

Burcham; Treasurer, Lindy Underwood, and Secretary, Frank Lilly.

Any soaring pilots passing through town do come out or contact me—you are most welcome (we hope for some of it to rub off).

Frank Lilly, FL 3-4544

Sooner Soaring Society Wiley Post Airport Oklahoma City, Okla. A Chapter of SSA

After a long and bitter winter season the Oklahoma skies are blue again and the soaring fever is beginning to reappear. Our TG-3A has been hangared at Wiley Post airport and is now being cleaned and polished for the big thermals of summer. The club membership has reached full capacity with 20 members on the rolls. We feel that this will be about the maximum that can be accommodated with one sailplane.

The SSS now can boast ownership of its own towplane. The Sooners recently purchased an L-5 which is being licensed and fitted with a towhook. We owe our thanks to several members for the loan of their privately-owned ships over the past year to keep the sailplane in the air.

John Furrow became the first club member to acquire his own sailplane. He enrolled in the Schweizer school and took a course for his ratings. Evidently he was happily impressed because he placed his order for a new 1-26 while there. We can expect to see some badge flights this season.

Congratulations are in order for member Don Burnworth who won the second-place prize in the recent SSA membership contest. Don assures all that he will grab the first-place position in the next contest. We think he will.

LARRY LYON

Texas Soaring Assn. 9100 Ambassador Row Dallas 7, Texas

TSA to Buy Additional Land

Holding Air Show to Raise Funds

The Texas Soaring Association has an option for the purchase of 30 acres adjoining its present airport. This additional land will provide room for multiple parallel runways north and south and two diagonal runways.

To raise funds for this purchase, the Association is going to conduct a real, old-fashioned, blood-and-thunder air show for the general public.

Bill Sweet's National Air Show will be there in full force. Bill Sweet as M.C., Harold Krier in the Great Lakes Special, Charlie Hillard in the Clipped-Wing Cub, "Reds" Digit as stunt man, wing-walker and parachute jumper. In addition, Leonard Pratt will give and aerobic demonstration in the Schweizer 1-23 and, if the weather is soarable, the remainder of the TSA-based sailplanes will soar in an area visible to the crowd during the early part of the show. The sailplanes will then fly by in trail and land for static display during the remainder of the show.

The show will be held at 1:00 PM on Sunday, June 16, 1963, at the T.S.A. Gliderport, six miles south of Grand Prairie, Texas.



Photo by Earl J. Seagars

The Antelope Valley Soaring Club of El Mirage Field, California, established a late winter, four-month Wave Camp at Fred Harris' Tehachapi Airport. Moist mP weather in March and April confined most pilots to weekend hangar flying while the Club's Schweizer 1-23E was securely tied down amidst snowbanks. On better days successful diamond altitude flights were completed by members Richard Morris, George Uveges and Bill Brinkmann. Bill is awaiting official confirmation that his flight established new California State Altitude Records—Junior Division. The Club's 1-23E was in excellent condition with new instruments, pressure oxygen equipment and 24-volt battery system that operated electrically-heated gloves and stockings. This sailplane is no stranger to high altitude flights as former owner Paul Bikle established the official world altitude record of 46,265 feet near the same area.

Tickets are \$2.00 for adults and 75¢ for children.

Please come and help us make this show a booming success. We guarantee you a thrilling show and the funds will be used for a very worthwhile soaring cause.

LEONARD PRATT

Toledo Glider Club 733 Security Bldg. Toledo 4, Ohio A Chapter of SSA

New officers of the Toledo Glider Club are Winston J. Smith, President; Dale K. Anderson, V-P; Chuck Kohls, Secretary; John Bierens, Treasurer; and Graham Fleming, Operations Officer.

Formal opening of our soaring season began Easter Sunday when the skies over Adrian, Michigan City Airport were filled with booming Cu. Everything in the hangar was flying and the only problem was getting our pilots to come down and give others a chance at the club ships. Cloud base was at 7400 feet and all the Schweizers and Schleichers played three-dimensional follow-the-leader until the pilots became too cold and had to land to get warm.

After another day or two of local flying, cross-country competition will begin in earnest. Many of our pilots have already set their sights on Rudy Mozer's 400-mile club record and others are planning an assault on the 2-place distance record in the Club's K-7.

The 15th Midwest Soaring Meet, sponsored by the Toledo Glider Club and hosted by the Bryan, Ohio, Chamber of Commerce, will be held at Dick Schreder Airport, Bryan, Ohio, on June 21, 22 and 23. The Meet is scheduled on these dates so as to provide "fun fly-

ing" for all as well as a warmup for pilots flying in the Nationals.

Bryan, Ohio, is located 10 miles south of Interchange #2 of the Ohio Turnpike. Schreder Field is a big and beautiful grass airport and Dick expects to have his new 80' x 140' hangar completed by contest time. With cooperation from the weather, we guarantee an interesting meet plus the chance to enjoy the companionship of your fellow soaring pilots.

Following the Meet, we offer the opportunity to all to stay on and enjoy the soaring in our area. Air tow will be available 7 days a week both at Schreder Field and at Adrian, Michigan, Municipal Airport, which is the home of our Club and which is located only 40 air miles from Bryan. For pilots on their way to the Nationals, this will provide additional practice time and, for all, an opportunity for an extended soaring vacation.

We will appreciate hearing from all pilots as early as possible.

DALE K. ANDERSON

Tri-Cities Soaring Society Endicott, New York

Subject: Soaring Contest At Endicott, New York

The Tri-Cities Soaring Society plans to fly over the Memorial Day weekend, May 30th to June 2nd. We will have flying activity on Thursday and Friday with a two-day contest on Saturday and Sunday, June 1st and 2nd. Interested pilots can join us on any or all four of these days because our towplane will be available. In addition, the Elmira Club, with their towplane and sailplanes, will be with us for the contest weekend. There will be individual and team events for the Open and 1-26 Classes.

JOE PERRUCCI
Contest Director