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Ready to Launch at Arlington

Paul Smith Photo



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Notes from the President

Dear Fellow Soaring Enthusiasts,

I would like to start off by saying 'Thank you!' to all of the glider instructors, towpilots, officers, scheduler, maintenance managers, operations manager, field managers and numerous volunteers who help make this sport possible. Without your efforts, most of us would not be flying as frequently as we do. We are a club of volunteers. It makes us far stronger in many ways than a commercial operation because there is the understanding that we have to work together as a community.

This past year has been particularly difficult on many of our members. To those of you who have lost your jobs, and to those of you who have suddenly been stuck with

70+ hour weeks and no life outside of work, you have my deepest condolences. There is no easy way to handle all of the stress these hurdles present us. For many of us, it will be a long glide between thermals with heavy sink. Hang in there. We are cheering for you to make it back to the gliderport.

Happy Landings,

Jim Dobberfuhr

BESC President

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Check Rides

An informal interview with our new Northwest Designated Examiner, Jim Yates...

By Jim Dobberfuhr

I was fortunate enough to have dinner with Jim Yates on weekend in June at our favorite Mexican food restaurant, Tequila's. I came away with a great deal of respect and a better understanding of his position regarding check flights and his role as the designated examiner. Here are some of the highlights and things to consider when taking a check ride with ANY examiner.

- Have as much information as possible about the weather, NOTAMS, etc.. before you even meet with the DE.
- Make sure you have studied everything well in advance including additional reading materials on soaring.
- Make sure you have a current PTS and are very familiar with every maneuver in it.
- Make sure you have read the flight operations manual from cover to cover.
- Know what it says about landing in a crosswind.

- Know that it is a joint responsibility of the towpilot and the glider pilot to ensure the tow release mechanism on the towplane is functioning properly.
- The tow rope is the glider pilots responsibility.
- Make sure you check the towrope from end to end for knots, frays and other anomalies.
- Check the tow release on the towplane and the glider.
- Know the breaking strength of the rope you are using.
- Expect a rope break every single time you fly.
- Briefly check the spoilers for operation at your IP point.
- Know your FARs part 61 and 91.

Jim Yates goes by the book. He does not like to fail people, but if someone walks in there and has just done a cursory glance of the material, then he or she will fail the check ride. Mr. Yates' has the philosophy that when a pilot takes a check ride, that is the best he or she will ever know the FAR's, procedures, and flying requirements in his or her lifetime.

If you already practice all of the above items and more, then you won't have any problems.

Upcoming Events

Monthly Meeting Schedule

We are now having monthly meetings at the Everett Recreation Center. The Meetings will be held in Conference Room 40-201.1, the Activity Room

All Dates are **6:30 pm - 8:30 pm**

July 10, 2002	November 6, 2002
August 7, 2002	December 4, 2002
September 11, 2002	January 8, 2003
October 2, 2002	February 5, 2003

Please Mark your calendars

Summer Operations

For Summer operations, Flight training will continue with the L-23. It and the Super Cub will remain at Arlington.

The remaining fleet is operating out of Ephrata.

The Club is trying hard to set up Volunteer Operations Teams for all weekends, at both Arlington and Ephrata.

Check with the Hotline. Also, if you decide to go to either AWO, or EPH, please be sure you notify the Ops Team that you are coming, because if no one calls, Team members may save their time and stay home.

June 22nd to 29th Ephrata Encampment

We are in Ephrata the week after Evergreen Soaring Club, who will be there June 15 through 23. The Region 8 Contest runs from June 30th through July 6th.

The plan is to have all BESC airplanes at Ephrata during the week-long encampment. Please start calling your favorite instructors at this time and start setting up in advance. It's going to be a busy week and we are expecting some really great weather conditions.

June 26th Dinner at the Woodmansee's

Judy and Wayne have invited the BESC folks to their place for dinner at 6:00 PM on Wednesday, 26th June. They live at 17195 Frey Road, which is approximately one mile north of town on the road that parallels the canal. Many members of the club will know the way.

Please RSVP by June 25, so Wayne & Judy know how much to cook!

Wayne & Judy Woodmansee, 509-754-0526

June 30th to July 6th, Ephrata Soaring Contest.

