



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](http://www.FlyBSOPP.com).

**General Meeting - Tues 10/19, 6p Social Hour, 7pm Meeting - Texas T-Bone North - 5245 N Academy Blvd (Just North of Union)**

### **President's Note** – *Chuck Danley*

Most of the big ballooning events and rallies are over for this year. I hope everyone had a great time at all the events for the last year, whether they were club events or organized by someone else. I know that I enjoyed them and seeing members of the club participating as well. The events are great ways to catch up with old friends and meet new friends. What was your most memorable event this year?

The year isn't over just yet, and the club and its members need to focus on a few more activities. Nominations and elections will need to occur pretty quickly. We also have to make plans for the holiday party. It's also a good time to throw out ideas for next year. Come to the next meeting with nominations and ideas. Hope to see you all at the meeting.



*Balloon Fiesta – Paul deBerjois*



I want to share some solemn news with the club as well. Many of you may have already heard that one of the US gas balloon teams was lost during the Gordon Bennett Race in Europe. That team has close ties to this club. Dr Carol Davis is the mother of one of our club members. Many members of this club joined in a tribute to the team last week at the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta. The crowd in attendance during the launch of the America's Challenge gas balloon race early Saturday morning and the mass ascension of the hot air balloons later that morning released white pibals to carry our thoughts and prayers for the team and their families. It was an amazing sight.

Paul DeBerjois captured the moment in some wonderful pictures.

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## Treasurer's Report

Third Quarter BSOPP Financial  
Income:

Dues: \$380.00

Spent:

Celebration of Honor Fly: \$250.00

Tetherlines: \$121.90

Club Door Prizes: \$ 45.00

3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter B'day Cake: \$ 16.99

August Speaker Dinner: \$ 14.45

Total: \$448.34

Checking \$1450.87

Savings \$1060.77

Petty Cash\$ 26.59



Late September Flight – Gloria O'Connor



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### 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			

### November 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	726	1759	8	634	1651	15	642	1645	22	649	1641	29	657	1638
2	727	1758	9	635	1651	16	643	1645	23	651	1641	30	658	1638
3	729	1757	10	636	1650	17	644	1644	24	652	1640			
4	730	1755	11	637	1649	18	645	1643	25	653	1640			
5	731	1754	12	639	1648	19	646	1643	26	654	1639			
6	732	1753	13	640	1647	20	647	1642	27	655	1639			
7	633	1652	14	641	1646	21	648	1642	28	656	1638			

## Upcoming Events Calendar

### BSOPP Membership Meetings

Date	Event	Location/Details
10/19	BSOPP General Meeting	6pm, Texas T-Bone, 5245 N Academy Blvd
10/23	BSOPP Club Fly	Holiday Inn's – Pilot Brief
10/11	BSOPP Board Meeting – All members are invited	6:30pm – location is TBD
11/16	BSOPP General Meeting	6pm, Texas T-Bone, 5245 N Academy Blvd
11/20	BSOPP Club Fly	Holiday Inn's -

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

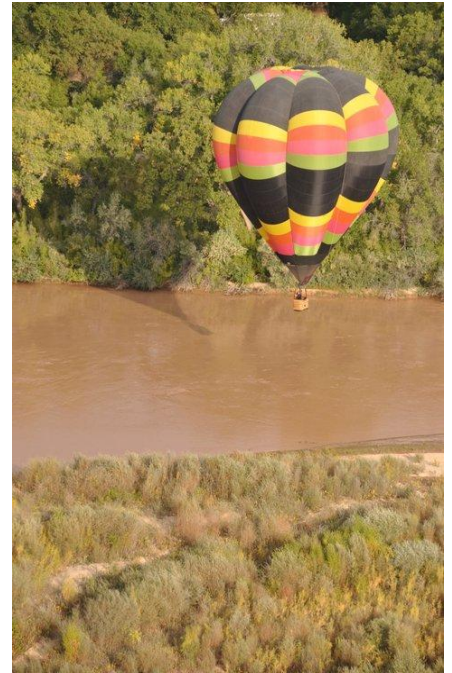
Date	Event	Location / Details
10/23	BSOPP Club fly	Holiday Inn's
10/29 - 10/31	Taos Mountain Balloon Rally	Taos, NM - contact: Ed Smith 575-751-9877 <a href="mailto:hotair@puebloballoon.com">hotair@puebloballoon.com</a>
11/5 - 11/7	Page Hot Air Balloon Regatta	Page, AZ – Bryan Hill – <a href="mailto:Bryan@PageElectric.org">Bryan@PageElectric.org</a> 928-645-2419
11/6 - 11/7	Arkansas Valley Balloon Fest.	Rocky Ford, CO – <a href="mailto:arkvalleyballoonfest@bresnan.net">arkvalleyballoonfest@bresnan.net</a>
12/3 - 12/5	Red Rock Balloon Rally	Gallup, NM – <a href="http://www.redrockballoonrally.com">www.redrockballoonrally.com</a>

