



Merry Christmas And Happy Holidays Thermals

Newsletter of the Rocky Mountain Soaring Association

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President's Message

Well I start off my first Newsletter as present of the RMSA looking out my office window watching it snow longing for the thermals of just a few months ago, well for that matter just a few days ago. But at the same time I am really looking forward to this new year coming. First off I would like to thank Shannon for his tenure as president and the great job he did while in this position (when he was in town). I am excited to take this position on, as I look forward to helping our club grow and deal with the day to day problems of keeping this club running and growing. I am also very pleased to have Bob Johnston as the new Vice President to help me with the running of this club and I look not forget to say a special thanks to everybody else who has stepped up that they did not step down?

In a little bit Bob Johnston will put together our next years calendar see some people step up so that we members and family members that

We used to do this. Maybe Lenny will even put on an Electric event for us. I was just out in California and flew in a Bent Wing BBQ fun-fly with the SWASA club. No we did not BBQ the RES ships, even though I know some of you would be willing to... It was a fun fly and a BBQ using Highstarts just for an excuse to get all the families involved - so maybe somebody would be willing to put one of these together on an off weekend. As for our open program, it is working very well and for the most part I think we should leave alone. I would just like to see some new things added for our new beginning members. The awards banquet is coming up fast so get your reservations in to Jim ASAP so we can make our plans for the banquet. Also, I have got some great prizes coming for the raffle. Don Ingram from his store *BoulderOptics* has donated a great pair of sunglasses. *Hobby town USA* has donated two airplanes and a few other things, *Action Hobbies* has stepped up also with some great prizes. I have put a hundred dollars worth of prizes in the raffle, and I will be working on more people before the banquet. So even if you did not get an award for the year it will still be worth coming to the banquet just for the prizes we will be raffling away. So please come to our banquet and make it our best one yet...

Your new President (until impeached)

Dr. Dan Williams

Renewal Reminder

**It's time to renew your memberships.
Renew with the application in this
newsletter, or online at
<http://www.jmccconsulting.com/rmsa>**

forward to working with him. Of course I can Bob Rice, John Pearson and Jim Monaco and again for another year of helping us, or was it

be contacting all of the CD's to get together to of events. With this in mind, I would like to can have some fun-fly's also for the club do not usually come to our primary contests.

Next Meeting:

Date/Time: December 9, 2001 – 11:00 AM

Location: Cinzetti's Italian Marketplace
281 W 104th Ave
Northglenn, CO (303) 451-7300

Program: The Famous RMSA Banquet and Awards Meeting

Club Elections

The November elections brought in some new officers. Please congratulate the following board members on their election for 2002.

- ?? President – Dr. Dan Williams
- ?? Vice-President – Bob Johnston
- ?? Treasurer – John Pearson
- ?? Secretary – Bob Rice

Note that the VP office was won in a very close race – congratulations to Bob Johnston for his successful campaign!

For Sale

Emerald

White with Black bottoms. Beautiful condition, built by Lenny Keer. No electronics \$600

Dan Williams

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(Look at NSP's web site under F3J) 129" span, proprietary airfoil (8% thick) 6 servo wing, V-tail, 66 oz., includes special SR TE battery, switch, 4 JR-341's, 2 JR 241's and 2 Volz XP's for the flaps. Excellent thermal ship. Drop in your receiver and fly for ~~\$795.00~~ now \$695.00.

Tom Gressman Home 303-979-8073 Office 303-744-3535 X3101 tom@newhorizonsccu.org

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It was built by Lenny and includes: 2 XP Micro Maxx in Flaps, 2 Micro Maxx in Ailerons, 2 Micro Maxx in Fuse, 2 JR 241 for Trileron. Includes Ballast Bars. Includes Jaro padded bags for wings, fuse and v-tail. Stylus programming available. It has only been flown 4 times.

Ready to Fly W/O Rx Price \$ 1350

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Jon Padilla Tel 303-271-1899 ext. 24 Jon.Padilla@VECO.com

NEW REDUCED PRICE...

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Eclipse V - GREAT shape - All 141's. Contest winner -- wonderful thermaller and still a contender.

\$500 without receiver FOR CLUB MEMBERS ONLY.

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Pictures from the November Contest

Chuck Stasek kindly contributed these pictures from the November Contest.



RMSA Banquet

Once again we are planning our year end Awards banquet. The banquet will be held December 9th at Cinzetti's Italian Marketplace – the same place we had it last year. I had only great comments about the food and facility last year. All meals are “all you can eat” plus unlimited standard beverage (coffee, soda etc). There will be both breakfast and lunch foods available along with some great desserts.

Prices are:

Adults \$17.95
Kids 8-12 \$ 6.85
Kids 4-7 \$ 5.60

Prices include the meal and standard drinks plus taxes and required 15% gratuity.