Operations at this time by clubs will be extremely limited. This limitation is due to a safety concerns and the increased potential of mid-air collisions. However, do not let this discourage you from visiting the contest at this time. Better yet, if you are interested in helping out contact Ron Bellamy.

July 13th and 14th Darrington Expedition

We will be operating in Darrington during this weekend to avoid the crowds and Mayhem in Arlington airshow. This event will be run jointly with Evergreen Soaring Club. It's a good opportunity to try out a new soaring site and meet fellow soaring enthusiasts.

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July 28, from 0900-1500 Everett Family Day

We will be displaying at least 2 gliders. This opportunity has proved extremely valuable in the past in recruiting new members and signing up trial membership rides. Please contact me if you would be interested in participating.

BESC Newsbytes

Weller & Trial Members

Rumor has it that Lynn Weller squired about 5 Trial members on Sunday June 2. Even had a tow to 5000 ft. Way to go, Lynn!

Trial Member Packets

Rumor also has it that Dave Owens is building us fancy Trial Member Packets. What would be neat, is being able to take pictures of our Trial Members, which we could publish, or send to them with a follow up message.

Other news...

- We are proud to be contributors to the new SGC clubhouse. Thank you to all of our members who voted.
- We are currently seeking members who are interested in becoming instructors...Think you have the right stuff? We would love to hear from you.

New Instructor

Rumor has it that Dave Reusch renewed his CFG on June 9 at EPH. Congratulation Dave! When can we go flying???

Chief CFG

The CFG's have decided that the task of Chief CFG will be rotated on a monthly basis. That way the load can be shared equally.

Open Board Positions

The following BESC Board positions are OPEN and in need of a member to step forward:

A) CFSSO (Chief Flying & Safety Officer)

A CFSSO is still needed. This position requires someone who has a great deal of common sense, flight experience, good communication skills, strong character, and follow through. The position does not require the person to be CFG nor commercially rated.

B) Webmaster.

If you are capable of handling MS-FrontPage or can handle your own with HTML coding, then we need you. Stan Kasprzyk has been doing a great job for us for quite some time. He has requested that some one else take over this duty. Stan donates a tremendous amount of his time and talent to the club as a flight instructor. He pulls double duty with the upkeep of our web site. If you are unsure with regards to your HTML/website abilities,

please contact Stan and take a stab at assisting with the updates and editing.

C) Astir Manager

Alan Kirlin has been the maintenance manager for this glider for quite a time. He would like to find a replacement. Contact Alan and see how easy and rewarding this job is.

Thermal Index Forecast

The AWO and the EPH Thermal Index Prediction (TIP) are available at the respective TOPICA lists "AWO_WX@topica.com" and "EPH_WX@topica.com". To subscribe to EPH_WX, send an email to:EPH_WX-subscribe@topica.com

To unsubscribe to EPH_WX, send an email to:EPH_WX-unsubscribe@topica.com

Use a similar format for AWO TIP.

When you subscribe you get the TIPs every day at about 9:00 AM in your Email Inbox.

Weekday Flying

We are blessed with long summer days at this time of year. With a towplane and glider just up the road in Arlington, it is possible to start flying as late as 5 or 6 pm and get in a couple hours of flight time or instructions. Contact a towpilot and an instructor (if needed) and go have some fun. This is a great way to get dedicated instructional time and there is the added benefit of little to no traffic. Once you have a towpilot (and instructor), use Email to see who might come out and help. If you are unsure about doing this or would like some help, contact Heinz Gehlhaar.

We also plan on publishing dates and times on the web when Evergreen Soaring will be towing during the weekday. Please check the website for further updates on weekday operations. Many of these notifications will be last minute, so check frequently. The following instructors might be available during the weekday, depending on their schedules: Steve Baker, Al Gregg, Ron Bellamy (after EPH contest), Ragnar Smith. If no towpilot is available, John Carson is willing to provide tows with his towplane on Monday, Wednesday or Friday. The following requirements need to be met for John to be willing to tow:

1. Sufficient advance notice.
2. Minimum of three tows (or equivalent income to 3000 feet for three tows).
3. \$15 for the 1st thousand feet and \$1/100 feet after that. This works out to \$35 for a 3,000-foot tow, which is slightly more expensive than the club rates. However, it is still an excellent option if you are looking to get in some flight time during the week and no towpilots are available.

