



## LEW RETIRES AS SECRETARY AND NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Dave Riedel

*A note of THANKS from the Club:*

***I'd like to take the opportunity to publicly thank Lew Clement for his many years as the Club 1 Secretary and newsletter editor. Lew held the position for more than 15 years and I don't think we have said THANK YOU enough for the outstanding job that Lew performed for the Club. The newsletter that Lew published every month was always on time and superb in quality. I believe it one of the finest***

***newsletters published by a USUA club. When there wasn't input from a Club member, Lew wrote the articles and dug up the pictures. As the Secretary, he was the stabilizing factor in the Club. Over 3 years ago when tragedy struck the Club and we lost 3 key Club officers, Lew helped me assume the position as Club President and helped guide the Club through the tough times. Lew was always there for me when I was president to provide sage advice and act as a sounding board for my many ideas. He knew the by-laws and***



***ensured we followed the rules of order. He was the calm voice of reason when the Club was going through the shake up after Mr. Beatley passed away and the future of the Airpark was unknown. I know a lot of time and sweat equity that none of us know about went into the job to keep the Club running smoothly. Lew & Jody attended every Club function with Jody normally winning the 50-50. He always volunteered to help***

***at the Fly-ins by normally running the competition. Lew led the way to encourage members to attend the annual Safety meeting held in Richmond. He often represented Club 1 at sister club fly-ins, especially the Father's Day Fly-in at Footlight Ranch. So I recommend that the next time you are at the airpark, to take a minute and thank him for a job well done as the Club Secretary and leader. Thanks Lew.***

***Fair winds and Semper Fi.  
Dave Riedel***



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## FROM THE LEFT SEAT

Len Alt, President

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As spring approaches I hope we soon will get the fortunate warm late winter day to get in some flying. I personally haven't flown in a while and need my aviation fix.

In our last newsletter we presented a proposal to the membership to purchase a utility vehicle for use by club members at the air field. Members were invited to provide their input. This proposal then was discussed at our last club meeting and the members present voted to recommend to the Board of Directors that they consider such a purchase. The source of the funding was specified and limits placed on total cost. The Board of Directors is now considering this possible major expenditure and will meet formally after our March club meeting to further discuss and vote on this.

Our club trip to the Udvar-Hazy aviation museum in early February was a great success. The dozen members and family attending were treated to a personal tour by Gil Coshland, a docent at the facility. Thanks very much Gil!

As spring breaks please plan to join the many club activities planned for this year. Several of our monthly meetings will be held at the air field, in conjunction with a cookout. Please feel free to bring your family to these. We also have planned a variety

of fly ins and other aviation related events. Hope to see you there.

Finally, on behalf of the club our sincere thanks to retiring Secretary and longtime Newsletter Editor Lew Clement. Lew has served the club in these capacities for a long time and his absence from these key duties will be keenly felt. Thanks to Jim Hill for stepping up as interim Secretary, and to Kim Alt for taking on the Newsletter Editor tasks. We trust Lew and Jody will stay with us as members.

Fly smart. Fly safe.



*USUA Club 1 Member Jim Hill with friend and docent Gil Coshland*

# ADVISORIES

**February Meeting** - With the threat of snow coming by evening, a few brave members met in the Media Center/Library of the Centreville High School at 7:30Pm on Thursday, February 1.

President Len Alt opened the meeting and the discussion quickly centered on flying in the mud, light snow and cold winds of January. Several members reported on their wintry adventures both in the air and one the ground.

There followed an interesting discussion of the center of gravity in a J-3 Cub and the problems with flying it solo.

Secretary Lew Clement reported that the Club had 47 '07 members and, still, 34 '06 members, for a total of 81 active members plus 6 Honorary '07 members for a total of 87 members. He went on to remind everyone that '06 members who hadn't renewed by the time the March newsletter was out (about February 27<sup>th</sup>) would no longer be carried. They would be dropped from the membership rolls.

Treasurer Jim Birnbaum reported that our Club income for January was \$498.00 and our expenses were \$121.77. Our total assets are \$5,069.80. The question was asked what the money in the two funds, the Pendergist Fund and the Frye fund, was reserved for. The answer was: the Frye Fund is for educational purposes; and the Pendergist Fund is open for broader, but specific, Club uses.

Like a Club vehicle at the Warrenton Air Park? The answer was "Yes".

Tom Richards needs Saturday volunteers to help on construction of the next hangar.

