

Volume 04 - 3 March 2004

FROM THE LEFT SEAT

Dave Riedel, President

Good day! Mother Nature teased us with some nice weather the past few weeks and I know a number of you were able to get out and get airborne for the first time in months. I bet it felt great! I was out at the airpark today and it was a little too wet and windy for me, but I got my RANS out and fired it up and checked everything out in preparation for the next chance of nice weather.

Now that we have insurance available from First Flight, we really need to support the program. USUA HQ passes on that, on a national level, most response has been from the west coast. Granted, they are able to fly year-round, but also, entire clubs were shut down because of insurance requirements. I know for those of us in Virginia, in order to register your aircraft, you have to have proof of insurance. As a Club, we don't require our members to have insurance, yet. At WAP, Mr. Beatley made it a requirement for hangaring your aircraft there. I agree with Lew when he said that "It would be a sad affair if, for a second time, we did not come up with enough insurance sales to keep this new program afloat."

The USUA Annual meeting will be on 28 February 2004 in Illinois, and Lew will be attending. He will brief us on the outcome of the Annual meeting at our March monthly meeting. Also, if you have put it on your calendars, the annual Safety Seminar at the Richmond airport is on Saturday, 20 March 2004. Let's carpool and caravan down to Richmond and show the Club 1 support.

Once again, as in the past, our Memorial Flyin in May will be at the Lenn Brother's Field. Hopefully, the weather will cooperate this summer and allow the Club to support sister club's fly-ins. We need to show them our support so that they will be inclined to support our fly-ins, plus it is just flat out a bunch of fun! Let's show the Club 1 colors!

Lastly, I'd like to update the Club on the status of the Air Park. Mr. Chris Beatley is still accepting bids from interested parties for the purchase of the land as an airpark. The Beatley family would like to see it remain an airpark, but if they don't receive a high enough bid, they are going to proceed to use a broker to sell it any way that they can. The Club has submitted a proposal to the Beatley's that the Club will manage the Airpark and allow the Beatley's to retain ownership. No response yet. As details come out, I will ensure that the Club is kept up to date via e-mail. If you aren't getting my e-mails, drop me an e-mail and I'll add you to my list. [daye.riedel@verizon.net]

God Bless and Fly Safe. Semper Fi, **Dave**

ADVISORIES

February Meeting - The meeting was held in the Centreville Elementary School, Room 110, and was started at 7:30PM by our President, Dave Riedel.

As usual, the meeting began with the introduction of a new member, Loyd Peterson. Current members present introduced themselves to Loyd. Several members reported on projects they were working on.

The Secretary reported that we have 55 regular members, of which 23 (or 42 %) had renewed their membership for 2004. We have 7 Honorary Members and 5 Newsletter subscribers. Lew reminded 03 members that time was getting short to re-up. Everything stops as of the March newsletter.

Our Treasurer, Larry Walker, passed out a financial statement for the month of January. We have received thank you notes from the fire depart- ments in Wardensville, WV and Bumpass, VA for the contributions we made to them for their help in both crashes.

Our Safety Director, Jim Willess, and Larry Walker reported on training materials they have gathered for Club members to use while preparing to qualify as Sport Pilots. The contributions to the *Flying Leprechaun* Library by Honorary Member Hara Bouganim have been very helpful and timely.

Under Old Business, Dave reported that he had talked with Boots Lenn about our use of the Lenn Brothers' Field. Boots approved our use of the field for fly-ins; however, we may not use the house, nor the area around the house, for any of our activities. The brothers have leased the house and the current tenants don't want us around the house. We can use the hangar area and the runway. We will drive in using the road that goes in directly to the hangar from Stevensburg Road, not using the road that goes into or by the house.

Our first fly-in there this year will be our Memorial Fly-in on Sunday, June 6th. Greg Palmer has volunteered to be the coordinator for the event. As we get closer to time for the fly-in, we will have more detailed instructions as to where to park cars and planes, etc. Chuck Tippett has volunteered to

provide a Port-a-potti, as he used to for our Whitman Strip fly-ins.

Then, under New Business, Dave told the members about the letter we received from Chuck Beatley's son, Chris. It indicated the likelihood that the field would be put up for sale since the family was not interested in running an airport.