John Carson may be reached at 425-417-9063.

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SGC Training Facility

By Heinz Gehlhaar

The SGC is building a new Training Facility/Clubhouse at EPH. This facility is paid for almost entirely by donations from the soaring community. Some generous soul has provided a matching fund, which means every dollar you donate, is really two dollars for the Building Fund. So, pull out your checkbook and send as much money as you can to:

Jim Simmons,
13716 50th Ave W
Edmonds WA 98026.

BESC Donation to Ephrata Facilities

[There was a move afoot to vote NO on the BESC Donation. Here is another view. Editor]

By David C. Reusch

By voting NO, I think the club is really shooting itself in the foot on this one! The donation amounts to about \$10/member and actually will be matched by anonymous donor (who was a very active BESC member once). This is really not about money but how our club is viewed by the soaring community. If you're going to continue in this sport, chances are you'll be soaring at Ephrata.

Bear with me while I spew a little history: We, the BESC, initiated soaring at Ephrata after a dispute with the SGC over towing at Fancher. Seems like some

the private ship owners were treating us as 2nd class citizens. The Ephrata operation turned out so much better that, after 2 seasons, the SGC also moved to Ephrata and the perpetrators sold their ships and quit the sport. For a period BESC used the big hangar and the Flight Service building had bathrooms. NO SHOWERS, 2 BATHROOMS.

Eventually the big hangar found other uses and the Flight Service building was closed. NO SHOWERS, 1 BATHROOM.

Fortunately the SGC sponsored the 1980 Soaring Convention and with the proceeds acquired the current trailer. 2 SHOWERS, 2 & 1/2 BATHROOMS. This was repeated by the 1990 Convention, the proceeds allowed SGC to add a shower/bath extension. 5 SHOWERS, 5 BATHROOMS.

During all this time BESC operations have decreased and today have virtually vanished, even though about 1/3 of the Ephrata pilots are (or were) club members. Unfortunately, even the towplane makes very rare appearances.

All this time the SGC has been improving the facilities we've been using.

This donation would be a gesture of BESC's support for future generations and would go a long way to improving relations.

Think about it when you're out there during next week's encampment....\$10 bucks. It's not that big a deal. I'll make sure it's noted in TOWLINE.

Apologies for the sermon,
OLD DOG

CFIG Scholarship Program

BESC is continuing the offer of a CFIG Scholarship Program. To qualify for application to the Scholarship Program, you must

- 1) have been a member of BESC for 1 year or more, and
 - 2) have a Glider commercial rating.
- Once approved for the program, you will qualify for reimbursement after you have passed:
- 3) the Fundamentals of Instruction knowledge test;
 - 4) the CFIG knowledge test; and
 - 5) the CFIG practical test.

You will then be reimbursed, up to a combined total limit of \$500, for your CFIG Knowledge and Practical Test fees, and BESC glider and tow fees incurred during the pursuit of the CFIG rating. In return, you are obligating

yourself to be the flight instructor on the field for a minimum of 12 days over the next two years. Eligible members may apply to our Vice President Lynn Weller, E-mail Address: william.l.weller@boeing.com, Phone 425-235-1610(h), 206-662-3216(w). The BESC Executive Board will award the scholarship.

For Sale / Want to buy

Members can post ads here. Send them to Heinz

For Sale:

New Price!

Headset - New (used once) Pilot MEI - 20 Headset with mouth piece and ear covers. \$150 new will sell for \$65.
Don Banford, 425-828-6553

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BESC Parachutes

Mike Clarke

At the moment, 5 June 2002, BESC has four (4) good parachutes. They are all currently repacked and ready to "go". There is one (1) parachute that is junk & is in the cupboard in the hangar at Arlington. The status of the four good 'chutes is:-

- Parachute 1, serial #6010-SA : was repacked towards the end of March 2002
- Parachute 2, serial #1648-5 (?) : as above.
- Parachute 3 serial # 5800 : as above.
- Parachute 4 serial # 02479 : was repacked on 3 May 2002.