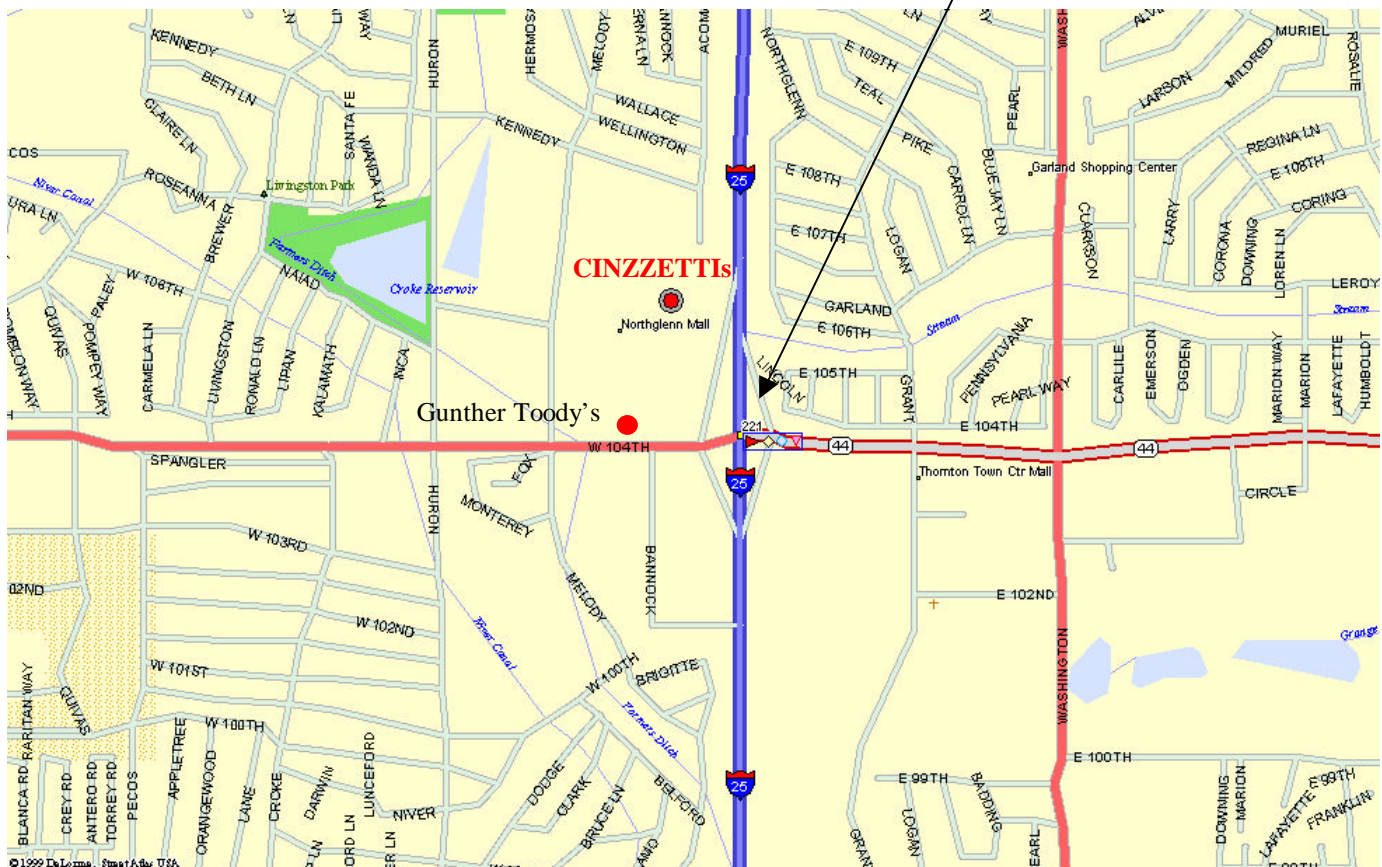
We will have the room from 11:00 until ??? Please be aware that Cinzetti's opens at 11:00 so there is no need to be early. Unlike last year where they did separate checks, this year the entire bill will be on one check for me to pay. Please include any nonstandard orders like drinks or wine that you order separately when you pay me and don't forget tax and gratuity. You can pay me in cash or check. Please pay me at or before the banquet - I do need an accurate count by the Friday before the Banquet so please call me or email me to confirm your attendance as soon as possible so I can get a preliminary count to size the reserved area..

Cinzetti's Italian Marketplace
281 W 104th Ave
Northglenn, CO (303) 451-7300
From I-25 exit West on 104th. Turn north into the Northglenn Mall at Gunther Toody's Diner. Continue to the NorthEast corner of the plaza – North of Lowes.

