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CONGRATULATIONS!

New Solos!

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Nathaniel Prakasam	9/16	Kamnetz
Cory Knittel	9/24	Yager
Charles Massey	9/30	Yager

New Ratings

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Simon Winchester, Private	9/3	Watt
Eric Burlingame, Private	9/5	Guthrie
Lewis Kostiew, Private	9/12	Pipkin/Vogel
Yuki Utsumi, Commercial	9/14	Catalfamo
Diego Acevedo, Private	9/17	Pipkin/Demco

CALENDAR

Monthly

Aircraft Maintenance Team: Meets every Thursday from 4-8 pm at the Renton Office. Contact Walt Cameron for more information.

October 2014

Board of Directors Meeting, 4pm 10/17 at Renton Office

Inside the Newsletter

Flight Schedule Pro (FSP) Phase 2 coming November 1! Members' help is needed with the transition. Please see article on page 2.

From Your President By Steve Beardslee

The days are now getting shorter, the temperatures cooler, and the rain is more frequent - now is a great time for getting current on instrument and night flying.

We've had a great summer, and most importantly, a SAFE one! It suggests that our emphasis on training, proficiency, and continually striving to be "professional" - pays off.

This past month, the Board approved our Secretary's (Damian Monda) request to be placed on LOA due to his continuing heavy workload on the Company's 767 Tanker program. Bob Ingersoll has been acting Secretary, and is now formally appointed Secretary to serve the remainder of Damian's unfinished term. My heartfelt thanks to both Damian and Bob.

As always, there are many little issues (well-managed day-to-day), and fortunately, there are only a few that require significant attention; that's as it should be.

BEFA, generally, operates well, but never perfect. As a 501(C)(4) non-profit association, we are able to operate a safe & well-maintained fleet of aircraft -- but are always "challenged" by the continuing need to work the delicate balance between maintaining low rental rates -- and funding aircraft upgrades. We are continuing to refine and improve our processes.

During October, the Elections Committee (chaired by Bob Ingersoll) will be developing a slate of candidates for three Board positions (President, Operations Officer, and Secretary). Elections will be held during November, and those elected will each serve two-year terms beginning in January. It's a great opportunity to be involved in BEFA; if any participating member is interested, please contact Bob.

Fly Safe!



Aircraft Rates

October-2014	
Aircraft	Hourly Rate
PCATD-M	\$ 15.00
PCATD-NM	\$ 20.00
Redbird FMX (member)	\$ 65.00
Redbird FMX (non-member)	\$ 85.00
C150	\$ 100.47
C172	\$ 122.06
PA-28-151/161	\$ 122.06
C172SP	\$ 138.89
Citabria	\$ 139.15
R172K XP Float	\$ 163.55
C182Q	\$ 172.75
SR20 (HOBBS)	\$ 170.12
C182RG (68T)	\$ 183.75
C182RG (65C)	\$ 201.59
CT210	\$ 251.75

("M" and "NM" refer to members and non-members, respectively.)

Flight Schedule Pro – Phase II and Help Needed

By Oliver Meier, Operations Officer

BEFA is working to complete our full transition to FSP. Overall the scheduling transition has worked out well. I thank our pilots and staff for their patience. The end result is well worth it. As some of you may have noticed, FSP is actively being developed and improved by the owners. An iPhone app was released earlier this year and has already seen several updates to enable more functionality. There are plans for significant upgrades to it to enable more functions and allow pilots & staff to have all the same functions provided by the website. Speaking of the website, Version 4.0 is currently in beta test and will soon be deployed. The functionality will remain consistent with V3.0 (the current interface) but will offer significant refinements and new features.

Our next big step is to implement electronic time keeping and maintenance tracking at Renton starting November 1. We have already done this at PAE at the beginning of 2014 and have had excellent results. Regal Air (our maintenance provider) is very satisfied with it as are our pilots and staff.

A user guide is currently available on BEFA.org on the homepage under the Renton Flight Schedule Pro Users announcement. The new areas pilot should familiarize

themselves with are the "Check AD's and Recurring Maintenance" as well as "Dispatch (Check-Out) an Airplane" and "Check In an Airplane (after return).

