



Valley Flyers

"Just Plane Fun!"

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N1636H Update

Cherokee 1636H passed the inspection process as an appropriate candidate for Garmin's STC certification program. 36H is currently at Garmin being used for the certification project. Assuming that the program continues on schedule, we should have 36H back mid-August equipped with a new Garmin G5 electronic primary attitude indicator and state-of-the-art GFC 500 2-axis autopilot. Stay tuned to future newsletters for more detailed information about how to use this new advanced auto-pilot.

Monthly Events

Our July flight was diverted to Sisters (6K5) instead of Orcas Island (KORS) on July 21st where lunch was had at the Sisters Meat and Smokehouse (about a 15 minute walk from the airport). A group also flew to Mulino for Oregon Pilot Associations annual blueberry pancake feed on July 14th (talk about a fantastic breakfast!). There won't be an organized event in August, but members are strongly encouraged to get together and go to one of the events listed in the Upcoming Events section. Organizing an outing is as simple as sending an email to the entire club to see who is interested!



Colorful fields on the way to Mulino – Isaac Mosgrove



Blueberry Pancakes at Mulino – Todd Lindley

More KSLE Runway Closures

As you are probably aware, the runway rehabilitation project is well underway with Work Areas 1 & 2 already complete, and Work Area 3 nearing completion. The following is an update on **NEW** anticipated runway closure and opening dates, which have changed from previous updates:

- **Runway 13/31 will remain closed through 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 7th.** At 5:00 p.m. on August 7th the runway will reopen and the associated nav aids will be back in operation. Please note that the runway will NOT have grooves at this time. The runway will continue to be open and operational until Monday, September 10, when it will once again close and the nav aids turned off for final grooving and striping.
- The grooving and final striping at the intersection of both runways is now scheduled for Monday-Tuesday, September 10th-11th. **BOTH runways will be closed beginning at 7:00 a.m. on Monday, September 10 until 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 11th.** At 7:00 p.m. on September 11th runway 16/34 will reopen and runway 13/31 will remain closed until 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 19th. The project should be complete with both runways open and operational at this time.

As always please check your NOTAMs before you fly. As a reminder, NOTAMs cannot be entered into the system until 72 hours before closure, so if you need any information or updates beyond 72 hours please contact the airport manager and they will be happy to assist.



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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.

Welcome New Members

We are thrilled to welcome the following new member:

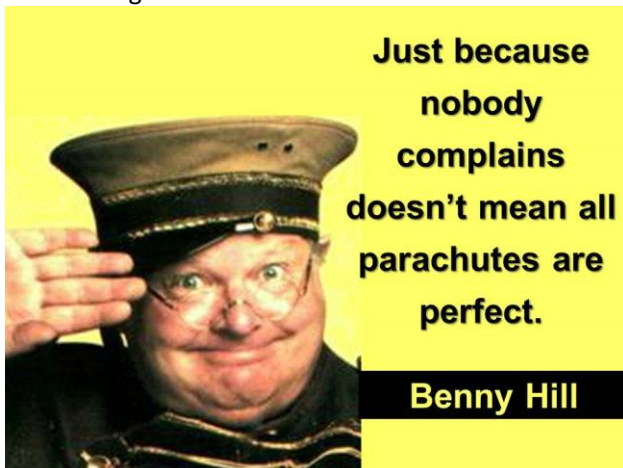
Michael Looper joined as a student member earlier this year. Michael has wanted to fly for as long as he can remember. He remembers picturing himself flying through the canyons when they would drive to Quincy, CA. Michael finally was able to start his flight training last year while he lived in Mesa, AZ. He and his wife of 8 years moved to Salem in January when Michael started a job at Garmin as a System Engineer. They have fallen in love with Oregon in the short time that they've lived here. He is now finishing his training with Todd Lindley and looks forward to exploring more of Oregon from the air.

Competition Reminder

Don't forget! When you land at a new airport, email me at Christopher.c.eriksson@gmail.com with the new airports visited. I will add it to the list and we will see who has traveled the most at the end of the year! Have fun and be safe!

Flying in the Heat

Just a reminder that repeated trips around the pattern during high temperatures can be extremely tough on our engines and cause damage. If you want to practice pattern work (which everyone is encouraged to do), please hop between several of the local airports after every couple of landings. This will give the engines a chance to cool down and avoid overheating and excessive wear.



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Upcoming Events

- Every Friday Morning: **Lenhardt's for Donuts, Lenhardt (759)**. All are welcome starting at 9 am.
- 1st Saturday of the month: **Breakfast fly-in at Starks Twin Oaks Airport (753)**. 8:00-10:00 am for only \$7 (\$3 youth).
- 3rd Saturday of the month: **Breakfast fly-in at Creswell Hobby Airport (775)**. 9:00-10:00 am all you can eat for \$5.
- 4th Saturday of the month: **Lunch fly-in at Infinite Air Service, Albany Airport (S12)**. Noon-2pm. Drop in, have lunch, socialize, and get low-cost fuel.
- August 3-4: **Warbirds over the West Vintage Aircraft Fly-in, Salem (KSLE)**. Military & Aviation fly-in, swap meet, WWII Living History Encampment, 40's Hangar Dance, and fundraiser hosted by B17 Alliance.
- August 9th: **8th Annual Garmin Open House/Seminars Event at Garmin AT (KSLE)**. 3-7pm. The event includes dinner, tours, seminars, product demo's, and prize drawings for selected Garmin products. This is free to Aviators. RSVP required to wayne.mcgee@garmin.com.
- August 17-19: **Van's Homecoming and EAA 292 Fly-in, Independence (755)**. Dinner, pancake breakfast, forums, tours, french toast breakfast, and other activities. See www.eaa292.org/copy-of-fly-in for a detailed schedule of activities.
- August 19th: **2nd Annual STOL Exp, Independence (755)**.
- August 25-26: **Airshow of the Cascades, Madras, OR (S33)**. See www.cascadeairshow.com for more details.
- September 12-16: **National Championship Air Races and Air Show, Reno, NV**
- September 23rd: **Jordan Chicken Run Cruise In & Fly In, Gillette Field (private OR51 at Jordan, OR)**. Annual chicken dinner 10:30am – 3pm. Fly-in, car show, raffles, poker walk, vendors, and all you can eat dinner. Dinner includes BBQ chicken, potatoes and gravy, green beans, noodles, cole slaw, roll, and dessert (1 free dinner for fly-in; Adults \$15, Children 5-12 \$5, Children 4 and under free). Gillette is a grass strip 2900 ft, 735' MSL, CTAF 122.9.