Dave Riedel, who has been researching vehicles like Gators for use at the Air Park, gave us his latest status report. We need a vehicle with appropriate tires suitable to drive from the parking lot to the various hangars as well as about the field. We know we cannot drive personal vehicles past the parking lot. Dave has been looking at Gator-type machines and at golf carts, as well. Even used Gators run upwards of \$3500 so a used golf cart, appropriately configured, would be more within our price range, i.e., somewhere in the \$2000-2500 range. We could choose either electric or gasoline engine powered, but Dave recommends a gasoline-powered machine. While the Briggs & Stratton-type gasoline engine might need more attention, its operating cost would be considerably lower than

replacement batteries etc. for an electric machine. Besides, most of us are familiar enough with the gasoline-powered engines to be able to perform minor maintenance on one. Dave is hoping, with our approval, to pick up a golf cart with a carrying box early this spring for about \$2000.

The question of security and liability for its operation came up. We concluded the an observation of "due diligence" would be the way to go – i.e., a placard in the cart's panel stating that any operator was accepting full responsibility for the vehicle's performance while at its controls, limiting its use only to Club members, and having each member who drives the cart sign a statement accepting that full responsibility while driving it. As for security, the cart would be parked up by the Club House when not in use. Where to leave the key was not finally decided but it likely would either be somewhere in the Club House or hanging on a hook in a to-be-determined position as the lavatory key used to be.

Treasurer Jim Birnbaum moved that the Club authorize up to \$3000 for the vehicle's purchase, \$1000 from the Pendergist Fund and \$2000 from the General Fund. The members present approved the motion and it will be sent to the Club Board of Directors by Len for final approval.

Dave Riedel offered the thought that some Club member might know of someone who had such a vehicle who might no longer have use for it and who would be willing to donate it for our use. It is certainly worth looking around for.

Len reminded everyone that on Saturday, February 10, we were gathering at the CVHS parking lot at 10 AM for a trip to the Udvar-Hazy Air & Space Hangar at Dulles. Our families are welcome to go with us. The cost is \$12.00 per car. Jim Hill has arranged for EAA Chapter 186 member, Gil Coshland, who is a Docent at the Museum, to give us a tour. Should be a lot of fun!

Len announced that Lew Clement had resigned from the Club positions of Secretary and Newsletter Editor. He asked for members to volunteer to fill the two positions. Club procedure is to fill vacated elected positions temporarily until the next regular election for that position. In this case, the election will be in December 2007. Jim T. Hill volunteered to fill the Secretary position for that temporary period. Kim Alt volunteered to assume thank you both.

## A PAGE IN TIME

This past month, about a dozen or so brave souls ventured to the Udvar-Hazy Air & Space Museum Annex in Dulles. After being swept into the cavernous hanger, we were met by our docent, Gil Coshland. We were then lead through a tangible tour of aviation from its infancy, to its magnificent prodigy of today. We learned about the successes and failures of the various aircraft and watched the evolution of human flight unfold before our very eyes with every step forward.

As if stealing a glimpse of these winged monuments wasn't enough, a few of our members found themselves face to face with a piece of their own aviation history. Lew Clement spoke of his experience with the B-29 Bomber as we stood beneath the famed and noble Enola Gay. Dave Riedel acquainted us with his first-hand knowledge of the FA-18 as the same plane stood before us in all it's Marine glory. From bi-planes, to fighter planes, helicopters and hang gliders, rockets and space shuttles – it was a living, breathing, in-color timeline of man's infinite pursuit of flight.



**2007 FLYING CLUB 1 ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE**

Designated Club meetings will be held the first Thursday of each month in the Centreville High School, Union Mill Rd., Centreville, VA, at 7:30 PM. Others will be held at the Warrenton Airpark as shown in the 2007 schedule. Changes in time or location will be posted in this newsletter and on the Club website.



- Mar 1, Thur**    **Monthly Meeting, CVHS**
- Mar 10, Sat    UL Safety Seminar, RIC
- Apr 7, Sat**    **Monthly Meeting, Warrenton Air Park (WAP)**
- May 5, Sat**    **Monthly Meeting, WAP**
- May 6, Sun    Club 6 Spring Fly-in
- May 19, Sat    Club 250 Spring Fly-in, Holly Springs
- Jun 2, Sat**    **Club 1 Memorial Fly-in, WAP**
- Jun 7, Thur**    **Monthly Meeting, CVHS**
- Jun 15-17, Fri-Sun    Fathers' Day Fly-in, Footlight Ranch
- Jun 23, Sat**    **Club 1 Poker Run, WAP**
- Jul 7, Sat**    **Monthly Meeting & Family Picnic, WAP**
- Aug 4, Sat**    **Monthly Meeting, WAP**
- Aug 12, Sun    Club 6 Fly-in, New Quarter Farm (NQF)
- Sep 8, Sat**    **Monthly Meeting, WAP**
- Sep 15, Sat**    **Club 1 Fly-out to (TBD)**
- Oct 6, Sat**    **Club 1 Fall Fly-in & Monthly Meeting, WAP**
- Oct 13, Sat    Club 250 Fall Fly-in, Holly Springs
- Oct 13, Sat**    **Club 1 Color Run**
- Nov 1, Thur**    **Monthly Meeting, CVHS**
- Dec 1, Sat**    **Club 1 Monthly Meeting and Holiday Party**

**2006 Club 1 Members**

Your membership expired on January 1, 2007. **NOW** is the time to renew your membership! See the 2007 membership form on the inside of the rear cover of this news letter. Mail it to the address at the bottom of the form with the appropriate membership fee.

