



Towline

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***** MEETING NOTICE *****

There will be a meeting of the SGC MONDAY, AUGUST 6, 8:00 pm, in Boeing Plant 2 Engineering Theater.

Joe Robertson will give an illustrated talk on the 1962 National Soaring Championships now in progress at El Mirage, California where Joe is competing with the Ka-6.

***** MEETING AUGUST 6 *****

COMING EVENTS SCHEDULE

- Aug 6 SGC Meeting
- Aug 11-12 Soaring Weekend at Wenatchee. Come on over and enjoy a relaxing weekend of thermal and ridge soaring.
- Aug 11 Enumclaw J.C.'s Annual Hangar Frolic at the field. All ships are to be cleared out of the hangar by 5:00 pm that afternoon. "Val" Vaillancourt is looking after this end of the arrangements, so contact him if your ship is in the hangar.
- Aug 18-19 Issaquah Sky Divers have invited SGC pilots to participate in a combined parachut-glider meet at Issaquah Airport, (one mile west of Issaquah adjacent to the Lk. Sammamish State Park). Contact Bab Kruse CH 4-1202 for information.
- Aug 19 Enumclaw - Boeing Soaring Club Open House. This event has been publicized around Boeing for the past few weeks by posters as part of a club membership drive. Interested persons will be given a 1500 ft tow in the 2-22 for \$1.50. Volunteers, Commercial glider pilots, and tow pilots are still needed. Contact Walt Blake, GE 7-3451 (Boeing phone), for more information.
- Sept 1-3 Annual Labor Day Meet at Wenatchee - This is always a highlight of the soaring season in the northwest. Come on over and try your hand at wave soaring - the weather usually cooperates

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Coming Events Schedule - Cont'd.

- Sept 8 - Boeing Club fall training program is scheduled to commence at Enumclaw. Initially flying training will be restricted to Saturdays, so as not to conflict with the commercial training program run by Bob Chase and Associates, which will continue on Sundays. Instructors and tow pilots who are interested in contributing to this program should contact Frank Woodward, GL 4-6115, before Aug. 30.
- Oct 6-7 Tentative plans for a weekend at Ashford Airport, (SW of Mt. Rainier) for that long delayed attempt to soar the big mountain. Contact Frank Woodward, GL 4-6115 for information.

FOUND

END BUCKLE FOR SHOULDER HARNESS
At Wenatchee, Fancher Field, July 8

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TELEPHONE REMOVED FROM ENUMCLAW HANGAR

In an economy move, the Board of Directors decided to have the telephone removed from Enumclaw Airport. The saving in phone bills may make it possible to continue the public liability insurance policy carried on the field. Any inconvenience to members is sincerely regretted.

YOUR DIRECTORS

BOEING CLUB SWAPS CHEROKEE FOR GOLD 1-19 PLUS

A major glider trade was recently completed between Jim Hard of Richland and the Boeing Soaring Club. The Boeing group has been looking for a Cherokee buyer since the spring, and now that Jim has completed Gold C distance and Diamond Goal in his 1-19, he was looking for a higher performance ship to start breaking world records. Apparently the situation and price was right, as the gold encrusted 1-19 is now in the hangar at Enumclaw, and may even be seen struggling to stay aloft in those west side thermals.

Lets hope the Boeing Club can keep the ship performing up to the high standards Jim has established for it.

TEN YEARS AGO IN TOWLINEwe seem to have missed a few here.... from May 1952....Joe Robertson then Pres. of SGC flew a TG-3 from Arlington to Bellingham, 45 miles, for the first cross country flight west of the Cascades.....same day Pete Bowers soared two hours and fifteen minutes above the Arlington field..... Heasley Entz' TG-2 was licensed, a long awaited event.....Bob Kruse showed commendable progress in his "Learning-From-Scratch" training in the EG-6 getting off the ground on low auto tows.....from June '52new organization known as CLOBUSTERS was formed with J. Robertson as charter president, for those who don't quite make the airfield on local flights...other charter members, Frank Blakeslee, Capt. Earl

TEN YEARS AGO (Cont'd. from p. 2)

Drew, Bob Joppa, Dean Reynolds and George Maxey, and Clark Higgins.....
..from July '52.....a glider transceiver made by Mitchell Industries
was announced as available at \$99.50 list, discounts for quantities...
those were the days.....Bob Moore caught a wing of his 2-22 in the
wires leading down from the Badger Mtn. lookout at Wenatchee and
crashed on a ledge below the lookout, broken ankle and cuts, ship
pretty well clobbered,.....Earl Drew. Pete Bowers, J. Robertson
copped their five hours duration for Silver C on the ridge....seven
gliders were in the air at once.....

