

## SSA MID-WINTER DIRECTORS MEETING



Front row (left to right), SSA President Jon D. Carsey, Lt. D. McNay, Capt. R. S. Barnaby, Miss C. Beene, Dr. A. Raspet, Lt. Col. F. Sweet and SSA Secretary P. A. Schweizer. Back row, Jock Forbes, Bill Coverdale, Pat Mulloy, SSA Vice President Ted Nelson, Jerry Nelson, SS. Treasurer E. J. Reeves and Al Schmid.

A complete report of the Mid-Winter Directors Meeting, held at Dallas, February 19th and 20th, will be made at a later date. The following touches upon some of the decisions made:

Election procedure will follow the printed by-laws which provides that Directors will be determined by a majority vote of the membership as opposed to the proportional representation system recently used.

That SSA-SAC Membership is presently reciprocal, with the exception of voting privileges.

SSA policies toward CAA regulations shall be that of full cooperation but in favor of simplification for obvious advantages.

SSA to continue to seek support for U.S. teams in the Internationals.

SSA to encourage the "One Design Competition" but not to the detriment of open competition.

New membership dues and subscription rates, designed to suit soaring enthusiasts and patrons of all means, while providing funds required to expand the Society's services to its membership and increase its present rate of growth and expansion, were adopted. A brief schedule follows:

Student Member	
(age to 22 yrs.) . . . . .	\$ 3.00
Subscription to SOARING . . . . .	3.00
Associate Member . . . . .	5.00
Active Member . . . . .	10.00
Family Member . . . . .	15.00
Industrial and Sustaining	
Members, minimum . . . . .	50.00
Life Membership . . . . .	200.00

These new rates to become effective May 1st, 1954, which means that any membership extending into 1955 is at the new rate. All applications accepted until May 1st will be dated back to January 1st and will expire in December 1954.

A policy of encouragement and limited assistance was adopted toward Towline Modeling and the Nordic Competitors in particular.

Standard Contest Rules will be prepared for recommendation to the Board by the Contest Committee.

Reports of SSA Committees were accepted with commendations—as were reports and comments from Regional Meetings.

Resolutions adopted regarding several activities will be covered in the final and complete report which will be reproduced and distributed through the Society officers and local clubs.

## SOARING CALENDAR

March 13-14

Soaring Association of Canada  
Annual General Meeting  
Kingston, Canada

May 27-31

Sixth Annual Wright Memorial Glider Meet  
South Dayton Airport  
Dayton, Ohio

June 13

New England Soaring Meet  
La Fleur Airport  
Mass.

July 2, 3, 4, 5

Seventh Mid-West Soaring Contest  
Municipal Airport, Toledo, Ohio

July 11-17

Philadelphia Glider Council  
Summer Training Camp  
Philadelphia Gliderport  
Pennsylvania

July 21-August 5

World Gliding Championships  
Derby & Lanes Gliding Club  
Camphill, England  
5th OSTIV-Congress  
C Vs M (Gliding Commission Meeting)  
Buxton, Derbyshire, England

July 27-August 5

21st National Soaring Contest  
Elsinore Gliderport  
California

**Plan Your Vacation  
to Suit the Occasion!!!!**

## SOARING SOCIETY BANNER

The flag flown on Kill Devil Hill by the Society's team on December 13th and 14th and seen in the background of the picture made at the Director's Meeting, is the official SSA Flag. As can be seen it is of the SSA insignia on a pure white background. The insignia is of wool felt. The letters are of felt and are cut out and sewed over a disk of felt. The letters SOARING SOCIETY OF AMERICA and the acacia leaves are painted on by hand in gold.

This flag was produced in the miraculously short period of three days by Jeanne Wells, (wife of Millard Wells of the Chicagoland Glider Council and designer of the SSA insignia). When the need arose for a banner for the Kitty Hawk Flag and Wreath Ceremony, we had just one week to acquire it. Two days were lost in endeavoring

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