Additions or deletions to this schedule will be made as other club schedules become known and as the Club 1 schedule may be adjusted. Changes will be published in this newsletter and on the Club website.

## CLASSIFIEDS

Ads will be run twice and then dropped unless resubmitted, or renewed by telephone or e-mail. Please advise the editor when the ad is no longer needed.

**CHALLENGER I** Long Wing - Rotax 503 DC/DI, Tall redrive w/60" prop w/leading edge protection. Elec. st., 10 gal tanks, brakes, fiver nose, flaperons, AS, VS, Tac, compass, dual EGTs and CHTs, BRS chute (out of date). A great flyer. Great deal at \$6500. Fred Kuester, 804-932-3397 or 804-514-1364 <fkuester@verizon.net> (10/06)

**KITFOX II KIT**, 95% complete, ready to cover. With 582 Rotax, eec. st., prop, gauges & misc. items. Everything new. \$15,000. Dan Brandmahl 804-443-4619 or 804-769-2756. <cranks4u@inna.net> (10/06)

**93 PHANTOM** - Rotax 503, new black & green sails, BRS, dual carbs, heavy landing gear, aluminum wheels, elect St., strobe, 10 gal tank, wood prop, dual EGTs and CHTs, ASI, Tach, Alt, slip indicator, Hobbs. Very clean bird. Price reduced to \$6,500. C.A. Nuckles 757-294-0518 or (C)757-636-0609 (10/06)

**RANS S-12** - Rotax 582, 20 hrs on engine and airframe, elec. start, oil injection, C-box, twin 9 gal wing tanks, in-flight trim, Hegar 6" hydraulic brakes and wheels, full enclosure, all lexan smoked, BRS 750 parachute (out of date), full instrumentation, slightly crunched on last landing, repair parts included. A fun and very quick airplane for someone mechanically inclined and looking for a cheap way to fly. Located at Woodstock, VA. E-mail at <tcooper@shentel.net> for info and photos. (9/06)

**RANS S-14** - Rotax 503DC/DI, 254 TT, clip wing, elec start, Oil-inj, in-flt adj Ivo prop, ASI, Alt, dual CHT & EGT, VSI, tach, Blk & Yellow clear coated, dual wing tanks, cabin heat, BRS (ood). Always hangared, flies hands off, \$13,500. Dennis Gregory <dgregory@oonl.com.> Tel:804-758-4178. (10/06)

**FLIGHTSTAR 11SL**- Bluehead Rotax 582 w/E-gearbox. 86 hrs. All upgrades completed by Lockwood Aviation. Advanced EIS w/vertical speed, Alt, Tach, EGT, CHT & water temp, turn/bank.

Flaps, trim and BRS 1050. Magellan GPS, ICOM A5 radio, headsets and Sigtronics intercom. IVO prop, strobes and Hobbs meter. Sails are clear-coated. A beautiful plane and excellent flier. Always hangared. \$16,000. Can assist in delivery. (434)298-3940 or <jkriley904@earthlink.net>. Located in Blackstone, VA23824. (10/06)

**CGS HAWK** - new Rotax 503. Single seat classic. Elect start, BRS, Alt, A/S, CHT, EGT. Tach, Slip Ind., Hobbs. Red, White & Blue sails. \$9,500. Paul Irby, 804-829-6141 (10/06)

**FISHER FP-404** - Biplane w/ Rotax 503 w/ 4 hr TT. New prop, exhaust, motor mounts. Good condition. Good flyer. Complete w/open trailer. Can be seen on Barnstromer website. \$8,500. J. Noble 804-125-0084 <thenavigatorva@gmail.com> (10/06)

**PHANTOM** - rebuilt Kawasaki 440. 2-blade Powerfin prop, 5 gal gas, sails in good condition, many upgrades, runs and flies great. Part 103 legal. \$4000 OBO. Joey Smith 757-870-4071 (10/06)

