



FROM THE LEFT SEAT

Len Alt, President

Spring approaches. Hopefully, this is the month when the flying opportunities become more frequent. As Larry Walker's photos in this month's newsletter will attest not everyone has been grounded. With luck some of the aircraft building projects underway by various members were able to take advantage of the occasional spells of unseasonably warm weather.

Our last club meeting was ended early by a fire alarm at Centreville High School. Consequently we were not able to address a few items of importance to the club. First, we need a Vice President to replace Dick Baker who is moving from the area. Please send your nominations to me or to Lew. Second, we need someone to step up and volunteer to be our Events Coordinator for this year, and for some club members to volunteer to sponsor individual events. The first upcoming event in need of a sponsor is our club meeting at Warrenton Air Park on Saturday, April 8th. Please let me know if you can help us out.

I've been asked to pass on to our members that the Virginia Aviation Department has rescheduled the Virginia UL Safety Seminar to March 18, 2006.

Last year's Poker Run was modified to encourage participation from the soft wing contingent of our membership, as well as the traditional course set up for the fixed wing flyers. The dual courses worked well, and turned out to be a lot of flying and a lot of fun. I hope you will be able to fly in this enjoyable event. Club 1 members

are invited to join the Blue Ridge Paragliding activities on the Saturday evening before the Poker Run, which will include camping, fireworks, blooper movies, a raffle, and a live band.

I'd like to encourage all who can to support our club "Labor Day" on March 25th. We'll plan to meet at Warrenton Air Park to help Tom with some of the work necessary to maintain the air park.

Fly smart. Fly safe.



February's Club 1 meeting in the Media Center at the Centreville High School moments before the alarm went off. President Len Alt is at right foreground.



ADVISORIES

February Meeting - Our meeting opened with VP Dick Baker reporting on the status of repairs to his Italian Tecnam plane. First, he had problems getting the parts delivered to him. He had to go get them in Atlanta. Then, they were left side parts, not parts for the right side of his plane. Finally, the right parts are here and he expects repairs to start right away.

Secretary Lew Clement reported that we now have 53 '06 members. He reminded any '05 members among us that the March newsletter will be our last communication with you unless you re-up for '06.

He pointed out to the members that he records each meeting to be transcribed into the monthly minutes later. He cannot hear your words on the recording if you don't speak up. That could explain why he hasn't included something you said at a meeting – he couldn't hear you! So, **SPEAK UP!**

He tries to have a name tag ready for each new member at the following meeting. If you are already a member and have lost your tag, or for some other reason need a new one, please let him know.

Treasurer Jim Birnbaum reported that our income for last month was \$319.00 and expenses \$192.77. Our total liabilities and equity are \$4,861.12.

Director for Safety and Training Jim Willess has training materials available for anyone wanting to use them.

Director Jerry Starbuck, with Tom Richards approval, is planning to expand the Club's Poker Run event into two days, Saturday, June 24th and Sunday, June 25th. On Saturday, there will be a BBQ dinner, fireworks, movies, a band, and camping for those who wish to stay over. The actual Poker Run will be on Sunday. Saturday's events will be hosted by Jerry's outfit, Blue Ridge Paragliding. On Sunday, there will be a Poker Run for both fixed wing and PPCs, with the winner determined from the poker hands gathered by each participating pilot over lunch.

Director Larry Walker reported that their impromptu Winter Bonfire at the Air Park was a success and a lot of fun.

Tom Richards reported on the status of work at the Air Park. Both cloth hangars are up and being finished off. Work continues and will accelerate as the weather improves.

Twenty-four minutes into our meeting, the School's fire alarm started ringing and we were

instructed to vacate the building. Outside, some of us gathered and tried to continue the meeting. Others had left. President Len Alt decided that the remainder of our meeting agenda would be addressed at next month's meeting and we adjourned.



Sign at the entrance to Footlight Ranch, advertising the Florida Keys Restaurant, a favorite of all who have eaten there.

17th Annual Fathers Day Fly-in at Footlight Ranch

Lew Clement

Seventeen consecutive years! Well, when something's a success, I guess you can keep it going that long. Yet, I can't believe it will continue much longer, time being what it is.