There was lengthy discussion about what the Club's options might be in our desires to keep the field open to our members, and what we might be able to afford. Jim Willess moved, and the membership approved, that we send a letter to the Beatleys, proposing that they retain ownership of the field and authorize Club 1 to operate the field for them. That way, the family could continue to honor Chuck through the air field, and continue to benefit from the accrual of property value while the Club benefits through continued access and use of the field. Club 1 would be responsible to pay all taxes and upkeep costs, and would collect all rents. The Club would establish an Airfield Management Committee, probably of three members, one of whom would be the Manager, to run and maintain the field. Dave will prepare the letter to the family, run it by the Board, and send it on.

Dave reminded everyone that the Virginia UL Safety Seminar at Richmond Airport will be on Saturday, March 20th, not the 14th as originally posted.

During a rather convoluted discussion about TFRs, it was mentioned that the restrictions also included the VFR Fly-ways. Chuck Tippett told us that the New York City fly-way up the Hudson River was still open. The discussion about whether it still was and his telling us that he had flown it since 9/11 brought a mention of the wonderful photograph he had made while flying down the Hudson River fly-way of Randy Nageotte's Titan against the World Trade Center towers. The photograph was retrieved from Larry Walker's files and is reproduced on the next page.

Our program for the evening was one of a series that our Safety Director, Jim Willess, will be giving in preparation for the implementation of the Sport Pilot Rule. As Jim pointed out to us, FAR Part 91 is titled "General Operating and Flight Rules" and pertains to the operations of aircraft (other than ultralights, covered by part 103) in the US and its

coastal waters out to 3 nm. Each person operating an aircraft does so under Part 91 – and this will include Light Sport Aircraft.

Jim started working his way through Part 91-1, covering those aspects that we will need to know to qualify for a Sport Pilot license.

Next month, he will continue the series and touch on the applicable parts of FAR Part 91-2.

The meeting closed a little early due to icy conditions developing on the roads in the area.



Randy Nageotte flying by the World Trade Center before 9/11. (Photo by Chuck Tippett)



We regret to inform any of you who have not renewed your membership and are not now 2004 members of Flying Club 1 that you will not receive any more issues of this newsletter.

However, there is hope - if you act promptly. Send the membership form on the inside of the rear cover of this newsletter, filled out completely, with the appropriate membership fee to our Treasurer, Larry Walker, at the address shown at the bottom of the form. Instructions regarding the fee are there, as well.



An earlier Club fly-in at the Lenn Brothers' Field (Walker)



FOR PILOTS ONLY

[This article was first published in this newsletter on June 24, 1989] Lew Clement

There is a painting which, although I've seen it only once, I will never forget. I think it was by Frank Wootton, the noted British aviation artist. The entire frame is filled with towering cumulus clouds, with deep canyons between. The clouds are golden in the sun and fade into deep blues in the canyons. Slightly below center and a bit to the right in one of those canyons is the small image of a transport aircraft of World War II vintage, dwarfed by the awesome grandeur surrounding it.

I recently saw a photograph taken by Al Carpenter (USUA Club 6) that gave me some of the same feeling as the Wootton painting. A small white aircraft is flying

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high above with higher cirrus clouds filling most of the frame. There is such a variety in the texture and shading of the clouds that it takes a moment to recognize that this is not also a painting. In both the painting and the photograph, there is a quality of aloneness amid a majestic beauty not often seen. I think John Magee's "High Flight" must have been inspired by such memorable sights.

I hope each of you may have one of these moments. A small number of pilots are fortunate to witness such unique scenes more than once during their flying careers. I assure you that you will never forget these rich moments and they alone are enough to make you want to continue flying.

It might be a particularly vivid rainbow seen in its entirety, or a "flyer's cross" as the shadow of your plane is cast on a cloud in the center of a halo, or the serenity of a flight in the quiet of evening. Each vision or experience is unique to that pilot. No one else in the world is seeing just what you see at that moment. And, since these circumstances are transitory, no one else will ever see that exact sight again. They are your treasures alone to carry with you forever.

The ultralight pilot is not excluded from these opportunities. Although my time aloft in an ultralight is still quite limited, one of my richest experiences was a quiet flight in an ultralight during the few minutes after sunset when the blue of the evening was starting to fill the valleys below.

We all fly to maintain our skills as pilots and our proficiency in certain aircraft. I hope as we fly we can also be aware of these rich and unique experiences when they occur – which are ours alone. If there is a bond among pilots perhaps it is in the knowledge that God has given these awe-inspiring flights only to us.



Cold front approaching WAP (Walker)

CLASSIFIEDS

Ads will be run twice and then dropped unless resubmitted, or renewed by telephone or e-mail. Please advise the editor when the ad is no longer needed.

