



# AIRWORTHY



**THE OFFICIAL JOURNAL OF THE BLACK FOREST SOARING SOCIETY**

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**REMEMBER!**

**BFSS MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

SATURDAY, May 11th, 1996 , 7PM, Kelly Air Park

**COMING EVENTS**

<u>DATE &amp; TIME</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>AGENDA</u>
May 11th , 7pm	Kelly Air Park	May Membership Meeting.
May 26-June 1	Owl Canyon	Region 9 Soaring Contest
May 31-June 3	Taos, NM	Soaring Camp See Dan Marotta for details
June 3rd, 5pm	Kelly Air Park	BFSS Board Meeting
June 8th, 7pm	Kelly Air Park	June Membership Meeting
June 29-July 7	Parowan, Utah	First Annual Soaring Camp See Walt Lafford for details
Aug. 24th, 5pm	Kelly Air Park	Kolstad Dinner
Sep. 20-22, 1996	Creede, CO	BFSS Soaring Camp

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**KOLSTAD DINNER**

Please note that this year's Kolstad Dinner has been scheduled for August 24th. The dinner is a fund raiser for the Kolstad Junior Soaring Awards and Scholarship, and is a great way to have fun and donate to a worthy cause. So, please mark August 24th on your calendar. Hope to see you there!

**REGION 9 SOARING CONTEST UPDATE**

Colorado Soaring Association is holding the 1996 Region 9 Contest at Owl Canyon Gliderport May 27 through June 1. Many volunteers are needed from clubs around the state to make sure it's a success. If you can help one or more days during that time, give CSA's President Gary Odehnal a call at (970) 223-2818. Don't worry if you've never helped at a contest before. There are fun tasks for everyone and it's a great experience. The opportunity doesn't come around very often. Let's help out with lots of BFSS volunteers!

## THE 'PREZ' SEZ:

### **The Observations of the Eternal Optimist!!**

I thought I would pass on some positive thoughts this time around. With all that seems to be going on I started thinking about what is right and good with our little band of glider pilots and our operations at Kelly Airpark. Here's what I came up with:

- \* Even after all of our 1st of the year expenditures, we have money in the bank - still!!
- \* All the new monetary obligations we incurred in 1995 (the lump sum items, at least) are paid off!
- \* Tow One is healthy and going strong!
- \* Our Winch has a newer and more powerful engine than when we bought it and has been working great!
- \* The latest membership drive has been a resounding success!
- \* New Gliders are showing up at the field, thanks to the above!
- \* We have a new full-time airport manager! Welcome, Joel!
- \* Our new water well is giving us much better tasting water, even when it's mixed with Joel's coffee!
- \* The "Group of Four" or GO4 as we affectionately call them, is working very well in addressing the Kelly Airpark issues!
- \* There is a BIG, WIDE, PAVED runway with a brand new covering and some nice, big identifying lettering that always lets us know we have arrived home!

I would say there is a lot to be thankful for. I'm sure there is much more; these are the ones I chose this time. I'm going to put these rose-colored glasses on every chance I get; we really need to remind ourselves of these things every now and then! Remember, when you come out to the airpark, you're doing this because you love it!

Bill Gerblich, BFSS Optimist

## MEMBER ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Congratulations to Eric Armstrong, who received his A and B badges on March 31st. Good job, Eric!

A very special congratulations to Walt Weaver, who completed spin training in the Blanik and only threw up twice! Way to be, Walt, and don't forget to clean up the front seat!

Thanks again to Scott Hekkers for tuning up Mobile One, otherwise known as the Black Bug. Scott has also lovingly restored another Beetle which will be named either Mobile Three or the Scott Hekkers Memorial Bug. We'll have a naming contest sometime later this year, so if you have

any ideas for a name, please leave it in the Airworthy box at the clubhouse. Let your imagination run wild. By the way, Mobile Three/SHMB is a shift-O-Matic, so even you glass pilots should be able to drive it without too much of a problem. Just don't panic if you don't find a total energy probe anywhere on the dashboard and you'll be okay.

Also, remember that Mobile Two (the Red Bug) only works if it's pointed downhill.

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Please welcome the following new members to Black Forest. This year's membership drive has been a resounding success, and we are now full!

Howard Shuster	Kevin Rhoades
Burke L. McClure	Jim Pattee
Rajiv Sankranti	Andrew Kaser
Cooper Price	Laurence A. Price
Perry Price	Steve Buth
Wayne Carlson	David Carlson

## BFSS MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The April Membership Meeting was devoted to the mandatory safety briefing, which is required for flying gliders out of Kelly. If you missed the briefing, you can borrow a videotape of it. Check the front desk at the clubhouse for details. Many thanks to Mark Palmer for putting together the briefing.