At any rate, beginning on Friday, June 16, Footlight Ranch will be receiving visitors for this year's event that will run through Sunday, June 18. If the weather is encouraging, you will find families coming in from all over Region 2. The bunk house will be filled, there will be trailers and tents all along the south side of the runway, and there may even be a few sleeping bags under the wings of some aircraft. And, I know there will be a few more visitors in the local motels, as well.

What is this that is so popular? It is the largest gathering of ultralights (and now, light sport aircraft) and powered parachutists within Region 2. It is at a facility (Footlight Ranch) with one of the best sod runways I know of and has all the amenities you might want for such a visit – an excellent

restaurant, a flight line snack bar, flying activities for the adults, activities for the children including a guarded swimming pool, the bunk house for families, evening activities and dinners.

Despite a series of years recently on which Fathers Day week-end experienced poor to bad flying weather, I have seen the south side of the flight line completely filled with aircraft and the north side filled to about one-third. That would mean something over 100 planes.

Flying up to the airfield, Shreveport North, is not as easy as it used to be. Now, we have to avoid security areas en route, some of which change in size on short notice. The airfield is a private field, located between Bermudian Valley (07N) and Kampel (2N5), south of Harrisburg, PA. You have two flying choices: fly up the west side of the Dulless ADIZ, follow Rte 340 from Harpers Ferry to Frederick and then fly north to Shreveport North; or, fly north along the west side of the Dulless ADIZ and continue flying north, past the P-40 Prohibited area, continue north staying west of Hagerstown. Once past it, bear north-east toward Shreveport North. These routes will permit you to stay clear of the known ADIZ restrictions. Be sure you check NOTAMS to make sure there are no temporary restricted areas on your chosen route.

If you plan to drive up, it is a pleasant and not too long, drive. For me, from Sterling, it is about a 2hr+ drive. I drive up Rte 15 from Leesburg to Rte 340, into Frederick and then, north on Route 15 to the Dillsburg area. If you are familiar with the area, there are roads just south of Dillsburg that will lead you to Footlight Ranch. If not, turn right at the first traffic light in Dillsburg. Turn right at the next traffic light. You will now be travelling south on Route 74. Follow Rte 74 approximately 4.5 miles to Kralltown Road, on the right. Look carefully for the sign, trees may obstruct your view of it as you approach.

Follow Kralltown Road for about 2.5-3 miles, crossing Mount Top Road. Look for the runway at Shreveport North on the right as you top a ridge. Just beyond, and down the hill, on the right is a dirt road that turns into Footlight Ranch. There may or may not be a check point as you drive in. Drive to the parking lot on the left. Park there and walk up the hill to the runway. Check in at the tent on the corner. You may get information on everything you need there.

You will find representatives from most of the USUA clubs in the northern part of our region

present there. It is through their efforts, supported by John Shreve, owner and operator of Footlight Ranch and his staff, that this event is such a success each year. We have been invited to participate in this year's event. When you get there, check in and find out how you can help.

I have attended all but the first few of these events. Each year, I leave thinking about the fine, fun time I've had and looking forward to next year. Try it, you'll like it - and bring your family!



Flight Line Snack Bar



Looking west along the flight line at Shreveport North



Flight Line at Shreveport North from the air.

ON A SNOWY DAY AT THE AIR PARK

Photos by Larry Walker



Let's Fly!



Looking across the pool toward the restaurant at Footlight Ranch



Hold your breath - maybe it won't go away!



Looking back across the pool from the restaurant toward the bandstand



This is why I had to taxi at full power!

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.

