjoy this unique crash pad. Bring your woolies cause the A/C works really well. Contact Chuck Lohre at 513-260-9025 or chuck@lohre.com.

2013 CCSC GROUND CREWS:

1ST SATURDAY

CC: Steve Fenstermaker, **ACC:** Jim English, **Tow Pilots:** John Armor, Andy McClaskey, Mark Schababerle, **Instructor:** Paul McClaskey. **Crew:** Waseem Jamali, Courtney Schulker, Gerry Daugherty.

1ST SUNDAY

CC: Mike Karaker, **ACC:** Mark Miller, **Tow Pilots:** Manfred Mauer, Norb Mauer, Dieter Schmidt, Andy Swanson, Bob Miller. **Instructor,** Bob Miller, Rich Carroway. **Crew:** Don Burns, Dave Rawson.

2ND SATURDAY

CC Bob Root, **ACC** Dan Staarmann. **Tow Pilots:** Bob Anderson, Mark Schababerle. **Instructor:** Bill Gabbard. **Crew:** John Antrim, John Biernacki, Pat DeNaples ©, Dick Holzwarth, Jim Hurst ©, Jim Marks, Haskell Simpkins ©.

2ND SUNDAY

CC: Dave Menchen, **ACC:** Greg McDowell, **Tow Pilots:** Fred Hawk, Lorrie Penner, Gorden Penner, Jim Goebel **Instructor:** Gorden Penner, Bill Gabbard, Jim Goebel, Tom Rudolf, **Crew:** Alyssa Engeseth, Lucy McClosky, Mike McClosky, Katie Menchen, Jamie Morris.

3RD SATURDAY

CC:Maury Drummey, **ACC:**Rolf Hegele, **Tow Pilots:** Don Green, Steve McManus. Dick Scheper. **Instructor:** Dick Eslinger, Charlie DeBerry, Kat McManus. **Crew:** Gary Adams, Eric Cochran, Jeff Crowford, Jim Dudley, Jim Dudley, Norm Leet, Poul Pederson, Charlie Richardson, Brian Stoops, Chris Uhl ©, Chad Daughters

3RD SUNDAY

CC: Tom Bonser, **ACC,** None. **Tow Pilots:** Tony Bonser, Tim Christman, Mike Hutchison. **Instructor:** Dick Eckels, BillMiley, Chad Ryther, Bill Gabbard. **Crew:** Marcos Aranha, Jack Morari, Eran Moscona, Paul Schuette.

4TH SATURDAY:

CC: Chuck Lohre. **ACC:** Ethan Saladin. **Tow Pilots:** John Atkins, Guy Byars, Bernie Fullenkamp ©. **Instructor:** John Atkins, Joe Jackson, Larry Kirkbride ©. **Crew:** Tom Bales ©, Ross Bales, Michael Hayden. Chuch Lohre, John Murray ©, Ethan Saladin.

4TH SUNDAY

CC: Steve Statkus, **ACC:** Todd Dockum. **Tow Pilots:** Jim Bierstine, Matt Davis, Frank Paynter, **Instructor:** , Lynn Alexander, Frank Paynter. John Lubon. **Crew;** Rich Cedar, Barry Clark, Pat DeNaples, Tyler Dockum, Rik Ghai, Scott Mayer, Dan Reagan, Pete Schradin, Adam Wilson, Josh Young, Shelby Estell.

2013 ADDITIONAL CREW DAYS BY CREW:

March 30- 1st Sat Crew, March 31 – 1st Sun Crew.
June 29 – 2nd Sat Crew, June 30 – 2nd Sun Crew.
Aug 31 – 3rd Sat Crew.
Sept. 1 – 3rd Sun Crew.
Nov. 30 – 4th Sat Crew.
Dec 1 – 4th Sun Crew

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