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Upcoming Events

December 1st @ 1830

Board Meeting
Propeller Aero Services
2nd Floor Conference Room

December 16th @ 1800

Chapter Christmas Party &
General Membership Meeting
Edmonds Yacht Club

TBD @ TBD

Safety Forum
Simulation Flight
To Be Reschedule from November,
which was canceled at the last minute due
to illness.

WPA-ANGEL FLIGHT ALLIANCE

WPA pilots are encouraged to consider becoming an Angel Flight West (AFW) Pilot.

AFW will encourage WA based AFW pilots to consider becoming a WPA member. AFW already has alliances with pilot groups in other states.

AFW is a charitable organization that provides non-emergency medical transportation for qualified patients and purposes. AFW pilots donate their time and airplane cost for a charitable purpose. Check it out at www.angelflightwest.org



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Scroll down to "Become a Volunteer Pilot" for the details.

Some of the benefits for WPA pilots who participate in AFW are:

- * The opportunity to use their pilot skills and airplanes for a worthy cause
- * Making a positive difference in the lives of others who are less fortunate
- * Ability to take a tax deduction for the cost of each round trip for Angel flight
- * Expanding pilot experience with flights to airports in WA, OR, ID

Most of the AFW flights are between remote areas not serviced by airlines and major medical facilities. Our WPA chapters also have the opportunity to expand their membership when AFW pilots in their area become WPA members. This could especially benefit the smaller WPA chapters.

Chapter Election Results

Election of our Chapter's 2023 Officers was held at the November 4th General Membership Meeting. Having not received any nominations for 2023 Chapter Officers by October 31st, the floor was opened to nominations during the meeting; however, no nominations were given. Having no nominations, the existing Officers and 2020 Director - having previously indicated their willingness to serve again - were put forward to the membership in attendance and elected as 2023 Officers and Director. Beginning January 1st, your 2023 WPA Paine Field Chapter Officers are as follows:

- 2023 Chapter President - Jerry Barkley
- 2023 Treasurer - George Futas
- 2023 Vice President - Sandy Allen
- 2023 Director - Gregg Ortega
- 2023 Secretary - Larry Hinton

Thank you to Jerry, Sandy, Larry, George, & Gregg for stepping up and continuing their commitment to the chapter and its membership. Paine Field has always been one of the State's strongest WPA chapters and this requires strong leadership to maintain.



by George Futas, CFII
PFCWPA Treasurer
AFW-WA Wing Aviation Safety Officer

PAE Master Plan Update

First of all, I would like to introduce myself. My name is Gregg Ortega I'm a commercially rated twin engine pilot that worked at supporting Hank Robinett in his 18 year quest to bring commercial air to Paine Field. On the other hand I'm a board member on the Washington Pilots Association, Paine Field chapter Board of Directors, I was appointed to the Paine Field commission by Councilman, Nate Nehring representing District#1.



by Gregg Ortega
PFCWPA 2023 Director
Paine Field Commission

Let's start with General Aviation information.

The master plan calls for reserving 330,000 ft.² for General Aviation. In the future this property could be used for more hangars, at my request, I asked Snohomish County to update the standby list for hangars for GA aircraft. It has been revised from a total of 293 pilots waiting for hangars down to 155 pilots waiting for hangars. Either pilots have moved on to other airports or no longer are in need of a hanger.

The report on commercial air has much more action. Alaska Airlines is now our only Jet airline service working out of the commercial terminal after United Airlines moved out during Covid. Alaska Airlines should be back to the 24 flights a day in the spring of 2023. They will begin service from Paine Field to Anchorage the end of November. They will be utilizing the Boeing 737 for the flight to Anchorage. Alaska Airlines fleet will be converting to the 737 fleet at Paine Field in 2026. Depending on the day of the week and flights between 500 and 1000 people are now flying out of Paine Field every day.

The cargo company Federal Express has rented the Dream Lifter pad from Boeing for their operations at Paine field but because of the pilot shortage they have not done much flying out of Paine Field

Mass transit - on a final note there is a plan in place for the Sound Transit to detour their system out of the I-5 Corridor and put a stop near Paine field and another stop near Boeing. The route would then take it back to I-5 via the Boeing Freeway and then to Everett.

Being on the Paine Field commission has been a worthwhile an interesting position. I'm striving to keep our interests out in front so that the master plan ends up being a well thought out plan that covers all our needs. Please do not hesitate to contact me at skyranchpilot.com if you have any concerns about the master plan. ✈️ GO

Paine Field Buzz... Its Back!

Snohomish County Reinroduces e-newsletter

Some may have noticed that earlier this year Paine Field reintroduced - after a long hiatus - its e-newsletter to provide subscribers with periodic updates and information about projects and activities at the airport. The Paine Field Flyer is your chapter's newsletter and targets events and details about events involving the chapter and the region but the Paine Field Buzz is a great resource for information about the Paine Field Airport. To read the October edition, or to subscribe to this email, visit <https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/WASNOHOMISHCO/bulletins/330804b>. Emails are sent out by Airport Staff every 6-8 weeks so it shouldn't fill your inbox with too much unwanted stuff.

