



AIRWORTHY



THE OFFICIAL JOURNAL OF THE BLACK FOREST SOARING SOCIETY

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REMEMBER!

BFSS MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

FRIDAY, July 12th, 1996 , 7PM, Kelly Air Park

COMING EVENTS

DATE & TIME	PLACE	AGENDA
July 12th, 7pm	Kelly Air Park	July Membership Meeting
July 17-24	Owl Canyon	CAP Encampment Contact John Campbell
Aug. 10th, 5pm	Kelly Air Park	August Membership Meeting
Aug. 24th, 5pm	Kelly Air Park	Kolstad Dinner
Aug. 31-Sep 2nd	Owl Canyon	Rocky Mtn. Soaring Contest
Sep. 20-22, 1996	Creede, CO	BFSS Soaring Camp

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JULY MEMBERSHIP MEETING CHANGE

Please note: the July membership meeting will be held on Friday, July 12th, at 7pm at the clubhouse. After the meeting the Civil Air Patrol will be holding a star party at 9pm at the clubhouse, and will have a 40" telescope available for viewing. In case of cloudy and/or rainy conditions, the star party will be rescheduled for Friday, July 19th. The membership meeting will be held on the 12th no matter what the weather, so plan on being at the meeting and enjoying the star party afterwards!

JIM PATTEE REMEMBERED

On June 15th we lost a good friend and great pilot. Jim Pattee was lost to us while piloting Tow One. The service on June 19th was fitting and illuminating into the man most of us knew primarily as a lover of flying but, we learned, loved a great many things. It has been requested that each of us take the time to write down any story or

memory we have of Jim and send it to Ellen Pattee so that she may collect these to share with her son, James Pattee III, who will only have the opportunity to know his father, from our perspective, through these stories we send to Ellen.

Please send your memories of Jim to:

Ellen Pattee, c/o
Bobbie Hunter
4535 Ramblewood Dr.
Colorado Springs, Colorado 80920

We miss you, Jim. May your spirit soar...

KOLSTAD DINNER HELP NEEDED!!

The Kolstad dinner is right around the corner and this very worthy and fun event is in danger this year. A chairperson is still unaccounted for. It has been suggested that we cancel this year's dinner, but I have little desire to do that. The potential for this year's dinner is great; Ken Kolstad informs me that all the Kolstad children will be in town and one or two might be willing to regale us at the dinner. What an opportunity!! Will someone please contact me immediately to head up this very important event.

-- Bill Gerblick

TREASURER'S REPORT

The financial summary for May 1996 is as follows:

Cash Balance	\$ 6,002
Bank Loan Liability	\$42,590
Total Liabilities	\$52,285
Equity	\$40,938

Expenses were up for the month and dues, new member and sailplane lease receipts were lower than budget. Consequently we had a negative cash flow. Members are urged to get their dues payments up to date as soon as possible.

LINE DUTY ROSTER

Here is the current line duty roster. It hasn't changed much since last month, which means we haven't gotten a whole lot of new volunteers. SO, to make things easier for you people who have trouble making continuing commitments, we now have a new OPTION for pulling line duty! In addition to, or instead of, putting your name on the permanent list, you can now volunteer for 1 or more days during the soaring season, which is basically January to December. Just call Line Duty Honcho Nate Shaumburg and tell him which days you will be available for line duty. It is a noble calling.

Here's the roster:

4th Thursday - Harry Shaumburg
All Fridays and Mondays - Vince VanVorst
1st Saturday - Ron Berge
1st Sunday - Alex Schlipf
2nd Saturday - Harry and Nate Shaumburg
2nd Sunday - Dave Rolley and Wade Gariner
3rd Saturday - Alex Schlipf
3rd Sunday - Alex Schlipf
4th Saturday - Istvan Hipszky
4th Sunday - Walt Weaver
5th Saturday - Bill Gerblick and Vince VanVorst
5th Sunday - Paul Richards

In addition to the above, the following people have volunteered for one or more days in July:

Saturday, July 6th - Doug and Eric Armstrong
Sunday, July 14th - K. Serkowski

NOMINATIONS NEEDED

We need people to send in nominations for new Board of Directors this year.

In addition, we need nominations for 2 reps to the Group of Four. These reps will represent the club on issues involving Kelly Air Park.

Also needed is someone to officiate the above elections. If you have nominations, and/or would like to officiate the election, please contact Bill Gerblick.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Mr. William H. Gerblick, President
Black Forest Soaring Society

Dear Mr. Gerblick:

Please accept our sincere thanks for the support and advice provided by you, the members of the BFSS Board, and the general membership in our efforts to get our first ever CAP cadet glider flight encampment "off the ground". While it is unfortunate that we will be unable to conduct the encampment at the Kelly Air Park site this year, as we would have wished, the cooperation shown by the BFSS members that I worked with was very gratifying and contributed significantly to our pressing ahead with the project at another location.

