



Welcome to the newsletter for the Ballooning Society of Pikes Peak (BSOPP)! This monthly publication of the balloon club is to inform and educate club members and others about ballooning in the area. Learn more at www.FlyBSOPP.com.

General Meeting - Tues 9/21, 6p Social Hour, 7pm Meeting - Texas T-Bone North - 5245 N Academy Blvd (Just North of Union)

President's Note – Chuck Danley

The busy season for rallies still continues. Hang in there and don't burn out. Congratulations to Patsy and the rest of the Classic Team for such a successful event. Weather tried to play with cancelling some of the events, but all had some sort of activity. Also congratulations to the local participants, pilots and crew, for such good support of the event. Without the Classic Team and local participants, the event wouldn't have been as successful as it was.

Things that are coming up in the club are elections for 2 new board members, the holiday glo on New Year's Eve, and WinterFest. Anyone interested in running for the board start preparing your bio. Elections will be held at the November meeting. We need volunteers to help plan the glo and WinterFest. One thing we must consider at the next meeting is whom to support with the glo. Last year the glo supported Care & Share. See you at the meeting.



Colorado Balloon Classic – Gloria O'Connor



Colorado Balloon Classic – Paul D deBerjeois

Membership Coordinator Note:

If you have not paid your dues yet for this year I will be going through and sending you an email here in the next week. If you do get an email and have paid your dues please get with me so I can look into it. If you are a snail mail Tetherlines receiver and are not sure if you have paid your due's please double check with me via phone or email to make sure I have you as being current.

Thanks, Kimberly

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Treasurer's Report

August 2010

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Colorado Balloon Classic – Paul D deBerjeois



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September 2010

Day	Rise h m	Set h m	Day	Rise h m	Set h m	Day	Rise h m	Set h m	Day	Rise h m	Set h m	Day	Rise h m	Set h m
1	628	1929	8	634	1919	15	641	1907	22	647	1856	29	653	1845
2	629	2009	9	635	1917	16	642	1906	23	648	1855	30	654	1843
3	630	2008	10	636	1915	17	642	1904	24	649	1853			
4	631	2007	11	637	1914	18	643	1903	25	650	1851			
5	632	2006	12	638	1912	19	644	1901	26	651	1850			
6	633	2005	13	639	1911	20	645	1859	27	651	1848			
7	634	2004	14	640	1909	21	646	1858	28	652	1847			

October 2010

Day	Rise h m	Set h m	Day	Rise h m	Set h m	Day	Rise h m	Set h m	Day	Rise h m	Set h m	Day	Rise h m	Set h m
1	655	1842	8	702	1831	15	709	1821	22	716	1811	29	723	1802
2	656	1840	9	703	1830	16	710	1819	23	717	1810	30	724	1801
3	657	1839	10	704	1828	17	711	1818	24	718	1808	31	725	1800
4	658	1837	11	705	1827	18	712	1816	25	719	1807			
5	659	1836	12	706	1825	19	713	1815	26	720	1806			
6	700	1834	13	707	1824	20	714	1814	27	721	1805			
7	701	1833	14	708	1822	21	715	1812	28	722	1803			

Upcoming Events Calendar

BSOPP Membership Meetings

Date	Event	Location/Details
9/21	BSOPP General Meeting	6pm, Texas T-Bone, 5245 N Academy Blvd
9/25	BSOPP Club Fly	Southpark – Pilot Brief 7am approx
10/11	BSOPP Board Meeting – All members are invited	6:30 pm, Airplane Restaurant– Corner of Powers and Fountain
10/19	BSOPP General Meeting	6pm, Texas T-Bone, 5245 N Academy Blvd
10/23	BSOPP Club Fly	Holiday Inn's

Flights, Rallies and Related Events *(Tell them you saw it in BSOPP's Tetherlines!)*

Date	Event	Location / Details
9/25	BSOPP Club fly	Southpark -
9/17	Columbine Mem Balloon Glow	Littleton, CO - Alan Luksik - 303-699-6302
9/17 - 9/20	Snowmass Village B. Rally	Snowmass Village, CO - bwood@sopris.net
9/18 - 9/20	Frederick Miners Day B. Rally	Fredrick, CO - michael@lifecycleballoons.com
9/18 - 9/20	Great Midwest Balloon Fest	Overland Park, KS - Amanda - 913.649.2359
9/24 - 9/26	Colorado City Balloons	Colorado City, CO – Barb Hann 303-841-4266
10/2-10/10	ABQ Inter. Balloon Fiesta	Albuquerque, NM - www.balloonfiesta.com
10/29 – 10/31	Taos Mountain Balloon Rally	Taos, NM - contact: Ed Smith 575-751-9877 hotair@puebloballoon.com
11/5 – 11/7	Page Hot Air Balloon Regatta	Page, AZ – Bryan Hill – Bryan@PageElectric.org 928-645-2419

Look for more events at <http://www.BFA.net>

FAR out – Stephen Blucher

You are flying your balloon and suddenly realize the pyrometer is not operating. No problem...switch batteries...PROBLEM...the second battery gives no better results. What do you do? Checking the flight manual is an idea. Do you have one on board? Must you have one on board? FAR 91.9 is about that, however it does not specify balloons; only airplanes and rotorcraft.