The first three 'chutes have been with us some time. I am not sure of the makes (maybe Softie) but the two in the blue bags are rated for 220LB & 150Kt according to Para-Pernalia. The third 'chute is in a red bag.

Parachute 4 is Navair28ft flat circular "chute manufactured in August 1979, so is fairly old.

At present one chute is with the ASTIR (at Ephrata?) & Parachute 4 is at Ephrata.

The other two are at Arlington.

All these parachutes have to be repacked after 120 days at about \$50 each (at Para-Pernalia). The first three must be repacked towards the end of this month i.e. around the Encampment dates. Parachute 4 must be repacked towards the end of July.

Our Airplane Fleet Status

Our Webmaster is keeping an up-to-date Table of our Fleet status on the BESC Web at <http://www.boeingsoaring.com/fleet.html>. Please look there for the latest information.

Aircraft	Current Location	Maintenance Manager	Next Annual Due
Pawnee N6917Z The Pawnee is at Ephrata ready for towing.	Ephrata	Pierre Parent	Next annual - Feb 2003
Super Cub N7474D The SuperCub towplane is operational but pilots above 200 lb need to carry CG ballast in the cargo area...	Arlington	Mike Moore	Next annual - Jan 2003
Schweizer 1-26 N7742S Thanks to Kevin Finke, the 1-26 is ready to fly with a new Canopy. Please keep it closed and locked.	Ephrata	Kevin Finke	Next annual - Feb 2003
Schweizer 1-34 N7644 In work for a replacement wing spar root stub shear web and a canopy that fits.	Arlington	Travis Brown	Annual - in work
Blanik L23 N264BA On line, ready to use. Boom Mikes are installed. Thank Lynn for getting it done!	Arlington	Lynn Weller	Next annual - Jan 2003
Blanik L23 N265BA On line, ready to use at EPH	Ephrata	Alex Powell	Next annual - May 2003
L33 Solo N355BA The L-33 is parked with the other glider trailers just north of the Gateway Café, ready to fly.	Arlington	Craig Funston	Next annual - June 2002
Grob-102, Astir N141SS (X3) At Ephrata and available for use. The radio is inop so carry a handheld radio. The total energy probe is in the trailer.	Ephrata	Alan Kirlin	Next annual - Mar 2003
Parachute Status	AWO/EPH	Micheal Clarke	Look at tag on 'chute

Our 4 parachutes have been re-packed. 2 are at EPH and 2 at AWO. Watch the Re-pack date
Last updated June 4, 2002..

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BESC Board

Here are the persons who spend lots of their time to make the Organization run. If you see a problem, which you can't solve, or if you want to participate in running BESC, please bring it to the attention of any of them. You will get a resolution, which benefits all of BESC.

Officers:

Office	Name	Phone	Mail	E-mail
President	Jim Dobberfuhl	W (425) 342-2241 H (425)-741-8001	0F-24	james.p.dobberfuhl@boeing.com
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Secretary	Jim McNeil	W (206) 662-4214 H (425) 827-1834	19-HJ	james.w.mcneil2@boeing.com
Treasurer	Martin Gibbins	W (206) 655-2727 H (425) 644-4696	4E-11	martin.n.gibbins@boeing.com
C.F.&S.O.	OPEN	[This has been OPEN too long! Look into your heart & tackle the job. Ed.]		
Operations	Don Banford	(H) (425) 828-6553 (Cell) (206) 619-7201	--	donbanford@msn.com
Pawnee Tow Plane Manager	Pierre Parent	W (425) 294- 1904 H (360) 653-2613	04-JU	pierre-julien.parent@boeing.com
Super Cub Tow Plane Manager	Mike Moore	H (206) 790-7949	--	mmore@attglobal.net

Sailplane Managers

Office	Name
Maintenance	N7742S (1-26) Kevin Finke 651-388-6631[w] 651-388-1733[h] N7644 (1-34) - Travis Brown 425-266-3199[w] 206-795-9092[h] N355BA (L-33) Craig Funston 206-795-9092[w] 360-671-8913[h] N264BA (L-23) Lynn Weller 206-662-3216[w] 425-235-1610[h] N265BA (L-23) Alex Powell 425-235-1610[w] N141SS (Astir) Alan Kirlin 425-237-1360[w] 206-954-6498[h] Replacement needed

