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Picture by Neal Chism

WSSA's X-Ray 3 On Tow

Merging Status

The *AGREEMENT AND PLAN OF MERGER* dated as of October 1, 2007 between Washington State Soaring Association ("WSSA") and Evergreen Soaring Inc. ("ESI"), each a Washington corporation is in its final form for publication. Please look for a big bundle in the mail and read it carefully. Along with that will come a ballot sheet asking for your vote. So shortly after that, all the talking will be done and we will all know which way we are going.

Some of the essential points are given below. As of this writing (9/1/07) some of the steps have not yet been taken, but are given here so that you can see which way "this train may be running". Also, please note well: If anything that is given here is not in the intent of the actual documentation, the actual documentation is the one that rules.

1. The respective boards of directors of WSSA and ESI have been advised of the terms and conditions of this Merger and are recommending it to be authorized. The members of ESI and WSSA will approve and adopt this Agreement at a special meeting, (and if required) after a thirty day comment period.
2. In accordance with this Agreement, WSSA will merge with and into ESI upon the Effective Time, as defined in this Agreement.
3. ESI will be the surviving corporation in the Merger (the "Surviving Corporation").
4. Upon the Effective Time,
 - A. ownership of all assets will be transferred to ESI (see Appendix 1),
 - B. all members of WSSA will become members in good standing of ESI (see Appendix 2) and
 - C. all assets of WSSA will, as a separate entity, cease to exist and be absorbed in total into the Surviving Corporation.
 - D. The Surviving Corporation will transfer, to all of the rights and property of WSSA, and will be subject to all of the debts and liabilities of WSSA.
 - E. On and after the Effective Time, the Surviving Corporation will carry on its business with the assets of WSSA, as well as with the assets and liabilities of the Surviving Corporation.
 - F. This document, when executed, shall serve as a special power of attorney, granting the outgoing officers and directors of WSSA and the officers and directors of ESI to take any and all necessary actions to execute the transfer of assets and liabilities of WSSA into ESI, and to accomplish any other related tasks required to accommodate the merger.
5. WSSA will refund all deposits to their members less any outstanding fees as of the effective date of the merger.
6. In consideration of assets transferred, ESI will provide reciprocal membership without payment of the initiation fee to all WSSA members and access to all ESI assets.

7. Monthly dues and flight fees in effect at ESI will be the fees charged to the members after the merger with the following exception. Inactive members of the combined club will pay fees and be subject the rules in effect at WSSA on the effective date of the merger.
8. All members are to be SSA (Soaring Society of America) members unless otherwise specified.
9. The following will be the classes of membership upon the effective date of the merger:
 - A. WSSA Honorary members become ESI Life members. This is granted only to people that no longer use club equipment. They pay no fees and are recognized for their long service to the sport and club.
 - B. WSSA Active Members become ESI Regular Members. There is a \$250 non refundable initiation fee (will not be charged to members transferred from WSSA) and a \$30 per month dues plus flight fees that are paid.
 - C. Student/Youth Member (there is no WSSA equivalent) will pay \$125 initiation and \$15 per month in dues plus flight fees which are half the price of the fees changed to active members. At 18 years of age or after graduation from college, an additional \$125 is assessed and they become full regular members.
 - D. Special Member - Tow Pilot (there is no WSSA equivalent) will not be assessed an initiation fee and they will pay no dues. They may not operate gliders. The board will determine a minimum number of days they must tow in exchange for membership or tow plane instruction.
 - E. Special Member - Instructor (there is no WSSA equivalent) will not be assessed an initiation fee and they will pay no dues. They may use the gliders without fees for a minimum number of service days determined by the board.
 - F. Private Ship Owner (no WSSA equivalent) will be assessed an initiation fee of \$250 and pay a monthly dues of \$20. They are not allowed to use club gliders, but they may have a biennial flight review for a fee of \$100 plus towing fees.
 - G. Inactive members will be a class of membership that is in effect in WSSA. Active members who wish not to fly for at least 12 months may petition the board for inactive status. This will allow them to continue as club members but will not have access to club equipment. They will be assessed a fee of \$5 a month. After 12 months, they may reactivate their regular membership status without paying an initiation fee.
 - H. Effective January 1, 2008, the flight fee for the use of a glider will be that of ESI's prevailing rate of \$300 per year or \$40 per flight. No flight fees will be charged during the months of November and December, 2007.
10. ESI will continue the premise insurance currently held by WSSA to cover all hangars and the club house.

