



## Caesar Creek Soaring Club

June 8, 2021

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Jun. 20-25, 2021 – Youth Education Week**, Steve McManus – **See page 3 to volunteer!**
- **Aug. 9-13, 2021 – Cross Country Camp**, Chuck Lohre, [chuck@lohre.com](mailto:chuck@lohre.com), 513-260-9025
- **Jan 29, 2022 – CCSC Annual Banquet**, Linda Murray

### Operations – COVID changes! – Mark Miller

Based on the fact that Warren County is now at 2 COVID cases per 100k and most members have been vaccinated we are now open for providing guest rides for the vaccinated public and friends. This change in policy is effective immediately. We will also make masks optional in the Clubhouse and on the flight line.

### Last month in review – Tom McDonald

We had a great May, with 226 flights during the month and 568 so far this year. This is more than double the 254 we had through this point last year. We are also on track or ahead on most budget items, and have just gotten someone to come work on our golf carts on site. Here are some highlights excerpted from crewchief reports:



CCSC has recently gained two tow pilots, Karl Ludolph and Christian Maurer. They both finished their CCSC qualifications a few weeks ago under the watchful eye of Tim Christman, CCSC Chief



tow pilot. Karl has lots a previous towing experience at such places as Ridge Soaring and has had a long career in many aspects of aviation.

Christian is just starting out but is already towing both at CCSC and Stewart's Field for Cubby's commercial sailplane operation. He put in 8 tows to help put those members who wanted to soar on Memorial Day. They were grateful for that (and for Norb Maurer taking the time to get the tail wheel on 33Z fixed with a new inner tube)

First Sunday is growing their own new crew members. Steve and Miranda Kleine have a new little girl. Baby Bell will be crewing for us in few years.



Returning member Greg McDowell requalified as a towpilot and as an instructor.

Thanks so much for Jim Goebel's help instructing, He's shown with Anna (l) and Ruth (r) prepping 15H for Ruth Watkinson's first glider ride.



Andrew put the Baby Grob back together. It's ready to fly.

Some equipment issues during the month:

- 33Z had a flat tire on the tailwheel late in the day. Air was added so that the plane could be returned to the hangar, but no repairs were made and the cause was not determined.
- 16Q was found to have a flat tire on the morning preflight. It was pumped up and held air for the rest of the day.
- Golf cart #85 was redtagged for a broken right rear leaf spring.
- One radio was redtagged for inability to transmit - left in crew chief locker.
- CC had a flat nose wheel, also on morning preflight. Andrew Dignan repaired it with the last inner tube we had. Bob Miller will look for some more.
- 15H's trim spring made noise when it was in the full forward position. Joe Jackson removed the cover around the stick and observed that when the trim was in the full forward position the spring scrapped against the round tube sleeve. It was determined that that's the way it was designed and he put some white lithium grease on it. 16Q has a screw missing on the rear pilot door base. And there were several boltss missing from the front seat rear right hand seam.
- Bob Miller worked on installing the radio the Pickle.

As you see, things do break during the operating day. Many of us (myself included) are just getting back into gliders and the rest of our lives following a long layoff. Be careful. We get that you are trying to fly it, not buy it. Still, do your own walkaround.

## Caesar Creek Youth Soaring Association (CCYSA)

We are at 2 weeks before the 2021 Youth Education Week (YEW), I have received applications from 8 youth that are registered and approved for 2021 YEW. The max number of participants is 15.

- If you have not received confirmation from Steve McManus you are not registered.

Below is the schedule of events for the YEW and the Youth application. The items in blue need volunteers: Flight instructors and tow pilots are needed. Flight instructors have been our limiting factor in the past so volunteer flight instructors are key to the camps success.

CCYSA Youth Soaring YEW -Schedule of Events June 20 - 26 2021

Time\ Day	Sunday 6/20	Monday 6/21	Tuesday 6/22	Wednesday 6/23	Thursday 6/24	Friday 6/25
7:00- 8:00		Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast
8:00 - 8:30		Morning Meeting / Safety and Weather brief				
8:30-11:30		Set-up Operations / Fly	Set-up Operations / Fly	Set-up Operations / Fly	Set-up Operations / Fly	Set-up Operations / Fly
11:30		Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
12:30- 5:30		Fly	Fly	Fly	Fly	Fly
5:30 00 PM	Sign-in 4:30-5:30 Short meeting 5:30	Put Gliders Away	Put Gliders Away	Put Gliders Away	Put Gliders Away	Put Gliders Away
Crew Chief	NA	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open
Dinner Volunteers	Dinner 6:00 Parent Volunteers: McManus	Dinner 6:00 Parent Volunteers OPEN	Dinner 6:00 Parent Volunteers OPEN	Dinner 6:00 Parent Volunteers OPEN	Dinner 6:00 Parent Volunteers OPEN	Dinner 6:00 Volunteers: NA
Main course	MC: Pulled Pork /Chicken	MC: Tacos	MC: Spaghetti	MC: Burger/Chicken	MC: Left overs	MC: Pizza
Evening Debrief 7:00 - 7:30	Open	Youth Leads: TBD	Youth Leads: TBD	Youth Leads: TBD	Youth Leads: TBD	Youth Leads: TBD
Tow pilots	NA	? /? /?	? /? /?	? /? /?	? /? /?	? /? /?
Instructors Morning		Pflegger/??/?	Pflegger/??/?	Pflegger/??/?	Pflegger/??/?	Pflegger/??/?
Instructors Afternoon		Pflegger/??/?	Pflegger/??/?	Pflegger/??/?	Pflegger/??/?	Pflegger/??/?



