

Materials Available

The SSA has a variety of items available on a free distribution basis, unless otherwise specified. Request by item number or name from SSA, Box 66071, Los Angeles 66, California.

Item 3. FAI soaring awards application forms.

Item 4. SSA membership application forms (postage paid business reply envelopes).

Item 6. "SOARING . . . The S.S.A. . . . and YOU" pamphlets, telling about the sport of soaring, glider pilot certificates, how soaring is organized, what the SSA is and what it does, and how to get started in soaring. Ideal for answering the questions of prospective soaring enthusiasts.

Item 7. Region lists of soaring clubs, SSA Directors and Governors, by SSA region number, as excerpted from the SSA Directory. Gives club addresses, meeting times and places, flying sites and contact persons. Specify states desired.

Item 8. List of Manufacturers and Suppliers of Plans, Kits, Partially completed and Ready-to-fly Gliders and Sailplanes—U.S. Manufacture. Includes brief description, price, manufacturer's name and address. New equipment only.

Item 9. List of Soaring Schools and Commercial Glider Operators in the U.S., giving location, equipment and prices, where known.

Item 10. List of Books on Soaring, where they may be obtained, prices and brief description of each.

Item 24. Incorporation Procedures—California. Intended to show non-profit soaring clubs the way to incorporate, with specific details for the state of California.

Item 25. Suggested Bylaws for Soaring Clubs. Distribution limited to those seriously attempting to form new clubs.

Item 28. Used Sailplanes For Sale List. All known used sailplanes for sale for which the owner has given permission to add to this list. Latest revision date is Dec. 26, 1962.

Item 30. Film Library List, with rules governing use of the films. Request from Walter B. Hausler, 67 Fisher Rd., Rochester 11, N.Y.

Item 38. How to Start a Soaring Club. Six pages of suggestions.

Item 39. State Soaring Records Rules and Application Form. Available from State Governors or SSA.

Club News

Editorial note: It is with regret that we must announce the resignation of Nikki Delp as editor of "Club News," effective with this issue. She will continue to aid the Society as chairman of the Public Information Committee. Contributions to this column should now be mailed directly to *Soaring*, Box 66071, Los Angeles 66, Calif., until a new column editor can be found. Please try to type that which is intended for publication on a separate sheet, as it might appear (as regards capitals, identations, etc.). All volunteers for column editor will be considered.

Altamont Soaring Assn. 8638 Patterson Pass Rd. Livermore, Calif.

At its recent annual meeting, the Northern California Soaring Association changed its name to Altamont Soaring Association. Not many years ago, the NCSA was the only organized group of soaring enthusiasts in the northern half of the state. Since then, a general growth in soaring has enabled establishment of additional soaring facilities, and our name has not been a good indication of our major role, the operation of soaring facilities at Hummingbird Haven. We expect that a new Northern California Soaring Association will be formed to carry on with publishing of *Hot Air* and to co-ordinate activities of interest to all soaring pilots and groups in Northern California.

Our annual meeting is also the occasion for presentation of the Sawyer Memorial Participation Award to the local pilot who achieves the best total soaring performance during the year. Winner this year is Bob Klemmedson. It is noteworthy that he scored a majority of his points in a Pratt-Read, trying and achieving Gold Badge distance in order to enter the Nationals.

George Asdel was elected to be the first president of our group under its new name.

DICK COOK

"Slobboat," the Schweizer TG-2 sailplane of the Chicago Glider Club, being flown near Naperville, Ill., by Dr. W. H. Mullen, Jr. This all-metal, fabric-covered ship was produced in quantity as a two-place trainer during WW II. Most of them were sold as surplus later and became popular as club ships.

Photo by S. A. Aldott



Arizona Soaring Assn., Inc. Box 4126, Phoenix, Ariz. A Chapter of SSA

This past year has been a full and rewarding one for the ASA. Our family of sailplanes has increased by two (Fred Daams' Falcon and Bob Wister's TG-3A) and our membership, while not increasing by much, has been exceptionally active. Two aficionados have progressed to the point of first solo, Karlheinz Von Bieren and Wayne Pritchett; two have become private ticket holders, George Breeland and Jean Doty; and four have won their commercials, Langston Weinberg, Chuck Doty, Bob Wister and Dwayne Spain.

Early in the year we were privileged to host the SSA Directors' meeting, and greatly enjoyed meeting and shooting the breeze with fellow soaring pilots from all over the country.

High point in 1962 was, of course, the Nationals, and our member John Ryan's considerable part in it. We are proud of our "Champ" and will be watching his progress at the International Championships with more than a casual interest. On a recent Sunday John Ryan, Clay Hartman and Chuck Doty flew over to El Mirage, California, for a look at the new Prue Super Standard that John will be flying in the Internationals. Irv Prue was on hand to demonstrate assembly procedures, and all agreed that it is a fine ship.

From this vantage point, 1963 looks as though it might be our best year yet. New sites for soaring award attempts are being investigated in the northern part of the state, and we have high hopes for more high accomplishments by all of our members.

JEAN DOTY

Blue Ridge Soaring Society Roanoke County, Virginia A Chapter of SSA

Our Society has just completed its first year of operation. We have passed a number of milestones, but perhaps the real highlights of the year have been the first flight of our 2-22 on March