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## **Thanks to Recent Event Attendees; the Standdown is Next**

### **Open House at ProJet Aviation**

GWBAA held our inaugural Open House and Static Display event with nearly 300 attendees. The event was hosted by ProJet Aviation at Leesburg Executive Airport (JYO). The static display featured a Bombardier CL350, Dassault F900LX, Embraer Legacy 500, Gulfstream G280, HondaJet, Beechcraft King Air 250, and Cessna Citation CJ3+.

In addition to aircraft tours, guests were also able to visit the first-ever remote air traffic control tower in the U.S. and the newly opened Customs and Border Protection facility at the airport.



GWBAA's mission is to bring together the business aviation community and this event supported that mission with a great evening of networking and included many attendees who were new to GWBAA. Thank you to our sponsors whose enthusiasm and support allowed us to bring this new event to our membership.

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## First Young Professional Event of Year at *Lost & Found*

The first YoPro event of the year was held on March 7, 2019, at Lost & Found in Washington, DC. Over 40 attendees enjoyed food and drink provided by event sponsors. The speaker was Aleksandra Bogunovic, Principal and Chief Executive Officer of Aerothreads, Inc. Aleksandra completed graduate studies in the business of art and design, fibers and sculpture at the Maryland Institute College of Art. She shared how a passion for art and science led to a professional career working closely with NASA to design and construct thermal space blankets widely used in telescopes and satellite systems. Today, her organization produces multi-layer insulation blankets for many aerospace firms.



If you would like to be on the distribution list to receive details on all upcoming YoPro Events, please email [cheryl@gwbaa.com](mailto:cheryl@gwbaa.com).

Thank you to our co-sponsors for making this event possible!



## Mark Your Calendar for the GWBAA Safety Standdown in April

Only a few weeks away, the GWBAA 13th Annual Safety Standdown has a line up of industry experts joining us on April 18, 2019 at the NTSB Training Center in Ashburn, Virginia. Last month's newsletter featured a write up on our Keynote speaker, JD McHenry, President & CEO, of Global Jet Services. Also on the agenda, will be another speaker from the Bombardier Safety Standdown, Jeff Wofford, Chief Pilot and Director of Aviation, CommScope.



Other highlights include Moranda Reilly, Project Manager, Data Comm Outreach and Metrics, Electronic Systems/Harris Corporation sharing the latest updates on US Domestic CPDLC DCL and En Route as well as a Business Aviation Safety Panel with industry leaders highlighting the need to consider safety from every angle. To see the full agenda and information on registration and sponsorship please visit <https://gwbaa.com/event-2990461>.

Attendees are eligible to receive CAM Credits by attending this year's event while also hearing updates from NBAA Safety Committee Members and networking with industry vendors.

GWBAA will again host a networking reception the evening prior to the Safety Standdown on April 17, 2019, at MatchBox One Loudoun. Registration now open - <https://gwbaa.com/event-3309923>



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Also, in conjunction with the standdown, Air Culinaire Worldwide and AirCare FACTS are providing a food safety course specific to the unique situations surrounding food on business aircraft. The course is being offered at a substantially discounted price of \$150.00 (compared to \$295.00 per person). Each attendee will come out with valuable information on how to handle food safely for business aviation as well as a certificate that is nationally recognized. Contact [jdettloff@airculinaire.com](mailto:jdettloff@airculinaire.com) with questions or to register.



## Social Media Updates

Some recent items from our social media feeds:

- GWBAA is pleased to announce that Paul Fisher has joined its board. Paul is a former naval flight officer with extensive experience in corporate aviation, and has been the Chief Pilot/ Director of Aviation at GEICO since 2001.



- FAA and NBAA have reminded the business aviation community that Automatic Dependent Surveillance-Broadcast Out (ADS-B) equipment will be required for operations in many areas and at many altitudes effective January 1, 2020. For more information, please visit <https://nbaa.org/wp-content/uploads/aircraft-operations/cns/ads-b/FAA-NBAA-letter-20190325.pdf>.
- AOPA has more than \$1 million in "You Can Fly" scholarships available for high school students who want to learn to fly, and for teachers who want to introduce aviation in their classrooms. See <https://dronelife.com/2019/03/20/aopas-you-can-fly-scholarship-application-deadline-is-april-2-over-1m-available-to-students-and-teachers/>.
- The DOT recently released SIFL rates for the 6-month period from January 1 to June 30. These rates are necessary when applying the IRS aircraft valuation formula to compute values of non-business transportation aboard employer-provided aircraft. See <https://nbaa.org/flight-department-administration/tax-issues/non-business-use-of-employer-provided-aircraft/sifl-rates>.
- NBAA reports that 204 airports are Level 3 slot-coordinated facilities, meaning they are effectively at capacity for runway and parking availability. The issue for #bizav is that airlines get preference, followed by cargo. See <https://nbaa.org/news/business-aviation-insider/scarce-slots/>.
- NATA has released a guide to combating illegal charters. See <https://www.nata.aero/advocacy/illegal-charter-task-force>.
- Applications for the NBAA Dr. Tony Kern Professionalism in Aviation Award are being accepted through May 31. See <https://nbaa.org/about/awards/nbaa-dr-tony-kern-professionalism-in-aviation-award/>.
- NBAA is seeking a summer intern to assist with its marketing and membership efforts. Learn about business aviation while assisting members through a wide range of projects during this eight-week internship. See [https://career4.successfactors.com/career?career\\_ns=job\\_listing&company=nbaa&career\\_job\\_req\\_id=761](https://career4.successfactors.com/career?career_ns=job_listing&company=nbaa&career_job_req_id=761).
- A new Customs & Border Protection (CBP) facility is now open at Leesburg Executive Airport (JYO), offering business aircraft operators a new option for clearing customs in the Washington, DC area. See <https://nbaa.org/aircraft-operations/international/customs-and-regulatory-issues/customs-facility-leesburg-airport-offers-new-option-dc-metro-region/>.

