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GWBAA Holds Dispatchers Event; Golf Event Next

Schedulers & Dispatchers Committee Holds "Dispatchers & Donuts" Event

Schedulers and dispatchers gathered earlier this month for a "Dispatchers & Donuts" event at Dulles Jet Center, organized by D.J. Skinner of BNT International. Thanks to everyone who was able to attend! Plans are for the group to continue to have bimonthly social gatherings that will concentrate on topics and subjects as it pertains to the world of scheduling and dispatching. The next event will be in early September - a breakfast/kitchen tour of a local aircraft catering company. An email with all the details will be sent out very soon. So you don't miss it, please email dskinnel@bechtel.com to be added to the list.

Registration Open for GWBAA Golf Tournament

 GWBAA's tenth annual golf tournament, benefiting the Aero Club of Washington's charitable foundation, will return to the 1757 Golf Club in Ashburn, Virginia on September 11th. Sponsors include Gulfstream (breakfast); Bombardier (lunch); Dassault (beverage cart); PNC Bank (closest to the pin); JSSI (driving range); Hospitality Too (putting green); Welsch Aviation (glass sponsor); and FlightSafety, Rudy's Inflight Catering, SatCom Direct, Chantilly Air, Air Cell, World Fuel Fuel Services, Sharp Details, NBAA, CAE, Signature Flight Support, and UAS International Trip Support (hole sponsors).

Sponsorship and golfer registration is available at <http://2014gwbaagolf.eventbrite.com>. (A networking session also will be held the evening of September 10th. Details on this pre-event tradition will be coming soon.) We look forward to another great day on the course for a great cause.



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FAA General Aviation News



The current issue of the FAA's general aviation newsletter is now available at http://www.faa.gov/news/safety_briefing/2014/media/JulAug2014.pdf. The topic of the issue is a "Flying Companion's Guide to GA" - i.e., about introducing friends and family to flight, and the role of passengers aboard general aviation aircraft. The article include a general introduction entitled "Fighting the Fear, Finding the Fun"; a guide to aviation lexicon; a discussion of partnering with pilots for safety and risk management; and an explanation of aircraft weight and balance issues.

Regional News Round-Up

Effective June 9, Runway 15R-33L at **Baltimore/Washington Thurgood Marshall Airport** has been closed for a 90-day reconstruction project. No impact is expected on operations/ most air carrier operations will instead use Runway 10-28.



Construction is continuing at **Manassas Regional Airport** to widen existing runway and taxiway bridge structures to meet FAA safety requirements. The current phase of work is expected to be completed in November; until then, nighttime closures of Runway 16L/34R will be routine (check

NOTAMS for details). For more information about the project, please visit <http://manassasbridgeextension.com>.

The FAA reportedly is considering if car races can be allowed at **Greater Cumberland Regional Airport**; typically the FAA limits the use of temporary partial closures for non-aeronautical events at airports. The FAA also is studying proposals for the removal of trees and other obstructions near **Crisfield-Somerset County Airport**.



The Stafford Regional Airport Authority and the Stafford Economic Development Authority have announced plans for a land swap to create a larger "buffer zone" around **Stafford Regional Airport**. The airport will acquire 104 acres to the northwest of the airport, in return for 15 acres on the southern edge of the airport (which are worth about the same amount, due to their proximity to U.S. 1). Additionally, the Stafford County Planning Commission recently recommended that plans for a residential development named "Oakenwold" be denied due to its proximity to the airport, but the Board of Supervisors is yet to make a final decision. In other Stafford news, the Aviation Adventures flight school earlier this month opened a new location - its fourth - at the airport.

Warren County is considering eminent domain as an option to acquire easements/property upon which there are trees that interfere with approaches to **Front Royal-Warren County Airport**, as well for the construction of FAA-mandated beacons. County Attorney Blair Mitchell told the *Northern Virginia Daily* that the county has reached deals with most of the needed property owners, but there are two hold outs.

Upcoming Events

July 31: International Aviation Club luncheon featuring Kathryn Thomas, DOT Chief Counsel. For more information, please visit <http://www.iacwashington.org>.

August 4: Carl Brobow, a Smithsonian Museum Specialist, will offer a presentation on Gen. George Owen Squier, a pioneer in military aviation, at the Lockheed Martin auditorium in Middle River, Maryland. The event is part of the Glenn L. Martin Maryland Aviation Museum's Aviation Speaker Series. For information, visit <http://www.mdairmuseum.org>.

August 6: Transportation Research Forum evening panel on "Reform of Air Traffic Control System" at the Reason Foundation. For more information, please visit <http://www.trforum.org/calendar/washington.php>.

August 21: FAA Washington Flight Program safety standdown at Hangar 6 at DCA, with NTSB Acting Chairman Christopher Hart as the keynote speaker. For more information, please contact Todd Gentry at todd.gentry@faa.gov.

September 11: Please hold this date for GWBAA's annual golf tournament at the 1757 Golf Club - details are now available at <http://2014gwbaagolf.eventbrite.com>.

September 20: Dulles Day 5K/10K Races. For more information, please visit <http://www.committeefordulles.org/5K.html>.

September 20: Essex SkyPark fly-in. For more information, please visit <http://www.marylandregionalaviation.aero/media/images/EssexWings&Wheels09-20-14.jpg>.

September 21: Hagerstown "wings and wheels" fly-in/drive-in. For more information, please visit <http://www.wingsandwheelsexpo.com>.

September 26: Aero Club luncheon featuring John Pistole, TSA Administrator, at the Capital Hilton. For more information, please visit <http://www.aeroclub.org/events/>.

September 27: Airshow at Leesburg Executive Airport. For more information, please visit <http://www.leesburgairshow.com>.

October 4: Wings and wheels festival at Sussex County Airport in Georgetown, Delaware. For more information, please visit <http://www.wings-wheels.com>.

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