



Caesar Creek Soaring Club

June 2, 2026

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- June 6 - SSD Board Meeting
- June 6 - Dudley Mead Celebration at CCSC Clubhouse 3:30PM
- June 28 to July 3 - Youth Camp (Youth Education Week (YEW))
- July 4 - SSD Board Meeting

MICHAEL H AGAIN THE 2026 1-26 NATIONAL CHAMPION - FF Editor/Rolf H./FaceBook

Michael H. has again won the 1-26 Nationals held in Hinckley, IL. from May 13 to 20. Michael's main competitor, Jimbob S. unfortunately landed out one day and took himself out of the competition. This makes Michael's winning streak two in a row (last year was called due to weather). Curt Lewis from Chicago, a frequent CCSC visitor and friend of the club, was the CD and host for the event. There were fifteen individual and seven team entries.

There were a few other CCSC'ers that participated. Among that group was Ryan S., flying club ship 548, and Andrew S. along with Henry H. team flying 687.

On the first practice day Ryan S. beat Michael H. by 3 miles and 1 mile per hour. They both topped out at over 10K ft, the highest either of them have been in a sailplane.



Michael H - 2026 1-26 Champion



Ryan S. Receives his First Time Award

During the first day of the contest Ryan S. took 1st place with Michael H. close behind in 2nd. Andy S. flew for team H./S. on the day and was one of only 3 team entrants, out of the seven entries, to finish the course. Team H./S. ended up finishing in 11th place for the day. Note that this was Ryan S.'s first contest ever. Not only that, he won the top task speed award for the whole contest on his first contest flight.

Though there were some great flying days, the contest had three days of wind and rain during the intervening days and they just squeezed in the days needed to make the contest official.

REMINDER: DUDLEY MEAD CELEBRATION JUNE 6 (MEMBERS INVITED)

Dudley Mead's family has received permission from the board to have a remembrance of life for Dudley at our club house on Saturday June 6th, 2026. A remembrance ceremony will start at 3:30PM and run into a dinner that starts around 5PM. His family will be at the field to share aspects of his life, the joy he had being a member of the CCSC, and his passion for participating in the sport of soaring. The family welcomes all members to join in on the celebration.

REMINDER YOUTH CAMP FOR 2026 NOTIFICATION - FF Editor

The Youth Camp dates have been set for 2026. It will be held the week of June 28th though July 3rd. Steve H. and Henry H, are taking applications from youth members starting May 1st. Check the roster for their contact information. There is a limit of 16 participants for the camp.

CAROL CARRAWAY HAS PASSED - FF Editor/Rich C.

Carol Carraway, Rich C's, wife passed away last week. She was a fixture at CCSC during contests and dinners and other club events when she and her husband, CCSC Instructor Rich C., would spend time in their trailer over the weekends. Rich has extended his tanks to members that have shared their condolences with him.

She graduated from Elmira College with a Bachelor of Arts in Education. Pushing contemporary boundaries, she moved across the country in her white Corvair, and began inspiring young minds as a third- and fourth-grade teacher in the Denver Public Schools. It was there that she met her beloved husband, Richard C, igniting a partnership marked by love, dedication, and shared purpose.

When she and Rich moved to Cincinnati in 1980, Carol's devotion to education and community service led her to ME Lyons YMCA where she became a preschool teacher, then Day Camp Director, Childcare Director, and finally Associate Executive Director. Her work at the Y touched countless families and children.

Carol's life was a testament to service, love, and the quiet, lasting impact of a devoted educator and compassionate soul. Her legacy lives on in the many lives she touched, and in the beauty of the world she cherished.

From Richard: It's interesting that I met Carol in Denver, because we were both originally from Massachusetts. She grew up near the Boston area, and my home base was near Lenox, in the so-called Berkshire Mountains. I separated from the Air Force and moved to Denver to work for General Electric Lighting Business Group. Carol had just graduated from Elmira College and was a third and fourth grade teacher in the Denver Public system. While in Denver, I became intrigued with the notion of flying without an engine and experienced my first glider flight. It was in a 2-33, using a winch, which resembled a Kings Island coaster ride! The Schweizer shuddered and shook like it was about to come apart. It occurred to me that maybe I should stay with the Cessna 150! Long story short, we got married and lived in Denver for two years, and I then got transferred to home office in Cleveland. Meanwhile, our daughter Debbie was born, which delayed our move, but I vividly recall leaving Denver to drive East. It was a sparkling clear day in February, and I could see Pikes Peak some fifty miles away. Entering Nebraska, the snow started coming down heavily and, no joke, it snowed all the way to Cleveland and for six weeks after our arrival! You've probably heard about the "lake-effect" that occurs East of Lake Erie, and it's very real! We spent several cold and snowy years in Cleveland, where our son Doug and daughter Susan, were born, so I had to put my flying activities on the back burner and do the daddy thing, but I was ok with that!