Non-Officers:

Office	Name	Phone	Mail	E-mail
Bookkeeper	David Owen	W (425) 342-4737 H (360) 653-8928	03-16	david.owen@boeing.com
Newsletter	Heinz Gehlhaar	H (206) 932-5428	--	heinz@foxinternet.net
Webmaster	Stan Kasprzyk. Replacement needed	W (206) 655-2040 H (253) 631-2088	4C-95	stan.kasprzyk@boeing.com
Scheduler	Travis M. Nelson	H (425)-392-6044	8K-32	travis.m.nelson@boeing.com
Librarian	Tony Puglisi	W (425) 294-0096 H (206) 367-6980	04-EC	anthony.j.puglisi@boeing.com
Hot Line	Travis M. Nelson	W (253) 657-2510 H (425)-392-6044	8K-32	travis.m.nelson@boeing.com

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Hot Line & Other Addresses

Hot Line Changes or Set-Up: Travis M. Nelson

Hot Line 206-516-4149. This gets you the latest information.

Any other questions can be directed to Vice President Lynn Weller

Instructors & Tow Pilots

BESC Instructors

Have you hugged your Instructors lately? Here is a list of them. They come out to the field, hungry to fly. And all they ever get is a rough ride in the back seat.

When you fly with them, worry about their well-being; like getting a break, getting something to drink and getting lunch.

If it were not for the CFGs almost none of us would be flying.

Steve Baker Ron Bellamy Rich Blow Chuck Flora
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Al Gregg John Hope Stan Kasprzyk @ Carl Niedermeyer
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Kapi Parks Dave Reusch (NEW! Congrats!) Ragnar Smith
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@ Denotes SSA Instructor

Thanks a lot CFGs for signing up weekend after weekend. We students really do appreciate your time and effort.

BESC Tow Pilots

Here is the list of BESC's active Tow Pilots. These individuals are glider pilots AND tail-dragger power pilots who take time off from glider-flying, to get our flights started. Kudos and lots of thanks to them. Remember, like all volunteers, they always welcome a hearty Thank You.

TOW Pilots

Allan, Bill Banford, Don** Bellamy, Ron ⁺ Bornholdt, Gene ⁺ ** Chamberlain, Terry ⁺ Flora, Chuck**
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Funston, Nelson Higley, Richard Hope, John** Johnson, Eric ⁺ Kasprowicz, Krzys Koehn, Mike McNeil, Jim

Moore, Michael ⁺ MacIndoe, Scott Niedermeyer, Carl ⁺ ** Northcraft, Steve** Parent, Pierre** Smith, Ragnar** Todd, Jay
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⁺ Denotes Commercial Power Rating, ** Denotes BECS Check Pilot

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The newsletter is published whenever the editor gets "a round tuit". Serious attempts are being made to publish it once a month. Usually it gets out sometimes in the middle of the month. Please send round tuits!
Also, **Please Please** send me any errors you see in the Newsletter. Call me at 206-932-5428.

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BESC Ops Schedule

June 2002 (Ephrata-EPH) No Arlington Operations from 6/22/02 - 6/30/02

Day	Date	Field Manager Ephrata	Instructor Ephrata	Tow Pilot Ephrata
SAT	22	EPH Encampment Begins Encampment Participants	EPH Encampment Begins Steve Baker *	EPH Encampment Begins Krzys Kasprowicz
SUN	23	Encampment Participants	Steve Baker *	Mike Moore Mike Koehn
MON	24	Encampment Participants	Steve Baker *	Don Banford
TUE	25	Encampment Participants	Steve Baker *	Don Banford
WED	26	Encampment Participants	Al Gregg	--
THU	27	Encampment Participants	Al Gregg	--
FRI	28	Encampment Participants	Al Gregg	--
SAT	29	Encampment Participants	Al Gregg Carl Niedermeyer???	EPH Encampment Ends Carl Niedermeyer Jim McNeil
SUN	30	--	--	Region 8 Contest Begins Banford - 74D Moore - 17Z

* Instruction available only after instructor returns from flying his own aircraft. If he lands out, BIG bonus points to those help retrieve him. Kindness and beer go a long ways with volunteers.

