

SSA NEWS

ANNUAL MEETING SET

The annual meeting of The Soaring Society of America, Inc., as required by the by-laws, has been scheduled for 3:00 PM on Sunday, August 7, 1960, in the Nationals briefing hangar at the Ector County Airport, Odessa, Texas. The purpose of the meeting will be to conduct such business as may properly come before the meeting, present a report to the members on the activities of the Society, discuss subjects to be dealt with by the Board of Directors at their August 12th meeting and hear the constructive suggestions and comments of the membership. The meeting is open to all members and all those who will be at the Nationals are urged to attend.

FOUR NEW SSA CHAPTERS

Four soaring clubs have been granted SSA Chapter status since the last magazine appeared, bringing the total number of Chapters to 33.

The Albuquerque Soaring Club in New Mexico was the first of the four. They have 20 members who have been flying a club-owned Schweizer 2-22C and constructing a 1-26 kit. Their operations site is Alameda, N.M., airport, just northwest of Albuquerque.

Next came the Kansas Soaring As-

sociation with 23 members from all over Kansas but mostly in Wichita. They do not own or operate any sailplanes but publish an informative newsletter and help coordinate all Kansas soaring activity.

Another new club followed, the Central Indiana Soaring Society, ably guided by Dr. James L. Ross. They have 16 members and now own a Schweizer 2-22C. Their operations are conducted at Ace airport, one mile south of Anderson, Ind.

The 33rd SSA Chapter was the Illini Glider Club at the University of Illinois. Their 25 members, many of them school students, fly a 1-19 and an L-K at the U. of I. airport, Savoy, Ill.

This expression of faith in the purposes of the Society and reaping of benefits provided by Chapter status should go far toward cementing a stronger bond between the local clubs and the national organization.

NEW SSA STATE GOVERNORS

Dr. Harner Selvidge, SSA President, has recently made the following new appointments of SSA State Governors:

GEORGIA:

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Clifton M. McClure, III
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SSA LENDING LIBRARY

As another service to its members, SSA has inaugurated a limited lending library for out of print soaring publications and reference works only. A rental charge of 25 cents per publication will be made to cover mailing and handling costs and the borrowers will have to return them after two weeks and pay return postage.

At present, only the following are available:

The World's Sailplanes

Flight Without Power

The Mountain Wave Project, Supplementary Report No. 2

NACA Report No. 824, Summary of Airfoil Data

Naturally, they are offered on a first come, first served basis so waiting lists will be maintained for each publication.

It is desired to obtain more copies of each of the above items and copies of others such as:

OSTIV Publication 1

OSTIV Publication II

Gliding & Advanced Soaring

Solicitation is hereby made for several copies each of all appropriate (out of print) publications. Make donations to SSA, Box 66071, Los Angeles 66, Calif.

The SSA members and their families who participated in the 1960 European excursion just prior to boarding the SSA chartered Pan American DC-7C at Idlewild Airport, N.Y. The flight departed on June 2nd and returned on July 2nd, allowing attendance at the World Soaring Championships and sightseeing on the continent. Everyone concerned was most pleased with the excursion and enthusiastically looks forward to similar vacations in the future. If enough interest is shown, SSA may sponsor a 1961 European excursion for those who wish to tour foreign soaring centers and vacation abroad.

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