Caesar Creek Soaring Club

December 10, 2013

NEWS YOU NEED TO KNOW:

- Board meetings rescheduled to 12/14
- Campground Power to be shut off temporarily

CALENDER OF EVENTS:

12/14/2013 – CCSC Trustees meeting 9:30am, followed by joint meeting with SSD Board of Directors to consider the CCSC budget for 2014, at 10:30 am.

1/18/2014- Annual Banquet

ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP	11/5/13	12/5/2013
Full members	166	162
Family & Youth member	s 34	33
FLIGHT ACTIVITY	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>

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Flights last month	76	80
Flights Year to Date	2252	1656

CAMPGROUND ELECTRICITY SHUTOFF

Attention trailer owners. It appears that electric power consumption through the campground meter is excessive. For the year the campground power bills total about \$4700, whereas the power consumed by all the rest of the gliderport comes to only about \$4900 per year. In fact, in November the campground bill for \$381.47 exceeded the \$265.57 bill for the all the rest. There is a possibility of an underground short that is draining power through that meter. To investigate that possibility all loads on the campground meter are to be unplugged by December 21 and remain unplugged for one month. Meter readings during that time will help to determine whether power is being lost between the meter and your trailers. Contact Mike Hutchinson for further information.



Scott Mayer appointed to US Naval Academy

CONGRATULATIONS TO SCOTT MAYER

CCSC's newest member of the US Naval Academy is Scott Mayer. This week he received his nomination in a ceremony with Representative John Boehner. Scott is a member of the 4th Sunday Crew. He has been active at CCSC during his high school career, completing his first glider solo at the age of 14 during CCSC Youth Camp. He has progressed through his flight training and was signed off for his check ride at the completion of Youth Camp this year. Scott has also been active in the Civil Air Patrol in West Chester, Ohio. Rich Carraway, one of Scott's instructors, commented that "Scott's nomination is very well deserved. He's a sharp young man and should excel at the Academy. He's also a competent glider pilot."

Scott's mom, Charlotte, expressed appreciation to CCSC members, "CCSC has definitely played a part in Scott's success which has led him to this moment and we are thankful to all of the mentors at the club who have positively influenced him".

On behalf of the CCSC Membership, Congratulations Scott, we are proud of you!

CONGRATULATIONS TO TYLER DOCKUM

CCSC's newest nominee to the US Air Force Academy is Tyler Dockum. In the same ceremony with Scott, Tyler received his nomination to the USAF Academy from Representative John Boehner. He is currently awaiting final word from the Academy. Tyler is also a member of the 4th Sunday Crew.

JASON YOUNG AND ADAM WILSON

Two other youth from the 4th Sunday Crew (and CAP) are progressing rapidly toward aviation careers. Jason Young is enrolled at Emery Riddle in Florida on a full scholarship from the USAF ROTC. Adam Wilson has completed basic training and is now in the Blackhawk helicopter maintenance support training program with the Ohio National Guard. In the spring he will complete his initial training obligations and will be enrolled at Ohio State under a military scholarship. Steve Statkus, Crew Chief for the 4th Sunday Crew, cheerfully brags, "give us every CAP cadet you can find, we'll do our best to help them on their first steps towards an aviation career."

SATURDAY - SNOW-COVERED, 12/07

The wintry weather prompted postponement of the joint meeting of the CCSC Board of Trustees and the SSD Board of Directors. The meeting is now scheduled for 12/14/2013, starting with the CCSC Trustees at 9:30, joined by the SSD Directors at 10:30 am.

Steve Fenstermaker and Kevin Price were at CCSC from the 1st Saturday crew. With the assistance of Spook, the black cat, they cleared snow and surveyed the facilities for problems. Dan Regan, Mark Miller and Bob Miller arrived for the (postponed) board meeting.

Steve had come prepared with a supply of chestnuts from Meijers. With Dan's experience the group was well-prepared for roasting the chestnuts over the open fire. These nuts were of commercial quality, and made a nice snack. Dan was not convinced that the taste was up to the superior quality of the one home-grown nut enjoyed earlier in the fall.

A helicopter showed up after the chestnuts were roasted. The pilot must have been drawn to the aroma of the freshly roasted nuts.



Sun was beautiful on snow-covered runway.

Oxygen systems for wave soaring were the topic of discussion. With everyone focused on roasting nuts and designing oxygen systems Spook sneaked into the clubhouse and then "assisted" Steve Fenstermaker in filling out this crew report. If examined with the appropriate forensic techniques, paw prints may be detectable.



Delicious freshly roasted chestnuts

VOLUNTEERS WANTED FOR JUNE

Championship contests will be held at CCSC June 11 to June 22, 2014. Planning and other preparations are now under way.

Each day of the contest we will launch up to 60 gliders. Youthful legs and lungs are best suited for this exciting activity, which includes assisting pilots in moving their gliders to the flight line, launching gliders in rapid succession, retrieving any gliders that need a re-launch, retrieving gliders at the end of the day when all return at about the same time, etc. If you are interested in helping or can recruit a teenager who will help, contact Todd Dockum: todd@thetechpark.com, 513-461-3535.



Sunday Dining at CCSC

SUNDAY - SNOW DAY, 12/08

More snow, sleet and wind prevented flying at CCSC Sunday, but Dave Menchen's faithful crew members showed up to keep the clubhouse warm and friendly. Lorrie made a great stew with crackers. LucyAnn brought some of her delicious cookies, so everyone was well fed. A challenge is now in effect that the 2nd Sunday Crew eats better than even the Wednesday Crew.



