

Fisherman's Retreat

Glider Funfly May16,2010

Today was our glider funfly and what a great time we had. We had the great pleasure of having the Inland Soaring Society visit our field with their beautiful sail planes and wonderful helpfulness in showing us what soaring is supposed to be like. They brought their winch launch so we didn't have to get our up start dirty. I turned the CD duties and the reins over to Mike Lee who introduced all of his club members to us and explained the different levels of glider competition. After a short pilots meeting we all went out to the winch to start the competition. While all the members were serious competitors they weren't serious club mates, there was lots of good natured ribbing and everyone helped each other. I borrowed John Ferranti's 2 meter sail plane and got a lesson from the ISS pilots which I ended when I managed to hit a pole with John's plane and demolished a wing, sorry John. I'm going to do this newsletter in a different format this time as I'm going to just publish a bunch of pictures without comments. Unfortunately the group photo didn't come out on my camera but hopefully I'll get one from the ISS club. Once again a great big thank you to the Inland Slope Soarers for coming to our club and sharing with us their expertise. Even though I had to leave early I had a great time while I was there. What a wonderful bunch of guys and gals. I hope you all enjoy the pictures.

Harry



Okay, I lied, this plane Terry is holding was given to him by a friend who found it in his backyard, all I ever find in my backyard is horse poop.







As you can see these folks get some huge altitude. I think by the time I left every one of them had made the three minute flight of the first round.

I also need to mention that our club secretary came out during the week and mowed the infield, so the pit area looked great. Thanks George, your work does not go un-noticed.

Finally, I hope you are all checking out the club web page lately. Ralph has really been working hard on it and it really shows.

Harry Hill