## 2021 Ridge Week – Rolf Hegele

The 2021 CCSC Ridge Week was a great success. We flew 8 out of 9 days with only the one day being shut down due to rain. We had SD and Dan Reagan's ASG-32 along with several private ships: 6V was flown by Chuck Lohre and Karl Ludolph while John Lubon flew in in his ASG-29 – JL. All told, we had 29 flights flying over 4000 kilometers. SD had 13 flights with one landout and a short 1 mile retrieve. Dan had 3 flights in his ASG-32; John Lubon had 5 flights (he would have flown more but he had to work - some excuse); and 6V had 7 flights (4 being Pattern Tows).

Our original intention was to drive up Friday, however John and Dan indicated that Friday was going to be a ridge day (in fact John and Dan went up a day earlier since Thursday was also a ridge day), so we left Thursday as Manfred Maurer and Chris Summers were coming up to fly on Friday. It turned to be a fun ridge day and Manfred flew with Rolf and Chris with Dan. John flew his ASG-29 and then flew with Mark Hanlon in SD. On Saturday the weather was pretty weak but Chuck showed up with 6V, put it together, and had a nice flight. On Sunday the ridge was working again and Karl flew in 6V while Chuck and Rolf checked out the Nittany Ridge (back side) in SD. Mark got an exciting ride with Dan in the ASG-32 and got down and close to the trees as only Dan can show you. On Monday, Chuck claimed a 500K flight, while Dan and I sat on the ground thinking he'd never make it with winds at only 10 knots on the ground. But we watched Chuck fly back and forth on the ridge to complete his various legs and accomplish a 551 kilometer task. Look at our Facebook page for more on Chuck's flight. Charlie DeBerry and Don Green showed up on Monday also and each had a flight in SD.

On Tuesday, Don and Charlie flew again and Joe Jaap flew with Rolf up and down the ridge in thermals. On Wednesday, Charlie and Don kept SD busy but overall it was a slow day. Thursday was a rain day but Friday was being projected as a strong ridge day and Dan is still trying to get his 1500 kilometer flight in. So, he drove home Wednesday evening with the ASG-32 and returned Thursday with his ASG-29, put it together and was ready to launch at dawn on Friday. Unfortunately, Thursday night took the wind out of the sails with very weak ridge and Dan had a very short flight by beating his previous landout record. We met another friendly farmer who helped us immensely and made the retrieve fun. John Lubon did somewhat better but did come back to Ridge Soaring to help with the retrieve.

On Saturday, it was forecast to still have some ridge lift along with good thermals and Rolf and Dan flew together in SD. They had trouble getting much past Streidieck's airport, but the thermals were getting better and Lubon had announced a good thermal down by Tyrone. So Rolf and Dan followed blindly on only to find no thermals all the way to Tyrone and nothing there either. With no landing fields on the windward side, we crossed the ridge to explore a gravel pit and put us closer to landable fields. We got so low that our Nano logger thought we had three flights with two takeoffs at Tyrone. Fortunately Dan found a thermal bubble over a field and eventually dug us out of the field enough to go back to the gravel pit and this time it worked enough to get us back to the ridge and we tiptoed home. Upon later analysis, we spent a half-hour and 76 turns to get out of there. John didn't have an easy flight either, but did get back comfortably.

With no one else showing up from CCSC and having tired ourselves out on Saturday, we put everything back in the box and headed home Saturday afternoon. And everyone got home safely.

Overall, CCSC personnel flew for about 4000 kilometers. SD's long flight was 221 km, JL flew for about 1250 km with his long flight being 644 km; DR flew 771 km with a long flight of 559 km; and 6V flew for around 1120 km with a long flight of 551km. Who says you can't have fun on the Ridge and go Cross-Country in an ASK-21!!

## LAND'S END EMBROIDERED CLOTHING AND PROMOTIONAL ITEMS AVAILABLE ONLINE. PATCHES ARE IN THE DISPLAY CASE. – Chuck Lohre

**New:** Embroidered patches are available in the display case at \$5 each. The design is slightly different than the Land's End version. Thanks to Karl Ludolph for getting these.

**And to review:** At the April board meeting we approved the Land's End embroidered CCSC patch for use on their clothing line website. Go to <http://business.landsend.com/store/ccsc> select your garment or promotional product and then select the "APPLY LOGO(S)" box. I created the CCSC Patch for general club use. For my own personal use, I created the embroidery of my call sign "6V" and the ASW 15 planeform for the sleeves. If you would like your call sign or planeform created, send me a photo of your tail, the one-time cost is \$29 each to create the embroidery programming. Most of our planeforms are on the back of our silk screened t-shirts in the club house. The sizes run large, I got my usual XL shirt and it's too large for me. Only some of the promotional items are available one at a time for embroidery. My shirt, shown, cost \$35.95, plus



\$8.95 for the patch and \$6.95 each for the sleeves. They will also charge you tax and my shipping was \$9.95.