CARLSON SPARROW – ½ VW, 92 mm. 50 hrs TT. \$7,500. Norm Crone, 717-755-6942. <jonkmnhr@aol.com (11/03)

DRIFTER 503 – SC, SDI. Gnd adj prop. Trim tab. AS, Asi, Alt, Tach, EFT, CHTs, Hobbs, BRS chute. PLUS 22' trailer built for airplane. \$6,395 firm. Ned Kramp 804-642-9617 (02/04)

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FISHER CLASSIC - two place biplane, complete kit including cowling, seats, landing gear, fuel tank, hardware, more ... Spars, ribs, and one wing panel are completed. Sells for new for \$7,950. Will sell for \$5,900. Alan Hall, 757-719-9804 (02/04)

FLIGHTSTAR Spyder, 1996, 503 SuperCowl,DI/SC, electric and pull start, 247 hrs.TT, Ivoprop, EGT,CHT,ALT,ASI,Hobbs, ten gal.tank, disk brakes, 4-point Hooker Harness, redundant elevator cables, clear-coated red and yellow sails, hangered \$10,000 I'm a new BFI and need to purchase a two-seater. Dennis Gregory 804-758-4178 dgregory@oasisonline.com (02/04)

KITFOX II KIT - 95% complete, ready to cover. 582 Rotax, elec. start, prop, gauges & misc. items. Everything new. \$15,000. Dan Brandmahl. 804-443-4619 or 804-769-2756 <cranks4u@inna.net> (02/04)

KITFOX MODEL III (1991) – Rotax 582. 406 hr TT AF and eng. Norco 720 Com, Flybuddy Loran, Intercom, 26 gal fuel, current annual. Good tight

aircraft. Flies regularly. \$11,900. E-mail: <sshowa@juno.com> or call 540-480-1525 or 540-833-5120. (11/03)

KOLB FIRESTAR II – Rotax 447, Warp Drive prop, GPL elect start, BRS-5 chute, Magellan 320 GPS, Sporty's 2 Transceiver/headset, 220 hr A&E. Always kept in enclosed trailer. \$9300. J Baker 410-551-2874. (11/03)

KOLB TWINSTAR MARK II – Rotax 503 SC (low hrs on rebuild). 2 bl Ivo prop. EIS. BRS chute (still current for several years). Winter flying full enclosure. Blue on white. Pictures on request. Flies great, responsive, light on stick. \$9,950 firm. Gerry Baker e-mail: gpbaker@erols.com, phone 804-739-7154. (11/03)

KOLB KXP – 503cc SCDI/Elec prop IVO 2B. Custom built/lots of extras & single axle trailer or will trade for Kitfox Model 4 and up with 4 stroke Subaru/2180cc VW or Rotax 912/912s. Paul Furst, 717-854-4743, KXP001@ngn.com (11/03)

PENN CARMATE 22' 4 Wheel enclosed trailer. Spring-assist rear ramp. Elec brakes, 110v fluorescent lighting and outlets and 12 v lights. 600# pull winch. 15 gal fuel tank w/pump, torsion bar hitch. \$4500 or for both the Kolb (above) and trailer: \$13,400. Jim Baker 410-551-2874 (11/03)

QUICKSILVER GT400 – Excellent condition. \$7000 OBO. Call Norman Pyles for details. 410-775-2238 or normanpyles@hotmail.com (11/03)

QUICKSILVER MX – Good condition. \$3000. Ted Bryant, B&B Aviation 301-274-4600 or 4433. (11/03)

QUICKSILVER SPORT II – Rotax 582 w/238 hr., elec start, C Box, 3 bl Warp Drive prop. Blue and yellow sails are 1 yr. Old. Tundra tires and Lotus floats. Floats are 1 yr old w/all hardware, easy to put on and off. All gages. \$17,900 OBO. Gary Waggoner <waggflyone@nu-z.net> (03/04)

RANS S-5 COYOTE, 1991 – 190 TT. Flaps, Hyd. Brakes, full panel, lots of extras. \$9,000. Norm Crone, 717-755-6942. jonkmnhr@aol.com (11/03)