We will have a great time – plan on attending with your families!

Jim Monaco (303) 464-9895 or email JimMonaco@earthlink.net

Exit 221 at 104th Ave from I25



Map to Cinzetti's Italian Marketplace

Rocky Mountain Soaring Association - 2002

RENEWAL _____ NEW MEMBER _____ SPONSOR _____

Please complete the following information for our records:

Family Memberships - Please make and complete a copy for EACH flying family member!

Name : _____ Need name badge? ? Yes

Address: _____ Year Joined RMSA: _____

_____ Home Phone: _____

_____ Work Phone: _____

AMA #: _____ AMA Contest Director? ? Yes ? No

AMA Class ? Open ? Youth ? Family Birth Date: ___/___/___

LSF #: _____ LSF LEVEL: ___ NSS #: _____ E-Mail: _____

RMSA Membership Class ? Senior Only ? Senior W/Family ? Associate ? Family
(Note - Senior W/Family receive THERMALS - other Family members check Family Box)

Non-Flying Family members: _____

RMSA Competition Class ? Novice ? Sportsman ? Master

RMSA Offices Held _____

----- MODELS OWNED -----
PLANE **SPAN** **COLOR** (Top,Bott.,Fuse) **CLASS** (Open,HLG,Std..) **FREQUENCY**

Interests: ? Sports Flying ? T/D contests ? HLG Contests ? NSS Soar-ins ? F3J
? F3B ? X-C contests ? Slope contests ? Other _____

Past Achievements: _____

Dues: \$ 5.00 New Member Initiation Fee
\$ 5.00 Junior - under 17
\$ 25.00 Senior - individual 17 and over
\$ 30.00 Family - any number (same address)
\$ 8.00 Associate (newsletter only)
Make checks payable to RMSA

Comments and suggestions are ENCOURAGED! Please include these with your form!

REMEMBER TO SIGN THE FIELD RULES!!!

Please send to: RMSA
% Bob Rice
1123 S. Oakland St.
Aurora, CO 80012

ROCKY MOUNTAIN SOARING ASSOCIATION FIELD RULES

1. The sod farm operations take precedence over **ALL** activities. We use the field at the convenience of the owner.
2. All members will follow **ALL** instructions from **ANY** sod farm personnel without question.
3. When sod farm operations are occurring during a flying session it is **OUR** responsibility to ensure that we will not interfere with operations. If it is unclear as to what is happening or where they intend to mow or work try to talk to workers or management and always move equipment or vacate the premises if necessary. Some workers do not speak very good English – in that case you must make every effort to avoid conflict or interference with operations.
4. Park only in the designated parking area on the southwest corner of the field. Do not park on grass, dirt or roads.
5. Avoid setting up on newly seeded areas or young grassy areas. The nice grassy areas are better to land on anyway!
6. Establish a frequency control pole and tag system! Frequency control is to be in effect at all times!! All members will post their frequency control tags on the pole and if there are conflicts, please exercise safety sense as well as share the flight time.
7. Parking and pit areas should be as condensed as possible for the safety of launch and landing.
8. Establish flight line areas for winch launch, high start launch, and hand launch that are separate for the sake of launch, flight & landing safety.
9. Flying over the parking/pit areas at less than 30 feet is prohibited. Doing so in competition **WILL** result in a zero flight score and during R/R flying a disciplinary action by the club.
10. No aerobatics or speed runs over the parking/pit/Launch/Landing zones.
11. Do not launch if a plane is circling in a launch zone: vacate the launch zone as soon as possible if someone is waiting to launch.
12. When entering a thermal occupied by other aircraft, enter in the same direction as the first aircraft
13. Landing aircraft have the right of way!
14. In the event of no mechanical retriever, please shag your own chute/line for the flight
15. Please share the usage of club equipment so that all have equal flight time.
16. Please be courteous and helpful to your fellow flyers as well as informative to all guests/spectators. Enjoy yourself and others!!
17. Absolutely no debris or trash is to be left on the field! Please take it home with you for disposal.
18. Make sure that your plane and electronics are airworthy before each flight. Exercise good safety sense in your flight
19. The aircraft will have an identification name/address or AMA number on or in the model in case of loss.
20. Please tag your winch/high start spikes or stakes with fluorescent tape so they are easily spotted on the field by all concerned.
21. Absolutely no alcoholic beverages will be consumed, prior to or during participation in any model event on the flying field.

