

# The Fly – By

For July - 2005

## Things to remember:

- Club meeting will be held June 2<sup>nd</sup> at Parks Downtown Airport Hanger # 8 (classrooms)
- Greg Gremminger to give presentation all about Gyro operations and training for new LSA rules
- Visit our website at <http://gaua.homestead.com/>



## President's Message

This month's meeting will be on Thursday, July 7th, at Parks College hanger, Parks Airport. The program will be a presentation by Greg Gremminger about gyros. This will be a great opportunity to learn about flying the gyro. Thanks to Greg for coming up and giving the presentation. See you at the meeting Thursday.

Fly safe, have fun!

**EARL**

## Sec Report

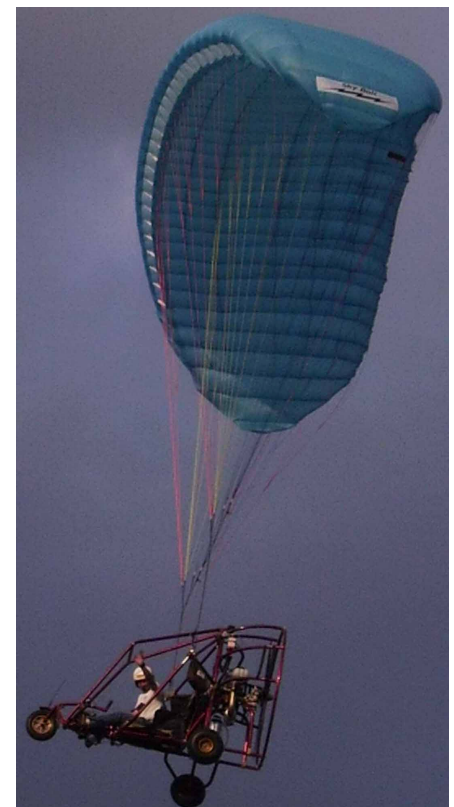
Earl tapped the table and brought the meeting together about 7:37 with a welcome to everyone. The attendance for the meeting was down from last month, (about 12/15 or so) but with summer flying going on and many families going to various places for summer vacations and such, I guess it's to be expected. We had a new visitor at the meeting, Dan Johnson is interested in UL and LSA type aircraft. Dan is thinking about joining up so Earl talked about the \$15 a year for dues that includes a printed copy of the NL. As always, you could snag a copy for free by visiting the club site. Buck talked about the site needing updating so I said I would try to get some new content posted. I got some new pix from Charile's place so it should go into the Sullivan Field page. The last month's sec. report as included in last month's NL was accepted. Tim read the treas. Report for May that included income of \$60 from membership dues

coming in. 5 bucks came in from 50/50 with \$2 going back to the ticket holder. Tim presented an ending balance of \$2455.03 in the bank. The report was accepted as read.

Under old business there was discussion about the upcoming purchase of a new club computer system for the incoming sec. to use next year. (I'll try to get this done before we need it...) Buck talked about the gathering at Charlie's. We had a BBQ going on both sides of the hanger with the PPS guy's at one end and our stuff set up on the East side of the barn.

As you can see these guy's fly a mean streak around the pattern and sure have a good time too. (I need to try a PPS ride soon)

Last month's NL we started things off with the Festus Ffly and BBQ. This time I got some shots from the Memorial Day weekend and the next week that I managed to sneak my way out of work early....



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Anyway, Buck continued talking about the fly-in mentioning the PPS group having some of the best fish and COLD beer he has ever tasted!!! (quite a rep comin from jimmy) I got to meet a new powered paraglide pilot we call crazy Ivan.



I got him just as he was pumping up the wing into flight mode. Now, one of these UL machines weighs in at 70 lbs. for the motor and prop assembly with the wing a few more. Not bad for a box of fun you can pack into the trunk of most cars. I do love all the different types of aircraft and this growing crowd of softwingers is a Great bunch of guy;s and gal's that know how to get a good time into the air!! The day had it's mishaps with some shroud lines getting ate by the prop... (I bet that got expensive fast) All in all, a good fly day...



Of course there were some of those fixedwing guy;s that were there at the various gatherings too. Thanks to Bill Aanstad who sent in a rare shot of me actually flying. Aw yes the one minute man has

earned the new title around the patch. **WINDPUSSY**

I guess the name fits for now as the shot proves, fling in the "nice air" (ya know, 7: till dark) Well... I'll keep trying to get more time in the bucket...



I also managed to get a shot of Bill Dullin and Dick Cole flying those Kolbs around the valley and around the river areas lookin for deer in the creek.



Sullivan Field definitely has it's share of Kolb's!!!



It seems to me that the best times that happen at the patch come about it a totally "unplanned" fashion. Because of a late tree trimming job that was planned for Friday but got pushed back to Saturday, I kinda got bumped out of going to the Pierron Fun Fest at Gateway Airpark. But, as luck would have it, Ed Hase was in attendance and managed to get me a update anyway.! Thanks Ed! Anyway, nuf babble from the Zonk ...

See ya at the meeting...



## ED Report

June 18 & 19 was the annual Gateway Airpark Fly in at Smiths field. The event was timed to coincided with the Pierron Fun Fest as it has been in years past. The morning started out with a group from Jerseyville IL. Flying down, in the past they looked like Quicksilver club but now there looking more like Challenger club those boys are getting faster in there old age (or maybe richer). Next to arrive was our old stand by Berry Youngblood from Paducah Ky. This guy just likes to fly and he puts plenty of time in his Kolb. Third on the seen was a two sum from Sullivan field (Klobs again) Buck and his side kick Jay Kiser was going to stay the night when a summer storm started to come through and no amount of beer could get them to stay, as I was told they skirted the storm all the way home while we stayed high and dry we seen the rain but didn't get a drop! That left the locals (Keith Larry, Tim and me) to go to the Fun Fest and represent our fine club by investing our funds in the in the community. As the evening winded down we found ourselves sitting around the hanger planning a trip to Oshkosh for the week and talking planeeze (Daffeynision : endless talk and babble about any thing that fly's.)



## It Ain't Broke

In the begging of June I decided to go through my engine (Cyuana 430). I ordered a complete set of gaskets and rings, the motor hasn't been apart since it was rebuilt by Jim Wood from a former member. I was quite shocked when I removed the back cylinder and the upper and lower rings fell to the counter top! It appears I have been flying with cracked rings; I took the muffler and shook out a piece of ring. The new muffler was installed three years ago and the motor has run since, so some time in the last three years the rings cracked. The cylinder is useable as is the piston it is quit unusual to see a motor run with cracked rings but by chance they were crack in half helping hold them in place. I have experience unusual power loss a couple times in the last year that would go away after readjusting the carb. Hmmm... maybe it was the rings. Whom was it said:

If it ain't broke don't fix it?

**ED**

