



FROM THE LEFT SEAT

Len Alt, President

Happy New Year! Hope this year brings all good things for you and your family, and that you are able to enjoy lots of fun, safe flying. Christmas day was unusually mild and sunny, and I was fortunate to get in a great flight from WAP. I saw Bob Nestline in the air, and also saw Ami Abramson at the field celebrating the holidays with his third flight in as many days.



Christmas Day Flying at WAP

Please note that we have published an update of the Warrenton Airpark Rules in this month's newsletter. Please read this and help keep the airfield functional and safe by adhering to these mandates. In particular please review the rules for runway use and conflict resolution. These rules are particularly important to prevent inadvertent conflict between fixed wing and soft wing aircraft flying at WAP.

New to this issue is the first of our club Safety and Training Officer's monthly safety columns, "Skull Sez". 2007 saw a tragic, fatal crash out west involving our most experienced airman, and several very near misses at WAP involving a PPG, a PPC, and a fixed wing ultralight. Please help Dave by contributing to this vital monthly safety message.



Santa Dave Sez Fly Safely in 2008

Please join us for our January club meeting at Centreville High School this Thursday evening, January 3rd, starting at 7:30 P.M.

Best wishes to you and your family for a healthy and happy year in 2008.

Fly smart. Fly safe.



Double Award Winner, Dave Riedel

Skull Sez ...

FROM THE CLUB 1 SAFETY HANGAR

Season's greetings and I hope you and your family had a festive, joyous, and safe holiday season. Thanks to Tom and Len for updating and publishing the WAP Rules and Regulations. With the Airpark getting more popular all of the time [and well deserved] and with the increase in aircraft of all kinds, I plan on spending a few minutes each monthly Club meeting discussing some "Skull Sez" points on safety around the field. These are discussions, which means I want your input and remarks about the topics discussed.

At January's meeting I plan on touching on the Airpark Rules and Regulations and airing any questions or concerns Club members might have about the rules. Then I want to start in on a multi-meeting topic of getting to know the different types of flying machines that we have and encounter around the field. We will take about 15 minutes at each meeting and discuss different aircraft and their characteristics. I will be asking for volunteers that fly that particular kind of aircraft [let me know before hand who is willing to speak] to cover Trikes, PPCs, true Ultralights, Experimentals, Light Sport Aircraft, and finally General Aircraft. I want to cover the basics of each aircraft, like your take-off speed, take-off roll, climb rate, cruise speed, normal cruising altitude, pattern speed, approach and touch down speeds, stall speed, critical times in the pattern, etc. I would also like each pilot to touch on critical things or procedures if there is a mishap with your aircraft [i.e. ballistic chute; fuel cutoff valves, etc.] My goal is to raise the awareness of the pilots in the Club, so for example, if I'm in my PPG approaching the field and I see an ultralight turning crosswind in the pattern, I'll know he is focused on his turn to final, his speed is just above stall, and he will probably land. Or if an ultralight is overflying the field and sees a PPG pilot out of his seat and turning into the wind, the ultralight pilot would know that the PPG pilot is on "final" and will soon be turning off his motor and will be committed

to landing. If we learn more about what the other guy is doing in his aircraft, it should be safer above and on the field.

February we'll have a PPC and Trike pilot speak. Step up and volunteer! [Steve are you still interested?] March will be true ultralight and an experimental aircraft pilot. In April I will ask for LSA and GA pilots to speak.

So, by the time we get into the heart of the flying season, we should be familiar with the other aircraft based out of WAP. On down days or if the winds pick up and we can't get airborne, I'd like to see more show and tell of each other's aircraft besides the hangar talk and the "there I was..." stories.

Each month I will try to touch on any mishaps across the aircraft types that I can find information on, to again raise our awareness, not to point the finger on lay blame on the pilot. If you have any other suggestions for safety topics, let me know.

If it has been a long time since you've flown last, remember to take the time to walk through the entire flight in your mind before even stepping near your aircraft. Go through some "What ifs" with yourself and maybe even break out your checklists for the first few flights. See you at the Airpark!