We are proceeding with the encampment and will be conducting it at the Owl Canyon Gliderport, just north of Ft. Collins, from 17-24 July 1996. BFSS members who are well qualified as CFGs, tow pilots, and ground school instructors, who still wish to support this youth-in-soaring venture, are invited to join with us this summer in making

this activity a success. They should contact John Campbell, who will be in charge of the airmanship portion of the encampment, for more information.

As discussed with some of your Board Members, we are still very much interested in "borrowing" a 2-33 during the encampment period plus arranging for the possible use of your tow plane during the encampment. I'll be in touch with you soon to further discuss this possibility.

Again, please extend our thanks to the membership for their help and support in this very worthwhile endeavor.

Yours Truly,
John R. Buschmann, Lt. Col, CAP
DCS/Cadet Programs

(Footnote: a special thanks to Tom Eggers, Mark Palmer, and Walt Lafford for their work on this project. It's too bad we couldn't have hosted this at Kelly, -- Ed.)

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This informational letter is being sent to each board member and those soaring sites who produce major wave flights so that you are aware of the actions Larry Anderson and I had to take last December.

Because of some major financial occurrences it will be necessary to increase the Symons Wave Memorial application fees for the US to \$30.00 and for those being shipped overseas to \$35.00. Since our last 100 plaque order the production price has increased by 79%. Currently it is costing us \$28.63 with the new production costs to produce and mail the Symons Wave Memorial plaque and pin to those in the US. Larry will publish an announcement in the next Soaring magazine about the increase in the Symons Wave Memorial application fees to make certain that all SSA members are aware of the required price increase.

Thank you again for your assistance and for your personal leadership to our association.

Sincerely yours in Soaring,
Carl E. Burson, Jr.

MEMBERSHIP ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Well, once again, absolutely nothing was accomplished by members this month. SO, let's talk about the cats. As you know, we have two cats that do an extraordinary job of keeping the clubhouse free of the kind of vermin that tend to infest virtually every building ever built by a human being. I'm talking about, of course, mice. WE DON'T HAVE ANY at the clubhouse, and it's because of the around-the-clock efforts of our two feline friends.

FOR SALE

Ventus A, 1/2 or full ownership. LX 4000GPS/computer, pop-up panel, Dittel, Scheumann vario, winglets, 02, newer Cobra, towbar and wing dolly, beautiful condition. Call Doug Houston at:

(303) 799-0930.
- Doug Houston.

ATTENTION LOT OWNERS AND PILOTS

Used hangar building for sale or trade for or towards glider, etc. American Steel building, with a free span of 100ft. Four main trusses, purlins, metal roof, and three side walls. No door. Seller can obtain a used bi-fold door. Build a 100ft. by 60 ft. or 100 ft. by 80 ft. hangar.

\$16,000 cash or trade.

Location: Westcliffe. Building is in disassembled condition. Contact: Mr. Ed Thornton at (719)783-3061 (evenings)

ATTENTION GLIDER PILOTS

A limited number of shares are available for sale in an almost new Blanik L-23 sailplane located at Silverwest airport near Westcliffe, Colorado's premier wave soaring location in the stunningly scenic Wet Mountain valley. Westcliffe also has outstanding thermal soaring conditions, and is becoming renowned for badge and exceptional just-for-fun flights. The L-23 is fully equipped with oxygen, pressure oxygen masks with integrated microphones, intercom, and high quality radio.

Price: \$1,000 per share.

Contact: Mr. Ed Thornton at (719)783-3061 (evenings)
Postal Address: Westcliffe Wave, Inc.,
P.O. Box 877
Westcliffe, CO 81252

The Black Forest Cat Lovers Society, a subsidiary of BFSS, thought you would like to know that, as of June 8th, the cat's vaccinations are all up to date. This means that you can pet the cats all you want and not have to worry about much more than, oh, an allergic reaction.

There is one problem. The cats have done such a great job of ridding the clubhouse of little critters that they need an alternative food supply. There is plenty of cat food available in the kitchen closet, so when you're in the kitchen heating up your own lunch, please make sure the cats have food in their dishes, too. There is also canned food on the shelf in the closet, so give the little kitties a treat every now and then. You may be hated by every mouse in the universe, but the cats will love you!