CCSC Gliderport settling down for winter



Crew on duty: Dave Menchen, Lorrie Penner, Mike and LucyAnn McKosky and Tom Geygan



East wind clearing snow from 909's barn



Snow-angel Lorrie Penner, wanting to fly!

HELP ATTRACT NEW MEMBERS

Maury Drummey is leading an effort to attract new members to the club. He is looking for ways to make CCSC more visible to the outside community (Website, Facebook, Twitter, physical presence wherever pilots gather, visibility to those who might like an introductory flight, etc.) Also, he hopes to provide ideas for improving the experience when guests come for an introductory flight in order to encourage more of them to become

members, or at least encourage friends to come for a ride.

Any members with suggestions or willing to participate in the discussions are encouraged to contact Maury Drummey at mfd4@aol.com.

CCSC IS ON FACEBOOK

https://www.facebook.com/CaesarCreekSoarin gClub. Help promote our sport and our club by uploading your favorite photographs, videos and stories.

WANT TO FLY THE BABY GROB?

One of the strategies for balancing the 2014 budget is to ground the Grob-102. In 2013 N90538 has flown 59 times under the command of 25 different pilots, so the \$17 fee has not even covered the cost of insurance this year. When the club acquired the Grob-102 the intent was to offer members a higher performance single seat glider to encourage cross country flying and to provide experience in a more complex aircraft that would help pilots transition to the high performance sailplanes most of us would like. If you want to enjoy using the Grob-102 in **2014, now** is the time you need to express your interest. Once it is taken off the policy our insurer will not permit it to be put back on the policy for a full 12 months. If you are interested in having the G-102 available to fly in 2014 and you have not done so already, you must let Jim Dudley know, JimDudley@cinci.rr.com, prior to December 13, 2014.

FEELING LUCKY?

The purpose of the Women Soaring Pilots Association is to promote all aspects of soaring for women glider pilots. One way is a scholarship program. The wire sculpture by George Popa "Spirit of Flight" will go to the winner of the 2014 Women Soaring Pilots Association raffle and all proceeds will benefit the scholarship program. Raffle tickets will be \$5.00 each and will go on sale on January 1, 2014. The drawing will be in July at the WSPA seminar. To buy tickets contact LucyAnn McKosky or Frauke Elber, 213 Anne Burras Newport News. VA 23606. Lane. Fandw elber<at>cox.net



"Spirit fo Flight" wire sculpture by George Popa

CCSC TRUSTEE BOARD MINUTES

Available at http://soar-ccsc.com/?page_id=484. The password is printed on your monthly bill.

CCSC GROUND CREWS:

1ST SATURDAY

CC: Steve Fenstermaker, ACC: Jim English, Tow Pilots: John Armor, Mark Schababerle, Instructor: Paul McClaskey, Bill Gabbard. Crew: Waseem Jamali, Courtney Schulker, Gerry Daugherty, Phil Bandy, Ben Nesbitt, Kevin Price, John Raines.

1ST SUNDAY

CC: Mike Karaker, **ACC**: Mark Miller, **Tow** P**ilots**: Manfred Mauer, Norb Mauer, Dieter Schmidt, Andy Swanson, Bob Miller. **Instructor**, Bob Miller, Rich Carraway, Eric Hinz. **Crew**: Don Burns, Dave Rawson, Katherine Haessler, Stephen Kleine, Joe Zeis.

2ND SATURDAY

CC:Bob Root, ACC: Dan Staarmann. Tow Pilots: Bob Anderson, Haskel Simpkins. Instructor: Chris Giacomo, Bob Anderson. Crew: John Antrim, John Biernacki, Pat DeNaples©, Dick Holzwarth, Jim Hurst ©, Jim Marks, Haskell Simpkins ©, Jim Grueninger, Mike Haase.

2ND SUNDAY

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

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, John Dudley, Norm Leet, Poul Pederson, Charlie Richardson, Brian Stoops©, Chris Uhl ©, Chad Daughters

3RD SUNDAY

CC: Tom Bonser, ACC:. Tow Pilots:Tony Bonser©, Tim Christman, Mike Hutchison, Richard Perry. Instructor: Dick Eckels, Bill Miley, Chad Ryther, Bill Gabbard, Tom McDonald. Crew: Marcos Aranha, Jack Morari, Eran Moscona, Paul Schuette, Glen McDonald, Mary Towers.

4TH SATURDAY:

CC: Henry Meyerrose. **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, Chuck Lohre, John Murray ©, Casey Hildenbrand.

4TH SUNDAY

CC: Steve Statkus, ACC: Todd Dockum. Tow Pilots: Matt Davis, Frank Paynter, Ron Blume, Tim Morris. Instructor: Lynn Alexander, Frank Paynter, John Lubon. Crew; Richard Cedar, Barry Clark©, Pat DeNaples©, Tyler Dockum, Rik Ghai, Scott Mayer, Dan Reagan, Pete Schradin, Adam Wilson, Josh Young, Shelby Estell, Philip Carl, Kaitlin Gossett, David Meyer.

2013 ADDITIONAL CREW DAYS:

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. 29 – 3rd Sun Crew

Nov. 30 – 4th Sat Crew.

Dec 29 – 4th Sun Crew

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