



Dear GHG Pilot,

Your response to our newsletter was great. Thank you. We did hear from a number of people and wanted to share some additional news and information. If you have any ideas or information you would like to pass on, please send it to Ann or Dave.

Special Town Meeting:

On Monday, April 23rd, the Town of Marshfield will decide on several articles before the Annual Town Meeting. Under Article 9, the Marshfield Airport Commission is proposing to transfer land to the Massachusetts Audubon Society in exchange for the rights to access and maintain the runway approaches. This procedure is part of a mitigation package. The transferring of this land to Audubon will help satisfy requests from MA Department of Protection (DEP) and United States Army Corps of Engineers. This important land exchange will increase the size of the adjacent [Daniel Webster Wildlife Sanctuary](#) (a great place to walk and view birds and wildlife, especially around sunset) and allow the Airport to clear obstructions in the flight path, an important component of our runway safety project. **We need airport users (and their friends) who are residents of Marshfield to attend this meeting and support Article 9!** The meeting begins at 7:00PM at Marshfield High School Gym. **Articles are not taken in order, if you plan on attending, please show up promptly at 7 PM.** Because Article 9 is part of the Special Town Meeting it will come to vote on Monday night.

Aviation Safety Seminar:



Thank you to those who attended our very successful Safety Seminar. We had a strong turnout and the feedback was positive. If you have topics you would like to discuss as part of the next seminar, please let us know.



Young Eagles Day:

Saturday, May 12th Marshfield Airport, EAA Chapter 106, The South Shore Flying Club and Shoreline Aviation will sponsor a Young Eagles Day. This day will give kids between the ages of 8 and 17 years old the opportunity to go for an airplane ride. For free! We will have Hot Dogs, soda and Chips. **Do we need your help? Yes!** While the kids are flying we want to reach out to the parents and teach them about Marshfield Airport and the multi-faceted role it plays in the community, the environment and the economy. If you are a member of the EAA national chapter, you can give the kids the ride. Phillips 66 Aviation has a rebate program for pilots that fuel with them. They will credit \$1.00 per gallon. If you would like to volunteer as a pilot or Ambassador on the ground, please contact Ann or Dave.



Massachusetts Aviation Bills:



Massachusetts has several aviation bills that are being discussed in committee and need your support. H.1794, H.1795, H.1796, and H.1796 are bills that will support aviation on several levels. They include: helping privately owned public use airports secure maintenance equipment through the state's purchasing contract; allowing MassDOT/Aeronautics Division to Roll over funds from one year to the next; allowing

MassDOT/Aeronautics Division to use the Aircraft registration and AVGAS fuels tax revenues to fund its non-capital operating budget; and to allow MassDOT/Aeronautics Division to reimburse an airport sponsor for up to 95% for the airport safety and maintenance program. There is also, a mini-transportation reform bill called the Technical Corrective Changes Bill. This is important because it



updates aviation laws that are over 50 years old. Please contact your legislator and ask them to support ALL of these important bills. A quick phone call or email to your legislator will suffice. For more information, please go to www.massairports.com/links.php

Taxiway Painting Project:

MassDOT/AD recently informed the airports in the Commonwealth that we will be included in a Statewide taxiway painting project. Scheduled to begin at the end of April, our taxiway and stub taxiways will get a fresh coat of paint. Currently, we do not have a date or time, however, we have asked for a night slot if available to minimize flight operations. We will keep you informed of the schedule as we receive it.

Congratulations:

We have two additional private pilots. Nick Jones, summer line guy extraordinaire, college student and son of a based pilot Brian Jones did a fantastic job and is well on his way to a fantastic career in aviation. Businessman Bruce Alltop also passed his private pilot licenses earlier this year! Bruce did a great job working towards his license. After Bruce took his wife Kirsten for her first flight, they joined the South Shore Flying Club. Guess who Nick took for a flight? His mom! She said he did a great job on their local flight around the area and over their home in Scituate. Nick will be back working here in late May and Bruce and Kirsten have already made a couple trips to the Islands. They are enjoying flying!



We are happy to report that we have a number of new students in our flight school. Many of them are fulfilling a lifelong dream to learn to fly. One of the ways you can help promote aviation is by taking a friend or neighbor for a flight! The pilot population is declining and if we want to see airports around the country continue to thrive, we all need to foster new student starts. Flying alone is no fun- ask someone to join you!

Fisher House Program:

As you know, aviation has many benefits; we don't have to preach to you because many of you are giving your time and aircraft to important causes. We wanted to share a great story of just that. Two of our based pilots that were able to take their passion for flying and turn it into something that also helps raise awareness of a cause that is important to them and thousands of men and women serving our country around the world. Meet Anton Nielson and Tim Dawson-Townsend. They built their RV-10, then took it to another level. Read their story here: <http://www.wickedlocal.com/hingham/news/lifestyle/x565046221/Hingham-pilots-support-Fisher-House-program#axzz1oYOSx9qT>



**THANKS FOR READING AND HOPE TO SEE YOU
AROUND THE AIRPORT SOON!!!**