

CLUB NEWS

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Editor's Note:

If you feel that your club has not been getting enough attention in these pages, check to see that you have assigned someone as a "Club News" correspondent. We are interested in any club activities, especially personal items and "tall tales" to give us a little laugh at ourselves.

The Associated Glider Clubs of Southern California, Ltd.

According to the latest reports, the new medical research lab will begin construction in the fall of 1961, so it looks as if this year's Torrey Pines Meet will definitely be the last to be held on the traditional site. The San Diego Jr. Chamber of Commerce is once again co-sponsoring the meet with the AGCSC, and plans are shaping up along the same general lines as in the past. The club extends an invitation to all glider pilots within driving distance to come out and participate in the last Torrey Pines Meet, and make it the biggest and best.

A special committee has been appointed to investigate other possible sites for the club's training operation. Some interest has been ex-

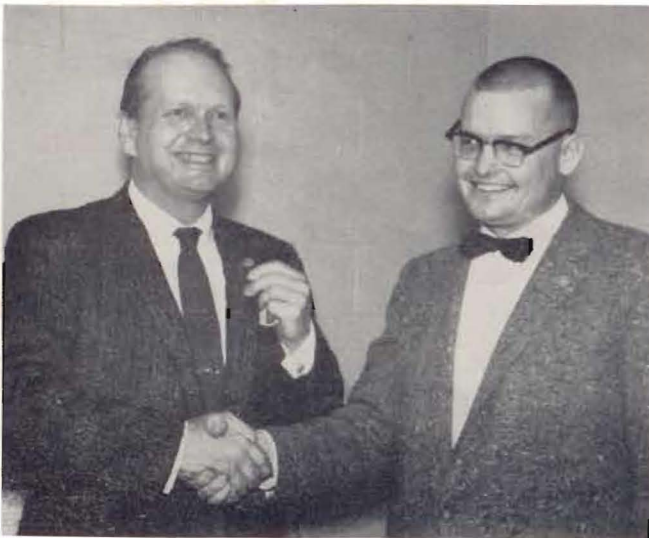
pressed by the management of the Ramona Airport, but the site has not been investigated thoroughly as yet.

The New Year's weekend at Elsinore was a smashing success, with every private owner in the club except two, and all club equipment participating. Unfortunately, the weather could have been better, but in spite of relatively short flights a good time was had by all.

Greater Milwaukee Soaring Club, Inc.

The Greater Milwaukee Soaring Club, Inc., was organized early last year, and was incorporated in May of 1960. In June, the following officers were elected: Frederick Flood, President; Charles Frederickson, First Vice-President; Karl Schaarschmidt, Second Vice-President and Gunter Volz, Secretary-Treasurer. There are twenty-three members in the club, and most of the Milwaukee area SSA members participate in some way in our activities. In July, the club purchased a TG-3A from the Chicago Glider Club, which we hoped to have flying by the end of August. However, we found that the ship had to have considerable work done on it, and we are now hoping for an early spring launching date. In the interim, the club has been formulating a more workable constitution and by-laws and revising its financial set-up. At our winter monthly meetings we will conduct ground school classes covering general soaring and gliding techniques, etc. Our annual election will be held in March of 1961.

FREDERICK F. FLOOD



Harland Ross, left, being congratulated by Marshall Claybourn, President of the Kansas Soaring Association, after Marshall had presented him with his Diamond C badge on behalf of several KSA members.

Photo: Dave Blanton

Kansas Soaring Association A Chapter of SSA

The KSA combined business with pleasure by having the business meeting in December with a Christmas party. The meeting was held at the "Round the Clock" restaurant in Wichita. After a buffet dinner a brief business meeting was held during which the U.S. Nationals were discussed. A review of the bid submitted by the C. of C. was given as well as the follow up material sent by KSA. The usual minor business items were discussed but were brief.

After that Santa made his spirit felt. All KSA members present, who were eligible, were presented with their C and Silver C sew-on badges. This idea was conceived by Paul Wilson and expanded by Jim LeSueur. Henceforth, KSA will present sew-on badges to each of its members who earn such an award. Harland Ross presented Silver C pins to Norman Jacobshagen and to Faye Edwards, both of whom were about ready to soar to California to collect these badges. They'd earned 'em last summer but they were held locally until the awards could be presented with appropriate ceremony. (Don't cuss SSA, fellows, it was us that delayed delivery.)

The highlight of the evening was the presentation of a Diamond C badge to Harland Ross. Some of his friends in KSA had a Gold C badge mounted with three diamonds, to signify his completion of U. S. Diamond Badge no. 14. Very few people, young or old, could have been as pleased with their Christmas as Harland seemed to be.

Hangar flying, color slides, and various beverages assured the following Happy Hours of slipping by all too quickly. Better plan now to come to the next KSA Christmas party, Dec. '61.

MARSHALL CLAYBOURN

Piedmont Soaring Association

The Piedmont Soaring Association is a new club in the Winston-Salem, No. Carolina area. At present the club consists of only two members; Gus Street and John Gordon, being "the only guys who put up any dough." Gus has a new Schweizer 1-26 well on the road to completion at his Strawberry Hill farm and hopes to have it flying before spring.

The club also has a completed trailer that will take anything up to a Schweizer 1-23 or the proposed new 2-32 two-place sailplane. They