We need a few volunteers who can spare a few hours to help us get ready for the November activation. If you can help, or if you have any further questions feel free to contact your CFI, BEFA Staff or myself.

Thanks!

Boeing Auburn Site Family Day

By Glenn Dalby, Vice President

Many thanks to the BEFA members who turned out to support the Auburn site open house event on September 21!

Dan Schultz, Steve Beardslee, George Ptasinski, and Diana Klug staffed our booth and answered questions from many prospective new members. Maintaining a high profile at these events is critical to keeping BEFA membership at the level needed to keep our costs down and benefits everyone in our association. Again, thanks to those volunteered for this event!

Safety and Operations Briefing

By Wes McKechnie, BEFA Operations Manager

BACKING PLANES INTO THEIR STALLS

Please remember to place the metal chocks behind the tires when taking the plane out of the stall so that you have a "target" to aim for when pushing it back in on return. We had an incident where a plane was backed into the aircraft parked directly behind it, and this technique aids in preventing that from happening.

FLIGHT SCHEDULE PRO

Please note that we have an additional add on to the choices in the "Reservation Type" drop down window on Flight Schedule Pro. "Training" has been added to "Standard". "Training" is to denote a student type training flight in furtherance of an FAA license/rating, (Private, Instrument, Float Rating, Commercial etc...), dual or solo, or a BEFA 6 month check, Mountain Check, Aircraft model/type check, aerobatics etc.... "Standard" means the usual local area flight or Cross Country type flight. Another one that's been added is "Weather", which is used if an aircraft is grounded due to weather, at an airport that is other than its base, and is mostly used by the BEFA Staff. Please work in to your routine,

clicking either "Standard" or "Training" when booking a plane.

As Oliver noted above, we are looking for some volunteers to input some data into FSP in preparation for the November activation. If you could spare a few hours to help, please let me know. Thanks.

AIRCRAFT COVER SNAPS

When removing the attach straps on the covers from the plane's wing top, please lift "up" on the snap to disconnect. If you reach up and pull it from the side, causing a side load, it has a tendency to break the receptacle snap in the wing. See Wes for more info. Thanks.

Grievances:

- BEFA Office front door found unlocked after hours after Staff gone.

**Notes From The Office
'Attaboys For Our Volunteers**

Your fellow members continue to pitch in to keep us running smoothly, often saving money in the process. This month we thank:

- Dan Williams and Ray Pedrizetti for washing 7568T
- Debbie Brown for organizing the parts room and light bulb stock.
- Todd Patrick for filling up the oil bottles.
- Missed a couple of other folks who did some needed tasks this month. Please let me know of your good seeds!
- The BEFA Crew for their constant diligence in keeping our fleet going!

Volunteer Help is STILL Needed

BEFA has a regular need for volunteer help. Unfortunately, Boeing work demands are making it increasingly difficult to provide community service. BEFA has many needs and cannot satisfy them without member help. If you can contribute, please call the office to volunteer. Below is the BEFA updated volunteer project list for your generous consideration:

- Replacing or repairing some of the hangar downspouts
- Anyone with a working knowledge of Real Player software please see Wes.

If you can head up or help on any of the above projects, please let Wes know. Your efforts are greatly appreciated!

Classified Ads

DIRTY CARPETS OR UPHOLSTERY?

BEFA Members get a 15% Discount
ABC Jet Steam Clean
Carpet Cleaning, Upholstery Cleaning
425.221.2244 or 425.289.6527
abcjetsteam.com
Kel & Deb Brown (BEFA members)

**1968 Cherokee Six PA32-300
1/4 Share for Sale \$20,000**

New engine: 50hrs SMOH
3 blade prop 2006
Rebuilt tip tanks 2009: Total Fuel capacity 84 gallons;
Typical Fuel burn 12gal/hr
Full fuel payload capacity approx 975 pounds
New Garmin SL40 radios 2011

Contact Bob Carter for further information
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See three photos below





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JEPPESEN EMPLOYEES FLYING ASSOCIATION:

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BEFA has a Facebook Page



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- 3) Any Board Member

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