- NBAA has issued a statement on the nomination of Steve Dickson as FAA Administrator. See <https://nbaa.org/press-releases/nbaa-issues-statement-nomination-steve-dickson-faa-administrator/>.

## Regional News Round-Up

The Carroll County Board of commissioners plans to issue bonds to provide stopgap funding for the county's 5% share of the cost of a runway relocation and safety project at **Carroll County Regional Airport**; most of the \$88 million will be paid by the FAA.

Charles County is considering new zoning categories that would enable further development near **Maryland Airport**.

FauquierNow has profiled Ken Peppard, a retired FAA program manager and the No. 1 volunteer at **Warrenton-Fauquier Airport** ([http://www.fauquiernow.com/index.php/fauquier\\_news/article/fauquier-qa-he-has-volunteered-1200-hours-at-county-airport-2-2019](http://www.fauquiernow.com/index.php/fauquier_news/article/fauquier-qa-he-has-volunteered-1200-hours-at-county-airport-2-2019)). In other Warrenton-Fauquier Airport news, the new terminal is about 30% complete and construction of the \$4.5 million facility is expected to be completed in July.

**Winchester Regional Airport** Director Nicholas Sabo has argued to the Frederick County Board of Supervisors that the April 2018 increase in property taxes on aircraft based at the airport is hindering the airport; over the past year 7, of approximately one hundred tenants have left the airport and other businesses are avoiding the airport.

For the fifth year in a row, Chantilly Air's maintenance team has been awarded the FAA's Diamond Award of Excellence for Aviation Maintenance Technician (AMT) Training.

## Upcoming Events

**April 5:** Aero Club of Washington luncheon featuring NTSB Chair Robert Sumwalt at the Capital Hilton. For more information, please visit <https://www.aeroclub.org/events/>.

**April 11-12:** NBAA 2019 PDP Course: Management Fundamentals for Flight Departments Workshop. Washington, DC. For more information, please visit <https://gwbaa.com/event-3229554>.

**April 18:** GWBAA's annual safety standdown, at the NTSB Training Center in Ashburn, Virginia. Registration is now open; please visit <https://gwbaa.com/event-2990461>.

**April 24:** International Aviation Club luncheon, featuring Joel Szabat, Assistant DOT Secretary for Aviation and International Affairs, at the City Club of Washington. For more information, please visit <https://iacwashington.wildapricot.org/Events.aspx>.

**May 4:** Manassas air show. For more information, please visit <https://www.manassasairshow.com/>.

**May 10-11:** AOPA 80th anniversary fly-in at Frederick Municipal Airport. For more information, please visit <https://www.aopa.org/news-and-media/all-news/2018/december/19/2019-aopa-fly-in-locations-revealed>.

**May 11-12:** Joint Base Andrews "Legends in Flight" air and space expo. For more information, please visit <https://legendsinflight.org/>.

**June 12-14:** Maryland regional aviation conference, sponsored by the Maryland Airport Managers Association. For more information, please visit <https://marylandairportmanagers.org>.

**September 12:** Registration for GWBAA's 2019 golf tournament at the 1757 Golf Club is already open - please visit <https://gwbba.com/event-3135962> to register both to play and to sponsor. The event is a 4-person scramble so all levels of golfers are encouraged to join us. Many thanks to our early sponsors:



## NBAA Membership Discount

As a new GWBAA member benefit, if you are not currently a member of NBAA, you can now join at a discounted rate using promo code using promo code GWBAA100. When you join NBAA not only will you receive \$100 off your first-year NBAA membership dues, NBAA will return 50% of your dues to GWBAA, allowing us to keep working on regional issues on your behalf.

NBAA members enjoy a direct line to industry experts, career development opportunities, discounts to all NBAA events, including the NBAA's Business Aviation Convention & Exhibition (NBAA-BACE) and much more. Learn more - <https://nbaa.org/membership/>.

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GWBAA's success and ability to make a difference depends on the breadth of its support and your participation – so please send any ideas or comments for future newsletters, or for GWBAA, in general, to Bob, Cheryl, or Jol.

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