### Central Arkansas Mountain Pilots

Spring Update 3/15/12

We fly and maintain landowners relations at the following sites: Nebo (H-3\*/H-4), Magazine (H-3\*/H-4), Short (H-2), Jasper (H-2) and Petit Jean (H-2).

We are trying to re-claim Pipeline (an excellent post frontal NW site) but it is fighting back. (H-2)

# The Prez Speaks

All pilots are ready for warm Spring weather for better flying. Nebo Spring fly-in is set up for May 12 & 13th. Also the annual C.A.M.P. club meeting is set up for May 12 at Mike Baldwin's home following a great day of flying, let's make it dark +0:30 (check your Almanac for official Sunset on this date). A potluck dinner is planned before the meeting, menu will be discuss closer to meeting date. The Mt. Maganize Fly-in dates are open at this time and open to suggestions. If any pilots want to camp at Mt Maganize let me know and I can try and got some camp sites set aside.

There are two up coming events in Florida in April. They are as follows: The 4th Annual Rob Kells Meet at the Florida Ridge, La Belle, Florida, April 14th - 20th, Sport Class included. Registration opens December 14th, 2011, noon Eastern Standard Time.

The 2012 Flytec Race and Rally, Quest Air, Florida, April 22nd - 28th. Registration opens December 14th, 2011, noon Eastern Standard Time. There may be an additional Open Distance day with prize money on the 2st.

There are several local pilots attending and carpooling to Florida and staying different amounts of days depending on attending one or both events. I plan on going to 4th Annual Rob Kells meet for free flight. I

am planning to take my R.V. if anyone wants a ride. You can email me at simply2country@yahoo.com or call (479) 857-1054.

Mike Baldwin C.A.M.P. Pres.

## **Treasurer Report**

The 2011 roster shows 20 members. Allen reports the club balance to be \$323.16, These monies go towards payment of Site Insurance for Landowners through BMF, driveway maintenance & domain name fee for web site maintained by Mike K.

We have paid up for 5 years of our domain name at a savings of 28%.

Look at the member roster at www.centralarkansasmountainpilots.org and let Allen know if you would like some additional information about displayed for all the world to see.

Members are giving extra monies beyond the dues. Would be helpful if they tell Allen how to apply the money (dues for next year, donation, dirt fund, etc.). Default condition will be that you wanted to make a generous donation to the general fund.

Because we are kind of behind the curve on the meeting, consider sending your dues for 2012 to Allen. Applications are available at the club website. Looks like 3 have already taken care of 2012, thanks.

Reminder – Mike K. has secured the domain name for a club website.

See the site at www.centralarkansasmountainpilots.org

Go, Look, Contribute, if able. Enjoy. No really, it is worth checking out.

#### An article from Phil Morgan for consideration:

Well, the annual club meeting is less than two months away so I suppose that I should go ahead and announce the proposed Mt. Nebo site rules to allow H-2 pilots to fly the mountain. Last year, the proposal which required 8 hours airtime was rejected but that could be explained by such short notice to the proposed rules. It was only the day before the meeting that the possibility of raising the requirement to 8 hours occurred to me. This year, the proposal is 10 hours which is exactly what is required for an H-3 rating. The only difference will be that certain tasks are not required to be observed. Allowing pilots to fly Mt. Nebo where an observer is available to see their successes may make a difference to some pilots. It will also make it easier for the observer to meet all the expectations demanded of them.

I hope that you see this proposal as an opportunity to begin helping the H-2 pilots. This is an extremely low risk proposal but proposals which require more thought will be presented in years to come. Mt. Nebo is the best and safest site for the vast majority of H-2 pilots. The launch and landing fields are easier than at other sites. The long glide to the LZ is not a concern if the flight begins under the right condition. Thank you for your consideration.

