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2020

"Important Dates"

General Meeting

March 14th

9:30 AM

Gateway Community Church

353 E. Donna Dr.

Merced, CA

Board Meeting

April 2nd

700 PM

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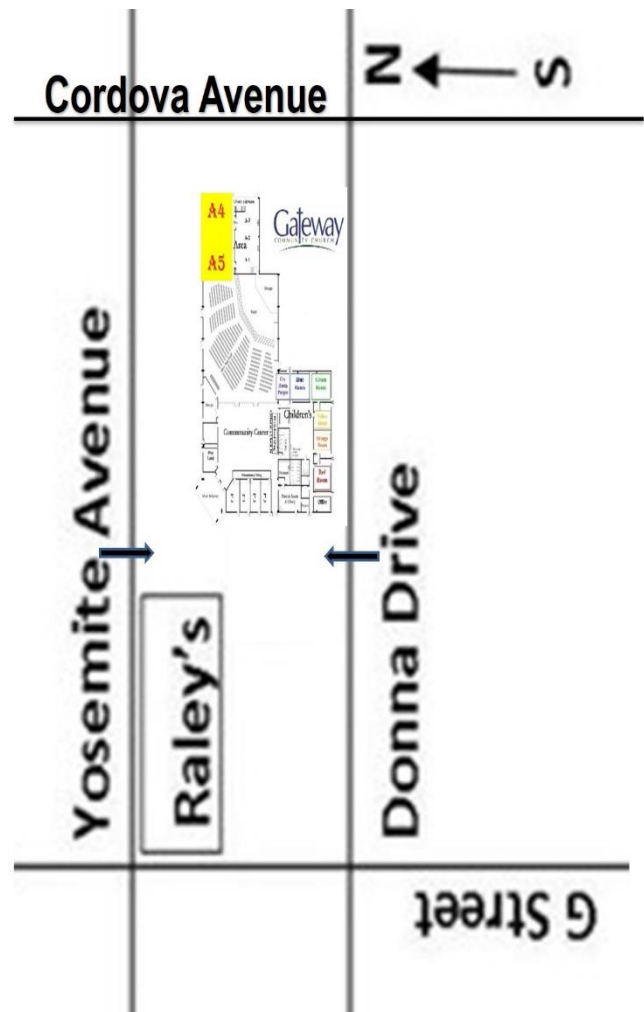
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Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Hello Flight Enthusiasts!

Guess who still does not have a plane. Commercial flight to Vegas was ok and the celebration was nice. Good seeing my son and his family again. Beatles Love cirque du soleil was awesome! Highly recommend it if you are in Vegas.

If you missed February's general meeting you missed a real treat. Susan Bell was so well versed in her field. She is a very personable young woman. I was surprised to hear she had not been doing aerobatics that long. I will post a few Photos. I took photos of her demonstrating the Aresti Dance which I have included in the Photo/Video section. After her presentation some of us went out to her plane at MAC and got another bundle of information about her mode of flight. Then headed over to Sizzler for some lunch and socializing. If she comes again next year (a highly plausible event) I strongly suggest you attend; it will totally be worth your time.

Our guest speaker this month will be Ed Koehler who will be talking about his Evans VP-1. The airplane will be there also in a transport hanger(trailer) for viewing. His lecture will include a sample of full size plans (blueprints) and scaled plans, a sample of geodesic building (Fisher 303), use of wood other than spruce, how to inspect for compression fractures in construction members, and a sample of Poly Fiber aircraft fabric.

May all your journeys be safe & all your touchdowns be smooth.

Bonnie G.

2020 Gateway EAA Meeting Schedule

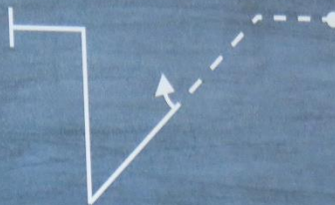
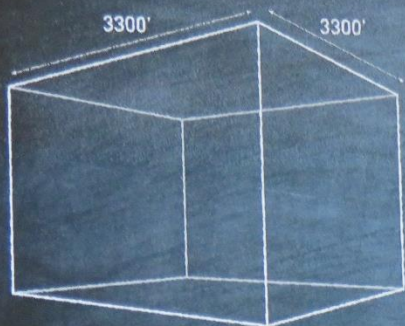
| Board Meetings | General Meetings | Meeting Location | Meeting Agenda and Activity |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| Mar 5 | Mar 14 | Gateway Community Church | Aircraft Display Ed Koehler-Homebuilts Social with water, coffee and treats |
| Apr 2 | Cancelled | Due to Easter being the next day | Aircraft Display Is not Cancelled please display your planes as usual. |
| Apr 30 | May 9 | Gateway Community Church | Aircraft Display and Social with water, coffee and treats |
| Jun 4 | June 13 | Gateway Community Church | Aircraft Display and Social with water, coffee and treats |
| July 2 | July 11 | Gateway Community Church | Aircraft Display and Social with water, coffee and treats |
| July 30 | Aug 8 | Gateway Community Church | Aircraft Display and Social with water, coffee and treats |
| Sept 3 | Sept 12 | Merced Airport KMCE | Young Eagles Flights |
| Oct 1 | Oct 10 | Gateway Community Church | Aircraft Display and Social with water, coffee and treats |
| Nov 5 | Nov 14 | Gateway Community Church | Aircraft Display and Social with water, coffee and treats |
| Dec 3 | Dec 12 | Bodine's | Chapter Christmas party |

