



Cypress Soaring
June 2016 Newsletter

2016 Officers

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Flight Ops - Mike Kalina Maintenance - Gary Timbs

2016 Aircraft Captains

2-33 - Kip Ongstad Krosno - Woody Woodall
1-34 - Rick Russell PW-5 - Russ Schwartz
PW-6 - Randy Shumaker Discus - Dirk Darling

May 2016 Meeting Minutes

Meeting began at 10:00 am, Lake Elsinore Clubhouse
April minutes read & approved
New members introduced: Carlos Miralles

VP Report: Family after meeting.
Ops Report: PW-5 still showing as No Fly, needs an A3 member to return it to flight status in the logbook. All other aircraft are in In Flight Status.

Treasurer Report: \$11,226.00 in checking account;
\$68745.00 in savings account; \$2954.00 in PayPal account.
\$1079,00

Received balance of funds from OCSA. All bills paid, 9K + insurance.
\$1079,00 Directors/Officers insurance paid.
Paid \$2000.00+ for SSA memberships.

Maintenance: Krosno passed Annual - another Disk Brake pad needs to be ordered. Wheel bearings will be packed. 2-33 in good shape, annual due in July. 1-34 total energy probe is loose. Dirk will bring oxygen bottles to the field. PW-5 & Discus are in good shape, PW-5 had its annual. PW-5 canopy latch is tough, needs grease which is in the Discus trailer.

Art Wallace: May have brought in some new members.

Old Business: Bishop Safari cancelled. Should consider taking our tow plane to Bishop. Dirk will try to schedule a mid to late summer Safari, possibly to Lone Pine because of shorter tows.

Cross-Country Gropu Wx'ed out. Rescheduling for Late June.
Tow Plane: Checkride scheduled 5/15, inspection after that. Hopefully ready to tow late June. Gary Timbs is the Chief Tow Pilot. Tow plane currently at OC Airport, will be moved to Chino for pre-purchase inspection and tow equipment installation, then will be tied down at Hemet Airport. A tow manual will be completed by the end of June.

SC Douglas Club; paperwork in to govt. Agencies, looks like the end of the year to finalize.

John Smith: Krey Field - Done. Adelanto: hangar space is available, access roads are not good, need to coordinate with owner/operations.

June Meeting: 10:00 am, Lake Elsinore, CA

George Calvo Notches First Diamond Flight!
Cypress member flies 314 miles, from Crystal to Hurricane, Utah
on May 28, in his ASW-20 (4M)

George's report: I want to thank my son Kevin for crewing, Peter Kovari and Sean Eckstein for giving me the little nudge I needed to start flying cross country, otherwise I may have never left the nest area. After our pilots' meeting, four gliders departed on our journey towards Las Vegas, then onto Hurricane. Unfortunately two of the gliders had to land short due to crew issues. (*Rumor is, someone had a dance date. Editor*) They needed to be back home. That night one of them landed at Baker, the other made it to Jean.

Sean Eckstein and I moved on towards Echo Bay. Sean was way ahead of me as I pushed onto Perkins, Nevada, where I struggled for a while and then headed toward Mesquite within my margins. It looked like Mesquite was going to be it for me as it was getting very late in the day, and I was hitting nothing but sink. I was about seven miles out of Mesquite on final glide when I hit a boomer of a thermal, and I was able to climb out high enough to have St. George well within my margins, with Hurricane just outside my margins. As I headed to St. George, Hurricane was looking more and more doable, and so I headed towards Hurricane while still keeping St. George as an alternate. As I got closer to Hurricane I knew I could make it, so basically I had final glide from Mesquite all the way to Hurricane. I make it!!!! What an awesome adventure!!!

Note: Also on May 28, Rami Zwick and Cypress instructor Gary Timbs flew 114 miles from Crystal to Baker in the Cypress Club's PW-6 (2EC), Dirk Darling flew 168 miles from Crystal to Jean, Nevada.

May 2016 Meeting Minutes (continued)

Hemet: no tangible update

Crystal Mouse invasion: PW-6 had multiple attacks, seats removed, ship cleaned.

Motions to Update Equipment: New instruments for 2-33 and PW-5; New Mechanical varicos for each will be ordered. PW-5 is being used as to make a canopy cover pattern, we'll get a free cover in exchange.

New Business:

The Antelope Valley club invited Cypress to come up and fly from their field this summer.

Motion made to re-start the Member Mentor program. Chuck will be asked to prepare the list.

Rides & Clubs: allowing/not allowing non-members to handle controls was discussed. Mike Kalina is doing budget oversight

Rimatus volunteered to rebuild the Cypress web site, will work with Art, should take up to six months.

Schedule Master program will be considered.

Quarterly Payments: Members may not fly if dues are past due; insurance coverage may be not be valid on member with late dues.