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GWBAA Back-to-Back Golf Tournament and Safety Standdown

Please join GWBAA for our Annual Golf Classic and Annual Safety Standdown, this year on consecutive days at the beautiful [1757 Golf Club](#).

The GWBAA 2023 Golf Classic takes place on Monday, September 18, 2023, and promises to be a fun day of golf and community. We are starting slightly later this year with registration and lunch opening at 11:30AM. The event will include a 4-person scramble with a shotgun start at 1PM. The awards dinner and reception will follow directly after the completion of the golf tournament (approximately 6M).

The GWBAA 17th Annual Safety Standdown is a must-attend event for aviation professionals from across the region to stay at the forefront of aviation safety trends. Join your peers on Tuesday, September 19, 2023, from 7:00AM – 3:3 PM at the 1757 Golf Club to gain insights from industry experts.

Golf registration and sponsorship opportunities can be found here:

<https://birdease.com/2023GWBAAGolf>

Safety Standdown registration and sponsorship opportunities can be found here:

<https://gwbaa.com/event-5284648>

Participants and sponsors for the Golf Classic will also receive a discount for the Safety Standdown.

We look forward to seeing everyone there!

The poster features a blue background with a diagonal orange and blue striped border at the top and bottom. The top right corner contains the text "SAVE THE DATE" in white. Below it, "TWO EVENTS | ONE LOCATION" is written in orange. The left side of the poster is a photograph of a golf ball on a green, with the text "GWBAA 2023 Golf Classic" in white and "Monday September 18, 2023" in white below it. The right side of the poster is a solid blue area with the text "GWBAA 17th Annual Safety Standdown" in white and "Tuesday September 19, 2023" in white below it. At the bottom, "1757 GOLF CLUB" is written in white on a blue background.

Regional News Round-Up

The Town of Leesburg is setting aside funding for a temporary control tower at **Leesburg Executive Airport** (to replace the to-be-decommissioned remote tower system), accompanied by the funding of an initial siting study for the long-term project of designing and funding a permanent facility. The Town will pay to rent the temporary tower but the controllers will be paid by FAA; FAA will also pay to upgrade the temporary tower's radar capabilities, which it will initially lack, in contrast to the remote tower.

Hagerstown Regional Airport announced that no discrepancies were found in its annual inspection by the FAA; because it hosts commercial operations, HGR has a Part 139 certificate from FAA, which requires that certain safety and operational standards be maintained and periodically reviewed.

The Loudoun County of Supervisors authorized a \$70,000 study to propose noise mitigation options for **Washington Dulles International Airport**, and reported that it has not been successful in outreach to FAA to discuss the issues.

The Virginia Aviation Board has announced \$6.5 million in state grants for 21 airports across the state, including \$2.1 million for taxiway and apron rehabilitation at **Leesburg Executive Airport**. (In other JYO news, nine aircraft were reported to have been damaged in a hangar fire on June 25.)

Senator Kaine visited **Winchester Regional Airport** on June 26, to visit the construction site for the airport's new terminal. The \$10 million project is part of \$40 million in investment anticipated over the next five years.

A recent profile of **Massey Aerodrome** in Maryland: <https://chesapeakebaymagazine.com/aerial-adventures-at-massey-aerodrome/>.

The Manassas City Council is considering a proposal from Avports to upgrade the terminal at **Manassas Regional Airport** to enable it to support commercial flights. Airport Director Juan Rivera said the plans would have minimal effects on general aviation.

On June 3, a biplane crashed on landing at **Easton Airport**. No injuries were reported. As always, fly safely!

Upcoming Events

July 27: Aero Club of Washington luncheon, featuring Justin Erbacci, CEO of LAWA. For more information, please visit <https://www.aeroclub.org/july-27-2023-luncheon/>.

September 12: International Aviation Club awards dinner, honoring former DOT Secretary Rodney Slater. For more information, please visit <https://iacwashington.wildapricot.org/event-5306680>.

September 18-19: As above, please hold these dates for GWBAA's golf tournament and safety standdown, to be held back-to-back at the 1757 Golf Club.

About GWBAA

GWBAA President Caleb Stitely (calebstitely@chantillyair.com) and GWBAA Secretary Jol Silversmith of KMA Zuckert LLC (jsilversmith@kmazuckert.com) write and edit GWBAA News.

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 Caleb or Jol.

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 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, and much more. Learn more - <https://nbaa.org/membership/>.

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