

Valley Flyers

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Well, we had some very nice weather in late April, and certainly it is going to get better. The hangar clean-up party came off this morning. Lots of dirt and debris removed, several trailer loads went to the dump, and our planes now have newly clean stalls. Many thanks to those who helped: Al, Joan, Lyle, Martin, Matt, Mike, Randy, Ron B, Van, and Vern.

Welcome to our newest member, Matt Baker. Matt completed his pilot training last December at Willamette Aviation in Aurora, and has joined the club to have an affordable place to fly. He works at Garmin, and is spending time in 5ED for fun.

A question came up last month regarding scheduling club aircraft. The website will allow you to schedule up to 90 days ahead. If you are planning a trip farther out than that, contact one of the super-users who can help you reserve the time.

If you are flying in the PDX area, and especially in to Pearson field, remember that there is a temporary Control Tower in operation at VUO from 0800-2100 (local) daily thru Oct 6. The tower is a little raised hut just off the parking apron. The CT frequency is 119.0, which is also the CTAF when the tower is not in operation. 123.0 is still Unicom. You *must* contact tower before entering the class D airspace, and also before taxiing onto the taxiway. You can coordinate with the controller if you want a midfield departure to the south across PDX. Because PDX runway 10R/28L is closed for repairs, keep a good look out for PDX traffic on 10L/28R and on arrivals or transiting the area, don't forget to contact PDX approach before you're in the Class C area!

Fly safely, fly for fun!

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