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GWBAA 16th Annual Golf Classic Wrap-Up



On September 17, GWBAA held our annual Golf Classic at the 1757 Golf Club. The weather was great for our 64 golfers and sponsors who came out to enjoy the day on the golf course. The 1757 Golf Club provided a great course yet again for our golfers. COVID protocols were in place with each golfer getting their own golf cart, masks being worn in the clubhouse, and box breakfast and lunches provided. Plans for 2021 are in motion so watch out for save-the-date announcements and the launch of the registration website. Thank you for everyone who supported the 2020 GWBAA Golf Classic: players, sponsors, volunteers, and the GWBAA board.



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NBAA Virtual Safety Week

NBAA will be holding virtual safety events during the week of October 5-9, including two of the most popular events that typically take place each year during the annual convention - the Single-Pilot Safety Standdown and the National Safety Forum. Registration is free and CAM credit is available. For more information, please visit <https://nbaa.org/professional-development/on-demand-education/nbaa-go/virtual-safety-week>.

Virtual Safety Week



Thank You, Cheryl!

We want to thank Cheryl Goldsby for all her hard work and excellent support to GWBAA over the last several years as our Executive Director. She has been an invaluable, key member of our team. For us, she was the glue that tied us together in many instances, kept us on track, and did countless “behind-the-scenes” efforts in support of GWBAA. For many of you, she was likely the face (or voice) of GWBAA.

Unfortunately, as with many other associations (and businesses), COVID has had an impact on business operations and challenges have had to be addressed. GWBAA is no different in that situation. For the foreseeable future, GWBAA will function as it did for its first decade-plus; as an all-volunteer group, dependent on the efforts of the Board Members and membership to represent and support the business aviation community in the Greater Washington, D.C. area.

Most of you already have a personal relationship with someone on the Board, and we encourage you to reach out to them if you have any questions or need anything. If not, we can be reached at info@gwbaa.com.

As always, if you would like to become more engaged with GWBAA; either on the Board, supporting an initiative, or volunteering at an event, please let us know!

Again though – and most importantly - all of us on the GWBAA Board want to sincerely thank Cheryl for her support and personal devotion to GWBAA over the last few years.

Regional News Round-Up

Starting October 5, Runway 16R/34L at **Manassas Regional Airport** is expected to be closed for 45 days as part of the airport’s ongoing improvement projects. For more information, please see <http://manassasregionalairportprojects.com/runway-16r-34l-rehabilitation.html> and consult NOTAMs. In other Manassas news, Airport Director Juan Rivera has stated that the airport has seen a significant resumption in traffic, in large part due to charter flights, although it will be some time until traffic returns to pre-pandemic levels.

Newly announced FAA grants for area airports include \$1.6 million to **Easton/Newnam Field** to construct a safety area; \$5.5 million to **St. Mary's County Regional Airport** for a runway extension; \$2.6 million to **Ocean City Municipal Airport** for runway reconstruction; and \$600,000 to **Charlottesville-Albemarle Airport** for terminal, sign, and lighting improvements.

Salisbury-Ocean City Wicomico Regional Airport is considering whether to use funds made available by the CARES Act, along with state grants and a local match, to acquire a new fire truck. A recent article in the *Salisbury Independent* provides an overview of the airport and its development plans - <https://salisburyindependent.net/special-reports/salisbury-rising-2020-county-airport-remains-an-economic-jewel-with-great-potential/>.

St. Mary's County has consolidated the positions of Airport Manager and Transportation Manager in its Department of Public Works into a new position, Deputy Director-Transportation, to be filled by Allison Swint, the current Airport Manager.

Charles County is considering new zoning near **Maryland Airport**, to allow compatible commercial and industrial development.

Dulles Day (including the races and plane pull) will be a virtual event this year - for more information, please visit <https://potomac.enmotive.com/events/register/2020-dulles-day-5k-10k-on-the-runway>.

No injuries were reported after small aircraft accidents at **Hagerstown Regional Airport** on September 23 and at **Lee Airport** on September 17. As always, fly safely!

About GWBAA

GWBAA Interim President Jamie Wilson (jamie.wilson@fbopartners.com) and GWBAA Secretary Jol Silversmith of KMA Zuckert LLC (jsilversmith@kmazuckert.com) write and edit GWBAA News.

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 Jamie or Jol.

NBAA Membership Discount

As a new GWBAA member benefit, if you are not currently a member of NBAA, you can now join at a discounted rate using promo code GWBAA100. When you join NBAA not only will you receive \$100 off your first-year NBAA membership dues, NBAA will return 50% of your dues to GWBAA, allowing us to keep working on regional issues on your behalf.

NBAA members enjoy a direct line to industry experts, career development opportunities, discounts to all NBAA events, and much more. Learn more - <https://nbaa.org/membership/>.

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