Caesar Creek Soaring Club

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

May 20-31 1-26 Championship Contest - Steve Statkus

November 21, 2017

SATURDAY AT CCSC

Winds were gusting and the gray November overcast prevented any sun from penetrating, so there was no flying.



The loyal Third Saturday Crew led by Maury Drummey showed up ready to do whatever was needed. Soon Chris Uhl and Rolf Hegele went to work on the ethernet cable that provides internet service between the office and the club house and managed to restore service by replacing a connector. Charlie DeBerry was called upon for extended ground instruction. The rest of the crew helped Bob Miller

maneuver his glider trailer through the mud and into the hangar for safe storage. While the winds were blowing Steve McManus was home with MaryBeth helping prepare for a marvelous Open House gathering for CCSC members in lieu of the scheduled pot luck dinner Saturday evening. If you missed it you missed one of the best social gatherings of the club this year.

SUNDAY AT CCSC

Again Sunday were no glider flights. The field was too soft and waterlogged for safe operations and the risk of making new scars in the recently repaired runway was too great. Nevertheless, there was good news evident. The runway repairs that were done October 21-22 must have been completed at just the right time. The holes that were filled in are looking smooth and the new grass has sprouted and looks like it will be ready to fill in nicely when the warm spring weather returns.



REPORT FROM THE RIDGE- MARK MILLER (11/19/2017)

Four escapees from the mental ward tried to ridge fly Sunday. John Lubon and Joe Simmers went to New Castle, VA and Dan Reagan and I went to Ridge Soaring on Saturday. John and Joe thought they could avoid snow and rain showers by going south; they got some wave over nearly overcast skies but had no where to go on top. John made it back but Joe landed out. Dan tried to launch at 07:03 but a rain shower delayed him for an hour or more. I finally screwed my self together around 10:45 when Doris said "you just have to try!" I spent the whole four hours either avoiding snow squalls or rain showers on Mt. Tussey. When I dove through the snow squall on Mt. Tussey coming home with full speed brakes I thought the worst was over. After the transitions to Mt. Nittany and the Bald Eagle Ridge I got to the Milesburg Gap. That was when Tom called on the radio to say the field was IFR! Rain showers were covering the way home. I spent 20 minutes trying to stay aloft until it cleared enough to make it home, then shot the pattern at 70+ for a sporting landing. Wanted to kiss the ground! Dinner with Tom and Doris. BTW a guy from PHL who drove over last night rigged with me this morning but decided against flying. The season is officially over!

The firewood supply is not as large as in some previous years, but should get us through the winter.



SAFETY CORNER LIBRARY - KEVIN PRICE

Please take a look at the <u>Safety Corner on the CCSC website</u>. Jim Dudley and I have worked together to post safety related articles there that I have written as well as those written by others. Chris Giacomo's "The Mountains Win Again" and this week's new addition, Kai Gertsen's "Off-Airport Landings" make for very interesting reading. All the articles are in PDF format and can be downloaded if desired.

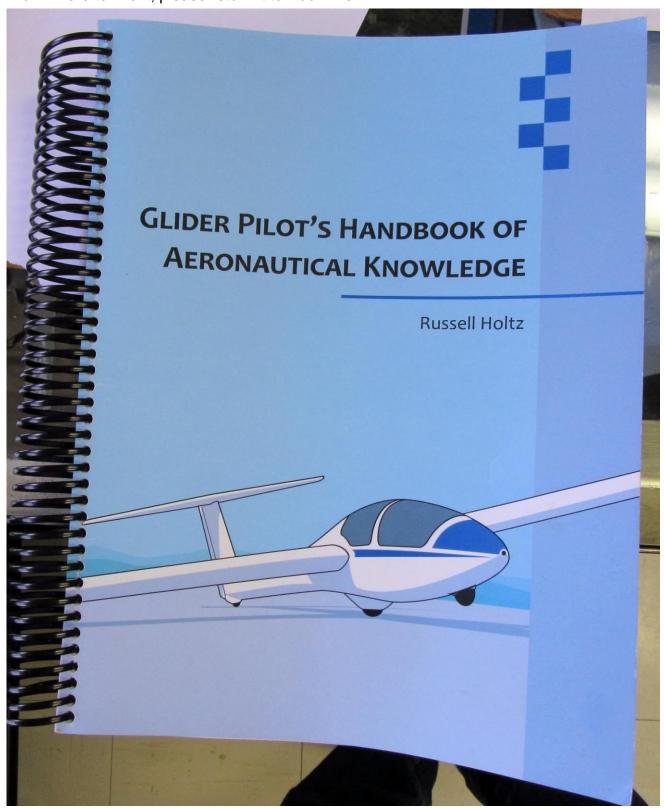
If you would like to contribute a safety related article, be it a personal "There I was..." story or something academic, please send it to Jim for consideration for incorporation into a future Frequent Flyer. Articles posted in the Frequent Flyer will also be posted in the Safety Corner online library. I will also be putting the Safety Corner articles in a red binder in the clubhouse for your reading pleasure.

