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*Semper volans!*



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### SCHEDULE OF COMING EVENTS

#### October

16 OCT-Squadron SAREX-Tentative  
19 OCT-Squadron Meeting  
22 OCT-Cadet Ball  
22-23 OCT-CTWG Conference  
26 OCT-Squadron Meeting  
30 OCT-O Flights-Tentative

#### For Future Planning

03 NOV-Last Day of Citrus Fruit Fundraiser  
05-07 NOV-Glider Orientation Weekend  
12-14 NOV-NER Conference  
15-20 NOV-USAF Graded Training Exercise  
23 NOV-Col Isabelle visit/Col Brignola visit  
TBA-1109 AVCRAD Helicopter Flights  
14 FEB, 2011-Juliet Long Aerospace Festival

### CADET MEETING

12 October, 2010

(Reported by C/2Lt Flynn)

**Cadets are encouraged to enter the Ground Observer Corps Redux Contest which starts on the second page of this edition.**

The cadets formed up in the parking lot at 1745. Drill tests, required for promotion, were administered to number of cadets. After the tests, a large group of USCG cadets arrived and helped us with drill movements. The main movements we practiced were flanks, columns, and "to the rear."

After drilling, an emergency services class about fatigue was held by Maj. Bourque.

Cadets then participated in a night compass course.

The final segment was a safety class on operational risk management.

### OLDE RHINEBECK AERODROME TRIP

Eleven members of the Squadron made the trip to the Olde Rhinebeck Aerodrome and spent a day learning about open cockpits, rotary engines, and tail dragging planes with axles between the main gear. Attending were Capt Noniewicz Cadet Sponsor Wojtcuk, C/1Lt Wojtcuk, and Cadets Herzog, Schultz, Bunevich, Cathcart, Paquin, Ray, VanDevander, and Hall.



*TRCS Cadets  
check uniforms  
before entering  
the aerodrome*

(Photo by Noniewicz)

## **SENIOR MEETING**

*12 October September, 2010*

Lt Farley led the group in a formulation of plans for a proposed SAREX on the coming weekend. Three sorties are planned to include a creeping line search towards Putnam, and ELT exercise utilizing wing-null techniques, and a sector search. The exercise is scheduled to start at 0800 on Saturday, the 16th. Participants who signed up will be notified.

LtCol Wisehart briefed the Squadron on the Operational Risk Management "10 second" evaluation process.

Capt Noniewicz reviewed responsibilities of the Flight Release Officer to check pilot qualifications and the new fuel accounting procedures.

A Subordinate Unit Inspection is due by year's end. This is a self evaluation. Capt Lintelmann will be sending out documentation to the responsible officers. The completed documents should be returned in hard copy form to LtCol Wisehart by 26 October.

An Incident Command Course covering ICS 300 and ICS 400 will be offered in Willimantic on five Tuesdays in succession starting on 26 October. Registration is on-line at the CT DEMHS site.

Capt Petry offered synopsis notes covering critical details of the G1000 system.

Major Rocketto requested that Officers report any changes in Specialty Track or Professional Development and any special achievements for inclusion in The Coastwatcher and official records.

Capt Lintelmann reported on Squadron finances. He emphasized that the success of the Citrus Fruit Fund Raiser is critical for maintaining a healthy financial situation.

Lt Looney reported the his crew consisting of Col Wisehart, Maj Neilson, and Capt Noniewicz have completed the repairs to the roof.

Col Kinch stated that all personnel records have been brought up to date. In the near future, Squadron members will be briefed by Col Kinch and Major Rocketto on directions which they might take to achieve success in various aspects of the CAP program.

Maj Neilson discussed the nuances of spin recovery based upon a recent article which appeared in an aviation publication

Lt Farley, standing in for Lt Owens, requested that all who attended the recent first aid course check their materials since three text books are still missing.

## **GROUND OBSERVER CORPS REDUX AND CONTEST**

**Alas! No Cadets entered the last contest causing the Puzzle-master to suffer from a deep sense of alienation. However, he has overcome this mental depression and made a decision which indicates his charitable and merciful nature. The contest will be extended to Sunday, 24 October. Hints have been provided.**

A useful prize will be awarded to the Cadet who sends the best set of identifications and brief (50 word) statements about the following two aircraft. Entries are due by Sunday, the 24th. Send answers to Maj Rocketto at [srocketto@aquilasys.com](mailto:srocketto@aquilasys.com).