I then was transferred to Cincinnati, and we purchased a house in Anderson Township. On one of my many visits to the Dayton Air Show, I met some folks from CCSC who had a display there. I was invited to visit the gliderport, which I did, and I then joined and started to work on a glider add-on rating. Anderson Township was a healthy drive to the club, so we eventually purchased a 29' Layton trailer. That's where Carol came into the picture because we spent every possible weekend there, enjoying the cookouts, the walk around the field, and especially the stargazing with the Sorrell family. They were into astronomy big time and had very good equipment, which they shared with us. During those weekend camping trips, Carol made many friends. We did that gig for several years, but then moved to nearby Lebanon, only eight miles from the gliderport, so the campground events occurred less often. But we also continued to enjoy the third Saturday potluck dinners.

In closing, thanks to everyone who has contacted me to express their condolences. I truly appreciate that.

Rich C.

Note: You may contact Richard for service details.

SIGNAL APP REMINDER - FF Editor

The Signal App group signup is available in the clubhouse on the kitchen door. Download the app to your smart device/phone and scan in the QR code via the app. From there you will be able to join the group. You will have to be approved by one of our three group moderators. Once they approve you, you will start getting notifications of flyable days at the club on either standard crew days or the occasional week days when a tow pilot maybe available to launch both private and club ships.

ANDREW S. IS THE MEYERROSE TRUSTEE AWARDED for 2025

At the club's annual 2025 year in review banquet Andrew S., current President of SSD/CCSC, was named the 2025 Trustee for his great volunteering efforts since joining the club. The award, SSD's highest honor, was presented by Rolf H. who was part the previous three winners of the award. Andy was a member of the club back in the 80's but rejoined in 2020 and has been serving on the board since 2023. He is partners in a ASW-27 with Richard C. a fellow engineer he met at work who is also a club member.

Among other recent flying achievements, he became CCSC's most recent Instructor a few months ago. He has also taken on the mantle as 3rd Saturday Crew Chief after Maury D. retired the position.

You can find Andy out at the field almost every weekend helping out with something or having conversation and drink with members on the back porch after the flying is done for the day.



Andrew S. And Rolf H.

2025 ANNUAL BANQUET AND AWARD WINNERS - FF Editor

The annual banquet was again successfully held at the field in the tow plane hanger this past May 3rd. The weather gods where playing with the temps right up until show time. Many thanks to all the helping hands that both setup and helped break down the tables, chairs, and moving the tow planes out and into the hangar to button things up. There were around 70 members that put on their woolies and fine coats to help celebrate the previous flying year at the club.



President Andrew S. Introducing Guest Speaker Retired USAF Col. Landon H.

This years guest speaker was found by board member Kevin P. It was Retired USAF Col. Landon who had previously ran tests programs with the C-17, and C-130 aircraft He was then tasked with running studies on the L-33 Solo, L-13 and L-23 Blanik series sailplanes to codify spin recovery procedures for training purposes. He described the process of testing and comparing the flight manual procedures for these ships, along with the difficulty his team had scheduling flying time at the Edwards range. Of course as any CCSC member can attest to, weather made operations more complicated to complete test flights, especially cross winds. Other factors for the area were altitude and airspace procedures they were required to comply with for testing on the range. One of the big conclusions of the testing proved that adherence to the USAFA spin recovery procedures worked for all test aircraft. The recovery points for the USAF were 1) Ailerons - Neutral, 2) Rudder - Full opposite the spin direction, 3) Stick - steady forward until spinning stops, and finally 4) Controls neutral and recover from dive. Of interest was that for the L-23 with mid and aft CG's the approved flight manual directions to recover from a spin did not work.

During the presentation the President provided the following club highlights for 2025

- 191 members
- 8 club owned sailplanes, one of which is the new ASK-21 (DN) dedicated to Dieter S. And Norm L.
- We own 158 acres of land with 20 acres purchase to the East to help protect flyways.
- Our test equipment manufacture who cleared out most of the underbrush in the main farm land and most of the area the East.

An extra shout out of thanks was given to Nicole D. (Jack's mom), Cheryl W. (keeping K12 on the straight and narrow), Julia H. (Michael the 1-26 Champs mom), and Sandy H. (Dick's wife) for club house improvements and all around help when needed. We would be a sloppy and hungry bunch without them.

The board would like to thank Tom McD., Bobbie S., And Jack D. for organizing the successful event and again to the other members that freely tossed in support for the teardown and setting a new standard for a parade march of chairs and tables back to the block house for storage.



