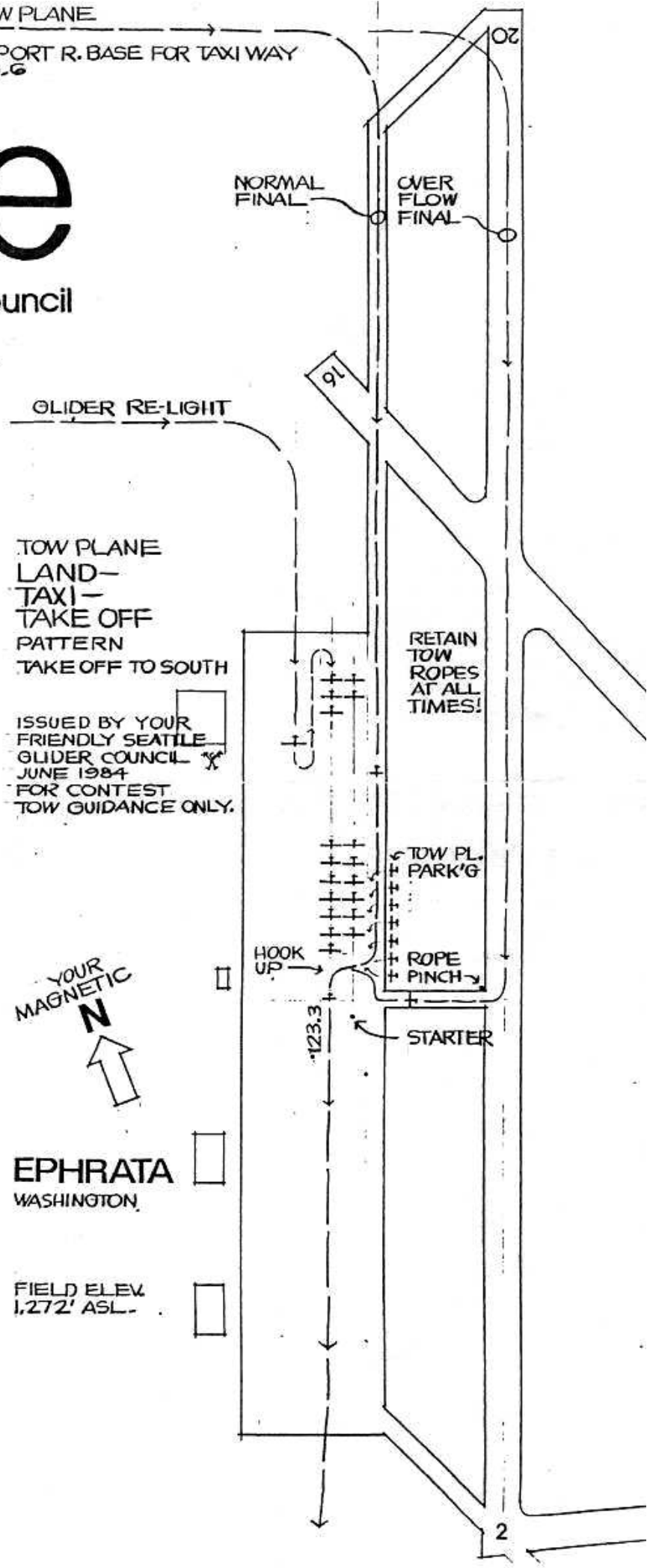


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GLIDER COUNCIL  
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CALENDAR

- Jan 5 SGC General Meeting  
Museum of Flight  
PARACHUTE SAFETY by Jim Hartwell
- Jan 13 SGC Board Meeting
- Jan 15 Towline contributions deadline
- Jan 22 Towline assembly at Garwin's

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### HIGH ALTITUDE TRAINING

Those interested in wave flights are urged to participate in Altitude Chamber training, which is organized by Roger Brewer 644-9711. The cost is \$20, 12 people are needed per lesson. Currently six have signed up. Discover how thin air affects you under controlled conditions at Whidbey Island Navy Air Station.

### HIGH ALTITUDE WAVE WINDOWS

Ragnar Smith, our chairman, received a positive response from the FAA regarding Wave Window Letter of Agreement. The FAA indicated they found our proposal non-objectionable (see October or November issue of Towline for particulars including map of the areas). The FAA started processing the agreement.

### SGC 1987 BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION RESULTS

Your new Board of Directors consists of the following persons: Chairman-Ragnar Smith, Vice Chairman - Roger Brewer, Directors - Doug Barritt, Nelson Funston, Fred Hermanspann, Steve Northcraft, Wayne Woodmansee. The runners-up were Mike Mulcahy, Scott Imlay, Tom Davis, Dave Reusch, Joe Robertson, and Jim Hartwell. 128 ballots were received before deadline, over 50 % of those sent out, a better than usual rate of return.