In case of tie answers, the quality of the information in the statement, spelling, and grammar will decide the winner.

Hints have been provided to assist you in your quest for the correct answers.



*Mystery Aircraft #1*

*Hint: This was the first of the "jumbo jets." An Air Force version is called the VC-25.*



*Mystery Aircraft #2*

*Hint: The British called it the Dakota. Those who love it know it as the "Gooney Bird."*

## CURRENT EVENTS

### *ISS CREW AT SIX*

With the arrival of a Soyuz capsule on Friday, the crew of the International Space Station, Expedition 25 stands at six.

Flight Engineers Scott Kelly, Alexander Kaleri and Oleg Skripochka join Commander Doug Wheelock and Flight Engineers Shannon Walker and Fyodor Yurchikhin who have been aboard the station since June.

The old crew departs in November and leave behind the three newcomers who are scheduled to end their mission next March.

## *CHINESE PROBE ORBITING MOON*

China's second unmanned lunar probe, *Chang'e-2*, has successfully completed its final braking maneuver Saturday and entered a 100 km-high lunar orbit, according to the Beijing Aerospace Control Center. The vehicle will conduct reconnaissance in preparation for the soft landing of *Chang'e-3*, the next scheduled Chinese lunar launch.

## AVIATION HISTORY

14 OCT, 1947-Capt Charles Yeager becomes the first man to exceed the speed of sound flying the Bell XS-1.

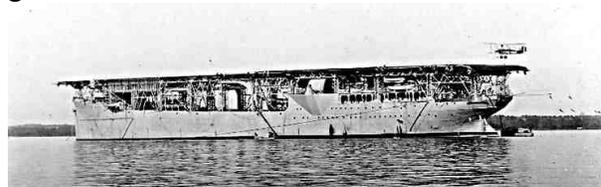
15 OCT, 1939-LaGuardia Airport is dedicated by former CAP leader and NY Mayor, Fiorello LaGuardia.

16 OLCT, 1937-First Flight of the Short S.25 which achieves fame as the Sunderland.



*Coastal Command Sunderland at RAF Hendon*

17 OCT, 1922-Lt. V. C. Griffon pilots a Vought VE-7 from the deck of the USS Langley, the first flight from the first US carrier.



*"The Covered Wagon"*  
(USN PHOTO)

18 OCT, 1932-Maurice Dornier, aeronautical engineer and brother of Claudius Dornier, goes west.

19 OCT, 1939-Vannevar Bush, president of the Carnegie Institution, is elected Chairman of the National Advisory Committee on Aeronautics.

20 OCT, 1920-Robert Esnault-Pelterie wins the suit which establishes his claim as inventor of the joystick.

21 OCT, First flight of the Northrop YB-49.



*YB-49 over the Mojave Desert*  
(USAF Photo)



### **CITRUS FRUIT FUNDRAISER LIFTS OFF**

Our annual fundraiser has started. We are selling the same products as last year, 20 and 40 lb boxes of Florida navel oranges, pink grapefruit, and mixes. The prices remain the same: 20 lb boxes sell for \$25 and 40 lb boxes sell for \$35.

Juice oranges and tangelos are not available.

Here are some hints for selling. First emphasize the quality of the product and its low price. We will stand behind each case we sell and guarantee good fruit. Next, point out that a case of fruit makes an excellent gift during the holiday season. Finally, let them know that the refrigerated fruit will last for weeks so spoilage is not an immediate problem.

You might extend your campaign by using social media or asking friends if they know people who might be interested. Members of social or sports clubs are potential clients.

Keep in mind that the financial health of our Squadron rests on a successful fruit sale so everyone is expected to do their part.



The selling ends on Tuesday, November 3rd, and anticipated delivery will be around 10 December.



Turn in all money to Capt Lintelmann. Turn in the white copies of the invoices to Major Rocketto.

