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### CALENDAR

**Saturday, June 28 - Sunday July 6: Encampment at Freehold.** If you want to be there earlier than June 28, or later than Sunday, July 6, you'll probably find some other people interested in being there too. Instruction will very likely be available. (Last year, John Buraceski went from zero to solo during this week.)



### SAFE SOARING

The 2002 soaring season, our first year in our new home, was completed without aircraft incident or accident. Constant vigilance and concern for safety will allow us to do it again in 2003. Please, fly and perform all ground operations safely. It's a habit we can all live with.

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## BOD MEETING - MARCH 25, 2003

Held at Ridgefield, CT

Convened 7:40 P.M.

Present: Bill Kenyon, Bruce Stein, Chris Hanak, Bob Cox, Randol Webb, Peter Krebs

As authorized by the membership in Jan. 2003 Kenyon signed the lease contract and the share purchase/promissory note agreement between FALLC and Nutmeg. Krebs has the originals on file.

Given loss of members/changes in status, marketing activities to gain new members is THE important task set for 2003. Several initiatives were discussed among them local newspaper articles, items in aviation magazines, signs at Freehold, talks at nearby Rotary Clubs (**Krebs**), Nutmeg business cards etc etc. Kenyon will continue to work on these ideas with the "marketing people" **Driscoll, Stoller and others**.

Bethany town hall is likely out for future meetings. The next membership meeting is to be held at Freehold late afternoon Saturday 4/26.

Extended discussion centered on the possible (?) grant from NY State for airport improvements. A 5 year plan was promised to the state representative Kaiser. **Webb and Kenyon** will try to come up with rather large dimension estimates/plans to present and discuss. Possible local tax consequences should be taken into account as well.

It was agreed that the tie down people need clear written agreement with Nutmeg / FALLC as to rent, liability and the kind of structures allowed: NO permanent makeshift buildings will be allowed. **Stein** to follow up.

Several items to be published in the next edition of Nutmeg News were proposed by Kenyon and accepted. He will inform Sidway.

### Various:

**Cox** will work on getting some tax rebate on gas purchases in 2002. He will be doing the 2002 Fed. Tax return with outgoing bookkeeper **Hanak**.

4/5 is put together day and thanks to several members and Clem it is likely that by then all ships and tow planes are ready and annualled.

Several new members joining Nutmeg in 2002 have been formally accepted by the Ops. Comm. and can be voted in at the next membership meeting.

The Lycoming engine recall cost will be reimbursed to the club. Should there occur an aviation incident during 2003 there seems to be no problem whatsoever to make an insurance claim.

Phone line in the Admin. building will be maintained – incoming and local calls only (**Stein**).

Nutmeg has paid considerable amounts for electricity for the trailer spaces. It is likely that these were estimated charges only and they are likely to be adjusted in 2003.

Quinn has highly recommended a scholarship student and it was voted to accept her.

Meeting adjourned 11:00 PM

## CELL PHONE NUMBERS

We've just added a field for your cell phone number on member information forms on the website. These can prove useful to other members for a variety of communications purposes at the field and elsewhere. Please go to the Members area, bring up your record and fill in your cell number if you have one. Remember, no one outside Nutmeg can view or use the information you enter here so you only need to be concerned with privacy among members.

## FINAL GLIDE

Submitted by John Boyce

Several of Nutmeg's very "senior" members recently attended a memorial service for Ray Duhaime, who passed away earlier this month.

Ray was president during the late '80's, a period when the club was growing in strength and numbers after some years of decline.

The Duhaime's were a flying family. They bought a 2-33 and learned to fly at Waterbury, then joined Nutmeg for more soaring opportunities. Ray had a simply beautiful RS-15 which he had bought partially built and turned into a masterpiece of metal craftsmanship.

They all flew: Ray, Shirley, Jeff and Gary. Eventually they had three sailplanes---the RS-15 and two glass birds belonging to the boys.

Ray's failing health turned the family's interests to a less demanding activity and we saw less and less of them after that.

But we missed them very much.

### **AN OLDIE BUT GOODIE**

Reprinted from the June 1993 Nutmeg News

I'm at the field quite a lot and it has become apparent that a few folk are grumbling and angry--about the intensity of spring check-out. As a newly rated pilot, I went through the steps of messing up my first approach (too high, of course), then (on another flight) opening the spoilers instead of closing them (I thought they WERE closed), and then, finally, getting checked out. What do I have to do, I said--go through every single mistake at the start of each season (too high, too low, too fast, too slow, and God knows what else).

The issue of course is safety and although almost every other rated pilot in the club has much more experience than I - everyone gets rusty. And pride, embarrassment and anger should never get in the way. Tom Knauff recently said in Soaring Pilot "I might suggest to you that with over 18,000 glider hours (sic), I still consider myself a student."

Remember, this may be the only instructional flight you'll get this year. Let's take advantage of it.