??? Not confirmed

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July 2002 (Arlington-AWO + Ephrata-EPH)

Day	Date	Field Manager Arlington	Instructor Arlington	Tow Pilot Arlington	Tow/Instructor Ephrata
MON	1	--	--	--	Region 8 Contest Banford - 74D Moore - 17Z
TUE	2	--	--	--	Region 8 Contest McNeil - 74D Moore - 17Z
WED	3	--	--	--	Region 8 Contest Banford - 74D McNeil - 17Z
THU	4	--	--	--	Region 8 Contest Banford - 74D Moore - 17Z
FRI	5	--	--	--	Region 8 Contest Banford - 74D Moore - 17Z
SAT	6	--	--	--	Region 8 Contest Ends Banford - 74D Moore - 17Z
SUN	7	Don Bisbee (H) (425) 641-1750	--	Gene Bornholdt (H) (360) 378-1050	John Hope (W) (206) 662-7606 (H) (206) 772-6588
SAT	13	Darrington Trip Paul Cook (W) (425) 481-2783 (H) (425) 806-4867	Darrington Trip Stan Kasprzyk (W) (206) 655-2040 (H) (253) 631-2088	Darrington Trip Krzys Kasprowicz (H) (425) 641-3267	Mike Koehn (W) (425) 342-5123 (H) (425) 462-8307
SUN	14	Darrington Trip Craig Funston (W) (360) 734-7194 (H) (360) 671-8913	Darrington Trip	Darrington Trip Jim McNeil (W) (206) 662-4214 (H) (425) 827-1834	Nelson Funston (H) (206) 232-9416
SAT	20	Phil Grate (W) (206) 345-6224 (H) (425) 222-4732	--	Carl Niedermeyer (W) (425) 237-9423 (H) (425) 337-1506	Don Banford (H) (425) 828-6553 (Cell) (206) 619-7201
SUN	21	Tony Puglisi (W) (425) 294-0096 (H) (206) 367-6980	--	Gene Bornholdt (H) (360) 378-1050	Mike Moore (H) (206) 790-7949
SAT	27	Jim Morgan (W) (425) 717-6042 (H) (425) 353-2231	--	Chuck Flora (H) (425) 562-1484	Nelson Funston (H) (206) 232-9416
SUN	28	Tony Wiederkehr (W) (425) 252-3236 (H) (360) 652-2342	--	Krzys Kasprowicz (H) (425) 641-3267	Mike Koehn (W) (425) 342-5123 (H) (425) 462-8307

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Operations Team Sign-Up

Please sign up with Travis M. Nelson, 425-392-6044 (hm), 253-657-2510 (wk)

Email travis.m.nelson@attbi.com (hm), or travis.m.nelson@boeing.com (wk)

August 2002 (Arlington-AWO + Ephrata-EPH)

Day	Date	Field Manager Arlington	Instructor Arlington	Tow Pilot Arlington	Tow/Instructor Ephrata
SAT	3	--	--	--	--
SUN	4	--	--	--	--
SAT	10	--	--	--	--
SUN	11	--	--	--	--
SAT	17	--	--	--	--
SUN	18	--	--	--	--
SAT	24	--	--	--	--
SUN	25	--	--	--	--
SAT	31	--	--	--	--

Auto-Scheduling Process

- 1) Three months prior to the start of the Active Schedule Period, a blank Operations Schedule is published with notification of a one-month open signup period. Members can sign-up via phone or e-mail or snail-mail to the Scheduler.
- 2) At the end of that month, the remaining openings are auto-scheduled.
- 3) All volunteers are confirmed of their impending commitments via email or phone by the scheduler by the end of the second month.

Date swapping after each Open Signup period is the responsibility of each individual. Use the current YAWSTRING or Web schedule to help you find a person to swap with. In **extreme emergency**, the scheduler Travis M. Nelson, 425-392-6044 (hm), 253-657-2510 (wk) or Email travis.m.nelson@attbi.com (hm), or travis.m.nelson@boeing.com (wk) may be able to help. Please, DO NOT MIS-USE THIS OPTION!

