



Grass Roots Flyer August 2020



July Pilot Accomplishments:



Cameron Langdon – Solo (Mason)



Jarrett Croy, Glider Solo (Brad)



Dustin Sheffler – Solo (Mason)



Erick Rhode – Private Pilot (Mason)



Steve Andersen – Tailwheel (Jay)



Ted Aspenes – Commercial (Mason)



Caymon Koch – Solo (Jarrett)



Brian Moga – Solo (Mason)



Roger Gommel – CFI Glider Check ride (Brad)

Congratulations to all of these pilots for their accomplishments, and thanks to our CFIs (Mason Lindenfelser, Jay Biggs, Jarrett Croy, Brad Heck) for showing them the way!

Speed Enforcement Saturation on Highway 52:



Law enforcement vehicles and aircraft came to Stanton recently for a break in their activities nearby. Several local agency and State Patrol vehicles were assisted by the State Patrol airplane in this project. Trooper/Pilot Ted Aspenes was the eye in the sky. As noted earlier in this newsletter, Ted received his private pilot and commercial training here at Stanton.

Gliders enjoying perfect conditions:



Recent passersby on Highway 19 were treated to a line-up of gliders waiting for their tow up to those ideal cloud formations. Glider rides as well as airplane rides are available now – call us to schedule – 507-645-4030

Recent Visitors to SYN:

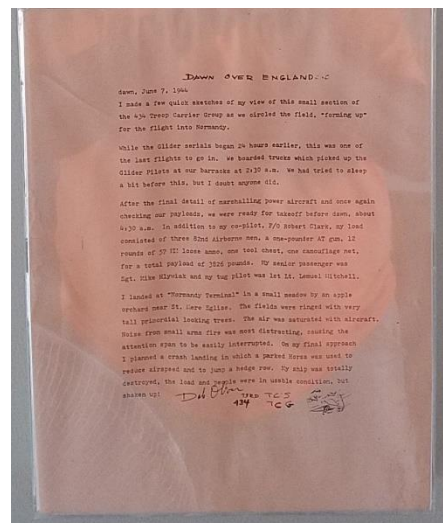


Photo above courtesy of Kyle Wolfe



When you are able to get back into our building.....:

We previously showed you the new pictures on the walls in the building of 1940s era airplanes in war times. Under each picture is a description of what the picture represents, as written by the artist. (We want to get you back into the building as soon as it is practical based on state and local requirements.)



A Trip to Cornucopia Field WI (W123):

Three airplanes and one RV with 6 people recently traveled to Cornucopia Field, about a 2 hour flight from Stanton for a flying and camping outing. This field is a private, RAF supported strip within walking distance of Lake Superior. Photos courtesy of Marilyn Meline. (Send us pictures of your trip?!)



Stanton Airfield Manager Report:

There is no doubt looking back on July, that things have been a bit crazy around Stanton. This is a very good thing when you consider the COVID-19 times we're all living day-to-day. I can't thank our customers enough for their understanding of our main building remaining locked down to the public until further notice!

Here are some additional statistics accomplished in July...

The flight school tricycle gear A/C flew 113 hours and the tail wheel A/C flew 35 hours. Stanton Sport gliders flew 11 hours and the SYN tow plane flew 17.9 hours in support of both Stanton Sport gliders as well as additional relief for the soaring club during busy launch windows.

For the first time in my time here, we now have active glider students working in the S2-32 with Brad and the S1-26 (right) is on-line and available for rent. Give us a call for rental details of both ships.



The shop seems to never stop working. Toby and I are keeping Mindi very busy keeping us in supply of needed parts and managing inventory levels for planned maintenance. Mindi opened 33 work orders in July and is buried in paperwork to say the least.

Fuel sales continue to be strong, having pumped 4,470 gallons last month.

As always, if you have any comments or suggestions, please contact me.

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CURRENT FUEL PRICES:

100 LOW LEAD - \$3.54

SWIFT UL94 - \$4.35

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