PARTNERS WANTED - for Airborne Edge X with Streak Wing. Aircraft currently hangared at OMH (Ornage County), to be moved to me hangar at 8W8 (Hartwood) or elsewhere if partners desire. Will consider 2,3 or more partners. I have never flown this aircraft but have taxied it and the wing is almost new (220 hrs). Contact Martin Walker - 703-599-7448 or <martinwalker1@msn.com>. (1/06)

KOLB FIRESTAR KXP - Rotax 503DCDI. Running strong and exercised mostly every weekend with recent overhaul maintenance (plugs, filters, etc.) Uses Pennzoil oil. "F-16" cockpit enclosure w/VFR instruments recently inspected, maintained and calibrated, including hand-held radio mount bracket. Two 5 gal. fuel tanks with fuel gauge w/independent fuel filters w/fuel selector switch. Hand brakes. All Poly coverings are in like new condition (minor 3" hangar rash on one wing). Second Chanz parachute needs inspection and possible repacking. Excellent flier. Price \$9,500. Custom trailer w/tail boom support \$2,000. Package: \$11,000. All offers are welcome. Located at Warrenton Airpark, VA. Ralph Kew, H - 703-802-3231, Cell 202-437-1580. (3/06)

TWO PHANTOM ULTRALIGHTS - Serial #387 has a Rotax 377, asking price: \$5500. Serial #301 has a Rotax 503DCDI, asking price \$8,000. Both have: full engine and VFR instrumentation; ground adj Ivo props; "He-Man" side tubes; streamlined front tubes; engines converted to free air-cooling; ruggedized main gear; ballistic chutes; improved geometry 4-point harness. Art Kudner - 410-310-0159 or <talisman@friend.ly.net>. (12/05)

PROPELLER - 66" wood, ground adjustable, 2-blade. New. \$250. Michele, 301-696-0073 (12/05)

KOLB FIRESTAR II - 2004, with Rotax 503DCDI, Ivoprop, BRS-5 Ballistic chute, & Stits PolyTone color scheme. Only 66 hrs on airframe. Extended panel, basic VFR instr, lexan gap sealer, 5 gal tank installed, another 5 gal tank available. Folding wings & tail feathers. Easy to trailer. Pictures available. Sale price \$12,000, ready to fly away. Call Bruce at 803-528-1277 for further details and parts/options on the plane or come with the plane. bharrison@earthlink.net (1/06)

WANTED: Oven needed for Powder Coating. Need an electrical oven (bigger the better) that could be used for curing Powder Coating. Will pickup. Larry Walker and Jerry Starbuck. 540 347 7609. (2/06)

Items bought and sold through the *Newsletter* are solely at the risk of the buyer and seller. Neither the *Newsletter* nor USUA Flying Club 1 guarantees, or is in any way responsible for, the airworthiness or other aspects of the items listed.



On final to 23, Shreveport North



Sunset at Footlight Ranch



Dick Baker, Jody Clement and Dave Riedel enjoy the sun before starting home on Sunday morning.

The Family Place to Fly

Food Service By:

The Florida Keys Restaurant & The Crosswinds Cafe



LODGING & CAMPING

Tents and RV's
\$10.00 per person per night
\$25.00 per person per night

Bunkhouse
\$15.00 per person per night
\$35.00 per family per night

Rates include:
Sheets and Blanket for Bunkhouse
Shower and Restroom Facilities
Swimming Pool

No Pets Please

Airport Data

Runway:
length 2700'
width 70'
surface turf
Approach: clear
Elevation: 540'
Right Traffic Pattern

New York, Detroit and Washington sectionals

Airport Identifier

Code: 62PA
Latitude: 40° 2' 10"
Longitude: 76° 59' 45"
FAA Site: #21717.5
Harrisburg, PA
HAR VOR 112.5 175
Lancaster, PA
LRP VOR 117.3 270
Unicom 122.8
Bring Your Own Tie Downs

2005 FLYING CLUB 1 ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE

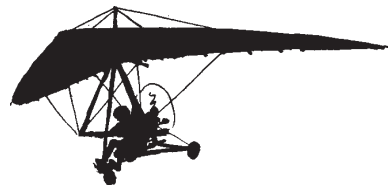
Designated Club meetings will be held the first Thursday of each month in the Centreville High School, Union Mill Rd., Centreville, VA, at 7:30 PM. Others will be held at the Warrenton Airpark as indicated