APPENDIX 1 is a list of assets transferred from WSSA to ESI.

APPENDIX 2 is a list of WSSA members who will be accepted as members in good standing of ESI.

Proposed post merger ESI Board of Directors

1. Voting Board Member Positions
 - A. President Bruce Bulloch (no change)
 - B. President-Elect Michael Moore – Chris Murray will resign this position. Michael Moore agrees to resign at the end of his term.
 - C. Treasurer Brian Hood – Ronan Murphy will resign this position
 - D. Secretary Myles Bradley
 - E. Operations Director Paul Adriance (no change)
 - F. Chief Flight Instructor Ron Bellamy – Scott Imlay will resign this position.
 - G. Equipment Director Fred Hermanspan (no change)
2. Non-Voting Board Member Positions
 - A. Webmaster Dan Teifke (Noel Wade will resign)
 - B. Newsletter Editor Gary Thayer
 - C. Bookkeeper Brian Hood
 - D. Sailplane Managers
 - SGS 1-26 Mgr Heinz Gehlhaar
 - SGS 1-34 Mgr Gary Paulin
 - Blanik L33 Mgr Dan Teifke
 - Grob Astir Mgr Travis H. Brown
 - N264BA Blanik L23 Mgr Bruce Byrnett
 - N265BA Blanik L23 Mgr David Marshall
 - SGS 1-36 Mgr Merel O'Rourke (new)
 - Apis 13-M Mgr Fred Hermanspan (new)
 - Blanik L13 029 Mgr Chris Murray (new)
 - Blanik L13 14J Mgr Dan King (new)
 - E. Towplane Manager Howard Glover
 - Pawnee 17Z Mgr Pierre Parent
 - Super Cub 74D Mgr Michael Moore
 - Pawnee 30Y Mgr Howard Glover
 - F. Scheduler Chris Murray (new)
 - G. Golf Cart Manager David L. Owen
 - H. Librarian Anthony J. Puglisi
 - I. Homeport North Assn Liaison Aude-Marianne Bertucchi
 - J. Homeport North Assn Liaison Nicholas Constantine

Combined Club Operation

This is just a reminder that since about April of this year we have been running a "Common" Flight Log Sheet during WSSA and ESI operations. This means that if you are the Field Manager (or acting Field Manager) you should start the day off by sync'ing up with the Field Manager from ESI and coordinate starting a single ***Flight Log Sheet*** (ESI calls them FOO Sheets) for the day. This Common Flight Log Sheet should record **ALL** flights regardless of which club is towing and regardless of whose glider is being towed. All ESI and WSSA club gliders

require flight times (launch and landing times) to be recorded on the Flight Log Sheet (private ships do not require time recording).

As another reminder, we've merged the web based operations and events calendar of the two clubs. The link did not change:

www.wastatesoaring.com/calendar/calendar.html). So now you can see who will be Towing, Instructing and Field Managing from both clubs. .

Ranger Creek

Evergreen Soaring (ESI) is organizing an encampment at Ranger Creek Airport (21W) in conjunction with Puget Sound Soaring Association (PSSA). The last soaring operation there was apparently some 10 years ago. The airfield offers access to some of the most scenic soaring around Mount Rainier but is also somewhat challenging. The airfield and the terrain require both, discipline and experience for everybody, for a safe operation.

Advanced payment of the \$25 is required so we know how many tow planes and how much fuel to bring.

We are looking for volunteers to help ferry the Blanik to Ranger Creek and back. We are also looking for people willing to haul the fueling system and the Apis. Please contact Fred if you can help.

Operations (tentative)

- · ESI Blanik to be aero-towed in by ESI Pawnee
- · PSSA Blanik aero-towed in by PSSA Super Cub
- · Towing provided primarily by ESI Pawnee
- · (The PSSA Super Cub may be used for some single-seat gliders)
- · Fuel trailered in from Crest airport (ESI 100-gallon fuel tank, fuel cans)
- · Pilots being towed by ESI Pawnee have to be checked out (unless they have previous 21W experience)
- · Pilots are expected to attend the daily briefing
- · Radio use is required
- · When not launching, flying or landing – all pilots are expected to help with ground operations.