SKY RANGER - with 80 hp 912 engine. BEAUTIFUL, NEAR NEW, WITH ALL THE GOODIES! Taking offers on a superb 2002/2003 Sky Ranger, clearcoat, custom, panel, panel mount radio, intercom, electric turn coordinator, cabin heat, 20 gal tanks, strobes, landing lights, cabin lights, electric flaps and dorsal fin. Cruises at 95+ mph and climbs at over 1000 fpm. I got it in trade for a new Savannah. This plane looks and flies so nice, your friends will be green with envy. Ready to fly away! 180 hrs TT \$32,500 with BRS and \$29,500 without. See it on my website@http://sky-rider.net/usedkits.htm * Contact William Magrini Haymarket, VA USA * Telephone: 703-754-4959 (03/04)

skystar kitfox Lite – NEW – 35HP 2SI engine. TT engine 2 hrs, TT aircraft 1 hr. Bungee strut LG, BRS system. White, Bahama Blue trim. Beautiful aircraft. \$14,000. Custom 20 ft. trailer for aircraft made for storing and transporting. \$6000. Package deal can be negotiated. Bob Martz in PA. 215-947-8136 or 215-947-744. <goodwin236@aol.com> (11/03)

SPORTLITE 103 – factory new Rotax 503 DCI DC, oil inj. Elec start. Single seat Ultralight. Low time, test flight only. \$9200. L. Ratcliff 540-349-2695 (11/03)

ROTAX 447 – elec start. C Gear Box, 2 gauges. \$2,250. Jim Wardrop 717-292-2204 (11/03)

BRS 750 - NEW. Cannister, boom mount. \$2000. Jim Willess, 540-788-4341 (1/04)

GARMIN GPS III PILOT – Incl. Jeppeson Database. New \$499, will sell for \$300.

GARMIN GPS III PLUS – no date base - \$200.

Both include manual and mount. Jim Willess 540-788-4341, 540-270-0621. (01/04)

ULTRALIGHT STROBE - Full 25-joule flash. Powered by 2-cycle engine lighting coil or 12v. battery. Power supply clips to 1" to 1 1/4" tube. Strobe head mounts where you like. Costs \$110 with one-year warranty. Most inexpensive 25-joule model on market. Ron Madsen 804-693-5186 or cphantom11@toast.net

A&P - will do Annual/100 Hr inspections for non-builder owners of Experimental aircraft in Virginia/ Maryland area. You do the work. I do the paper work. Fixed fee plus small transportation fee over 25 miles. J. Willess 540-788-43431. (01/04)

WINTER DECARBON SPECIAL - Decarbon your
Rotax engine for best performance and longer life!
(recommended by Rotax maintenance schedule each
50 to 100 hours depending on condition of engine and
usage)
1. Remove heads

2.	Non-destructive carbon removal on cylinder
	dome.

3. Remove and clean rings and ring groves.4. Examine cylinder walls for wear.

5. Clean top of piston

6. Re-assemble with new base gasket.7. Torque heads to Rotax specifications.

8. Drain and replace gear oil

9. Check carbs for wear.

10. Clean and re-oil air filter

Any out of tolerance parts replaced at extra cost. \$100.00- Please give me one week notice to order parts. Jim Willess 540-788-4341 Work done at your hanger. (01/04)

ULTRALIGHT CROSS-COUNTRY COURSE -

Cross-country training to non-local airport, includes ground and flight training for cross-country sign-off (may be required for new FAA SPORT PILOT Rating). \$100. Jim Willess 540-788-4341 (01/04)

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Lenn Brothers' Field - the hangar and parking area where we will be holding our Memorial Fly-in. (Walker)

Flying Club 1 2004 Event Schedule

Mar 20

Ultralight Safety Seminar

Mar 20	Ultralight Safety Seminar
Sat	Richmond Airport
May 16 Sun	Club 6 Spring Fly-in, Competition, Hudgins Air Park
May 22	Club 250 Fly-in/Picnic
Sat	Holly Springs, VA
Jun 6	Club 1 Memorial Fly-in,
Sun	Lenn Brothers Field
Jun 18-20 Fri-Sun	15th Annual Fathers' Day Fly- in at Footlight Ranch, Shreveport North Airport, PA
Jun 27 Sun	Club 1 Poker Run (Starts at W66 - ends at Warrenton Air Park)
July 4	14th Annual Taildraggers Fly-
Sun	in, Footlight Ranch, PA
Jul 10	Club Meeting, Club House
Sat	Warrenton Air Park
Sep 4-6	14th Annual Last Chance Fly-
Sat-Mon	in, Footlight Ranch, PA
Sep 12 Sun	Club 12 Fly-in Picnic/ Competition, Hudgins Air Park
Sep 18	Club 1 Fly-out to Front Sun Royal Airport, VA
Oct 9	Club 1 Fall Fly-in
Sat	Location TBD
Oct 16	Club 250 Fly-in/Picnic
Sat	Holly Springs, VA
Oct 17	Club 1 Fly-out – Color Run
Sun	from WAP
Dec 4	Club 1 Mtg/Holiday Party, WAP

NOTE: Additions and deletions will occur as other club schedules become known and as Club 1's other activities are established.