## Bill Clawson obituary – from (John) Paul Heimann

I have some very serious and sad news to report.

Bill Clawson, the owner of the LS3A-17 with ZN contest markings — has died.

His death occurred in the first week of May in Florida.

I have been informed that he had a high resting heart rate, high blood pressure, and was on a medical leave due to problems renewing his FAA First Class Medical. In addition, he had recently contracted COVID, though was never hospitalized. I was told he had quite painful headaches and fevers, and he had a lot of stress in his life. Any one of these factors would have been a serious difficulty, but together it seems they were insurmountable.

There are hundreds of his colleagues and friends at our mutual employer who are very shocked by the suddenness with which this well-liked, witty and fun fellow has died. There is little to say about his tragic end that would improve the picture, but we are all trying to remember him at his best, strolling around the big cities of the world, handling his jets, assembling his glider, riding his bicycles, or leaning on a bar somewhere. I got to do all of that with him over the past 20 years, and — like many, many, others — will miss his company very much.

His widow Amy can be reached at (phone, *redacted*) or (email, also *redacted*). (Reach out to Tom McDonald for Amy's contact info. I decided against posting it in this public space. Also, ZN is for sale. See this listing later in this newsletter).

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**Jonny Stewart is now Skydive Sports! He is providing a drop off service right here at CCSC. If you need your parachute repacked, just leave it in the CCSC office and fill out one of the service cards and attach it to your rig.**

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## **CCSC GROUND CREWS:**

### **1<sup>ST</sup> SATURDAY**

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

### **1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY – Training Crew**

CC: Mike Karraker (cell: 937-830-0627) ACC: Mark Miller. Tow Pilots: Norb Maurer, Andy Swanson. Instructors: Manfred Maurer, Bob Miller. Crew: Don Burns, Dan Domborwski, Stephen Kleine, Christian Maurer, Eran Moscona, Dave Rawson, Dieter Schmidt, Andrew Stryker, Joe Zeis.

### **2<sup>ND</sup> SATURDAY**

CC: Dick Holzwarth (cell: 937-542-9612) ACC: Jim Marks, Bob Root. Tow Pilots: Brian Mork, Haskell Simpkins. Instructors: Bob Anderson, Bill Gabbard. Crew: Booker Atkins, Jim Fox, Bill Hall, Ron Kellerman, Jim Suda, Lizz Suda, Marius, Jaison Lavergne and Daniel Pienaar.

### **2<sup>ND</sup> 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: Val Boehm, Al Dunn, Fred Hawk, Mike McKosky, David Wrinkle,.

### **3<sup>RD</sup> SATURDAY**

CC: Maury Drummey, (cell: 513-871-1998)  
ACC: Rolf Hegele. Tow Pilots: Don Green, Steve McManus, Sami Rintala. Instructors: Charlie DeBerry, Tom Lepley, Chris Uhl. Crew: Jim Dudley, John Dudley, Norm Leet, Charlie Maxwell, Ethan Maxwell, A. Quinn, Joshua Rising, Poul Pedersen, Maria Sestito.

### **3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY**

CC: Dan Miner (cell: 614-395-3953) ACC: Otis Lewis  
Tow Pilots: Tony Bonser, Tim

Christman, Karl Ludolph. Instructors: Dick Eckels, Sami Rintala. Crew: Jacob Dunnohew, Rusty May, Brian Stoops, Tony Rein, David Whapham, Ian Wolfe, Mark Crosten, John Kondratowicz,

### **4<sup>TH</sup> SATURDAY:**

CC: Chuck Lohre (cell: 513-260-9025) ACC: Ethan Saladin. Tow Pilots: Guy Byars, Tony Deatherage, Larry Kirkbride. Instructors: John Atkins, Joe Jackson. Crew: Ross Bales, Edgar Byars, Andrew Dignan, Tim Dold, David McMaster, Henry Meyerrose, John Murray, Blair & Trey Watkinson, Tony Rein

### **4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY**

CC: Chris Summers (cell: 513-807-0077) ACC: Steve Statkus. Tow Pilots: Ron Blume, Tim Morris. Instructors: John Lubon, Kat McManus. Crew: Bill Barone, Mauricio Berrizbeitia, Richard Cedar, Shelby Estell, Jeff Grawe, Keith Kilpatrick, Dan Reagan, Pete Schradin, Stefano Sinigaglia, Christian Summers, Laviniu Tirca.

### **2021 5th WEEKEND CREW DAYS:**

Jan 30 – 1st Sat Crew  
Jan 31 – 1st Sun Crew  
May 29 – 2nd Sat Crew  
May 30 – 2nd Sun Crew  
Jul 31 – 3rd Sat Crew  
Aug 29 – 3rd Sun Crew  
Oct 30 – 4th Sat Crew  
Oct 31 – 4th Sun Crew

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