Jim Scott from the WSDoT has been notified and will also tell the Forest Service about our plans.

Cost (tentative)

- · \$25 for everybody PIC requiring a tow from the ESI Pawnee.
- · \$7 daily membership fee for pilots who are not members of ESI
- · Everyone will be charged an extra 10% per to cover the extra costs of towing at that altitude

When

- · Sept. 21, 22, 23 first weekend
- · Sept. 29, 30 second weekend
- · Oct. 7, 8 backup date

Location

- · 10 miles S of Greenwater on Hwy 410, Buck Creek Rd turnoff to the right.

- · 23 air miles from Bergseth
- · 84 air miles from AWO
- · just N of Mount Rainier NP

Airfield

- · 2875x30 ft hard surface
- · 2600 ft elevation
- · CTAF 122.9
- · Camping facilities

Everyone is invited to participate. Reservations are required. **Contact Fred Hermanspann to reserve your place** or if you have questions contact him at fred.herman@att.net

Home: 206-525-5444

Cell: 206-288-3951

New Members

We have gotten some new members during the last two months. Please welcome these folks and show them around.

Jeff Raecker

Jeff comes to us with a SEL and an A&P Certificate.

Mathew & Sarah Fitch

Matt comes to us with a SEL Certificate. And I think Matt talked Sarah into taking soaring lesson with him.

Tom Flandro

Tom has now flown a number of weekends, is anxious to get his glider license, helps getting the ships ready to fly each time and has been catching on quickly. He is a welcome member to the flight line.

Soaring Schedule

Here are the remaining schedule dates for this season:

Darrington: ESI held this at the beginning of September

Ranger Creek Encampment: ESI & PSSA

Sept. 21, 22, 23 first weekend

Sept. 29, 30 second weekend

Oct. 7, 8 backup date

SGC Membership Meeting,

Museum of Flight — October 1, 7:00PM,

EPH Closes: 1st W/E in October 2007.

SGC Banquet

Ivar's Salmon House November 3, 6:00PM

WSSA Newsbytes

SSA Membership Requirement

Please make sure that your SSA Membership is not expired and that it is registered with our Secretary. The reason is insurance coverage: The lowest cost insurance our clubs can get, demands that anyone flying in or behind the insured equipment must be a current valid SSA member. Don't run the risk of assuming the cost of all the damages after your incident.

Al Gregg

As I reported last issue, Al Gregg, our long-time CFGI, suffered a stroke a long while ago. The stroke has affected his left side, and he is in therapy to rebuild to affected parts. He tells me that he is walking and trying his hand (or is it his feet?) at stairs. The current plan is that he gets to go home by September 27. Al can be contacted on his cell phone 425-354-1413. His Mailing address is

Life Care Center of Bothell
707 228th Street SW
Bothell, WA 98021

Brent Stillings

Here is an update on Brent Stillings. In early March he had colon-rectal cancer surgery; and as he tells it, with *some* complications. He wrote this to Toni Puglisi at the end of August:

I have made it through the first chemo, colo-rectal surgery with a temporary ileostomy (which didn't work) followed by another surgery for a permanent colostomy and of course the chemo. The cancer has spread to my liver with three tumors identified. After this latest bout of chemo one of them has been wiped out. I too have been wiped out. My chemo cocktail has been very intense. I am now off chemo in preparation for the removal of half my liver on 9/11. Nice date eh?

After this latest surgery I will be on chemo again for 14 weeks. I didn't know that the liver will re-grow. When I found out I thought it would be several years. I was informed by the transplant surgeon that since I am on chemo it will take longer. In 8 weeks I will have 80% of my liver back!!!! Yes, you read it correctly!!!! 8 weeks!!!! It heals faster than skin.

