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cern; many of us believe the growing popularity of motorgliders offers a fruitful avenue to recruit new members for the SSA.

Motorgliding is on the move and this author, for one, predicts it will make a major contribution to the short- and long-term success of the SSA. To maintain the momentum begun at the Hemet-Ryan rally, two more events have been tentatively planned. Marion Barritt offered to host another motorglider rally at her Soar Minden site at Minden, Nevada. At this writing it is scheduled for Aug. 9 and 10, 1986; keep watching the Calendar of Events in *Soaring* for more details. If you want to contact Marion in the meantime she can be reached at P.O. Box 1764, Minden, NV 89423, telephone (702) 782-7627.

Bob Pixler attended the rally and had so much fun he decided to host a

similar event in his region. Bob will arrange a motorglider rally May 9 through 11, 1986, at the Marion County Airport, Jasper, Tennessee. The airport is 22 nautical miles west of the Chattanooga VOR on the 285° radial. Contact Bob at 104 South Drive, Signal Mountain, TN 37377, or telephone him at (615) 886-1277.

We hope to see other leaders like Chris Spangenberg and David Green appear in other regions of the country to duplicate this successful event. If you're interested, let's hear from you; we'll lend you a hand in getting something started in your area. Meanwhile, your author has volunteered to act as an interim point of contact for exchanging motorglider news, etc. Contact him at Limbach Aircraft Corp., P.O. Box 1201, Tulsa, OK 74101, telephone (918) 832-9017.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

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Left: from the cockpit of the Ryson Cloudster, Ray Cote snapped this shot of a Fournier and a PIK inside the formation shown on the front cover. Below are the Silhouette, the Taifun, the PIK and the Fournier. Aloft or on the flight line, it was a photo day.



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