

August 28, 2013

Golf Tournament Scheduled for September 18

Registration Now Open for GWBAA Golf Tournament

GWBAA will be hosting its Ninth Annual Golf Tournament on September 18th at the 1757 Golf Club. Sponsorships still remain for Hole Sponsors, and Closest to the Pin. Single golfer and foursome spots are available as well. Information and registration for the tournament are available at <https://2013gwbaagolf.eventbrite.com>.



The day begins with breakfast at 7AM and we hit the links at 8 AM for a shotgun start. The tournament will be scramble format so get your team ready to enjoy a day on the links that will benefit the Aero Club of Washington Foundation. A networking dinner also will be held the evening before (September 17th) at Clyde's at the Reston Town Center; please RSVP to Dan Walker, daniel.walker@flightsafety.com. Not a golfer? Volunteers are also appreciated for the day of the tournament.

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Regional News Round-Up



Baltimore Helicopter Services, the owner of **Pier 7 Heliport** in Baltimore's Inner Harbor, has received TSA approval to serve as a gateway for flights to Reagan Washington National Airport under the TSA's Fixed Base Operator Standard Security Program (which allows for pre-cleared operators to undergo the security screening necessary to fly to DCA). Pier 7 is the first heliport to receive such an approval.

The **Stafford Regional Airport Authority** held a meeting to discuss building standards for two prospective tenants, each of which would erect 10,000 square-foot buildings. The identity of the tenants has not been disclosed, because negotiations are ongoing. In other news, the authority expressed concern that a developer was seeking to rezone property near the airport in order to build up to 700 homes in a neighborhood that it would call "Oakenwald." The Stafford County Sun reported that authority member Charles "Lindy" Kirkland stated that: "It will be the bane of our existence. We need to oppose it vehemently."

MAG, Inc., an aircraft repair facility at **Hagerstown Regional Airport**, announced that it had received FAA approval to conduct advanced maintenance work on AW139 helicopters. MAG received incentives from Washington County to set up shop in Hagerstown, which will require MAG to maintain 18 full-time employees for a five-year period.

GWBAA congratulates board member Derry J. Skinner, who has accepted a new position with Bechtel as its dispatcher at IAD/Dulles Jet Center.

A small aircraft ditched in the water off of Elliot Island in Dorchester County, Maryland on August 11; no injuries were reported. Additionally, on August 12 a Piper Cherokee crashed while attempting to land at **Shannon Airport**; on August 22, a student pilot crashed while practicing touch-and-go landings at **Manassas Regional Airport**; and on August 23 a student pilot crashed while practicing touch-and-go landings at **Easton Airport**. As always, fly safely!

If you're aware of any news of interest to business aviation occurring around the greater Washington area, please let us know at info@gwbaa.com. For links to news stories compiled by GWBAA, please visit <http://www.gwbaa.com/links.html>.

NBAA Schedulers and Dispatchers Scholarships

NBAA is now soliciting applications for scholarships and training awards to assist schedulers and dispatchers. Applications are due on September 27. For more information about scholarships, please visit <http://www.nbaa.org/prodev/scholarships/sched/> and for training awards please visit <http://www.nbaa.org/prodev/scholarships/schedtrain/>.

FAA General Aviation News



The July/August issue of the FAA's general aviation newsletter, "FAA Safety Briefing," is now available; the theme of the issue is "Be Prepared" (see http://www.faa.gov/news/safety_briefing/2013/media/JulAug2013.pdf). In particular, the issue addresses emergency preparedness topics, ranging from aviation survival equipment ("What Would MacGyver Do?") to defensive flying ("Be Prepared for the Unexpected") to ensuring that your ELT is in working order ("Distressed Over Emergency Beacons?"). Given the recent unfortunate spate of accidents in the greater Washington area, safety should be an ongoing concern for all pilots.

Upcoming Aviation Events

- **September 10:** International Aviation Club luncheon featuring Alex de Gunten, Advisor to the Executive Committee of the Latin American and Caribbean Air Transport Association, at the City Club of Washington. For more information, please visit <http://www.iacwashington.org/Events.aspx?eventId=735714>.
- **September 11:** Transportation Research Forum luncheon on "Airline Fares, Mergers, and Cabotage" featuring Kenneth Button of George Mason University. For more information, please visit <http://www.trforum.org/calendar/washington.php>.
- **September 14:** "Dulles Day" 5K Race and Plane Pull. For more information, please visit <http://www.committeefordulles.org/5K.html>.

- **September 14:** FAA Safety Team seminar on “Aging and the Learning Process” and “Gyroplane Facts and Safety” at Bay Bridge Airport. For more information, please visit http://www.faasafety.gov/SPANS/event_details.aspx?eid=51302.
- **September 18:** Hold this date for the annual GWBAA charity golf tournament.
- **September 19:** Aero Club luncheon featuring Dave Hess, President of Pratt and Whitney. For more information, please visit <http://www.aeroclub.org/event/september-2013-luncheon/>.
- **September 28:** Wings Over Maryland fundraising dinner for the Glenn L. Martin Maryland Aviation Museum at the Sparrows Point Country Club in Baltimore. For more information, please visit <http://www.wingsovermaryland.org>.
- **September 28:** Air show at Leesburg Executive Airport. For more information, please visit <http://www.leesburgairshow.com>.
- **October 24:** Aero Club luncheon featuring Michael Huerta, the FAA Administrator. For more information, please visit <http://www.aeroclub.org/event/october-2013-luncheon/>.
- **October 29-31:** International air safety summit at the Omni Shoreham, sponsored by the Flight Safety Foundation. For information, visit <http://flightsafety.org/meeting/iass-2013>.

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