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

**FAR out** – Stephen Blucher

FAR Part 61.3 changed awhile back, due to Homeland Security measures. In case pilots missed it, along with your pilot certificate, you must now carry on your person and have available for inspection by The Administrator (that means the FAA folks), an authorized representative of the National Transportation Safety Board or any Federal, State or local law enforcement officer; 61.3(l), a government issued picture ID (driver's license, military ID, passport). It is all part of measures being taken in an attempt to make security more stringent for those plying the skies. It is the rule and must be adhered to, though several of the 9/11 perpetrators carried driver's licenses from the states in which they lived.

FAR 61.3(a) states, "A person may not act as pilot flight crewmember in command or *in any other capacity as a required pilot* (my emphasis) of a civil aircraft of U.S. registry, unless that person has a valid pilot certificate..." This is being brought up is because some pilots exit their balloons and allow non-certificated personnel to be in charge during a glow/tether. It has been reported a recent tether was carried out without a certified pilot present.



Balloon Fiesta – Kinda Schuler

Whether a balloon is "airworthy"; whether it leaves the ground, even inches to shift positions, or not, it is an aircraft and must have a certified pilot on board. Yes, a student pilot may do a glow, **but** only if they are the sole occupant. People added in or on the basket for ballast would be considered passengers...not legal for a student. At least one FAA FSDO considers an inflated balloon "capable of flight".

At a glow of a large contingent of aerostats, it was alleged that during the assembly of a balloon, restraining pins were not put in place and no final check made prior to inflation. The burners fell from their mount causing injury and damage. In the aftermath, it was discovered one burner modified to be used solely for glow purposes and no longer "airworthy". At last report, no FAA actions had been taken, as the balloon was not in flight.



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Many pilots at one time or another have done things not in compliance with the FARs...little discrepancies not meant to defy the rules but more due to the lack of understanding. Each certified pilot and balloon owner should do their best to comply with the FARs because one never knows how a particular official will interpret those rules...and it is part of safety first.

Good flying everyone!

## **BSOPP October Board Meeting**

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

The meeting was held at The Airplane Restaurant and called to order at 6:43pm by Chuck Danley.

Board and Club members attending:

Chuck Danley  
Greg Littlejohn  
Kimberly Barnett  
Stephen Blucher  
Nolan Schuler  
Paul deBerjeois

1. Treasures Report - We have approx \$2500.00 in all accounts combined
2. Discussion of new possible members from recent flying activities
3. Club fly the 23rd of October in Colorado Springs @ the Holiday Inn's
4. Future events discussed – Winterfest (need a location) and New Years Eve Glow (will be held in conjunction with Care and Share again with an Oreos and Cheerios theme)
5. Balloonmeister proposed the idea of possibly looking at perminate X's in town for future use and doing a choose your landing spot before you launch for this upcoming club 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 November newsletter.

Meeting adjourned at 7:12pm

Kimberly Barnett  
Newsletter Editor/Stand-in Secretary



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**Next General Meeting is Tuesday, October 19  
6p Dinner, 7p Program**

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