A Note on the San Mar Gale Closed Runway- KEVIN PRICE

I recently posted in the Frequent Flyer a short piece on the San Mar Gale closed runway near CCSC. The big takeaway from it should be to not attempt to land there in a low winged aircraft that has wings close to the ground, especially a glider that has a long wingspan. (High weeds and grass line the 30 foot wide runway.) In an emergency, however, it may be an option in a high winged aircraft or perhaps a low winged aircraft that has wings well above the ground and/or that bow up, e.g., a Pawnee. That said, if you land there, be aware that the owner may react very unfavorably (as at least one club member can attest to from personal experience). Of course, in a real emergency the owner's reaction really wouldn't matter. However, do not look upon this closed runway as a normal option for landing in case your planning and/or in flight decisions don't work out. The owner's likely ire and the potential for obstacles to find their way onto the runway since my last drive down it underscore that this option is for emergencies only...and only for high winged aircraft at best.

NEED HELP...BOOK MISSING FROM CABINET

The Instructor's Manual companion to Holtz' <u>Glider Pilot's Handbook of Aeronautical Knowledge</u> is missing. Bob Miller had ordered it as a special order and wants to locate it. If you borrowed it or know where to find it, please return it to Bob Miller



HELP FINDING SOMEONE TO SWAP CREW DAY ASSIGNMENTS

A web-based process for facilitating swapping crew day assignments was announced in the 2/21/2017 Frequent Flyer along with instructions for using the system. This process is intended to help members find another member who will agree to swap crew duties for one specific set of dates. It is **not** for getting reassigned to a different crew for an indefinite period. Mark Miller is now the person who oversees crew assignments, so Mark is the one to whom you need to speak about a long term change.

Remember that **UOP 2.2 CREW MEMBER DUTIES** states: "All crew members are to report for duty at 9:30 AM and work until released by the Crew Chief. Each crew member is personally responsible for arranging for a qualified substitute in case of his or her absence. Scheduled crew members are expected to be present for each of their scheduled crew days regardless of flying conditions." This new process does not relieve any crew member from the responsibility for arranging for a qualified substitute and informing the crew chief; rather it is intended to help accomplish that task.

As of 5:00 pm on 11/21/2017 there are three requests for a member to swap or substitute a crew day.

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Skills:</u>	Click Here:
2nd Saturday in February 02-10-2018	Crew	Sub/Swap
3rd Sunday in December 12-17-2017	CFI-G	Sub/Swap
1st Saturday in December 12-02-2017	Crew	Sub/Swap

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CCSC WEBSITE

MINUTES FROM BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

http://www.soarccsc.com/resources/members/meetingminutes/

(The password is printed on your monthly statement.)

SOARING CALENDARS AVAILABLE - BRIAN STOOPS

I will be taking orders for the 2018 SSA Soaring Calendars. An ordering list has been placed on the display cabinet near the phone in the clubhouse. On the list please put your Last Name, Acct # and No. of Calendars you desire and I will order them. You can pick them up when they come in. The Calendars will be \$11 each.- Brian

WANTED TO BUY

Open trailer - Schweizer, Gehrlein or equivalent. Any condition. Contact: Guy Byars

FOR SALE

PARACHUTE FOR SALE - Two Security 26 foot canopy parachutes (@\$350) plus bag (\$25). Contact Tim Christman.

