

# YALE AVIATION NEWSLETTER

June 2016

## UPCOMING EVENTS –

➤ For personal reasons, **Charlie Skelton** is taking at least 6 months off from his instructional, chief pilot, and chief maintenance officer duties, while retaining his billing and new member ones. Hal from Robinson Maintenance will be handling squawks on the airplanes. Please be sure to contact Hal (or fellow mechanics Paul & Bob) as you would have Charlie should you note something wrong with either aircraft – the contact

information is on the new squawk cover sheet.

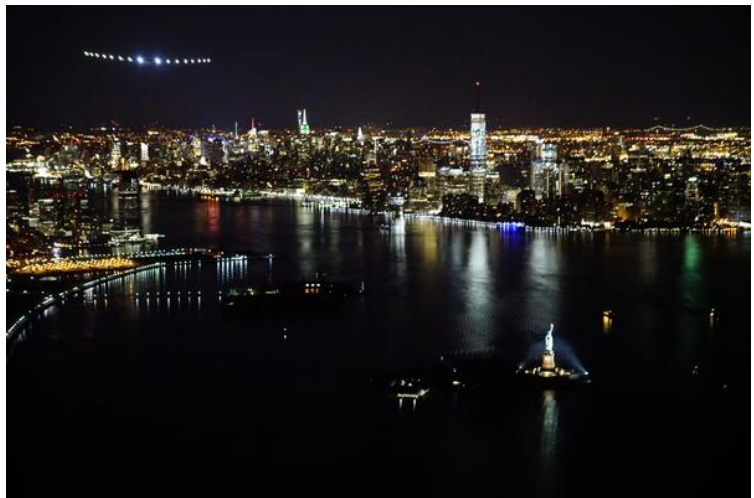
➤ **Wash & Wax:** We will be doing our next Wash & Wax for our airplanes on **Saturday, June 25, 9 am**, so prepare yourselves for washing, eating, and hangar stories (also waxing).... **PLEASE RSVP** so we know who is coming & how much food to provide: [lfbaldwin@aol.com](mailto:lfbaldwin@aol.com) !!!

➤ **Solar Impulse** is located at JFK for the moment, preparing for the next leg of its journey around the world powered solely by the sun. Check it out at <http://www.solarimpulse.com/>

➤ **The ARC (Air Race Classic) June 21-24.** Women pilots will fly from Embry Riddle in Arizona to Daytona Beach, Florida. Check out their progress at their website: <http://www.airraceclassic.org/>

➤ **CHECKLIST MISSING AGAIN!!** While it is common for airplane checklists to disappear from time to time, the start & pretake-off checklist for 55044 seems to be particularly hard to find. Please be sure you return this (and all) checklists you use to the side pocket where it can be used by the next member!

➤ **ATTENTION REGARDING CALLOUT FEES!** We like to encourage our members to take the airplanes and make use of them, but PLEASE remember that if you find you need to have fuel for the planes or take them in or out of the hangars afterhours, this will result in a **CALLOUT FEE of \$150** that will be charged to Yale Aviation and passed on to you. The easiest way to avoid these fees – and work well with the kind line folks at Robinson – is **FOR YOU** to let the Robinson front desk know well



ahead of time if you need fuel or wish to use the airplanes early or late. Please be as considerate as you can of their time and efforts.

## PILOTS...

For those of you in training, the **ACS (Airmen Certification Standards)** is an enhanced version of the PTS, and it will replace the PTS for instrument and private certificates TODAY. You can download the new ACS from the FAA at [http://www.faa.gov/training\\_testing/testing/acs/media/private\\_airplane\\_acs.pdf](http://www.faa.gov/training_testing/testing/acs/media/private_airplane_acs.pdf), plus check out the FAA's orientation webinars, listed in the Education Section below!

