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2024 GWBAA Events - Safety Day and Golf Tournament

Please mark your calendars for GWBAA's 2024 events - a safety day on Wednesday, April 24 and the annual golf tournament on Monday, September 9.

The Safety Day is a must-attend event for aviation professionals from across the region to stay at the forefront of aviation safety trends. We will be starting with lunch at Noon, followed by an afternoon of learning. The event will be held at the beautiful [Airbus Experience Center](#) in Washington, DC.

- GWBAA Welcome: 1:00pm
- NBAA Update: 1:10pm
- IAD Tower Updates plus Q&A: 1:30pm
- Airbus Presentation: 2:15pm
- Break with Airbus Experience team: 3:00pm
- Mental Health and the Cockpit: 3:30pm
- Flight Safety Foundation: 4:15pm

Immediately following the sessions, we'll cap off the day with a networking reception from 5 - 6 PM.

Advance registration is required. Please visit <https://gwbaa.com/event-5514964> for more details.

Also, for preliminary information about the annual golf tournament (to be held at the 1757 Golf Club), please visit <https://gwbaa.com/event-5513198>.



Regional News Round-Up

Neighbors of **Montgomery County Airpark** are reported to continue to express concerns about the airport, including that an Airpark Community Advisory Committee authorized by the County Council last year has yet to meet.

At a February meeting of the Airport Commission, Juan Rivera, the Director of **Manassas Regional Airport**, provided a report on the plans for the airport to accept commercial traffic, including firefighting and security requirements.

The Leesburg Town Council was reported to be hopeful that the state budget would cover the 2025-26 rent for **Leesburg Executive Airport's** mobile ATC tower; an agreement with the FAA provides that the agency will staff the tower but the Town must fund its rent, while long-term plans are under development.

The College Park Council has sent a letter to **College Park Airport**, asking that it be prepared to expedite the transition to unleaded avgas.

Tipton Airport is working with the Anne Arundel schools and other prospective partners to develop a maintenance training program at the airport.

An aircraft made an emergency landing at **Stafford Regional Airport** on March 7; no injuries were reported. As always, fly safely!

Upcoming Events

In addition to GWBAA's upcoming events:

April 17: Aero Club of Washington luncheon featuring Jennifer Homendy, Chair of the NTSB. For more information, please visit <https://www.aeroclub.org/april-17-2024-luncheon-registration/>.

About GWBAA

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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 Caleb or Jol.

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