



Valley Flyers

"Just Plane Fun!"

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Monthly Events!

This month, we have a meeting with the tower on August 18th at Flight Deck. More on this is listed later in this newsletter.

On Labor Day, September 5th, we will have our next club fly-out. This time, we will fly to Copalis, WA (S16). Copalis is the *only* beach runway in the lower 48 states! Low tide is at 9:25, so we will plan to leave here by 8:30. Briefing for the flight will begin at 8. We will discuss landings on sand during the briefing. Bring a picnic lunch for some extra fun. We will be back by afternoon, since the runway disappears at high tide. It is an incredible airport, and one everyone should enjoy! We will have an airplane wash party after we return to Salem to wash the salt off of the airplanes.

Refueling Reminder

As a club, we work hard to keep flying affordable. Although the cost of fuel at Salem has remained high, fuel prices at many other nearby airports has dropped significantly. As examples:

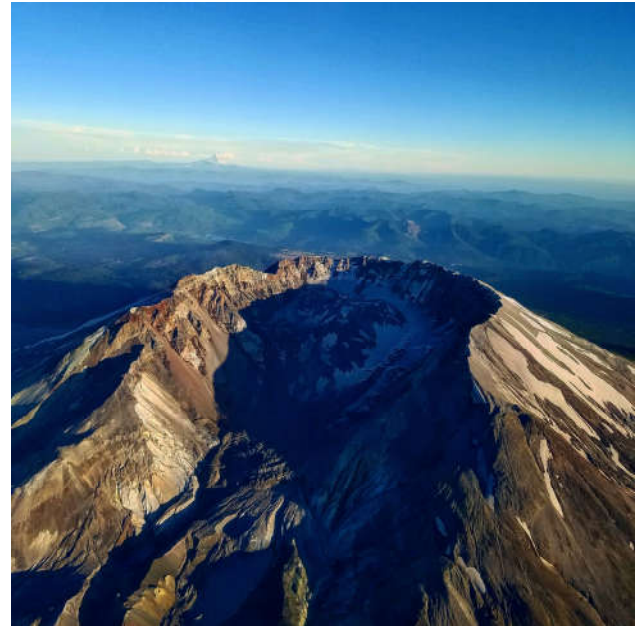
Salem:	\$4.85/gal
Albany:	\$4.39/gal
Independence:	\$3.99/gal (@ south ramp)
Twin Oaks:	\$3.99/gal

Fueling up at one of the alternate airports can save between \$6/hr and \$12/hr! This savings can help us pay off the engines faster and start doing some of the other cosmetic and avionics upgrades that we all desire.

Hopefully the fuel prices in Salem will be more competitive soon, but until then, thank you for helping to keep our costs down!

Update Your Information in Aircraft Clubs

Please update your information in Aircraft Clubs. If there are sections you are unable to edit that are out of date, please contact a board member to have it updated. If your phone number, email addresses, or physical addresses are out of date, it may cause billing issues.



Mt. St Helens flight, captured by Chris Eriksson.

August Events

Meeting with Tower

We are meeting with the tower controllers to keep an great relationship with Salem tower. It provides a great opportunity for members to ask for clarifications on airport operations, as well as providing the controllers with a means to tell us what would make their jobs easier and better understand what we are doing. Especially with the construction going on, it is always helpful to give the controllers a chance to talk to us and let us know what will help them most to handle the new traffic flow. Bring your questions, and learn what life is like for our air traffic controllers who work every day to keep us safe in the skies over Salem.

This will take place at 6 pm on August 18th downstairs at the Flight Deck. If you want to eat during the meeting, please order it online or over the phone at least an hour in advance, arrive early, or stay late to eat. They cannot serve food downstairs so we must order and pick it up upstairs. Look for an email with further details on this.

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Airport Construction Update

The south ramp has been closed now for construction. Remember to check your NOTAMS prior to each flight. While the south ramp is closed, the hangar row with 36H and 574 can still access the airport, but the aircraft must taxi directly in front of 5ED and 382s hangars. If flying 5ED or 382, please limit how much time you are parked in front of the hangar, as it blocks the only way in and out of the row. With this closure, taxiway C is closed. The currently preferred route to runway 34 is by Charlie-Juliet-Alpha-Foxtrot and crossing runway 34.



Ron Sterba noticed a visitor to Salem airport in a Boeing 737.

TFR Season

It is TFR season once again! Fires are popping up here and there, so beware of the surprise TFRs. Check NOTAMS regularly, and if you see a large amount of smoke, keep your distance!

It is also airshow season, so keep an eye out for the airshow traffic. Along with airshow TFRs, keep an eye out at Corvallis for their aerobatic box practices. This box is to the east of Runway 35/17, and south of 9/27. Low level aerobatics are practiced regularly, so be sure to monitor 123.075 for traffic.

Notable member achievements

Tim Burnett- Private Pilot, July 10th, 2016.

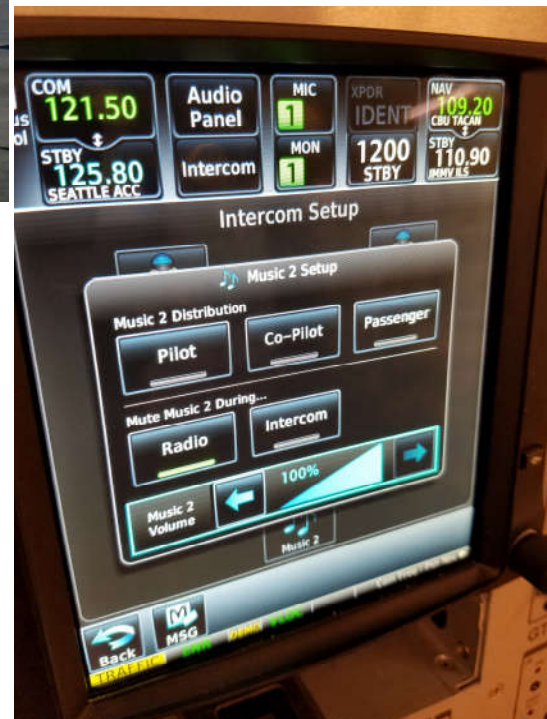
If you have had your first solo flight, a new certificate, rating, endorsement, or any other flying achievement, send an email to Christopher.c.eriksson@gmail.com and it will be included in the next month's newsletter.

New Auxiliary Audio in 5ED

The audio panel in N515ED has the ability to accept external audio and play it over the intercom. Previously, the wiring for this was not installed,

however thanks to an intern at Garmin who is also an A&P, he was able to install the auxiliary audio jack to the panel of 5ED. The jack is just to the right of the trim wheel. When you plug in an audio source, the music can be turned on and off in the intercom controls by selecting Music 2. Under this menu, multiple options are available, including who can hear the music, the volume, and when the music should mute.

In the music page of the intercom, there are selections for when to mute music, including during intercom activity, or radio activity. If it mutes otherwise, check if the GTN click volume is turned up. This can be turned off under System, Audio. If you have any questions on how to use this, contact Chris Eriksson for more information. Enjoy the music!



Have you had a memorable trip, flying experience, or words of wisdom from which others in the club would benefit, or that you would like to share? Please send your stories, tips, quotes and pictures to **Chris Eriksson** for inclusion in future newsletters.