



Valley Flyers

"Just Plane Fun!"

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Strawberry Shortcake and BBQ

Isaac Mosgrove

What a perfect day! We could not have asked for better weather for our Annual Club BBQ and Strawberry Shortcake gathering on June 19th. It was a great time of visiting, relaxing, playing games, eating and just having fun at the airport. People were so engrossed in their conversations that it took a while before they noticed the food was ready (and members brought lots of delicious dishes)! The strawberries were about as fresh as we could get since they were ready for pickup two days before the event. Don, one of the newer KSLE controllers, came down and visited with us before heading back to the tower with his arms full of food and treats.

Thank you to everyone who helped with this year's event (set up, cooking, and clean up). We had a fantastic turnout this year! We look forward to seeing everyone at our next club event!



A Farewell Gift...

Isaac Mosgrove

Landon Nye has contributed his time and talents to club for many years. As an IA, he has helped provide guidance, performed maintenance, and overseen upgrades to our fleet. Landon and his family have decided to move out of Oregon and will be moving

across the country where he has an incredible opportunity to continue serving the aviation community. As a final gift to the club, Landon and Amber graciously donated a wonderful propane grill and two full propane tanks which made their club debut at the annual BBQ.

The BBQ is stored in the hangars and is available for members to use. We ask that you please clean it after each use so that we keep it in great shape for many years to come (scrub the grill with the provided brush and clean off the grill housing to keep it nice).

So, come on down to the hangar and have a BBQ in honor of Landon!



Club flyouts

Todd Lindley

After several failed attempts due to weather to make it to Florence this year, the weather finally



cooperated, and we were able to get a successful fly out to 6S2 in the record books. We had all the club airplanes (minus 70574) make the journey and we were

joined by another pilot from 7S9 in their airplane. Though the coastal surface winds were starting to pick up and were forecast at 20 knots, the flight to

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Florence was smooth in both directions. After securing the airplanes we made the 20-minute walk to the Florence Historic Old District where the group had a nice breakfast at Mari's Kitchen. Be sure to add 6S2 as another coastal destination to take friends and family for a \$100 hamburger.

On Saturday July 24th, we'll make the one hour and 25-minute flight to Boeing Field (KBFI) to visit the Museum of Flight. The museum is home to a vast variety of aircraft and space exhibits. We'll depart Salem at 8:00 am in order to make it for the 10:00 am museum opening. There are 4-5 aircraft parking spots available at the museum so if we arrive early we should be able to park at the museum. We'll plan to eat lunch at the museum's café or stop on the way back at KTIW or KCLS for a bite to eat.



The first full weekend in August, the Orcas Island EAA chapter hosts the annual fly-in and antique car show. In past years there have been 50-100 airplanes parked for camping during the fly-in. The quaint town of Orcas is a short walk from the airport for dining and shopping. During the fly-in, the fire station next to the airport hosts a pancake fund raiser so that covers your breakfast part of the day. For those camping, it's best to stake out a spot early so we'll depart late Friday morning August 6th. On Saturday we'll also plan to make the hop over to Friday Harbor or Roche Harbor for some lunch or dinner. If you aren't a camper feel free to book a local B&B or fly up early Saturday or Sunday morning for the day. If the San Juan Islands are on your flying destination bucket list, now is your opportunity to join in on the fun.

Member news and achievements

Congratulations to Austin Langford on passing his private checkride! (CFII Scott Bragg)

New member bio: Jessica Glass

Jessica Glass

I'm very excited to be a new Valley Flyers member. Almost four years ago I started my career with Garmin AT and flew for the first time in a small airplane (5ED with Alison N). Since then I've flown many more times for work and for fun with other friends in the club. I am so excited to be working on a PPL of my own :) Outside of work, I also enjoy running, hiking, playing soccer, and reading.



Annual club contests: reminder!

We're halfway through the year already (!) so don't forget that we have two contests within the club for 2021: most hours flown, and most different airports visited. All flights must be made as PIC in a club aircraft (time instructing as a CFI doesn't count). The prize for each one is a free flight hour in the club aircraft of your choice.

At the end of the year you can submit your entries to the club Board.

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