## LINE DUTY ROSTER

This is a new addition to Airworthy, and it's long overdue. It seems we have a chronic problem finding volunteers for line duty. This is not surprising, since we all come out to Kelly to fly sailplanes, not hook'em up to tow planes. Nevertheless, things go a lot smoother with lots of line duty personnel around, and while I doubt very much that Bill Gerblich or Tim Wood will give you a big kiss for volunteering, I bet they'll shake your hand.

SO, with that out of the way, I'd like to introduce you to our new Line Duty Head Honcho, Nate Shaumburg. Nate will be taking a pro-active role (I learned that phrase from all the middle managers I work with) to ensure we have plenty of line duty personnel. Nate will be calling you in the near future to see if you can devote a bit of time to helping your fellow pilots go flying.

Here is the current Line Crew 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 'Spin' Weaver  
 5th Saturday - Bill Gerblick and Vince VanVorst  
 5th Sunday - Paul Richards

Two things become immediately apparent after perusing this list. One, there are a number of names mentioned more than once, and Two, there are a number of holes to fill. Once the summer season hits full swing we are going to need AT LEAST two people on line duty every day: one to sit at the end of the runway and slowly die of dehydration while hooking up sailplanes to tow planes, and one to slowly destroy the clutch on Mobile One while ground towing and retrieving sailplanes. A third line duty person would be very handy, if only to perform triage.

All kidding aside, we really do need help on the line. So, why wait for that call from Nate? Give Nate a call today!

### DONATE THOSE OLD RAGS

Airport Manager Joel Flamenbaum has noticed that we currently have a pronounced shortage of high-quality rags for cleaning canopies and other stuff. If you have any old towels, sweatshirts, or, um, cloth diapers that you would otherwise throw away, please throw'em in the washer and then bring them to the clubhouse. They will be put to good use. Thanks!

### SILVERHEELS REOPENED

Silverheels Gliderport, located in South Park near Como, has reopened after being shut down due to pressure on the BLM by an anti-development group in Park County. The BLM has allowed glider operations to continue at Silverheels pending outcome of the court case. Silverheels is operated by Denver and South Park Soaring, and is well-known for its wave flying. If you would like to contribute to legal expenses, please contact one of the following people:

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

### 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.

**LS-4**, in almost new condition. Low total time, completely refinished in 1995. Comes complete with S\_NAV, Becker com, trailer, ground equipment. It's a great handling ship! Asking \$18,000 for 1/2 share. Call Jim at:

(719) 630-2277 days or  
 (719) 685-9609 evenings.  
 - Jim Schwerin.

### 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 ANNOTATED "HIGH FLIGHT"

*Oh, I have slipped the surly bonds of earth(1)  
 And danced(2) the skies on laughter silvered wings;  
 Sunward I've climbed(3) and joined the tumbling mirth(4)  
 Of sun-split clouds(5) and done a hundred things(6)  
 You have not dreamed of--  
 Wheeled and soared and swung(7)  
 High in the sunlit silence(8)  
 Hov'ring there(9) I've chased the shouting wind(10) along and flung(11)  
 My eager craft through footless halls of air.  
 Up, up the long delirious(12), burning blue  
 I've topped the wind-swept heights(13) with easy grace,  
 Where never lark, or even eagle flew(14);  
 And while with silent, lifting mind I've trod  
 The high untrespassed sanctity of space(15),  
 Put out my hand(16) and touched the face of God.*

### FAA Supplement to "High Flight":

1. Flight crews must insure that all surly bonds have been slipped entirely before aircraft taxi or flight is attempted.
2. During periods of severe sky dancing, the FASTEN SEATBELT sign must remain constantly illuminated.
3. Sunward climbs must not exceed the maximum aircraft ceiling.
4. Passenger aircraft are prohibited from joining the tumbling mirth.
5. Pilots flying through sun-split clouds must comply with all applicable visual and instrument flight rules.
6. Do not perform these hundred things in front of FAA inspectors.
7. Wheeling, soaring, and swinging will not be accomplished simultaneously except by pilots in the flight simulator, or in their own aircraft on their own time.
8. Be advised that sunlit silence will occur only when a major malfunction has occurred.
9. "Hov'ring there" will constitute a highly reliable signal that a flight emergency is imminent.
10. Forecasts of shouting winds are available from the local FSS. Pilots are urged to report unexpected encounters with shouting winds.
11. Be forewarned that pilot craft-flinging is a leading cause of passenger airsickness.
12. Should any crewmember or passenger experience delirium while in the burning blue, an irregularity report must be submitted.
13. Windswept heights must be topped by a minimum of 1,000 feet.
14. Aircraft engine ingestion of, or impact with, larks or eagles must be reported to the FAA and the appropriate maintenance facility.
15. Air Traffic Control (ATC) must issue all special clearances for treading the high untrespassed sanctity of space.
16. FAA regulations state that no one may sacrifice aircraft cabin pressure to open aircraft windows or doors while in flight.

(Found on the internet and forwarded through multiple hands...)

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

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