I understand and will comply with all RMSA field rules:

Signature

2001 RMSA Contest/Event Calendar

| Date | Event | CD | Notes |
|----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Jan. 2 | RMSA Meeting | | |
| Feb. 6 | RMSA Meeting | | |
| <i>Feb 2-4</i> | <i>Southwest Classic</i> | | <i>CASL Southwest Classic - Phoenix AZ</i> |
| Mar. 6 | RMSA Meeting | | |
| Mar. 11 | Open* | Shannon Bingham | |
| Mar. 18 | Pro-Am | Jim Monaco | Fourth annual Pro-Am |
| <i>Mar. 24- Sat</i> | <i>PPSS OPEN</i> | <i>Greg Tarca</i> | <i>March Madness</i> |
| Apr. 3 | RMSA Meeting | | |
| Apr. 8 | Open* | Jim Barr | |
| Apr. 15 | HLG** | Shannon Bingham | |
| <i>Apr. 22</i> | <i>PPSS OPEN</i> | <i>Dave Kurth</i> | <i>Humps & Bumps</i> |
| May 1 | RMSA Meeting | | |
| May 6 | Open* | Lenny Keer | |
| May 12 | HLG** | Bob Lewan | Saturday event |
| <i>May 19 - Sat</i> | <i>PPSS OPEN</i> | <i>Austin Cleis</i> | <i>May Fly</i> |
| May 26, 27, 28 | F3J* | Mark Howard | Special National Event |
| <i>June 2-3</i> | <i>IHLG</i> | | <i>International HL Contest Torrey Pines CA</i> |
| June 5 | RMSA Meeting | | |
| June 10 | Open* | Bob Moffett | |
| June 16 | HLG** | Bob Lewan | Saturday event |
| <i>June 24</i> | <i>PPSS OPEN</i> | <i>Jack Dech</i> | <i>Summer Solstice</i> |
| June 30 | LSF Day | Dr. Dan Williams | Work on LSF Tasks (Saturday) |
| July 3 | RMSA Meeting | | |
| July 8 | Open* | Bob Pederson | |
| <i>July 14 - Sat</i> | <i>PPSS RE</i> | <i>Barry Welsh</i> | <i>Memorial Fly</i> |
| <i>July 21 - Sat</i> | <i>PPSS RES</i> | <i>Rich O'Connell</i> | <i>Height of the Season</i> |
| July 28 | LSF Day | Dr. Dan Williams | Work on LSF Tasks (Saturday) |
| Aug. 7 | RMSA Meeting | | |
| Aug. 12 | Open* | Jim Monaco | Kinda-F3J |
| <i>Aug. 18 - Sat</i> | <i>PPSS OPEN</i> | <i>Frank Deis</i> | <i>Night Fly</i> |
| Aug 19 | HLG** | John Kappus | |
| Aug. 25 | LSF Day | Dr. Dan Williams | Work on LSF Tasks (Saturday) |
| <i>Aug. 26</i> | <i>PPSS OPEN</i> | <i>John Read</i> | <i>Dog Daze</i> |
| Sept. 4 | RMSA Meeting | | |
| Sept. 9 | Open* | Bob Rice | AKA: Colorado Challenge Cup |
| <i>Sept. 22- Sat</i> | <i>PPSS OPEN</i> | <i>Bob Avery</i> | <i>Soar Bash</i> |
| Sept. 29 | LSF Day | Dr. Dan Williams | Work on LSF Tasks (Saturday) |
| Oct. 2 | RMSA Meeting | | |
| <i>Oct 6&7</i> | <i>Visalia</i> | | <i>Visalia California</i> |
| <i>Oct. 6 - Sat</i> | <i>PPSS HLG</i> | <i>Milt Woodham</i> | <i>HandLaunch</i> |
| Oct. 14 | Open* | Jim Monaco | |
| <i>Oct. 21</i> | <i>PPSS RES</i> | <i>Mike Fritz</i> | <i>Witches Brew</i> |
| Oct. 27 | LSF Day | Dr. Dan Williams | Work on LSF Tasks (Saturday) |
| Nov. 6 | RMSA Meeting | | |
| Nov. 11 | Open* | Shannon Bingham | |
| <i>Nov. 17 - Sat</i> | <i>PPSS OPEN</i> | <i>Dave Meyers</i> | <i>Turkey Shoot</i> |
| Dec. 9 | Awards Banquet | | |
| <i>Dec. 15</i> | <i>PPSS OPEN</i> | <i>John Read</i> | <i>BAM Fly</i> |

*Club Open points contest ** Club HLG points contest

Italics indicates major national level contests available for points and PPSS events



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Directions to Field

Take I-76 to exit 16. Turn left and follow the frontage road through the circle onto 120th eastbound towards the airport. Take 120th East to Tower Rd. Continue straight through traffic light and look for the sod sprinkler on the left. We are on the southwest corner of that part of the sod farm.

Flying for RMSA members and accompanied guests only.



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