It has been a long haul with the added infection after the first surgery (IV antibiotics administered three times a day for

months), as well as throwing a clot after the second surgery that ended up as a pulmonary embolism. Apparently that should have killed me, but since I didn't know better it didn't. So the day prior to this surgery I will have a filter placed through my groin area (shudder!!!) into my femur vein as protection against this happening again.

I have taken an early retirement from Boeing but haven't enjoyed it yet. After surviving all this I informed my wife that I was going to get a scooter. She, being dead set against this (dead being the operative word) asked me why I didn't get a glider instead. Out of deference to her good judgment I am looking for a 1-26 or a HP-18. No hurry as it will be awhile before I am able to fly again. I am looking at around June of next year.

Feel free to pass this on to anyone who might be interested. My advice is to all is to have a colonoscopy. It is painless and you get a day off from work. A friend of mine said you can do a colonoscopy at home using nothing more than a garden hose and a mirror. Don't believe this!!! It is a task for professionals.

When I told my cousin (who has the same thing) that there is a new book released that is called either "*The Most Visited Sites In Seattle*" or "*The Most Popular Sites In Seattle*" and my butt is on the cover. He said I should make a print of the cover because that is the last time I will ever see it!!!! No sympathy! I prefer it like that!!!!

Best regards,

Brent "Giovanni" Stillings

Training

CFGI Scholarship Program

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

1. have been a member of WSSA 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:

1. the Fundamentals of Instruction knowledge test;
2. the CFGI knowledge test; and
3. the CFGI practical test.

You will then be reimbursed, up to a combined total limit of \$500, for your CFGI Knowledge and Practical Test fees, and WSSA glider- and tow-fees incurred during the pursuit of the CFGI 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. The WSSA Executive Board will award the scholarship.

ARE THESE RECORDS OF A SORT?

Keith Willis now has flown over 1435 hours in a PW-5. And a club in north-west Germany is claiming the record for the number of winch launches in a day. Commencing operations around 04:00 and flying through to about 22:00 (1/2 hour before and 1/2 hour after sun rise/set) they did 400 launches with one two-drum winch. Anyone beat that?

From <http://www.glidermagazine.com/NewsArticle.asp?id=1605>

Our Fleet Status

Check WSSA Fleet Status on the BESC Web at <http://www.wastatesoaring.com> in the *Members Area*

Aircraft	Current Location	Maintenance Manager	Next Annual Due	Status
Pawnee N6917Z	Arlington	Pierre J. Parent	2/28/08	Available for towing service
Super Cub N7474D	Arlington	Michael E. Moore	2/28/08	Available for towing service
Schweizer 1-26 N7742S	Ephrata	Heinz Gehlhaar	1/31/08	On the ramp ready for use
Schweizer 1-34 N7644	Arlington	Gary Paulin	1/31/08	On the ramp ready for use
Blanik L23 N264BA	Arlington	Bruce Byrkett	1/31/08	On the ramp ready for use
Blanik L23 N265BA	Arlington	David Marshall	1/31/08	On the ramp ready for use
Blanik L33 N355BA	Ephrata	Dan Teifke	1/31/08	On the ramp ready for use
Grob Astir N141SS	Arlington	Travis H. Brown	Flyable, In Trailer. Needs a Tailwheel install	
Parachutes	EPH/AWO	Nick Constantine	2 at EPH 1 at AWO	In Hangars, ready for use
Golf Cart	Arlington	David L. Owen		In Service

Last updated 9/13/07.

WSSA Board

Your WSSA Board spends a lot of time to keep us all flying. Step up and volunteer to be an understudy. Surely, there is an area of the Club which you can improve. Please come forward. The Club can use all the help it can get.

Officers:

Office	Name	Phone	E-mail
President	Mike Moore	H 206-790-7949	michael.moore@seattleopera.org
Vice President	Gary Paulin	H 206-236-3098	paraglider@msn.com
Secretary	Martin Gibbins	W 253-773-1064 H 425-644-4696	martin.n.gibbins@boeing.com
Treasurer	Brian Hood	W 206-709-8123 H 206-818-2521	brian@hoodlight.com
C.F.&S.O.	Ron Bellamy	W 425-338-5175 H 425-827-8672	ronbellamy@msn.com
North End Aviation Homeport Liaison	Aude-Marianne Bertucchi & Nicholas Constantine	W 425-252-3236 H 360-403-0448	constantine@alum.rpi.edu
Operations-EPH	Keith Purves	W 206-296-0647 H 425-255-7452	purvesk@quixnet.net
Operations-AWO	Lynn Weller	H 425 235-1610	williamlynnw@msn.com
Pawnee Manager	Pierre Parent	H 360-653-2613	pierrejparent@earthlink.net
Super Cub MGR	Mike Moore	H 206-790-7949	Michael.Moore@seattleopera.org