- Col. Lyle K. Receiving a Token of Appreciation For his talk from President Andy S. Which We Hope He or His Son Use

- Members Start Queuing in for the Start of the Banquet

Other Statistics for 2025

- Total Flights 1461
- Instructional Flights 614
- Introductory Rides 42
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Most Tows - Christian M. (159)
2 - Jim G. (155), 3 - Larry K. (115)



Most Instructional Flights- John K12 (38)
2 - Jim G. (60), 3 - Sami R. (46)



Most Flights from CCSC - John L. (38)
2 - Ryan S. (35), 3 - Amanda P. (33)



Most Crew Flights - 2nd Sunday (125)
2 - 1st Sunday, 3 - 4th Sunday

SELECTED CREW REPORTS FOR MAY 2026 - FF Editor

Not many due to a few streaks of cold and bad rainy weather at the start and middle of the month.

May 10 - 2nd Sunday - The day proved to be much better than forecast, with lots of sunshine, strong thermals, and cloud bases up to 7000'. We launched 15 flights using 15H and all 3 ASK-21's.

May 16th - 3rd Saturday - No operations due to wind rain and low ceilings.

May 30 - 3rd Saturday Extra Day - Operated on 09. Beautiful day but generally weak due to high Cirrus. 17 total flights. One new youth member, one intro ride. No equipment issues. Out of Meguires detailer in the main hanger for cleaning planes [more purchased by Dick H.].

May 31 - 3rd Sunday Extra Day - Nice easterly day with some marginal lift. Operations were from runway 9. 20 flights with 3 of them being guest rides. 1 new member, 12 year old Abe W..

Note from Dick H. Head Crew Chief : There is a stack of bath towels and two plastic tubs containing different cleaning materials. Please use the [Ed: bigger regular non-microfiber] towels, with water, for general cleaning of the gliders. DO NOT use them to clean canopies. One tub contains **WHITE** microfiber cloths and a can of AeroGuard spray cleaner. This cleaner, and the white cloths, are to be used **ONLY** to clean **CANOPIES**.

The other tub contains YELLOW micro fiber cloths, and will also contain Meguiars Quick Detailer Spray. Use the Quick Detailer [Ed: in Red Bottles} and the yellow cloths to clean bugs and such from the leading edges. Don't use the Quick Detailer for cleaning mud, etc, from the whole glider [Ed: or the canopies], use the larger [Ed: regular towels] and water for that.



Kevin K (5G) in his LS-3a with Brian S.



Chuck L (6V) Landing after 2.5 Hrs Flight 5/30

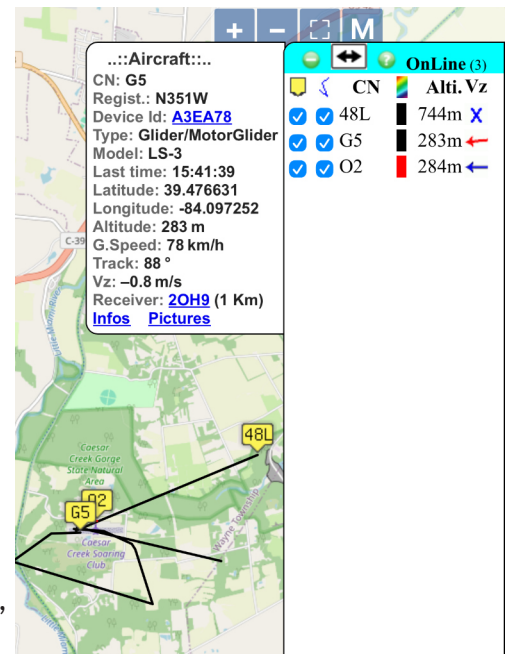
2OH9 OGN RECEIVER UP AND RUNNING - Andrew D.

This past Saturday I took another shot at getting the OGN base station working. Getting into the fray with an extra set of eyes was Nathaniel K. He figured out the secret sauce to get the software defined radio receiver working correctly by finding the right configuration file as another was being constantly overwritten.

As a result of this finding you can now see FLARM and OGN Rx/Tx equipped ships flying around CCSC as in this recent screen shot where O2 (LS-4), 48L (our Pawnee), and G5 (LS-3a) move around the patch. You can go to the OGN map (centered at 2OH9) at the following URL GliderNet.org

Other interesting sites where you can viewing soaring, paragliding, and other flying objects, are at the following sites which are all hyperlinked so you can click on them.

