



# HIGH FLYER



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High Flights recently acquired 2<sup>nd</sup> SGS 2-33, N2905H. 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** – Jul 11<sup>th</sup> and Aug 8<sup>th</sup>. 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.

**Reminder:** With the resurgence of our training program, we are starting operations as early as **0800** hrs on days when training is 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.

Our **Wednesday operations on** during May and June were very successful. It has allowed members more opportunity to fly. As a result the HFSC board has decided to **extend Wednesday operation thru July and August.**

**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.

The daily log sheet have been updated 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 expected to assure the checklists are complete.

We're doing an order for HFSC Logo'd T-Shirts. We'd like to get a count of how many shirts and what sizes folks would want. Please reply to [john.scott@valleypine.net](mailto:john.scott@valleypine.net) and let me know what you'd want. This order will likely be just for T-shirts, all the same color. We're also looking at getting logo transfers made so that you could have them applied to any shirt you like.

Congratulations to **Karl Gordon** for soloing in gliders and obtaining his **A Badge**.

Congratulations to **Kevin Brooks** for completing his **C Badge** by finishing off all of the no-altimeter requirements for both C and Bronze badges.

### **HFSC Awards** by Mark Huff

I've updated the detailed badge status board by adding local members' names to the tables. When you are at the club, please review the board to verify your name is on the board and update your badge status if needed.

Now for May's altitude gain results. Drum roll..... May's highest cumulative altitude gain goes to Bruce Mosier for 9,300 feet gain on flights of 4,700 and 4,600 feet gain each. Other recorded altitude gains for May are John Scott 5,700; Cannon Wille 4,700; Lew Neyland 3,700; Mark Huff 3,200 and Mark Buist 3,100. The 17th and 20th were the best days for soaring in May.

To be included in the top altitude gain, please add your maximum altitude to the daily flight log sheet.

## **HFSC 2009 OLC**

With generally poor soaring weather in April and most of May, we are off to a slow beginning this year in the OLC. HFSC has 1159 pts so far, ranking us 81<sup>st</sup> of 98 US clubs. Individual points so far this year are:

<b>Member</b>	<b>Points</b>	<b>KMs</b>	<b>Flights</b>
Peter Toups	518.21	526.88	5
John Scott	142.72	138.63	2
Bruce Mosier	111.98	68.57	1
Kevin Brooks	82.57	51.39	1
Gil Gildersleeve	50.66	44.74	1

## **2009 Camps**

Next week is our Badge Camp at Meadowlake. Please make your reservations on line so we know who to expect each day. This is particularly important if you are not planning to come to the airport until the afternoon. The first Saturday, 27 Jun, we will have a spot landing contest and a family potluck. On the final Sunday, 5 Jul, we will have a "Call your Flight Duration Contest" and our annual Chili cook-off.

Weather again was the story of our Spring Westcliffe Camp. We could not make the ferry down until Saturday, rather than the hoped for Thursday. Even on Saturday, the tow plane and Blanik had to land at Fremont County on the way down to wait for the weather to lift off the top of the Wet Mountains so they could cross into the valley. Many thanks to Jim Densmore for scouting in his Cessna 182 to find a spot for the tow plane and Blanik to cross. We no sooner got the planes tied down at Silver West when it started to rain. On Sunday we launched the Blanik, but had to call them back after 30 minutes due to a developing storm. After lunch we tried another launch of the Blanik, but there was no lift to be found and we had to again call them back due to another developing storm. On Monday morning it was decided to ferry back before weather trapped us in the Wet Valley. As soon as the planes were tied down back at Meadowlake, you guessed it, it started to rain. However, the wind was light and down the runway this year....

The Creede camp this year is still tentative. So far, there has not been a lot of interest shown for this camp. 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: 25-Jun-09

Day	Date	Chief	Line	Tow
Saturday	27-Jun	Dub Wilttrout	John Browning	Paul Antionette
Sunday	28-Jun	John Norton	Dave Elliott	Jim Pirtle
Monday	29-Jun	n/a	n/a	
Tuesday	30-Jun	n/a	n/a	
Wednesday	1-Jul	n/a	n/a	Jim Pilkington
Thursday	2-Jul	n/a	n/a	
Friday	3-Jul	n/a	n/a	
Saturday	4-Jul	Kevin Brooks	Lloyd Cafran	Bob Reilman
Sunday	5-Jul	Frank Molli	Jim Van Namee	Bob Reilman
Wednesday	8-Jul	n/a	n/a	Jim Pilkington
Saturday	11-Jul	John Browning	Mark Buist	Paul Antionette
Sunday	12-Jul	John Scott	Boris Lenov	Jim Densmore
Wednesday	15-Jul	n/a	n/a	Jim Pilkington
Saturday	18-Jul	Mark Huff	Cannon Wille	Bob Reilman
Sunday	19-Jul	Marty Grove	Bruce Mosier	Jim Pirtle
Wednesday	22-Jul	n/a	n/a	Jim Pilkington
Saturday	25-Jul	Dub Wilttrout	Jim Van Namee	Paul Antionette
Sunday	26-Jul	John Norton	Dave Elliott	Bob Reilman
Wednesday	29-Jul	n/a	n/a	Jim Pilkington
Saturday	1-Aug	Kevin Brooks	Lloyd Cafran	Paul Antionette
Sunday	2-Aug	Frank Molli	Karl Gordon	Jim Pirtle
Wednesday	5-Aug	n/a	n/a	Jim Pilkington
Saturday	8-Aug	John Browning	Mark Buist	Bob Reilman
Sunday	9-Aug	John Scott	Boris Lenov	Jim Pirtle
Wednesday	12-Aug	n/a	n/a	Jim Pilkington
Saturday	15-Aug	Mark Huff	Cannon Wille	Jim Densmore
Sunday	16-Aug	Marty Grove	Bruce Mosier	Jim Pirtle
Wednesday	19-Aug	n/a	n/a	Jim Pilkington
Saturday	22-Aug	Dub Wilttrout	Jim Van Namee	Jim Densmore
Sunday	23-Aug	John Norton	Dave Elliott	Bob Reilman
Wednesday	26-Aug	n/a	n/a	Jim Pilkington
Saturday	29-Aug	Kevin Brooks	Lloyd Cafran	Jim Densmore
Sunday	30-Aug	Frank Molli	Karl Gordon	Paul Antionette