### ISSAQUAH SKYPORT UPDATE

Since the landmark decision by the Issaquah Planning Commission to recommend denial of the Pickering Farm Development Plan as it did not include retention of the airfield, the future of the Issaquah airfield looks brighter. The Pickering Farm development issue will be before the Issaquah City Council for several months and will probably lead to a bond issue proposal for the voters. The idea would be for the City to buy the airfield and to lease out the operation. Another possibility would be acquisition of the airfield by private owners. (Perhaps yet another alternative might be the involvement by the Museum of Flight or NSM - Ed.)

In the meantime Linn Emrich is keeping the operation going while still fighting off attempts by the developers to close the airfield.

### WATCH OUT, GEORGE AND NELSON!

Steve Northcraft has just purchased an immaculate ("better than new") LS-4A, the one that was flown to third place in the '83 U.S. Standard Nationals by Walter Schneider. Steve will brave traffic, icy roads, and blizzards to trailer his new ship from Maryland over the New Year.

### MINUTES OF THE 12/9/86 SGC BOARD MEETING

Chairman Ragnar Smith called the meeting to order at 7:45 pm in his business office. Other board members present were Kapl Parks, Tom Davis, Wayne Woodmansee. Guests present were Nelson Funston, Steve Northcraft, and Fred Hermanspann.

Minutes from the 11/10/86 meeting: To everybody's consternation nobody seems to have taken minutes at that meeting as nobody was assigned. The meeting dealt mostly with technicalities of the Banquet five days later.

Elections: Nelson present the election results for the 1987 SGC Board of Directors (see elsewhere). Re-elected chairman Ragnar welcomed the newcomers to the board and thanked the outgoing members for their service. The Board meetings will continue on the second Tuesday of each month at the current location (at Ragnar's) unless otherwise noted.

Committees: The following responsibilities and chores were assigned:

AWARDS	NELSON FUNSTON	CONTEST	ROGER BREWER
EPHRATA	WAYNE WOODMANSEE	PROGRAMS	FRED HERMANSPANN
PUBLICATIONS	GREG GARWIN	TREASURY	DOUG BARRITT
WAVE CAMP	STEVE NORTHCRAFT	MUSEUM LIAISON	PETE GRAVEN
TOWPLANE MGT	TOM DAVIS	TOWPLANE ACCT	RAGNAR SMITH
FAA LIAISON	DOUG BARRITT	ALTITUDE CLASS	ROGER BREWER
SECRETARY	FRED HERMANSPANN	MEMBERSHIP	NELSON FUNSTON

Ephrata: Work to be done includes the new clubhouse door, carpeting in the clubhouse, drainage in the trailer area, towline deflector at runway lights, fence extension for access control to SGC area, and operations blackboard. Wayne will establish program for clubhouse repair etc. The subject of the Field Manager was raised again. Earl Pace was authorized to spend up to \$500 for platform scale for weighing gliders (including contest use).

Banquet: The 1987 Banquet was tentatively scheduled for mid-November. Ragnar will coordinate with National Soaring Museum to get Burnaby Lecture as main event.

Use of Museum of Flight meeting room: Ragnar presented draft of agreement with M.O.F. for free use of meeting room for SGC member meetings obligating us to support the Museum with displays, lectures, demonstration flights etc.

Towline: Next Towline assembly will be on 12/18 at the Siroky residence (last time?). It was suggested to have an official policy regarding full page ads. Steve will write policy proposal for next meeting.

Audit Committees: In preparation of the business general membership meeting in February two audit committees were appointed (subject to consent): Mike Mulcahy, Pete Graven for general account, and Doug Barritt, Tom Davis for towplane account.

Wave Camp: The dates for the annual Wenatchee Wave Camp were set as March 21-22, 28-29, April 4-5, 11-12. (The Ephrata operation will resume on April 18-19.)

Contests: There may be another Season Opener Fun Contest at the end of March, similar to this year's Issaquah Contest. Region 8 Contest: SGC will conduct a two-weekend contest around Memorial Day unless Minden is hosting a big contest at the same time. Steve will find out about Minden plans.

FAA Safety Seminar. The FAA will conduct a flight safety seminar in Tacoma on January 31-February 1 and has offered a lecture room and money for the guest speaker to the SGC. Bob Chase will coordinate. SGC members are urged to attend.

Towplane: Tom reported that towplane will need some work on oil system and radio which he will pursue. Tom will also try to simplify towline build-up and maintenance and acquire adequate supplies.

