



CPI MONTHLY NEWS

March 2018

WELCOME TO THE CPI MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

IN THIS ISSUE

Unfortunately I wasn't able to make the meeting this month but I got the notes I needed thanks to Monique.

Airport Update

So far so good on the airport front. Had a minor issue due to one of the storms or the cleanup afterwards that required some of the runway lights to be repaired. Our illustrious airport manager was on the job and all the lights are working again.

Aircraft Update

For the first time since doing these newsletters I get to report on something that wasn't in the meeting. I've been informed by Monique that as of last night the contract for the Otter for this season is officially signed. We will have our aircraft for the season. Great job to everyone involved.

Not much to report on the Cessna other than work continues.

Safety Day/Staff Meeting

Safety Day is March 10th all skydivers should make every effort to attend. 9AM at the Speech Academy located at 41 School ST Somers, CT. As always there is always great information to be passed along and

it's a great way for us all to get together before the season starts.

A mandatory staff meeting will be held at 6pm in the clubhouse at the end of the day. If you intend to work this season you must attend or contact Monique prior to the meeting.

Cleanup Day

We'll be having cleanup day on March 17th. Brian Knight is in charge of the list of tasks that will need to be completed and he will gladly accept ideas on things we should be doing. All members are encouraged to come out and help get the DZ ready for opening weekend. If you have tools you can bring that day it will be greatly appreciated.

Re-currency Day

March 18th Rob Szabo will be holding a free ground refresher course for any students or A license holders from last year that are looking to get current and continue this season. Class starts at 9:00am in the clubhouse. This will satisfy the ground training for you to make your re-currency jump. If you don't make this class you will have to attend a FJC and pay \$65.00.

Doug's Safety Tip of the Month

The following is an excerpt from Finding the Flow by Shannon Pilcher in the Jan 2018 Parachutist Issue. Shannon is a founding member of the PD Factory Team. He has more than 26 years in the sport and over 19,000 jumps.

"Achieving an optimal state of consciousness is essential to performing at your best. In high-risk sports such as skydiving, reaching that state of mind can be a life saver. Literally. Yet getting and staying there can be elusive and fleeting. However, three simple habits can help you achieve and maintain an optimal state of mind in any endeavor:

The first habit is to remember why you are doing what you are doing. Staying true to your core motivation is more than just cultivating a positive attitude. It is a key component to operating in the now.

The second habit is creating consistent and effective planning processes and sticking to them, especially if you've gone through them hundreds or thousands of times before.

Habit number three is creating consistent and effective reflection processes, and again, being wary of the tendency to shortcut a process when it becomes exceedingly familiar."

UPCOMING EVENTS

- March 10th Safety Day/Staff meeting 9AM
41 School ST Somers, CT
- March 17th Clean Up Day
- March 18th Re-currency Day
- March 31st Opening Weekend
- March 31st Membership Meeting



Notable Highlights



We had a new visitor to CPI last month. His name was Henry. Henry decided to let it slip that he was making his 100th skydive that day. Well we made sure he felt right at home with us. Welcome to CPI Henry.



The ever elusive Johnathan Robarge has returned to his CPI family after a hiatus to take care of some silly wedding or something like that. It's ok though, he made it up to us by bringing a puppy.



The board has secured Matt Chang to teach a USPA Coach course this year at CPI. The course will be June 15th-17th and will require an IRM, non-refundable deposit, and completion of all prerequisites prior to the course. Contact Monique if interested.

The Wrap up

And so ends another edition of our newsletter. March is a super busy month for the club every year. Between safety day, cleanup day, re-currencies, and opening weekend there is always something to do. I know we all can't always make it to every event or every meeting. Sometimes life just happens. I want to just take this time to thank everyone in advance for all their hard work that goes in every year to make sure CPI gets off on the right foot for the season. I look forward to seeing most of you at some point over the next few weeks. As always, Blue Skies to you and I'll see you soon. -Shawn Mitola



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Have a question or concern?

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