Those of you who've accumulated more hours than you might likely fly please consider donating to the club – it is tax deductible!! **Help keep Yale Aviation alive in the future as it was for you!**

## ... & PLANES

**32028** is A-OK, and has 40 hrs until its next 100 hour/annual. Some have noted a transponder issue, which is in the initial stages of being worked on.

**55044** is A-OK, with 14 hours until its 100 hour/annual. This next 100 hr will be at Robinson, since the corrosion program will NOT be started just yet to give the paint more time to cure. There is an issue to be watched with the brake fluid on the left main oleo – be sure to note if you see fluid dripping.

➤ **Remember:** to tie down the airplanes after landing. If leaving the aircraft for more than a few minutes, be sure to apply the brake and lock the airplane.

**ONLY remove the cowling when you have at least two (2) people.** Scrapes and chips have already been noted in our new paint job, and this is most probable when you try to remove the cowling with one person only!

**STRATUX IN OUR AIRPLANES** – You may have noted that 55044 is carrying a lovely plastic bin in the baggage compartment for organizing our gear (thanks to **Gus Zupka**, I understand). In addition, both planes have small plastic containers with a Stratux, an aviation weather and traffic receiver, one built by **Raj V-J** and the other by **Seth Kyle** for the use of our members. The instructions (written on the receiver) are fairly simple, but do require some attention.

### Stratux Checklist:

- 1) Plug the Stratux into a cell phone battery or charger (you can use the Velcro strap to bind them together for convenience) using the cable included.
- 2) Open the wifi connections setting on your device and connect to the Stratux wireless. It will take a minute to connect, fyi.
- 3) Open your flight program of choice (Foreflight, WingX, Fly-Q EFB, etc).
- 4) The antenna is magnetic, and DOES NOT need to be extended.
- 5) At about pattern altitude, weather and limited traffic should be received.
- 6) THERE IS NO GPS. (For GPS information you need a GPS unit, such as a Dual 150.)
- 7) This does NOT eliminate the need to scan for traffic!**
- 8) To shut down, disconnect the battery/charger and store back in the Stratux case.



**THE A/FD HAS BEEN RENAMED! Do you have your [Chart Supplement](#)?**

<http://www.aopa.org/News-and-Video/All-News/2016/March/15/Familiar-green-AFDs-disappear>

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The webinar below may have passed, but the link below directs you to free online education from the FAA Safety folks. Take advantage!

[https://www.faasafety.gov/gslac/ALC/courses\\_tableofcontents.aspx](https://www.faasafety.gov/gslac/ALC/courses_tableofcontents.aspx)

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If you have spare time and want to keep your skills sharp, try any of the online courses at FAA Safety: [www.faasafety.gov](http://www.faasafety.gov)

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**"Taming Turbulence Encore Presentation"**

Topic: Review of latest forecasting tools to determine where turbulence is, where it will develop, and how to minimize its impact.

On Wednesday, June 22, 2016 at 16:00 Mountain Daylight Time (15:00 PDT, 17:00 CDT, 18:00 EDT, 12:00 HST, 14:00 AKDT, 15:00 AZST, 23:00 GMT)

**Select Number:**  
CE0969382

**Description:**

Turbulence can run the gamut from a choppy annoyance to creating loss of control and safety of flight events. Knowing how to detect and avoid turbulence is a critical part of flight planning, managing passenger expectations or even making a go/no go decision. In this encore presentation of our Taming Turbulence webinar, we'll review the latest tools to help you determine where turbulence currently exists, where it's forecast to develop and how to better use those insights to plan and operate in order to minimize the impact of turbulence on future flights.

To view further details and registration information for this webinar, [click here](#).

The sponsor for this seminar is: **FAASTeam**

The following credit(s) are available for the WINGS/AMT Programs:

Basic Knowledge 3 - 1 Credit

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**"Westchester Aviation Association Safety Standdown 2016"**

Topic: Enhancing Safety Through Teamwork  
On Tuesday, June 28, 2016 at 18:30 Eastern Daylight Time

Location:  
Westchester Hilton  
699 Westchester Avenue

Port Chester, NY 10573

**Select Number:**  
EA1169547

**Description:**

At this Safety Stand Down former astronaut, Tom Henricks will show you how to be a team leader. We will also discuss accidents for small operators and stupid pilot tricks.