Fly safe,
'Skull'
Dave Riedel



Vice President & Award Winner, Pete Bastien

Warrenton Airpark

Rules and Regulations (Revised 1/02/2008)

1. General Facilities:
 - a. Status: Private Airport Operated by Warrenton Airpark, LLC, Tom Richards, Owner
 - b. Field Identifier 7VG0
 - c. Field Elevation: 442 ft MSL
 - d. Runways 04/22 2300 ft long, 15/33 2000 ft long, and abandoned runway 15/33.
 - e. Radio frequency for Local Coordination: 122.9 MHZ.
2. General Rules: Aircraft using Warrenton Airpark vary from Hot Air Balloons to General Aviation to include Powered Parachutes, Powered Paragliders, Ultralight Aircraft, Experimental, and factory-built aircraft. It is possible to share this space safely only if the rules of common courtesy and the FAR's are followed as appropriate. Operators of each type of aircraft should be aware of all other aircraft operating at the same time. For example, any time fixed wing aircraft are operating in the vicinity of the Airpark, Powered Parachutes and Powered Paragliders should avoid overflying the 04/22 and 15/33 runways at or below pattern altitude. All pilots must fly in accordance with all FAR's with special emphasis on yielding the runway to aircraft that are flying the pattern — presumably with intent to land.
3. Use a Left Hand Pattern for Landing and Takeoff for Runways 04 and 22. Use a Left Hand Pattern for Landing on Runway 33. Abandoned Runway 15/33 can be used by Powered Parachutes and Powered Paragliders but crossing the intersection of Runways 04/22 should be avoided unless a safety observer is at the intersection coordinating traffic. Other aircraft should avoid using abandoned Runways 15/33 except for emergencies or strong cross-winds on 04/22.

4. Do not fly over any houses within 1 mile of the Airpark below 1000 ft AGL (1442 ft MSL).
5. Minimum pattern altitude is 500 ft AGL or 942 ft MSL.
6. Departures on Runway 04 must turn before crossing over Beach Road and houses beyond.
7. Left Traffic landing on Runway 04 must avoid flying over the “Green Roofed House” ½ mile Southwest of the airport.
8. Go-Arounds when using Runway 33 for landing will depart straight out or turn left only.
9. Tenants and guests please avoid driving on the airfield at any time. Parking is available around the circle driveway by the Clubhouse.
10. Tie downs are available on the tree line on the entrance side of the runway 04/22.
11. Please help us keep the airfield litter free. Trash cans are provided.
12. Access to and use of the Clubhouse — The Clubhouse now serves as the full-time residence of Tom Richards and his daughter, Janet. Hangar and Tie-down Tenants, USUA Flying Club 1 members, and other visitors to the Airpark are welcome to continue using the clubhouse pretty much as before – i.e. access to the restroom at any time, refreshments* are usually available in the refrigerator on the front porch (honor system) and continued use for USUA Flying Club 1 meetings, Fly-Ins, parties and such.
* — Refreshments = sodas, cold water and beer (no beer before flying please - per the FAR)
13. During Fly Ins:
 - a. The Club 1 Safety Staff may authorize specific exceptions to these rules.
 - b. All pilots flying during a fly in must register and be briefed by the safety staff.
- c. Ground Traffic:
 1. Vehicles on the field will be limited to travel from the entrance gate to designated parking areas.
 2. Unloading and loading may be done only in areas authorized by the Safety Officer.
 3. Go carts and ATV’s are not permitted on the field, except for the USUA Flying Club 1 utility cart when operated by authorized drivers.
 4. Pedestrians must avoid aircraft operation areas and especially the runways during flight operations.
14. No Training Operations permitted, except Hanger and Tie-Down tenants may train for proficiency.
15. All Hangar and Tie-Down tenants must have liability insurance for the operation of their aircraft.
16. This is a Private Airport. All aircraft that are not Hangar and Tie-Down tenants are required to obtain permission from the Airport Owner before landing. If USUA Flying Club 1 obtains permission to hold a Club 1 activity on the field, all attending that activity automatically have permission from the Airport Owner to land unless specifically denied permission by the Airport Owner in writing. All Club 1 Members in good standing automatically have permission to land unless specifically denied permission by the Airport Owner in writing. All who land are required to comply with these rules and regulations.
17. If you are unable to adhere to any of these procedures, please land at some other field and contact the Airpark for transportation. The management and tenants welcome your comments or suggestions for more enjoyable, safer and quieter flight operations.

Thank you for your understanding,


Tom Richards, Owner
Warrenton Airpark, LLC

2007 Awards

PRESENTED AT CLUB 1 CHRISTMAS PARTY

A club is only as good as its members who actively support it. Without active volunteers, no club can properly support its membership. We recognize members each year who have responded to that need in an exceptional manner and are part of what makes this Club work.

Directors' Award – For unique and extended Volunteer service to the Club by a member. The Directors' Award is selected by the Board of Directors.