SILVERHEELS GLIDERPORT AT RISK; YOUR SUPPORT NEEDED

ABOUT SILVERHEELS

In 1994, Silver Heels Gliderport was established by Denver and South Park Soaring (DSPS) to provide a dedicated facility for soaring in the Colorado Rockies southwest of Denver. A 15-year search found this ideal spot in a very scarcely populated area. It also serves as a much needed emergency airfield in this area and we have offered it for fire-fighting aircraft service.

With the support of the Park County Commissioners and the Federal Bureau of Land Management (BLM), we went through a rigorous five-year approval process, without any complaints. This resulted in a twenty-year lease of the property from the BLM for development of a gliderport with associated structures.

THE PROBLEM

A few neighbors are very opposed to the facility because of the alleged tow plane noise. They work with the local "Save Park County" anti-development group. We have restricted towing hours and patterns away from their cluster of homes and offer continuing cooperation but to no avail.

Our October '95 petition easily returned over 350 supporters' signatures from local Park County residents showing great enthusiasm for the facility. Despite this, the Park County Commissioners reversed their support under pressure from this group, and now claim we are not permitted under the zoning of "Conservation-Recreation." This is contrary to the county attorney's written opinion.

DONATIONS

We offer the following mementos in return for donations:

Amount	We will mail to you:
\$35-\$49	A baseball cap printed with "Silver Heels Gliderport, Highest gliderport in the World"
\$50-\$99	A quality T-shirt printed with "Silver Heels Gliderport, Highest gliderport in the World"
\$100 and up	A coupon for a Visitor Membership of 10 days with one free flight or aerotow.

All surplus funds, if any, will be donated to the Kolstad foundation which awards annual college scholarships to young glider pilots.

We greatly appreciate your support and look forward to inviting you to fly with us.

For further information contact:

Fred Pool	(303) 794-3186
Rob/Karin Hanbury	(303) 838-9841
Kathy Taylor	(303) 642-7682
Jim/Suzi Bobo	(719) 836-3101
Les/Carolyn Hartshorn	(303) 838-1117

MAKE CHECKS OUT TO DSPS; include t-shirt size if applicable.

MAIL DONATION TO:

Denver and South Park Soaring, Inc.
10629 Christopher Drive
Conifer, Colorado 80433-8810

RE: PROPOSED ROUTE CHANGE OVER KELLY AIR PARK

In last month's newsletter, information on the proposed route change of aircraft between Colorado Springs and DIA was printed. Unfortunately, the Editor failed to recognize the efforts put forth by Joe Baer in putting into motion the changes in traffic near Kelly Air Park. Joe was instrumental in getting the FAA to recognize the potential hazards in routing commercial traffic over Kelly Air Park, and the proposed routing is very much the result of Joe's efforts. Thank you very much Joe Baer; your work is very much appreciated!

THIS MONTH'S HEALTH COLUMN

There's not enough space left in this month's newsletter for an "official" health column, so the Editor is going to make his own suggestions about how to stay healthy around Kelly Air Park.

1. If you feel like sneezing, don't do it on the Weather Wizard. It's a major Social Center in the clubhouse, and you may infect someone you like.
2. If you use the restroom, please leave the door open JUST A BIT for ventilation when you're done. If people start passing out in the hallway, you can always blame it on the cats.
3. Before you start blaming everything on the cats, please remember that their vaccinations are probably more up to date than yours.

Thank you.

-- The Editor

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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The purpose of the BLACK FOREST SOARING SOCIETY, a not-for-profit corporation, is to provide the location, equipment and know-how to guarantee the safest, most enjoyable soaring experience possible; to provide the opportunity for the education and training of sailplane pilots; and the advancement and development of their piloting skills and judgement. The creation of SOAR BLACK FOREST as a commercial soaring operation provides the resources to achieve that goal, gives BFSS members a base of operations for continued personal achievements and future group projects, and provides access for the general public to the world of soaring.

KELLY AIR PARK

Kelly Air Park is a subdivision of individually-owned residential lots with a common area dedicated for use as a private airpark. Lot owners comprise the Homeowners Association which governs the use of the common area. BFSS owns one lot and maintains its property, buildings and equipment for use by members, lot owners, invited guests and customers of Soar Black Forest.

SOAR BLACK FOREST

SOAR BLACK FOREST is a subsidiary corporation of the Black Forest Soaring Society. Its sole purpose is to operate the commercial glider facility at Kelly Air Park. All use of the facilities, aircraft and instructors must be scheduled through Soar Black Forest.

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8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

WORLD WIDE WEB HOME PAGE: <http://www.csn.org/~palmerma/index.html>

Note: The views in this newsletter are the opinion of the Black Forest Soaring Society and not Kelly Air Park and Kelly Air Park owners.