USUA FLYING CLUB 1 GENERAL INFORMATION

The United States Ultralight Association's Flying Club 1 is a non-profit, recreational club dedicated to the sport of ultralight and light aircraft flying.

2004-5 CLUB OFFICERS, DIRECTORS & STAFF

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Terms of office: * 2004-05 + 2003-04 A – Appointed to fill vacancy until next election for this office (2004).

ANNUAL DUES (Jan 1 - Dec 31): \$20.00. (Includes newsletter) After July 1, dues for remainder of year are \$10.00. Family membership: \$25.00 (husband and wife). (A spouse who wishes to participate will please complete a membership application form.)

NEWSLETTER SUBSCRIPTION (without membership) is available at \$10.00 per year to those for whom membership is impractical because of location or other inability to participate in Club activities.

CLUB 1 WEB SITE: http://usuaclub1.org. Note the change of the web site. Flying Club 1 now has an officially registered name on the Internet.

MEETINGS are at 7:30 PM on the first Thursday of the month at locations as announced in the Club newsletter and on the Club web site. (Times and days may vary. Check the newsletter and/or web site.)

SUBMITTING ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER: Members and non-members are encouraged to submit items for this newsletter. Send submissions to Lew Clement, 46917 Grissom St, Sterling, VA 20165. E-mail or fax as shown to the left. Deadline for receipt of submissions is 10 days before each meeting.

Ads will be run twice and then dropped unless resubmitted or renewed by phone. Advise editor when item is sold.

A club is only as good as the members who support it. The following listed activities within the club require member support in varying amounts. Please indicate on your membership application the function(s) (can be more than one) you will support as a Club member. All active Club members are expected to participate. However, members who live some distance away and cannot attend meetings regularly may prefer to support functions associated with Club fly-ins.

Club Management/Administration: Club Officers (elected, Directors and Staff Officers. (Talk to current officers for more details.) <u>Fly-ins</u>: Food supply, preparation; Facilities, Grounds; Ground Support. <u>X-country and outside events:</u> ground support; <u>Safety & Education:</u> Flight Safety & Training, New Member Mentoring, Library, Monthly Program Development: <u>Communications:</u> Membership, Newsletter, Web Site; <u>Fund Raising:</u> 50/50 raffle; <u>Miscellaneous:</u> Meeting Facilities, Property Management, Tool Custodian, Clothing Sales, Ad Hoc Committees.

Starred Items on Membership Application Must Be Completed.

FLYING CLUB 1 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION - 2004

All members are encouraged to provide an e-mail address to the Club. It is our best means for fast communications with a large number of Club members in minimum time.

We welcome you to USUA Flying Club 1 and hope your membership will be rewarding to you in flying and fellowship.

*Name			New	_Renewed	Membership
*Street or PO Box					
*City		State	ZIP		
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To Receive Your Newsletter By E-mail,	Enter Your E-mail Address				
*USUA Member: YesNo If	yes, enter member number		USUA Pilot	: Yes	_No
*UL Registration #	*Aircraft Liability Insuran	ice			
Type Aircraft	Stored/Flown From	m			
Other Ultralights (Owned or Flown)					
Flying Hours: Dual UL	Single UL		Conventional		
*Club Activities or Services For Which	You Volunteer				

(NOTE: References to Ultralight aircraft above include Ultralight-type aircraft). Starred items <u>must</u> be completed. Mail application to the Club 1 Treasurer Larry Walker, 7333 Hunton St., Warrenton, VA 20187, accompanied by dues fo r regular (\$20) or family (\$25) membership for a full year or \$10 and \$12 for a half year (July 1 or after). NOTE: Information from this application will be included in the Club 1's membership roster intended for internal use only.

USUA FLYING CLUB 1

To join USUA Flying Club #1, fill out the form on the reverse side. To join the <u>national</u> USUA, fill out the form below:

\$59.95	U.S. Ultralight Association membership
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	U.S. Ultralight Association membership - without 1-year subscription to <i>Ultralight</i>

Enclosed is \$2.00 for work in ultralight safety by

(Canadian and non-US membership add \$5.00)

Name:	
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