Dave Riedel — Dave has by far made the greatest contributions to the Club this year. His tireless work efforts at the air field, hosting of multiple club events, stewardship of the golf cart acquisition program, support of the newsletter, and assumption of duties as the club Safety and Training Officer clearly set him apart from all other club members this year. He has established by his actions the well earned reputation of integrity, helpfulness and Mr. "Can Do"! For this we honor Dave with our Director's award.

Volunteer of the Year Award — For continuing and outstanding volunteer service to the club by a member. It is selected and awarded by the Club President.

Lew Clement — Lew performed the duties of Secretary and newsletter Editor for a number of years and has not received the recognition he has earned. It's a behind the scenes job which takes a lot of time and effort each month. He not only prepared the minutes, but compiled the newsletter and membership roster. In addition, he has always been available to support the club flying activities. Lew was also a USUA regional director for a number of years. He also stayed on top of the FAA notifications of flight restrictions, keeping the membership informed of these critical notices. For

his body of work over many years we honor Lew as our Volunteer of the Year.

Volunteer Service Awards — Presented in recognition of continued volunteer service to the Club. These are selected by our membership and awarded by our Club President. This year the club members have selected, in no particular order:

Pete Bastien — Pete has done a tremendous amount of work at the airpark this year when most people weren't around. When he is available, he always is willing to step up and volunteer with his big smile and firm handshake. Pete has volunteered to help on many of the cookouts, and has gone out of his way to help Tom on work at the field on a regular basis.

Tom Richards – Once again his tireless efforts to maintain and improve Warrenton Air Park have made it one of the premier ultralight flying fields in the country.

Dave Riedel – Dave has worked constantly at the air field, hosted multiple club events, managed the golf cart acquisition, supported the newsletter, and taken on duties as the club Safety and Training Officer.

Jim Birnbaum – Jim is the consummate volunteer. He always stepped up and helped with just about every BBQ that the Club held this past season, most times without even being asked. In addition he continued his long standing service as Club Treasurer.

Kim Alt — Kim has worked hard on the newsletter and helped run club events, including this Christmas party and other cookouts at the air field.

~ Len Alt

ADVISORIES

December Meeting – Minutes

USUA Flying Club 1
Monthly Meeting
Saturday December 1, 2007
Warrenton Airpark

President **Len Alt** opened the meeting at 7:30 PM in the Warrenton Air Park Club House.

Twenty members were present.

Officer’s reports:

Jim T. Hill – In Jim’s absence Len Alt was acting Secretary. The November Minutes as published were accepted.

Jim Birnbaum – Treasurer’s Report & Balance Sheet submitted.

Safety & Training Director: Dave Riedel has accepted the position and solicits safety related input from the club members.

Membership Director – No report submitted.

Activities at WAP (Tom Richards): Not present.
Members At Large: No report submitted for December.

New Business:

Annual awards presented for 2008 for Director’s Award (Dave Riedel), President’s Award (Lew Clement), and Volunteers of the Year Awards (Pete Bastien, Tom Richards, Dave Riedel, Jim Birnbaum, and Kim Alt).

Photos solicited for club web site for member aircraft.

Len Alt - President adjourned the meeting at 9:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Len Alt

Acting Secretary

ACTIVITIES

2008 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 shown in the 2008 schedule.

Changes in time or location will be posted in this newsletter and on the Club website.

2008 Club Activities Schedule

Jan 3, Thu	Monthly Meeting, CHS
Feb 7, Thu	Monthly Meeting, CHS
Mar 6, Thu	Monthly Meeting, CHS
Apr 5, Sat	Monthly Meeting, WAP
May 3, Sat	Monthly Meeting, WAP
May 31, Sat	Memorial Fly-In, WAP
Jun 7, Sat	Monthly Meeting, WAP
Jun 21, Sat	Club 1 Poker Run, WAP
Jul 12, Sat	Monthly Meeting & Summer BBQ, WAP
Aug 2, Sat	Monthly Meeting, WAP
Sep 6, Sat	Monthly Meeting, WAP
Sep 13, Sat	Club 1 Fly-Out, WAP
Oct 4, Sat	Monthly Meeting & Club 1 Fall Fly-In, WAP
Oct 11, Sat	Color Run Fly-In, WAP
Nov 6, Thu	Monthly Meeting, CHS
Dec 6, Sat	Monthly Meeting & Holiday Party, TBD

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.