Linda DeMarco

### **DUTY PILOTS NEEDED**

Submitted by Bruce Stein

Before the season started a Duty Pilot list was generated from last years roster. Due to a change in some of our member's status we have a few spots that need to be filled. If you can commit to working as Duty Pilot on any of the

following days please enter your name on the web site or e-mail me and I will do it for you. Thanks for your help.

#### **Dates Available:**

May 31

June 1, 14, 28

July 5, 19, 26, 27

September 27

October 5, 19, 26

(See attached 2003 Duty Pilot Schedule)

### **\*\*\* ET CETERA \*\*\***

#### **New Members:**

Anderson Bell  
2759 Hickory St.  
Yorktown Hts., NY 10598  
914-245-2401

Robin McNamara  
95 Intervale Rd. #16  
Stamford, CT 06905  
203-461-9443

#### **Accomplishments:**

Matt Neal - completed the SSA Bronze Badge.

Anderson Bell - soloed the 2-33 and completed the SSA A & B badge.

Paul Quinn - checked out in the 1-26

Mike Ampela - completed a C badge.

#### **Important Numbers and Addresses:**

Bob Cox (bookkeeper): 203-929-0798

Nutmeg Mailing Address: P. O. Box 248, Shelton, CT 06484

Nutmeg Field Phone: 518-634-7346

Freehold Airport Phone Number (Clem): 518-634-7626

Website: [www.nutmegsoaring.org](http://www.nutmegsoaring.org)

**2003 DUTY SCHEDULE**

(as of May 26, 2003)

The following Duty Schedule was extracted from the one posted on the Nutmeg web site ([www.nutmegsoaring.org](http://www.nutmegsoaring.org)) on May 26, 2003. If you have been assigned dates and are not able to serve on them please make arrangements with someone to cover for you. Usually all it takes is an e-mail or phone call to find someone willing to swap dates with you. If you have not been assigned any Duty dates please do the right thing and put yourself in for one or two. I've heard it said "there seems to be a number of members who don't serve as Duty Pilots so why should I". Unless you are contributing more than your fair share of time serving as an officer, web master, or instructor that argument is without merit. This club exists as the result of volunteerism and it is imperative every member carries their own weight. Being Duty Pilot is not a punishment. It is an opportunity to contribute to a safe and efficient soaring operation, i.e. that for which we joined Nutmeg in the first place. Step up and contribute your fair share to the effort!

To fill any of the indicated vacancies log onto our web site at [www.nutmegsoaring.org](http://www.nutmegsoaring.org), click on the Duty Schedule link in the left pane on the home page and then click on the assignment button icon to the left of the word Open. When the Duty Assignment Form page appears click on the Member drop down list and select your name. Next click on the Duty Type drop down list and select Duty Pilot. Finalize the process by clicking the Submit button. If you do not see the Duty Schedule displayed again simply click on the Duty Schedule link in the left pane to display it. Check to be sure your name has appeared on the date you intended to sign up for. Mark your calendar to be sure you arrive at the field on the day of your Duty by 9:00 AM.

**2003 DUTY SCHEDULE**

<b>Sat 5/31</b>	Open	<b>Sat 7/26</b>	Open	<b>Sat 9/20</b>	P. Scarpelli
<b>Sun 6/1</b>	Open	<b>Sun 7/27</b>	Open	<b>Sun 9/21</b>	J. Sidway
<b>Sat 6/7</b>	L. Stoller	<b>Sat 8/2</b>	M. Ampela	<b>Sat 9/27</b>	B. Stein
<b>Sun 6/8</b>	J. Burke	<b>Sun 8/3</b>	P. Meny	<b>Sun 9/28</b>	L. DeMarco
<b>Sat 6/14</b>	Open	<b>Sat 8/9</b>	D. Baroody	<b>Sat 10/4</b>	J. Burke
<b>Sun 6/15</b>	N. Jackson	<b>Sun 8/10</b>	W. Rogg	<b>Sun 10/5</b>	R. McNamara
<b>Sat 6/21</b>	D. Laitinen	<b>Sat 8/16</b>	L. Herman	<b>Sat 10/11</b>	N. Jackson
<b>Sun 6/22</b>	F. Molnar	<b>Sun 8/17</b>	K. Goldin	<b>Sun 10/12</b>	D. Laitinen
<b>Sat 6/28</b>	M. Ampela	<b>Sat 8/23</b>	S. Baroody	<b>Sat 10/18</b>	F. Molnar
<b>Sun 6/29</b>	Open	<b>Sun 8/24</b>	C. Hoffmaster	<b>Sun 10/19</b>	Open
<b>Sat 7/5</b>	D. Rossetter	<b>Sat 8/30</b>	L. Mayer	<b>Sat 10/25</b>	Open
<b>Sun 7/6</b>	M. Monoski	<b>Sun 8/31</b>	D. McKinlay	<b>Sun 10/26</b>	D. Rossetter
<b>Sat 7/12</b>	J. Sidway	<b>Sat 9/6</b>	D. Jackson		
<b>Sun 7/13</b>	R. Szigeti	<b>Sun 9/7</b>	P. Quinn		