Monday meetings: Tom suggested to change membership meetings from Mondays. This may be pursued by membership poll in Towline.

Meeting adjourned at 9:26 pm. Submitted by Fred Hermanspann, substituting.

### EVERGREEN SOARING NEWS

Evergreen Soaring held its annual meeting on November 13th at the Red Barn. Officers elected to 1987 term were: Doug Clark - president, Kelli Imlay-treasurer, both returning from last year's board, and Bennet Blake - secretary, Mike Drake - scheduler, and Louise Thomas - Member-at-Large.

In a very small ceremony at its December holiday party the club paid off the last of the loan floated among its members in 1979 to finance purchase of its Blanik. The club is still paying on its 2-33, and in January payback will begin on the funds (also borrowed from club members) that allowed the purchase of a Pawnee earlier this year.

### SOARING SAFETY SEMINAR

The FAA will hold its annual Aircraft and Flight Safety Seminar at the Tacoma Dome on Saturday and Sunday, 1/31/86 and 2/1/86. Plans are to include a special Soaring Safety Seminar for glider pilots in a separate facility provided by the FAA. Two of the keynote speakers will be Gene Hammond, chairman of the Soaring Safety Foundation, and Carl Herold, who will talk about high altitude soaring. Further information is available from Bob Chase, 823-6500.

### LETTER FROM YOUR NEW EDITOR

This issue marks the beginning of my tenure as Towline Editor. For the benefit of those who do not know me (nearly everyone), I was the guy in the loud tie at the Awards Banquet. I've been flying locally since 1978 (with ever-increasing frequency at Ephrata) and currently instruct for Evergreen Soaring.

My qualification for editing Towline are: 1) I am breathing, 2) I have room in my basement for a steam-powered mimeograph, 3) I once wrote a newsletter for Evergreen Soaring, 4) someone thought I would make a good editor.

The change in administration should appear seamless thanks to the assistance during this transition period of my predecessors, Emily and Vitek Siroky, whose high journalistic standards I intend to maintain.

All contributions to the magazine are welcome and should henceforth be sent directly to me at the address printed at the inside of the cover. My phone number is 782-4963. I know there are many excellent authors out there (I've enjoyed your articles in past issues) and I'm looking forward to publishing whatever you have to share with your fellow soaring enthusiasts.

*Gregory Gaurin*

WANT ADS: Ads are \$.25 per line for nonmembers and businesses. SGC members may run an ad for up to 3 months at no cost.

Columbia Motel - when in Ephrata, stay with Ron and Kathy Olson at the Columbia Motel, 1257 Basin SW, Ephrata WA 98823. Phone (509) 754-5226. We offer your family all the comforts of home: kitchenettes, H.B.O., color TV, direct dial phones, air conditioning. Daily and weekly rates. We hope to see you all soon.

For Sale Ka-7, 1961, Instruments in both cockpits, open trailer, needs glue inspection and repairs in wings. Good winter project. \$3,500. Call Dick Bowen (503) 223-4139.

For Sale AS K-6e in excellent condition. Includes enclosed trailer, oxygen system, radio, electronic vario with audio, and parachute. Call Fred Mann, Richland (509) 375-1933(h) or 376-5728(w).

For Sale 1-26B Basic instruments, O2, CG hook, open trailer. Excellent condition. In storage last 10 years. \$5,000. Possible partnership. Also for sale Std. Austria, enclosed metal trailer, electric Cambridge, diluter demand O2, basic instruments. 34:1. Needs work. \$4,000 or best offer. Beaverton, OR (503) 645-6967.

For Sale: A.14 Diluter-demand O2 pressure regulator with gauge. Price \$125.00 (509) 925-6214

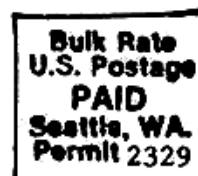
For Sale: 1976 Blanik, approx. 800 hours total time. Fresh annual to Dec. 87. Complete with oxygen system, basic instruments front and rear, open trailer. \$13,500. Call Hank Bowman (206)771-7096.

Wanted: To buy or borrow a set of HP-14 plans. Bipps Boyer 232-0445.

For Sale: DG-200 T.T. 650 hours, superb condition, Cambridge MKIV Audio Director, Bohlle compass & Bohlle T.E. vario for DG-200, Electric T & B, Terra TX-720 radio with P.T.T., Dual 14 Volt power with solar panel, Endurox Oxygen, Minden-type custom trailer and many extras. Price: US \$19,500. Contact: Kevin Bennett, Calgary (403)256-3665 (home) (403)260-2935 (work).

Wanted: Partner sought for purchase of ASW-20. Call Scott McKee (206)462-4082, days.

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