Field Managers

In the past, it has been falsely assumed that field managers knew what function and obligation they filled at the airfield. Unfortunately, there is a wide area of interpretation, so here is an outline of what is expected.

Field managers have the following duties and responsibilities.

- Show up on time at the start of operations (9:30 am at the latest).
- Coordinate with the towpilot and instructor to determine details of operations for the day
- Start a new tow log sheet, track aircraft, times, etc.
- Ensure all paper work is in order, especially waivers for trial membership flights.
- Ensure trial members pay in advance prior to launching.
- Crack the whip if necessary and keep the glider and towplane busy.
- Keep vigilance on the changing conditions and ensure safe operations are being practiced.
- Ensure the gliders are properly tied down and secured at the end of the flying day (this simply means double check the gliders after they have been secured for flight control locks, proper tie down practice, etc.)
- Ensure the hangar lights are turned off and the hangar is secured.
- Ensure all combination locks are hangar are reset to 0-0-0-0.
- Ensure the tow log is sent to the flight log manager or to me (Jim Dobberfuhr M/C OF-24).
- Report any incidents, accidents or unsafe activity to a board member as soon as practicable.
- Notify the scheduler, next-scheduled towpilot instructor & Fieldmanager, the maintenance manager and other relevant person(s) of issues which affect the operations of the following day or weekend; i.e. towplane suffers a mechanical breakdown.

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Instructions for Field Managers:

Field managers have the following duties and responsibilities.

- Show up on time at the start of operations (9:30 am at the latest). Please obtaining your own substitute if unable to support the schedule.
- Coordinate with the towpilot and instructor to determine details of operations for the day
- Start and maintain the Flight Operations List, track aircraft, times, etc.
- Ensure all paper work is in order, especially waivers for trial membership flights.
- Ensure trial members pay in advance prior to launching.
- Crack the whip if necessary, to have the glider ready to launch when the towplane arrives.
- Keep vigilance on the changing conditions and ensure safe operations are being practiced.
- Ensure the gliders are properly tied down and secured at the end of the flying day (this simply means double check the gliders after they have been secured for flight control locks, proper tie down practice, etc.)
- Ensure the hangar lights are turned off and the hangar is secured.
- Ensure all combination locks are hangar are reset to 0-0-0-0.
- Ensure the Flight Operations List and the Tow Cards (from the Towpilots) get mailed to Linda Chism, the Flight Log Keeper or to Jim Dobberfuhr (M/S OF-24). Linda Chism (even though inactive) is still the BESC log-keeper. If stamped addressed envelopes are available in the BESC hangar, send tow cards, logs and all data relative to flying activities to Linda at:

Linda Chism
5422 46th Ave SW
Seattle WA 98136
e-mail: linda.chism@gte.net

The club will reimburse all mailing costs (receipts helpful, but not mandatory).

- Report any incidents, accidents or unsafe activity to a board member as soon as practicable.
- Notify the scheduler, next-scheduled towpilot instructor & Field Manager, the Maintenance Manager and other relevant person(s) of issues which affect the operations of the following day or weekend; i.e. towplane suffers a mechanical breakdown.

Operations Reminder to everyone:

- 1) **Everyone, students and rated pilots alike, are requested to call or e-mail the Field Manager or Instructor or Tow Pilot at least 48 hours before you intend to fly.**
- 2) Arrive by 9:30 AM for operations at Arlington and 10:30 AM at Ephrata.
- 3) "--" indicates a volunteer required. Call Travis M. Nelson, 425-392-6044 (hm), 253-657-2510 (wk) or Email travis.m.nelson@attbi.com (hm), or travis.m.nelson@boeing.com (wk)
- 4) Monitor the newslines (206) 516-4149 for revisions and updates to the schedule.

Specific scheduling questions can be directed to the BESC scheduler, Travis M. Nelson, 425-392-6044 (hm), 253-657-2510 (wk) or Email travis.m.nelson@attbi.com (hm), or travis.m.nelson@boeing.com (wk)

BESC questions can be directed to:

Lynn Weller, BESC Vice-President
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