ICOM IC-A14 Transceiver and Desktop Charger - Like New! I bought it new about 2 or 3 years ago when I was flying contests. Paid about \$240 and they are still about the same price. Sell for \$175. Call me at 513-543-4008 or email jimfripp@embarqmail.com I am here for 2 weeks camped in the club campground. Jim Price

Schweizer SGS 1-23, S/N 14, MFG Date May1950, includes open trailer. Has won vintage sailplane awards. Contact Thomas G. Bonser.

Note: See Membership Roster on website for contact information for all members.

CCSC GROUND CREWS:

1ST SATURDAY

CC: Steve Fenstermaker (cell: 937-581-7713) **Tow Pilots**: John Armor, CR Gillespie. **Instructors:** Paul McClaskey, Tom McDonald. **Crew:** Gerry Daugherty, Mark Hanlon, Joe Jaap, Kevin Price, Dan Beans, Jul Alvarez, D. Mattmuller, B. Sanbongi, A. Quinn, Michael Zengel, Waseem Jamali.

1ST SUNDAY - Training Crew

CC: Mike Karraker (cell: 937-830-0627) **ACC**: Mark Miller. **Tow Pilots**: Manfred Maurer, Norb Maurer, Dieter Schmidt, Andy Swanson. **Instructors**: Bob Miller. **Crew**: Don Burns, Bill Clawson, Christian Maurer, Ethan Maxwell, Eran Moscona, Dave Rawson, Joe Zeis..

2ND SATURDAY

CC: Dick Holzwarth (cell: 937-542-9612) **ACC**: Jim Marks, Bob Root. **Tow Pilots**: Haskell Simpkins. **Instructors**: Bob Anderson, Bill Gabbard, Jim Price. **Crew:** Bill Hall, Ron Kellerman, Brian Mork, Chloe Williams, Michael Williams.

2ND SUNDAY

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

3RD SATURDAY

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

3RD SUNDAY

CC: Brian Stoops (cell: 937-750-3788) **ACC: Tow Pilots:** Tony Bonser, Tim Christman. **Instructors:** Dick Eckels, **Crew**: Darin Caviness, Otis Lewis, Dan Miner, Tony Rein, Zach Siefker, David Whapham,

4TH SATURDAY:

CC: Chuck Lohre (cell: 513-260-9025) **ACC**: Ethan Saladin. **Tow Pilots:** Guy Byars, Larry Kirkbride. **Instructors:** John Atkins, Joe Jackson. **Crew:** Edgar Byars, Ross Bales, Andrew Dignan, Helen Lohre, Henry Meyerrose, John Murray.

4TH SUNDAY

CC: Steve Statkus (cell: 513-720-8955) ACC: TBD Tow Pilots: Ron Blume, Matt Davis, Tim Morris. Instructors: John Lubon, Kat McManus. Crew: Lynn Alexander, Bill Barone, Mauricio Berrizbeitia, Richard Cedar, Shelby Estell, Jeff Grawe, M. Hosta, Keith Kilpatrick, Dan Reagan, Pete Schradin, Stefano Sinigaglia, Laviniu Tirca John Williams.

2017 5th WEEKEND CREW DAYS:

 $\begin{array}{l} Jan~29~-3^{rd}~Sun~Crew\\ Apr~29~-3^{rd}~Sat~Crew\\ Apr~30~-4^{th}~Sun~Crew\\ Jul~29~-1^{st}~Sat~Crew \end{array}$

Jul 30 – 1st Sun Crew Sep 30 – 2nd Sat Crew

Oct 29 – 2nd Sun Crew

Dec 30 – 4th Sat

Dec 31 – Informal (Unknown)

POINTS OF CONTACT:

PRESIDENT: John Lubon

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DIR OF FACILITIES: Keith Kilpatrick **BUSINESS MANAGER:** Jon Stewart, BusinessManager@soarccsc.com

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Note: See <u>Membership Roster</u> on soarccsc.com for phone numbers and email addresses for all members.

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