This evening session is aimed at the Light General Aviation Operator and is free to the public. Click the link below for more details and to register for this exclusive event.

To view further details and registration information for this seminar, [click here](#).

The sponsor for this seminar is: **Farmingdale FSDO FAA Safety Team**

The FAA Safety Team (FAASTeam) is committed to providing equal access to this meeting/event for all participants. If you need alternative formats or services because of a disability, please communicate your request as soon as possible with the person in the 'Contact Information' area of the meeting/event notice. Note that two weeks is usually required to arrange services.

The following credit(s) are available for the WINGS/AMT Programs:

Basic Knowledge 3 - 1 Credit  
Advanced Knowledge 2 - 1 Credit

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**"Hartford IMC Club Monthly Meeting-KMMK"**

Topic: Mastering the Art of Instrument Navigation &

Instrument Training Scenario Discussions  
On Tuesday, June 28, 2016 at 18:00 Eastern Daylight Time

Location:  
Meriden Airport  
213 Evansville Ave  
Meeting Room, Airport Terminal  
Meriden, CT 06450

**Select Number:**  
EA6369771

**Description:**

JUNE, 2016 meeting of IMC Club, Hartford chapter. At this meeting another Instrument flying scenario will be presented and discussed. Through its nationwide chapters and in association with **EAA, IMC Club** provides organized "hangar flying" focused on building proficiency in instrument flying believing that safety and proficiency are developed through education and experience. Monthly meetings use real world scenarios at each meeting to engage our members and allow them to share and build their experience. You do not have to be instrument rated to attend. Following the presentation we will conclude with the question; "What would you Do?". Our discussions are always lively and humbling. Refreshments will be served. Click the link below and register TODAY!

To view further details and registration information for this seminar, [click here](#).

The sponsor for this seminar is: **FAA Safety Team, EA-63 FSDO**

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Basic Knowledge 3 - 1 Credit

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The Federal Aviation Administration and the aviation industry have teamed together to create the Airman Certification Standards (ACS). These documents will soon be replacing the Practical Test Standards (PTS) for select certificates and ratings. This webinar will provide some historical perspective about the ACS and then describe how it is used during a practical test. Attendees will also be able to submit questions to panelists.

Registration for the June 25, 2016 webinar quickly reached capacity; therefore the FAA is offering



**Federal Aviation Administration**

additional dates for those interested in attending. Please register for any of the following webinars by clicking the corresponding link:

7/1 2pm CDT:  
<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1228836560686489858>

7/9 10am CDT:  
<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5465540735530656770>

7/18 1pm CDT:  
<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5945543531752559106>

7/30 5pm CDT:  
<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5265876020996321794>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

**PODCASTS & APPS & GADGETS**— Please send me your favorite app, tech toy, video or podcast suggestion to share!

These **Go/No-Go** studies put together by John Zimmerman give you a great way to hone your decision-making skills, even if you aren't driving a turbo-prop... <http://airfactsjournal.com/go-or-no-go/>



How cool is this? Airplanes without landing gear?!? [http://www.ainonline.com/aviation-news/aerospace/2016-05-11/researchers-envision-commercial-aircraft-without-landing-gear?utm\\_campaign=TFP%2BDispatch&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=TFP\\_Dispatch\\_23](http://www.ainonline.com/aviation-news/aerospace/2016-05-11/researchers-envision-commercial-aircraft-without-landing-gear?utm_campaign=TFP%2BDispatch&utm_medium=email&utm_source=TFP_Dispatch_23)

## TWEED NEWS -



**The New Haven Tower will have some radar coverage starting June 4.** This is a "TRACON repeater", and advisory only. No squawk codes or radar service, but some additional safety!