SGC TOW FEES CLARIFIED

In response to popular demand, the Towplane Committee has issued the following statement of tow charges, in order to clarify any possible confusion which might exist.

1. The subscription plan is still in effect. Under this plan members wishing to make use of the SGC towing facilities must sign up for an annual subscription of \$60, payable in \$5 monthly installments. Towplane privileges may be extended to non-members at special events sponsored by the SGC, (such as Wenatchee meets, etc.). Student pilots are not required to subscribe while under the supervision of the approved SGC training program presently being run by Chase and Associates.
2. Tickets are issued on payment of monthly installments, at the rate of 8 for \$5, (62¢ each). Tickets may also be purchased at the airfield at the same rate. Tows may be paid for either by ticket or cash.
3. Rates for tows at Enumclaw:
Two tickets (\$1.25) per 1000'.
4. There will be no reduction in the cost of tickets after \$60 have been purchased. This is the only change incorporated in the plan since the original proposal. This change has been deemed necessary owing to the increasing operating costs of the airplanes.
5. Rates for tows east of the Cascade Mountains:
Two tickets (\$1.25) PLUS two tickets (\$1.25) per 1000feet.
6. Members are requested to buy their tickets in advance, either from Bob Kruse or through the Boeing Club 'B' membership plan.

CALL FOR PAYMENT OF OVERDUE ACCOUNTS

The SGC treasury is entering another critical phase, according to treasurer Dave Marshall. Members have not been paying overdue accounts and insufficient funds are available to pay current Council bills. We owe \$200 for rental of Enumclaw Field, \$76 for PL and PD insurance on the field, and \$200 to the SSA for our members dues to that organization - to mention but a few obligations. At the same time the accounts receivable from members amounts to \$624.35!!! It is clear that members are not paying their individual bills: this includes SGC and SSA dues, hangar rents, and tow bills incurred before March. The solution is obvious.....GET YOUR BILLS PAID UP RIGHT AWAY - OR ELSE!

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

The soaring season is now well along, what with the Annual Soaring Meet over, but there are many events to come before winter's chill is upon us, (see coming events schedule p. 1). Our activities have been rather loosely organized partially due to the uncertainties involved with predicted attendance due to Worlds Fair visitors, etc. However the movement has not died out, the towplanes are now almost able to see over the pile of current debts due largely to the double Memorial Day week-end activities at Richland, the following week-end at Sunnyside and the Soaring Camp at Wenatchee.

Plans for interesting membership meetings are in preparation for the fall and winter season. There are also rumblings from the Boeing Club concerning their restarting a club training program, and more power to them!

Once again, it is time for a black edged edition of Towline. Death has struck down another member. George M. Adams died at home after a brief illness June 28th. George joined the Boeing Club in April of 1959 and since then was one of SGC's most active members. He was a member of the SGC Board of Directors this year and will be sorely missed at all activities. George's purchase of a new Bergfalke II/55 last season was a real shot in the arm to local soaring. Our sympathy goes out to his wife Alice, son Martin and daughter Caren. Alice has expressed her intention of keeping the Bergfalke in the family for Caren and Martin to use.

Altho George had recently been transplanted from the local scene by his Boeing Company assignments, his enthusiasm was still keenly felt. One can only say, so long and good soaring George.....

BOB KRUSE

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We wish to thank most especially this month Frank Woodward who has done most of the writing for this issue after returning from his extended European tour with wife Marlene only early this month. News of the July 4th meet and the Nationals in Aug issue soon.

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