2022 Paine Field Leadership

- President** Jerry Barkley
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- Vice President** Sandy Allen
vice_president@wpapainefield.org
- Secretary** Larry Hinton
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- Treasurer** George Futas
treasurer@wpapainefield.org
- 2022 Director** Ned Bingham
director-2022@wpapainefield.org
- 2021 Director** Will Tilse
director-2021@wpapainefield.org
- 2020 Director** Greg Ortega
director-2020@wpapainefield.org
- Past President** Richard Beckert
past-president@wpapainefield.org
- Board of Directors Group Email Address**
bod@wpapainefield.org

Committees/Projects

- Safety Programs** George Futas
- Aviation Academy** TBD
- Scholarship Committee** Lori Bell
- Membership Director** Will Tilse
- General Meeting Logistics** George Futas
- General Meeting Programs** Jerry Barkley
- Newsletter Editor** Ned Bingham
newsletter@wpapainefield.org
- Website** Ned Bingham
webmaster@wpapainefield.org
- AOPA Airport Watch** Rich Jones
- Adopted Airport (Skykomish)** Rich Jones
- Board Advisor** Rich Jones
Stephanie Allen

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DATE	LIST OF ACTIVITIES
Every Saturday	Paine Field Chapter Weekly Breakfast Fly-out
Dec. 2, '22	PFC December Board Meeting @ Propeller Aero Services
Dec. 16, '22	PFC December Christmas Party @ Edmonds Yacht Club
Jan. 5, '23	PFC January Board Meeting @ Propeller Aero Services
Jan. 13, '23	PFC January Membership Meeting @ Shawn O'Donnell's
Feb. 2, '23	PFC February Board Meeting @ Propeller Aero Services
Feb. 3, '23	PFC February Membership Meeting @ Snolsle LeBistro
Feb. 25, '23	Annual State WPA Meeting
Feb. 25-26, '23	Northwest Aviation Expo/Conference
Mar. 2, '23	PFC March Board Meeting @ Propeller Aero Services
Mar. 3, '23	PFC March Membership Meeting @ Shawn O'Donnell's
Apr. 6, '23	PFC April Board Meeting @ Propeller Aero Services
Apr. 7, '23	PFC April Membership Meeting @ Snolsle LeBistro
May 4, '23	PFC May Board Meeting @ Propeller Aero Services
May 5, '23	PFC May Membership Meeting @ Snolsle LeBistro
June 1, '23	PFC June Board Meeting @ Propeller Aero Services
June 2, '23	PFC June Membership Meeting @ Snolsle LeBistro

Additional event details can be found at wpaflys.org/events or wpapainefield.org/events. To have your Aviation Event added to the Chapter Newsletter Calendar, send details to newsletter@wpapainefield.org.



TICKETS \$60
PER PERSON

PRE-PURCHASE ONLY
- NO WALK-INS -

DOORS OPEN @ 18:00
DINNER SERVED @ 19:00

PURCHASE YOUR TICKET NOW!
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2022 ANNUAL

CHRISTMAS



TICKETS \$60
PER PERSON

PARTY

NO HOST BAR



Venue Made Available By:



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Greg & Lori Bell - 2022 Flying Adventures

DECEMBER

16TH

TICKETS \$60
PER PERSON



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- Cinnamon Rub Salmon - Herb Roasted Turkey
- Caesar & House Green Salad
- Mashers - Stuffing - Roasted Root Vegetables
- Dinner Rolls, Cranberry Sauce & Gravy
- Assorted Desserts



2022 YEAR IN REVIEW - CHAPTER AWARDS PRESENTATIONS



DONATIONS FOR YOUTH AVIATION SCHOLARSHIP FUND ACCEPTED



Send Us Your Flying Photos!!!

Responsibly Practicing Social Distancing in the Air:

With the continued social distancing many of us are practicing, our Weekly Fly-Outs may continue to take on a slightly different feel for a while. We encourage all of our members to go flying if they want. **If you fly to an airport with an open Restaurant nearby, GREAT! Please help keep them in business.** Even choose to coordinate flights with other members. As always, please continue to be safe and do our part, both on the ground and in the air.

Regardless, if you do go flying, share your photos! If you send them to newsletter@wpapaine.org before the 20th of the month, every effort will be made to include them!



Photo Courtesy of John Peck, Greg Bell, & Howard Johnson

Newsletter Submissions Needed

Do You Think You Have What It Takes? Is there an Aviation topic or event that you're familiar with that you think other members would be interested in? Do you want to share that awesome photo you took on your last flight? Did you just visit a new on/near airport restaurant and want to share your experience? Are you not sure about any of the above questions?!?! Well, I can help you with that!

The Paine Flyer is always looking for great content. If you would like to have your submission included in the next issue, please send it to newsletter@wpapaine.org by the 15th of the month and I'll work with you to make sure it gets included. No special software or talent needed, just send text or unedited photo files and I'll help you make it shine!



Ned Bingham
Editor - The Paine Flyer

CLASSIFIEDS

Advertisements are free to WPA members for aviation related items and/or services
When space is limited, priority will be given to Paine Field Chapter members
Paid advertising is available for non-aviation related items/services in the state
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Contact George Futas, CFII, ASME - 425-260-4445

NEED BASIC MED? FAA AME and fellow WPA Member
If you organize five or more airmen or airwomen who want a basic med exam I will fly to your airport to do your exam. \$150 per exam (Possible fuel surcharge for Eastern WA or OR... Airplanes can be thirsty!) - All I need is a pilot's lounge or private hangar. If you want to organize it at a local pilot's house, just pick me up at the airport! Contact Henry Hochberg, M.D., AME - henry.hochberg@gmail.com or 425-686-2510

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