Sailplane Managers

Glider	Name	Phone	E-mail
N7742S (1-26)	Heinz Gehlhaar	H (206)-932-5428	soarboy@comcast.net
N7644 (1-34)	Gary Paulin	H (206)-236-3098 W (425)-254-4361	paraglider@msn.com
N355BA (L-33)	Dan Teifke	W (425)-201-2022 H (425)-483-9347	danteifke@gmail.com
N264BA (L-23)	Bruce Byrkett	H (425)-222-6895	byrkett@yahoo.com
N265BA (L-23)	David Marshall	H (206)-406-8046	david.s.marshall@boeing.com
N141SS (Astir)	Travis H. Brown	H 206-795-9092 W 425-466-8892	travisbrown73@yahoo.com

Non-Officers:

Office	Name	Phone	E-mail
Chief Tow Pilot	Mike Moore	H (206)-790-7949	Michael.Moore@seattleopera.org
Bookkeeper	Brian Hood	W 206-709-8123 H 206-818-2521	brian@hoodlight.com
Flight Log Keeper	Dan Teifke	W (425)-201-2022 H (425)-483-9347	danteifke@gmail.com
Newsletter	Heinz Gehlhaar	H (206)-932-5428	soarboy@comcast.net
Golf Cart Manager	David Owen	H (360)-654-0462	mylodao@yahoo.com
Webmaster	Dan Teifke	W (425)-201-2022 H (425)-483-9347	danteifke@gmail.com
Librarian	Tony Puglisi	W (425)-342-0501 H (206)-367-6980	tonypam@comcast.net

Instructors & Tow Pilots

WSSA Instructors

This is a list of our Instructors. 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 CFGIs almost none of us would be flying.

Please note that our board voted to waive the monthly dues for any instructor giving at least one day of instruction in any given month. We know that paying monthly dues for the opportunity to voluntarily give instruction has been a concern of our instructors. Instructors provide a valuable service to our club members in such a very special form that is not attainable from any other source. Instruction is a primary life function of our club and we don't want to lose such a valuable resource.

Ron Bellamy
Rich Blow
Chuck Flora

Skip Gregorie
John Hope
Stan Kasprzyk @

Kapi Parks
Dave Reusch
Lynn Weller

@ Denotes SSA Instructor

Thanks a lot to all those CFGIs who sign-up weekend after weekend. The students do appreciate your time and effort.

WSSA Tow Pilots

Please note the newcomers to our Towpilot Cadre: Bruce Byrnett, Petr Fencl, and Keith Mclean. We WSSA members surely want all the towpilots to know that we have high regard for your skill and your contribution to WSSA. May you always be 200 feet ahead of us!

Bellamy, Ron+
Blow, Rich+
Byrnett, Bruce
Chism, Linda
Fencl, Petr

Flora, Chuck**
Funston, Nelson
Hope, John+**
Johnson, Eric+
Kasprowicz, Krzys

McLean, Keith
Moore, Michael+ **
Niedermeyer, Carl + **
Northcraft, Steve**
Parent, Pierre**

+ Denotes Commercial Power Rating. ** Denotes WSSA Check Pilot

Schedules

AWO Soaring Ops Team

Please note that we are operating as a common WSSA/ESI Team with shared FieldMgr/FOO responsibilities. Also as we move closer to the merger, we've started to merge the operations and events calendar of the two clubs. The common web based calendar is at (www.wastatesoaring.com/calendar/calendar.html), and it includes the ESI duty roster as well. So now you can see who will be Towing, Instructing and Field Managing from both clubs. The WSSA and ESI duty roster is still shown separately during this somewhat interim phase, but with a single FOO-Sheet we are aiming to pull off a joint, single operation.. When and if we actually merge, the calendar will be updated again to show a single duty roster for the merged club.

