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Lennie above CU, Mineral County Colorado. Photo by John Scott

Club and Member Notes

The club roster and duty schedule are available on-line at the club website. **Members are responsible for knowing when they have duty!**

<http://www.highlights.com/members/roster/roster.html>

<http://www.highlights.com/members/sched/currentsched.html>

You can now access the Glider Reservation page directly:

<http://www.mcsi.com/hfsc/reservations.dll>

Next Board Meetings – Jun 13th and Jul 11th. All club members are invited (encouraged) to attend. Board meetings are held in the HFSC Ops Trailer.

We have 2 new members this month: **Mike Connelly** and **Karl Gordon**. Both are current power pilots and both are CFIs. Mike did extensive towing at Carocole Soaring in Cal City, CA, with Cindy Brickner. Be sure to introduce your self when you see them at the airport and welcome them to High Flights.

We have completed the purchased of our second SGS 2-33, **N2905H** from Sundance Aviation in Moriarty, NM. The glider is now at Meadowlake, but due to weather (wind) we have not assembled it yet. Hopefully we'll get that done this weekend. We have prepared a tiedown for it at the south end of tie down area.

A reminder that with the resurgence of our training program, we have decided to start our operations as early as **0800** hrs on days when there is training scheduled. Make sure you check the online schedule the evening before you have duty to see if you will be needed at the field at the earlier time.

We've begun **operations on Wednesday's** during May and June. Our first Wednesday went very well with 5 flights by High Flights and 7 winch launches by Black Forest Soaring Society at Meadowlake. Their revitalized Gerlin winch worked very well with all launches to over 2000' on 4500' of line.

Reminder: If you swap duty days with someone, please inform John Scott and Jim Densmore (email will do) so that we can keep the duty rosters current and know who to notify of duty assignments and who to call if someone doesn't make it to the field.

We have updated the daily log sheet with a ground crew checklist on the back. The checklist has both Start-of-day and End-of-day checks to make. The Line Chief each day is expect to assure the checklists are complete.

Our glider strip it too close to the Meadowlake runway to be considered a separate runway. The FAA has allowed us to operate this way under the stipulation of "**no concurrent operations**". This means we need to not launch a glider if there is an aircraft taking off or about to land on the main runway. It is the wing runner's duty to check this prior to signaling the tow pilot to start the takeoff. So the sequence would be – Tow plane rudder waggle, glider rudder waggle, final traffic check, swing the arm to start the launch.

I (John Scott) am planning to travel to **Moriarty** to fly the week of 1 Jun. I'll be traveling on Monday afternoon and probably returning on Friday. If anyone would like to join me, let me know. You could take a club glider.

HFSC Awards

Nothing to report this month on any of our award categories. Remember to write you max altitude on the log sheet after you flight in order to participate in the monthly and yearly Altitude Gain event. With the weather improving we should start to see more flying and some cross country flights as well as lots of altitude gains.

2009 Camps

This year's camps will be:

22-25 May	Westcliffe Wave Camp	Silver West Airport
27 Jun – 5 Jul	Badge Camp	Meadowlake Airport
11- 13 Sep	Creede Fall Colors Camp	Mineral County Airport

We will pack for Westcliffe on 17 May. Marty Grove will be Camp Coordinator. We had a good turnout planned for last year, but had to cancel the camp at the last minute due to weather. This year we will have a contingency plan to conduct the camp the following weekend, 29-30 May, if we have weather problems again.

Badge Camp will be at Meadowlake again this year. We will operate for the entire week around the 4th of July. Soaring conditions should be good so this will be an excellent time to work on your badge segments, fly some cross country, or just enjoy flying in the local area. Last years camp went very well. This year we hope to have much more activity. We will have family cookouts on the Jun 27th and on Jul 5th. We're planning a spot landing contest for the 27th and a duration challenge for the 5th.

The Duration Challenge will require you to declare the length of your flight in minutes prior to takeoff. Minimum allowable durations will be "B" badge flights, ie, 30 minutes from a 2000' tow, 45 minutes from a 3000' tow. Timing will be from the start of take off roll until touchdown.

The Creede camp this year is tentative. It's a long trip and has not been well attended in recent years. We'll make a final determination about going to Creede in August. If you plan to attend, you need to let the board know.

Current Duty Schedule

Effective Date: 16-May-09

Day	Date	Chief	Line	Tow
Wednesday	27-May	n/a	n/a	
Saturday	30-May	Dub Wiltrout	John Browning	
Sunday	31-May	John Norton	Dave Elliott	
Wednesday	3-Jun	n/a	n/a	
Saturday	6-Jun	Kevin Brooks	Lloyd Cafran	
Sunday	7-Jun	Frank Molli	Jim Van Namee	
Wednesday	10-Jun	n/a	n/a	
Saturday	13-Jun	Gil Gildersleeve	Mark Buist	
Sunday	14-Jun	John Scott	Boris Lenov	
Wednesday	17-Jun	n/a	n/a	
Saturday	20-Jun	Mark Huff	Cannon Wille	
Sunday	21-Jun	Marty Grove	Bruce Mosier	
Wednesday	24-Jun	n/a	n/a	
Saturday	27-Jun	Dub Wiltrout	John Browning	
Sunday	28-Jun	John Norton	Dave Elliott	
Monday	29-Jun	n/a	n/a	
Tuesday	30-Jun	n/a	n/a	
Wednesday	1-Jul	n/a	n/a	
Thursday	2-Jul	n/a	n/a	
Friday	3-Jul	n/a	n/a	
Saturday	4-Jul	Kevin Brooks	Lloyd Cafran	
Sunday	5-Jul	Frank Molli	Jim Van Namee	
Saturday	11-Jul	John Browning	Mark Buist	
Sunday	12-Jul	John Scott	Boris Lenov	
Saturday	18-Jul	Mark Huff	Cannon Wille	
Sunday	19-Jul	Marty Grove	Bruce Mosier	
Saturday	25-Jul	Dub Wiltrout	Jim Van Namee	
Sunday	26-Jul	John Norton	Dave Elliott	
Saturday	1-Aug	Kevin Brooks	Lloyd Cafran	
Sunday	2-Aug	Frank Molli	Karl Gordon	
Saturday	8-Aug	John Browning	Mark Buist	
Sunday	9-Aug	John Scott	Boris Lenov	
Saturday	15-Aug	Mark Huff	Cannon Wille	
Sunday	16-Aug	Marty Grove	Bruce Mosier	
Saturday	22-Aug	Dub Wiltrout	Jim Van Namee	
Sunday	23-Aug	John Norton	Dave Elliott	
Saturday	29-Aug	Kevin Brooks	Lloyd Cafran	
Sunday	30-Aug	Frank Molli	Karl Gordon	