### REQUIREMENTS TO FLY MT. NEBO (NOVICE PILOTS)

- Pilot must have made 20 mountain flights of at least 2 minutes each. 3 of these flights must be observed by a Region 6 Observer.
- Pilot must have 10 hours solo airtime. (This is the same as for intermediate pilot)
- Pilot must have met all requirements of REQUIRED WITNESSED TASKS FOR INTERMEDIATE PILOT with the exception that the following 6 observed tasks may be waived at the discretion of the Observer. (See USHPA SOP 12-02.08)
- i: Demonstrates linked 180 turns along a predetermined ground track showing smooth controlled reversals and proper coordination at various speeds and bank angles.
- k: Has practiced and demonstrates gently stalls and proper recovery under the direct supervision of an instructor or qualified observer, at least 500' from any objects.
- I: in 8 to 15 mph winds, demonstrates the ability to maintain airspeed at or near minimum sink during crosswind and upwind legs, without any evidence of stalls.
- m: Demonstrates three consecutive landings within 50' of a target (or optional landing task see Addendum 1 Optional landing task) after flights requiring turns on approach.

- n: Demonstrates proper airspeed control on landing approach when descending through a gradient.
- o: Demonstrates proper airspeed for maximum distance flown into a significant headwind.

Pilot's registration will contain a signature from a USHPA Region 6 OBSERVER stating that the above conditions have been satisfied

#### The following requirements must be met every flight!

Pilot must have flown at least once within the previous month.

Pilot must have flown previously in the glider/harness combination to be used.

Glider must have wheels.

Pilot must have a minimum of 300 feet of dental floss.

Pilot must be accompanied by an Advanced rated pilot.

Pilot logbook must be available for inspection.

Pilot must be able to communicate with other pilots. If the pilot has radio authorization sign off then the pilot may use the USHPA frequencies. If the pilot is a ham radio operator then the pilot may use a ham radio frequency. Another pilot must be able to use the same frequency that the pilot uses.

One of the responsible pilots must have a cell phone.

You must break down your glider and not fly if anyone objects to your flying. No reason need be given for their concern.

### Flight limitations for Novice Pilot:

Must launch before 10:00 am or within 2 hours of sunset.

Another pilot must launch before you.

Wind speed must be between 1 and 8 mph.

Wind must be within 10 degrees of straight in.

Soaring is not allowed. You must head straight out to the prearranged LZ before making any turns.

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Congrats to member Paul D. for getting H-3 in last months magazine (from October?).

There appears to be some issues with our site insurance thru USHPA. Looks like they are giving 3 month extensions on existing policies (looks like we have 8 sites; Mag & Nebo launches & LZ's), and are in talks with insurance agencies.

Letter from USHPA, we need to get to Land owners; I have it in PDF along with the extension certificates – would ask members help in getting them out. Either let me know e-mail address or I can send them to you if you are able to print them and deliver to landowner. If not I will mail them out.

"Dear Landowner,

The attached certificate has an expiration date of June 1st, 2012. We apologize for the inconvenience while we make some changes to the insurance program which could not be completed prior to the March 1st renewal. New certificates will be issued by the June 1st deadline for the remainder of the normal insurance cycle.

We would like thank you for your patience and continued support in hosting our flying community.

Sincerely,

Martin Palmaz Executive Director "

Good discussion worth wading thru here:

http://ozreport.com/forum/viewtopic.php?t=26758

Got the comments back on the Magazine release, any suggestions on how to get the latest copy to the State Park? Somebody give me an e-mail address and a name and I will send them a PDF.

Walter Jordan C.A.M.P. VP/Sec.

Region 6 discussions and (and sometimes cussin's) can be found here:

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Region6/

#### Other useful info:

http://www.adptfoi.com/Parks/Park%20Operations%20Manual/PD3075%20Hang%20Gliding%20and%20Repelling%20Rules%20and%20Regulations.pdf

## http://www.ushpa.aero/forms/pkt\_Chapter\_Application.pdf

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Now get out and enjoy yourselves. These are wonderful times we are living in.