FOR SALE -- Brand new and unused Blackhawk one-piece flying suit in red and black. Size Medium. **\$40.**

Inquiries: Bob Bell
(W) 540-351-1081 or (C) 703-943-7129
cedarfield540@juno.com (12/07)

1952 PIPER TRIPACER — **Project.** Airframe and engine with less than 800 hours since new. Fuselage and one wing have been recovered. Other wing needs cover. Needs paint job. Engine needs assembly. Asking \$ 12,000.

Inquiries: Ralph E. Kew via e-mail at
REKP1@MSN.com (08/07)

PASHA 2 TANDEM WING — 42m, like new, \$2400.00

Inquiries: Michael O'Daniel 540-270-8855
onegooddoc@starpower.net (08/07)

WEIGHT SHIFT KIT FOR BLACKHAWK — brand new, never used \$225.00

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onegooddoc@starpower.net (08/07)

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.

Membership Due's Policy

The period of membership follows the calendar year – January through December.

The renewal period starts on 1 October with regular dues at \$20.00 and family at \$25.00. Members who have not paid their dues by the end of February will be dropped and will not receive the Newsletter or Membership Roster.

New Members joining from 1 July through 30 September will be charged \$10.00. New members joining after 1 October will be charged \$20.00 or the family rate, if applicable, and will be credited will full membership for the following calendar year.

Please mail payments to USUA Flying Club 1, 8570 King Carter Street, Manassas, VA 20110. Payment can also be made at the regular monthly meeting. Please include the 2008 Membership Application form with your payment. This will be used to ensure that our records are current. A copy of the membership application is attached and also printed at the end of the Newsletter.

Jim Birnbaum
USUA Flying Club 1
Treasurer



*Beautiful Tribute to Jim Willess by Jim Heidish,
Featured on the 2008 Club 1 Calendar*



FLYING CLUB 1 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION - 2008

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 _ Renewal _ Regular __ Family__ Membership

*Street or PO Box: _____

*City: _____ State _____ ZIP

*Telephone(H) _____ Telephone (W) _____

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

Emergency Contact: Name: _____ Phone: _____

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 Cessna 150 _____ Stored/Flown from Warenton Air Park

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 must be completed. Mail application to the Club 1 Treasurer, Jim Birnbaum, 8570 King Carter St., Manassas, VA 20110, accompanied by dues for regular (\$20) or Family (\$25) membership for a full year or \$10 and \$12 (Family) for the period 1 July through 30 September. Payments after 1 October should be for the full rate and the member will be credited with membership for the following calendar year. NOTE: Information from this application will be included in the Club 1's membership roster intended for internal use only. (*Roster__E-mail__USMaiI__Name Tag__).

To join USUA Flying Club #1, fill out the forms on the reverse side. To join the national USUA, fill out the form below: (Canadian and non-US membership add \$5.00)

**Jim Birnbaum
8570 King Carter Street
Manassas, VA 20110-4888**

____ **\$30.00** U.S. Ultralight Association annual membership does not include magazine subscriptions. All publications are optional, and are available to USUA members at the discounted prices below. A current USUA membership is required to take advantage of these discounts. Subscribe to your choice when you renew your membership.

- Ultralight Magazine - \$24.95**
- Light Sport and Ultralight Flying - \$34.95**
- KITPLANES Magazine - \$19.95**
- Air & Space - \$19.00**

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

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Date of Birth _____

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

**United States Ultralight Association
104 Carlisle Street
Gettysburg, PA 17325**

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 sport aircraft flying.

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Terms of office: +2007-08 *2008-09

ANNUAL DUES (Jan 1 - Dec 31) \$20.00. (Includes newsletter.) Family membership: \$25.00. 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 \$10.00 per year.

CLUB WEB SITE: <http://usuaclub1.org>. Note the change in 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 announced in the Club newsletter and on the Club web site. (Times and days may vary. check the newsletter and/or the web site.)

SUBMITTING ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER Members and non-members are encouraged to submit items for this newsletter. Send submissions to Kim Alt, 13102 Mares Neck Lane, Herndon, VA 20171. E-mail is shown at left. Deadline for entry of items into the newsletter is 10 days before each meeting.

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

A club is only as good as the members who volunteer to support its activities. The following listed activities with 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 wek-end activities.

Club Management/Administration: Club Officers (elected, Directors and Staff). (Talk to current officer for more detail.) Fly-ins: Food supply, preparation; Facilities; Grounds; Ground Support. X-country & 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, Clothing Sales, Tool Custodian, Ad Hoc Committees.