FAR 91.103 is about preflight action and what a pilot needs to know prior to flight. Aircraft performance is one of the subjects. That information is found...in the Flight Manual, but does it need to be on board? Not in accordance with these FARs.



Colorado Balloon Classic – Jessica Bair

So what must be in the balloon basket during flight? A pilot is a good thing, and per FAR 61.3, he/she must have their certificate on their person or readily available in the aircraft. What else? 91.203 specifies the airworthiness and registration certificates must not only be on board but visible as well.

That was easy enough...but wait. What about the manual and the inoperative instrument? Some aircraft have minimum equipment lists, MELs. Balloons for the most part do not. There is a regulation (the number of which for the moment escapes me) that states if an aircraft manufacturer lists something in the manual as part of the on board equipment, that list must be complied with. Manufacturers have different ideas as to what should be on the list; helmets, fire extinguishers...the flight manual.

The pyrometer quits working? At least one balloon type requires the flight be terminated. What does your manual say?

Knowing the basics of your aerostat and what you as the pilot in command should have with you during flight will make your next visit from a FAA representative doing a “ramp check” much more interesting. You will never get ramp checked? It happens in Albuquerque. Oh, you do not fly there? It can happen nearly anywhere. How about at a little private airport in rural Minnesota? It happened to me and I was the only balloon pilot there. The FAA folks just happened to be in the area on another matter and were really just interested in the LTA mode of transportation but did some “official” business as well.



Colorado Balloon Classic – Jessica Bair

BSOPP September Board Meeting

Balloon Society of Pikes Peak
Board of Directors Meeting
9/13/10

The meeting was held at Frankie's Bar and Grill and called to order at 6:55pm by Chuck Danley.

Board and Club members attending:

Chuck Danley
Greg Littlejohn
Kimberly Barnett
Stephen Blucher
Kinda Schuler
Nolan Schuler
Connie Moreland

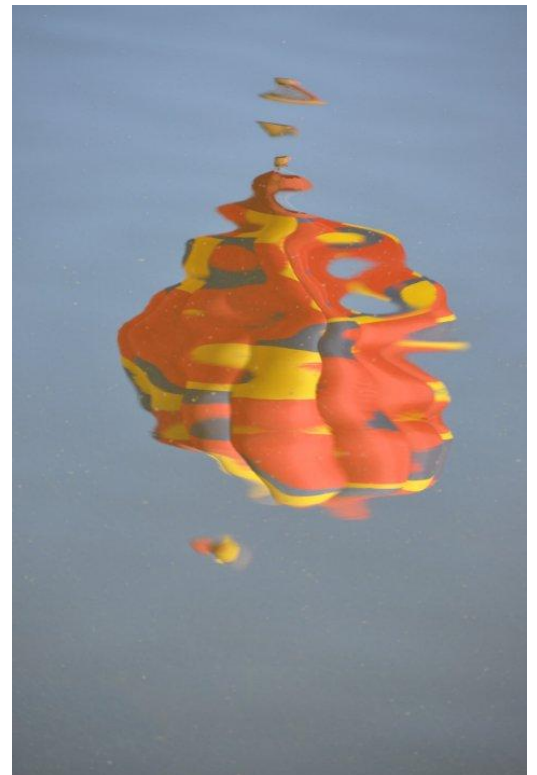
1. Treasures Report - we have just over 2500 with savings/checking/petty cash
2. Discussion of new possible members from recent flying activities
3. Club fly the 25th of September in Southpark, the 26th will be backup.
4. Future events discussed – Winterfest and New Years Eve Glow
5. The possibility of finding new places to fly because Westcliffe was a great success and expanding our out of town places to fly
6. 2 Board positions will be opening up so need to ask club members who would like to run to create short bio's for October newsletter.
7. Small gift discussion for departing board member
8. Next Board meeting to be held on the 11th of October at the Airplane Restaurant on Fountain just off of Powers going East.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25pm

Kimberly Barnett
Newsletter Editor/Stand-in Secretary



Colorado Balloon Classic Crew Training – Kimberly Barnett



Club Fly @Westcliffe – Kinda Schuler

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**Next General Meeting is Tuesday, September 21
6p Dinner, 7p Program**

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