**Alicia Seremet** has been promoted to Operations Manager. We hope you join us in wishing her success in her new role.

The FAA Airport Certification Inspection will be conducted from June 22-24.

This past month we hosted the Secretary of Defense for a visit to Yale.



Shoreline Aviation hosted a private event May 17-18 for their clients. Breitling was here and presented a number of aircraft both in formation and solo.

**TSA Badges** – Need a new badge?? Remember that for the procedure you must have a completed application signed by our TSA signatory, **Laura Baldwin** (203-966-8499, [lfbaldwin@aol.com](mailto:lfbaldwin@aol.com) ). Once that is done, you call KATHY GRANT (203-466-8833 ext 109) over at WEST

ramp to make an appointment to take training, have your fingerprints taken, pay your fee of \$30 (cash or check made out to "HVN") and have your new badge issued. **The same fee will also apply for renewals this year due to the fingerprinting!** Be sure to have your old badge plus two forms of government issued ID, at least one with a photo. Tweed is becoming quite serious about everyone having and using their security badge – fair warning!

## ONLINE -

**Yale Aviation** is on Facebook - be sure to post photos, ask questions of fellow pilots, encourage those who are working their way through ratings and exams, or see if you can organize a passenger on your next flight. We have opened this group so that your friends (and prospective members?) can see what we are all about.

Remember pictures can also be posted on our Yale Aviation website at [www.YaleAviation.org](http://www.YaleAviation.org). **Tom Sobocinski**, our Webmaster, has updated the site to include a gallery of names and faces, current Newsletters and the full 12-series Yale Aviation, Inc. History by **Hank Galpin**. Check it out!!! **IF YOU DON'T LIKE YOUR PICTURE, PLEASE SEND ME A BETTER ONE!**

## YA MERCHANDISE!

Check out our two online “storefronts” for purchasing YA-logoed merchandise! One is at Customized Girl (<http://www.customizedgirl.com/s/yaleaviationmerch>) and one at Zazzle (<http://www.zazzle.com/yaleaviationstore>).

What you order from these locations will be delivered directly to you, **PLUS a portion of the sales will come back to the club**. Contact Laura Baldwin ([lfbaldwin@aol.com](mailto:lfbaldwin@aol.com)) if you have any questions or have ideas for additional merchandise!



We're taking part in **Sporty's Flying Club Rebate Program** which means we will receive cash back for our club on all your purchases from Sporty's. Every time you make a regular purchase at Sporty's – either online, at

800.SPORTYS, or in their store – we will receive a 5% cash rebate, using your email to link these purchases to our club.

Of course, this program is a great way for Sporty's to steer business their way, but we have an opportunity to also reap the benefit. With your participation, this will be a win-win for all of us. Go to [sportys.com](http://sportys.com) or call 800-SPORTYS – no special code needed.

**If you have a friend or family member who buys presents for you, be sure to let me know so I can get them added to our club list. Anyone who is NOT on that list will not get us our rebate, even if they are buying for someone on the list!!**



## **SIMULATOR -**

**The simulators have moved to Ezra Stiles!** In preparation for giving access to everyone interested in using the sims, **Micah Luce** would like to request that you send him an email ([micah@yale.edu](mailto:micah@yale.edu)) in the following format:

1. First Name, Last Name
2. Yale ID SID # (found on the bottom left corner of your Yale ID) or UPI # (found beneath the Yale crest on the front of your ID)

If you would like access but do *not* have a Yale ID badge, please send him your name and “No ID” in #2 above. He will be working as quickly as possible now with the simulator hosts to give immediate access to the sims. “I think you’ll all very much enjoy their new home!” he says.

*The Yale Aviation Newsletter goes out to the membership on the 15<sup>th</sup> of every month. Please let me know if you have any news, suggestions, or comments:*

[YASecretary@aol.com](mailto:YASecretary@aol.com)

Laura Baldwin, Secretary