

Cypress Soaring

March 2009



*The 3 most dangerous things in aviation: A doctor, dentist or lawyer in a Cessna;
Two captains in a 737 and an on-board fire*

Instructor Schedule

Chuck Gifford Sun 3/1
Art Wallace Sat 3/21
Jose Cordova Sat 3/28
Gary Timbs Sun 3/29

Richard Ensign and Larry Howell are also available during the week.

BFRs must be scheduled AT LEAST 10 days before your desired flight date (You do have a quiz to prepare beforehand, you know)

Please PHONE cancellations to your instructor at least 24 hours in advance to free up the slot for someone else or to save an unnecessary trip to the field

Upcoming Events

Sun 3/8 9:30 am
Krosno/L-33
Spring Clean

Sun 3/8 4:00 PM
Monthly Mtg.

Fri 3/20 Extraterrestrial
Abductions
Day

Sat 4/4 Monthly Mtg
Trailer Maint.

Sun 5/3 Disassemble
Krosno

Sun 5/3 **Monthly Mtg**



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corner of the envelope*

March Meeting

Contrary to popular belief, the March meeting will be held on **Sunday 3/8 at 4:00pm** at the Colonial Homes Mobile Park.

We'll be at the field on the 8th at 9:30 to do some spring cleaning on the Krosno & L-33.

Maintenance

Check the website for current flight status

Krosno

A tire and tube is on backorder.

The front brake cable has been disconnected it will be replaced in February.

A tentative date is set for Sunday May 3, to remove the wings and lube the attach points and wing bolts

L-33

A new tire and tube will be installed in February.

The strut needs a nitrogen recharge. We need to find the right valve fitting and have Tim Butcher come back to finish it.

Krosno & L-33 Spring Cleaning

The club will have a Spring cleaning of the Krosno & L-33 on Sunday 3-8 beginning at about 9:30

PW-6

The Annual is due in May. The rear seat back is broken and has been removed for repair.

Discus

The annual was completed in January. The electronic barograph will be repaired and ready by Summer

Next Meeting:

SUNDAY 4:00 pm

Colonial Mobile Home Park
Recreation Bldg. Card Room
601 Kirby St Hemet
Park on the side of the building

Treasurer

January Income	\$1006.78
January Expenses	<u>\$380.00</u>
Net Income	\$626.78

Operations

Parachutes

The Softie has been repacked and should be good for 180 days.

We decided to keep one chute current all year and have one additional chute repacked for the Spring and Summer.

There was some discussion on selling the third one but it was decided to keep all three.

Windsock

What's an airport without a windsock, right?

The club will purchase and install a new one at the east approach end of the field.

SSA Instructor

Art is now the "official SSA badge Instructor. See him for all of the necessary documents for your upcoming badge flights

General Business

SSA Badges

Art did an overview of barograph operations prior to last month's meeting.

Cross Country Training

We'll be setting up a practice triangle in the Spring for practice cross country training.

Shade Structure

There was some discussion about building some sort of shade structure out at the shed.

We'll be getting some cost estimates on building a lean-to type awning that will be attached to the shed. The top will be covered with a replaceable nylon screening material.

CSI Apparel

Are you interested in shirts or some CSI patches or...?

E-mail Art with your preference.

Majority rules...unless we can find a better deal on something else.

New Members

We're welcoming two new members to Cypress this month

Jim Wilcox

Jim's a 3500 hour power pilot and SEL and MEL Instructor. He'll be working toward his glider rating. Ask him about simulator training at Boeing Long Beach.

He was admitted despite readily acknowledging knowing Chuck Gifford.

Dirk Darling

Dirk is about to finish his glider training with Larry Howell. He's has his Private SEL and about 500 hours of hang gliding experience.

His longest hang glider flight was 100 miles in four hours.

After Scott Lance took him for a demo flight in the PW-6, Dirk figured four hours in that has **GOT** to be a whole lot more comfortable.

Member Profile

Randy Shumaker



Randy's been a Cypress member since October 2008.

He's originally from Charlotte, No Carolina and has been flying 1989. He has about 200 hours in gliders

Randy finished his Private SEL last summer.

His interest in soaring is the challenge of thermalling and just the pure emotion of this kind of flying.

Randy's interested in cross country and would like to race at least once, just for the experience

March Quickie Quiz

If clouds form as a result of very stable, moist air being forced to ascend a mountain slope, the clouds will be:

1. Cirrus type with no vertical development or turbulence
2. Cumulus type with considerable vertical development and turbulence
3. Stratus type with little vertical development and little or no turbulence.

Answer next month

February Quickie Quiz Answer

How will frost on the wings affect aircraft takeoff performance?

1. Frost disrupts the smooth flow of air over the wings adversely affecting lifting capability
2. Frost changes the camber of the wing; increasing the lifting capability
3. Frost causes the airplane to become airborne with a higher angle of attack, decreasing the stall speed

No, you don't win anything. You're supposed to know this stuff already