**1996 FISHER DAKOTA HAWK.** Continental A-65 TSMOH 1078. Aircraft Total Time 117 Hrs. Fabric Superflite 102 system II. Warp Drive, carbon fiber ground adjustable Propeller. Wings fold for storage. Location: Gordonsville, VA [jpaananen1@juno.com](mailto:jpaananen1@juno.com) (10/06)

**HANGAR FOR SHARE** - at Warrenton-Fauquier County Airport (W66). Concrete floors, metal bi-fold doors with electric opener, paved access, fuel, electric service and good lighting. Monthly Rent: \$178 each TWO spaces available. Inquiries: Ralph E. Kew 202-437-1580 (03/06)

**Items bought and sold through the Newsletter are solely at the risk of the buyer and seller. Neither the Newsletter nor USUA Flying Club 1 guarantees, or is in any way responsible for, the airworthiness or other aspects of the items listed.**

# USUA FLYING CLUB 1 GENERAL INFORMATION

The United States Ultralight Association's Flying Club 1 is a non-profit, recreational club dedicated to the sport of ultralight and light sport aircraft flying.

### 2007-2008 CLUB OFFICERS, DIRECTORS & STAFF

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**ANNUAL DUES** (Jan 1 - Dec 31) \$20.00. (Includes newsletter.)  
 Family membership: \$25.00. After July 1, dues for remainder of year are \$10.00. Family membership: \$25.00 (husband and wife).  
 (A spouse who wishes to participate will please complete a membership application form.)

**NEWSLETTER SUBSCRIPTION** (without membership) is \$10.00 per year.

**CLUB WEB SITE:** <http://usuaclub1.org>. Note the change in web site. Flying Club 1 now has an officially registered name on the internet.

**MEETINGS** are at 7:30 PM on the first Thursday of the month at locations announced in the Club newsletter and on the Club web site. (Times and days may vary. check the newsletter and/or the web site.)

**SUBMITTING ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER** Members and non-members are encouraged to submit items for this newsletter. Send submissions to Lew Clement, 46917 Grissom St., Sterling, VA 20165. E-mail and fax addresses are shown at left. Deadline for entry of items into the newsletter is 10 days before each meeting.

**Ads will run twice and then dropped unless resubmitted or renewed by phone or email. Advise editor when item is sold.**

A club is only as good as the members who volunteer to support its activities. The following listed activities with the club require member support in varying amounts. Please indicate on your membership application the function(s) (can be more than one) you will support as a Club member. All active Club members are expected to participate. However, members who live some distance away and cannot attend meetings regularly, may prefer to support functions associated with Club wek-end activities.

**Club Management/Administration:** Club Officers (elected, Directors and Staff). (Talk to current officer for more detail.) *Fly-ins:* Food supply, preparation; Facilities; Grounds; Ground Support. *X-country & outside events:* ground support. *Safety & Education:* Flight Safety & Training, New Member Mentoring, Library, Monthly Program Development. *Communications:* Membership, Newsletter, Web Site. *Fund Raising:* 50/50 Raffle. *Miscellaneous:* Meeting Facilities, Property Management, Clothing Sales, Tool Custodian, Ad Hoc Committees.

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All members are encouraged to provide an e-mail address to the Club. It is our best means for fast communications with a large number of Club members in minimum time.

We welcome you to USUA Flying Club 1 and hope your membership will be rewarding to you in flying and fellowship.

\*Name \_\_\_\_\_ New\_\_Renewed\_\_Regular\_\_Family\_\_Membership

\*Street or PO Box \_\_\_\_\_

\*City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

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\*Club Activities or Services for which you volunteer \_\_\_\_\_

(NOTE: Reference above to Ultralight aircraft includes Ultralight-type aircraft). Starred items must be completed. Mail application to Club 1 Treasurer Jim Birnbaum, 8570 King Carter St., Manassas, VA 22110, accompanied by dues for regular (\$20) or family (\$25) membership for a full year or \$10 and \$12 for a half year (July 1 or after). NOTE: Information from this application will be included in the Club 1's membership roster intended for internal use only. (Roster\_\_E-mail\_\_USMail\_\_Name Tag\_\_)

# USUA FLYING CLUB 1

March 2007

**To join USUA Flying Club #1, fill out the forms on the reverse side. To join the national USUA, fill out the form below:**

\_\_\_\_\_ **\$25.00** U.S. Ultralight Association annual membership does not include magazine subscriptions. All publications are optional, and are available to USUA members at the discounted prices below. A current USUA membership is required to take advantage of these discounts. Subscribe to your choice when you renew your membership.

**Ultraflight Magazine - \$24.95**  
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\_\_\_\_\_ Enclosed is \$2.00 for work in ultralight safety by USUA.

(Canadian and non-US membership add \$5.00)

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