[GlideAndSeek](#), [PureTrack.io](#), [Radar2 Map 3D](#) (have to center map on 2OH9 but has 3D cockpit view of ship with instruments when you click on ship marker then the big blue button to the upper right),



CCSC GROUND CREWS:

1ST SATURDAY

CC: Steve Fenstermaker (cell: 937-581-7713) **ACC:** Joe Jaap. **Tow Pilots:** John Armor, Kevin Price. **Instructors:** Tom McDonald, Daniel Sazhin. **Crew:** Tim Adair, Will Adair, Dan Beans, David Johns, Nathaniel Kucera

1ST SUNDAY – Training Crew

CC: Mike Karraker (cell: 937-830-0627) **ACC:** Andrew Stryker. **Tow Pilots:** Christian Maurer, Manfred Maurer, Norb Maurer,. **Instructors:** Bob Miller Andy Swanson. **Crew:** Steve Hoffman, Mark Miller, Eran & Rachel Moscona, Ryan Swanson, Joe Zeis.

2ND SATURDAY

CC: Dick Holzwarth (cell: 937-542-9612) **ACC:** Jim Fox **Tow Pilots:** Gordon Penner, Haskell Simpkins. **Instructors:** Bob Anderson, Bill Gabbard. **Crew:** Yuri & Thomas Gavarret, Kevin Kelly, Jim Marks, Noah Olsen, Lorrie Penner.

2ND SUNDAY

CC: Lucy Anne McKosky (cell: 937-216-5754) **ACC:** Kate Menchen Kreiner. **Tow Pilots:** Jim Goebel, **Instructors:** Greg McDowell, Tom Rudolf. **Crew:** Jack Derrickson, Fred Hawk, Mike McKosky, Lawsen Simpson, David Wrinkle.

3RD SATURDAY

CC: Andy Breeze Stringfellow (cell: 513-290-4531) **ACC:** Rolf Hegele. **Tow Pilots:** Don Green, Henry Hayter, Chris Keegan. **Instructors:** Sami Rintala, Maia Rohmer **Crew:** Jim Dudley, John Dudley, Charlie DeBerry, Evan Estes, Henry Hayter, Michael Hayter, Charlie Maxwell, Jackson Poczatek, Charlie Richardson, John Rohmer, Isaac Stacy, Brogan Williams.

3RD SUNDAY

CC: Dan Miner (cell: 614-395-3953) **ACC:** Mike Keltos **Tow Pilots:** Tony Bonser, Karl Ludolph. **Instructors:** John Kondratowicz **Crew:** Thatcher Brown, Tim Christman, Jacob Dunnohew, Nathan Keltos, Josiah Guentter, Amanda Pray, Kean Schoen.

4TH SATURDAY:

CC: Chuck Lohre (cell: 513-260-9025) **ACC:** Ethan Saladin. **Tow Pilots:** Guy Byars, Andrew Dignan, Larry Kirkbride. **Instructors:** Joe Jackson. **Crew:** Cole Delabar, Frank Markink, John Murray, Curt Pollock, Tony Rein.

4TH SUNDAY

CC: Chris Summers (cell: 513-807-0077) **ACC:** vacant **Tow Pilots:** Ron Blume, Tim Morris, Al Quinn **Instructors:** John Lubon, Bill Miley. **Crew:** Richard Cedar, Rick Ghai, Keith Kilpatrick, Tim & Ian Lynch, Ray Monell, Kegan Murphy, Dan Reagan, Pete Schradin, Brian Stoops, Bret Topham.

TRAINING CREW (Reporting to 1st Sunday)

Robert Berg, Benjamin Blevins, Larry Bourgeois, Adele Caple, Lukas Clevenger, Spencer Cotton, Jr, Amy Cox, Richard Cox, Jackson Farmer, Lisa Feis, Heleena Gunnels, Anderson Lane, Ryan Long, Samuel A McKinley, Aidan Murray, Emmanuel Ogwal, Christopher Osborne, Matt Peredel'skiy, Carson Ratliff, Rafael Schmidt, Samuel Sell, Carl Smith, Levi Sommerville, Keara Stryker, Rodney Vivian, Max Williams

2026 5th WEEKEND CREW DAYS:

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

POINTS OF CONTACT:

PRESIDENT: Andrew Stringfellow
VP: John Lubon
MEMBERSHIP: Andrew Stringfellow
SAFETY OFFICER: Kevin Price
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TREASURER: Chuck Lohre
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Note: See Membership Roster on soarccsc.com for phone numbers and email addresses for all members.

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LANDS END EMBROIDERED CLOTHING AND PROMOTIONAL ITEMS – *Chuck Lohre*

Available online with embroidered patches. Almost the same patches are available in the display case at \$5 each. The design is slightly different from the Land's End version.

The Land's End embroidered CCSC patch is approved for use on their clothing line website. Go here to select your garment or promotional product and then select the "APPLY LOGO(S)" box.



The CCSC patch was created for general club use. For 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 plane forms are on the back of our silk-screened t-shirts in the clubhouse. 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.

JB LAWN CARE – *Jaycee Becker*

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