- Mar 2 [Thur] Monthly mtg, CVHS
- Mar 11 [Sat] UL Safety Seminar, RIC
- Apr 8 [Sat] Monthly mtg, Warrenton Air Park (WAP)
- May 6 [Sat] Monthly mtg, WAP
- May 7 [Sun] Club 6 Spring Fly-in, New Quarter Farm (NQF)
- May 20 [Sat] Club 250 Spring Fly-in, Holly Springs (HS)
- Jun 1 [Thur] Monthly mtg, CVHS
- Jun 4 [Sun] Club 1 Memorial Fly-in, WAP
- Jun 11 [Sun] Club 6 Area Comp, NQF
- Jun 16-18 [Fri-Sun] Fathers Day Fly-in, Footlight Ranch
- Jun 25 [Sun] Club 1 Poker Run, WAP
- Jul 8 [Sat] Monthly mtg & family picnic WAP
- Aug 5 [Sat] Monthly mtg, WAP
- Aug 13 [Sun] Club 6 Fly-in, NQF
- Sep 9 [Sat] Monthly mtg, WAP
- Sep 16 [Sat] Club 1 Fly-out to (TBA)
- Sep 24 [Sun] Club 6 Fall Fly-in, NQF
- Oct 5 [Thur] Monthly mtg, CVHS
- Oct 7 [Sat] Club 1 Fall Fly-in, WAP
- Oct 14 [Sat] Club 250 Fall Fly-in, HS
- Oct 15 [Sun] Club 1 Color Run
- Nov 2 [Thur] Monthly mtg, CVHS
- Dec 2 [Sat] Club 1 Monthly mtg/ Holiday Party

2005 Club 1 Members

Your membership expired on January 1, 2006. **NOW** is the time to renew your membership! This is the LAST newsletter that will be sent to you until you renew for 2006. See the 2006 membership form on the inside of the rear cover of this news letter. Mail it to the address at the bottom of the form with the appropriate membership fee.

Additions and deletions to this schedule will be made as other club schedules become known and as the Club 1 schedule is adjusted. Changes will be published in this newsletter and on the Club web site.



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.

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.)

2005-6 CLUB OFFICERS, DIRECTORS & STAFF

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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://usuacub1.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.

Terms of office: + 2005-06 *2006-07
ANNUAL DUES (Jan 1 - Dec 31) : \$20.00. (Includes newsletter)

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.) Fly-ins: Food supply, preparation; Facilities, Grounds; Ground Support. X-country and outside events: ground support; Safety & Education: Flight Safety & Training, New Member Mentoring, Library, Monthly Program Development; Communications: Membership, Newsletter, Web Site; Fund Raising: 50/50 raffle; Miscellaneous: Meeting Facilities, Property Management, Tool Custodian, Clothing Sales, Ad Hoc Committees.

Starred Items on Membership Application Must Be Completed.

FLYING CLUB 1 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION - 2006

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 ___ Regular ___ Family ___ Membership

+Street or PO Box _____

*City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

*Telephone (H) _____ Telephone (W) _____

*Spouse's Name _____ *Name To Go On Your Name Tag _____

To Receive Your Newsletter By E-mail, Enter Your E-mail Address _____

*USUA Member: Yes ___ No ___ If yes, enter member number _____ USUA Pilot: Yes ___ No ___

*UL Registration # _____ *Aircraft Liability Insurance _____

Type Aircraft _____ Stored/Flown From _____

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 must be completed. Mail application to the Club 1 Treasurer, Jim Birnbaum, 8570 King Carter St., Manassas, VA 22110, accompanied by dues for 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. (Roster ___ E-mail ___ USMail ___ Name Tag ___)

USUA FLYING CLUB 1

March 2006

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

____ **\$59.95** U.S. Ultralight Association membership includes: NAA Division representation, pilot and vehicle registration programs, insurance eligibility, instructor and Club Network listings, USUA decal, manufacturer and car rental discounts, 1-year subscription to *Ultralight Flying!* magazine.

____ **\$25.00** U.S. Ultralight Association membership - same as above without 1-year subscription to *Ultralight Flying!* (Other magazines are also available.)

____ Enclosed is \$2.00 for work in ultralight safety by USUA.

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

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone _____ Date of Birth _____

Enclosed is my Check _____ Money Order _____
Visa _____ Mastercard _____

Account # _____

Exp. Date _____

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