September (What's left of it)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
16 WSSA Instr - OPEN Tow - Byrkett Fld Mgr - Owen ESI Instr - Delaney Tow - Powers Fld Mgr - Peck	17	18	19	20	21	22 WSSA Instr - Reusch Tow - M. Moore Fld Mgr - W. Moore ESI Instr - Turner Tow - Flora Fld Mgr - Service
23 WSSA Instr - Flora Tow - OPEN Fld Mgr - OPEN ESI Instr - OPEN Tow - Glover Fld Mgr - Garwin	24	25	26	27	28	29 WSSA Instr - OPEN Tow - OPEN Fld Mgr - OPEN ESI Instr - OPEN Tow - OPEN Fld Mgr - Gilbert
30 WSSA Instr - OPEN Tow - Byrkett Fld Mgr - Teifke ESI Instr - OPEN Tow - OPEN Fld Mgr - Bulloch						

October

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6 WSSA Merger Meet see next page Instr - Hope Tow - Blow Fld Mgr - OPEN ESI Instr - OPEN Tow - OPEN Fld Mgr - OPEN ESI BOD Meeting
7 WSSA Instr - OPEN Tow - Kasprovicz Fld Mgr - Gehlhaar ESI Instr - OPEN Tow - OPEN Fld Mgr - OPEN	8 WSSA BOD Meeting 6:45PM Seattle Opera Shop	9	10	11	12	13 WSSA Instr - Bellamy Tow - Byrkett Fld Mgr - OPEN ESI Instr - OPEN Tow - OPEN Fld Mgr - OPEN

October continued

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
14 WSSA Instr - OPEN Tow - Johnson Fld Mgr - OPEN ESI Instr - OPEN Tow - OPEN Fld Mgr - OPEN	15	16	17	18	19	20 WSSA Instr - Weller Tow - Parent Fld Mgr - OPEN ESI Instr - OPEN Tow - OPEN Fld Mgr - OPEN
21 WSSA Instr - Kasprzyk Tow - Fend Fld Mgr - Owen ESI Instr - OPEN Tow - OPEN Fld Mgr - OPEN	22	23	24	25	26	27 WSSA Instr - Reusch Tow - M. Moore Fld Mgr - W. Moore ESI Instr - OPEN Tow - OPEN Fld Mgr - OPEN
28 WSSA Instr - Flora Tow - Chism Fld Mgr - OPEN ESI Instr - OPEN Tow - OPEN Fld Mgr - OPEN	29	30	31			

Merger Meeting

On Saturday, October 6th, 2007 at 9:00am there will be a WSSA General Membership meeting to discuss the Merger with ESI.

The meeting will be at Arlington Airport at either the Taildragger Restaurant (if it is open... we're checking on this), or just over at the WSSA hangar.

Coffee and donuts will be provided.

After the meeting, ballots will be sent to your home address listed in the club roster via US Mail.

This is the ballot where you vote "**Yes**" or "**No**" on the merger.

All ballots must to be returned via US Mail and post-marked no later than November 6th, 2007.

All returned ballots will be counted at the November WSSA Board of Directors meeting, November 12th, 6:45 pm at the Seattle Opera Shop in Renton.

(Anybody is welcome to this meeting as well).

November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3 WSSA Instr - Hope Tow - Blow Fld Mgr - Teifke ESI Instr - OPEN Tow - OPEN Fld Mgr - OPEN ESI BOD Meeting
4 WSSA Instr - OPEN Tow - Kasprowicz Fld Mgr - Gehlhaar ESI Instr - OPEN Tow - OPEN Fld Mgr - OPEN	5	6	7	8	9	10 WSSA Instr - Bellamy Tow - Byrkett Fld Mgr - OPEN ESI Instr - OPEN Tow - OPEN Fld Mgr - OPEN
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25 WSSA Instr - Flora Tow - Chism Fld Mgr - OPEN ESI Instr - OPEN Tow - OPEN Fld Mgr - OPEN	26	27	28	29	30	

Schedule Instructions

Do you see all the **empty** boxes on the Joint Schedule? Please either contact Dan Teifke (425-483-9347; 425-466-8892; danteifke@gmail.com) and tell him that you would like to see your name in one of those boxes.

For an up-to-date Joint Schedule see the WSSA Website or call (425)238-6617, Field Phone and recording device.

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 obtain your own substitute if unable to support the schedule.

Flight Ops Duties and Responsibilities

1. Start the day by sync'ing up with the Field Manager from ESI (aka FOO) and coordinate starting a single **Flight Log Sheet** (ESI calls them FOO Sheets) for the day.
2. This **Common Flight Log Sheet** should record **ALL** flights regardless of which club is towing and regardless of whose glider is being towed. All ESI and WSSA club gliders require flight times (launch and landing times) to be recorded on the Flight Log Sheet (private ships do not require time recording).
3. Ensure all paper work is in order, especially waivers for trial membership flights.
4. Ensure trial members pay in advance prior to launching.
5. Crack the whip if necessary, to have the glider ready to launch when the towplane arrives.
6. Keep vigilance on the changing conditions and ensure safe operations are being practiced.
7. Ensure that Canopy Covers are properly stowed. Be sure they are folded up carefully and put in back of a car or in the Golf-cart. (Not on or near the ground. Wind will blow sand and dust into the soft inside fabric, which then will scratch our \$1000+ Canopies.)

End of Day Duties and Responsibilities

1. Ensure the gliders are properly tied down and secured at the end of the flying day. (This means simply double check the gliders after they have been secured. Check for flight control locks, Carabiner hooks (not open hooks, on the tie-straps and proper tie down practice, etc.)

2. Collect tow cards from **BOTH ESI and WSSA** tow planes and bring them together with the Flight Log Sheet for the day.
3. Write your name on the bottom of the Flight Log Sheet.
4. Send the Flight Log Sheet and all the tow cards to Dan Teifke (use the postage paid envelopes in the WSSA hangar and/or the ESI clubhouse).

If you do step 4) here, you are done.

If you'd like to try your hand at a little data entry, continue with step 5).

5. Collate the tow cards to match the flights from the Flight Log Sheet
6. Open the Flight Log Data Entry Sheet (xls spreadsheet found on the WSSA and ESI web site).
7. For each flight, fill in the fields using the Flight Log Sheet and tow cards for the day. One row in the Flight Log Sheet should result in one row on the Data Entry Sheet.
8. When all the data is entered, save the Data Entry Sheet, and send it to Dan Teifke - danteifke@gmail.com
9. Take the Flight Log Sheet and tow cards and send them via US Mail and the prepared envelopes in the WSSA hangar and/or ESI clubhouse to Dan Teifke.
10. Ensure the WSSA hangar lights are turned off and the hangar is secured.
11. Ensure all combination locks are reset to 0-0-0-0.
12. Report any incidents, accidents or unsafe activity to a board member as soon as practicable.
13. Notify the next-scheduled towpilot, instructor & Field Manager, the Maintenance Manager and other relevant persons of issues which affect the operations of the following day or weekend; e.g. the towplane suffers a mechanical breakdown, or some glider is not flyable.

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An Old Farmer's Advice:

- * You cannot unsay a cruel word.
- * Every path has a few puddles.
- * When you wallow with pigs, expect to get dirty.
- * The best sermons are lived, not preached.
- * Most of the stuff people worry about ain't never gonna happen, anyway.
- * Don't judge folks by their relatives.
- * Remember that silence is sometimes the best answer.
- * Don't interfere with somethin' that ain't botherin' you none.
- * Timing has a lot to do with the outcome of a rain dance.
- * If you find yourself in a hole, the first thing to do is stop diggin'.

Sometimes you get, and sometimes you get got.

- * The biggest troublemaker you'll probably ever have to deal with, watches you from the mirror every mornin'.
- * Good judgment comes from experience, and a lotta that comes from bad judgment.
- * Lettin' the cat outta the bag is a whole lot easier than puttin' it back in.
- * If you get to thinkin' you're a person of some influence, try orderin' somebody else's dog around.
- * Live simply. Love generously. Care deeply. Speak kindly. Leave the rest to the man upstairs.