CHAPTER EVENTS





Sportsman National Champion



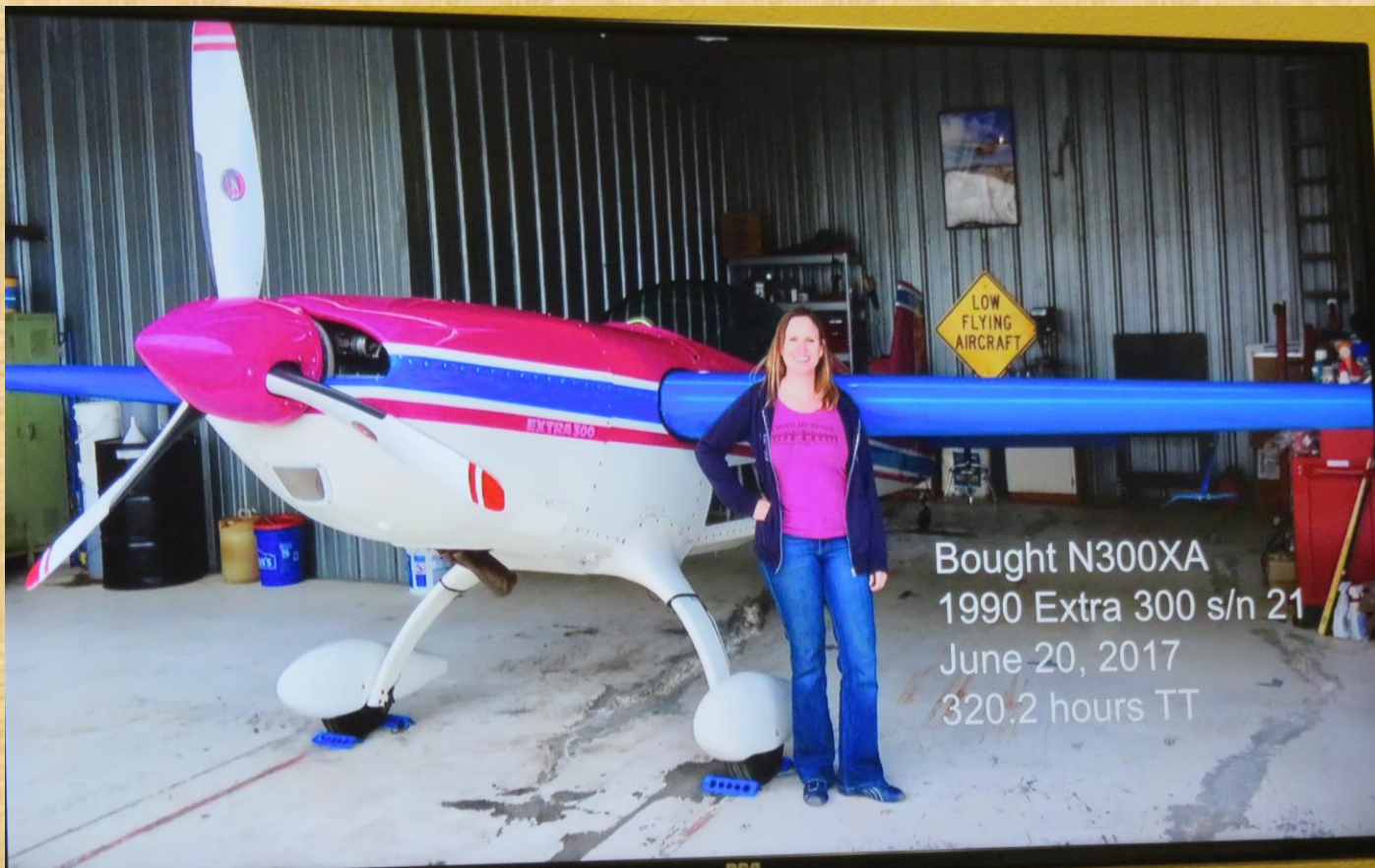
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Lift Your Spirits



An Airbus 380 is on its way across the Atlantic. It flies consistently at 800 km/h in 30,000 feet, when suddenly a Eurofighter with Tempo Mach 2 appears. The pilot of the fighter jet slows down, flies alongside the Airbus and greets the pilot of the passenger plane by radio: "Airbus flight, boring flight isn't it? Take care and have a look here!"

He rolls his jet on its back, accelerates, breaks through the sound barrier, rises rapidly to a dizzying height, only to swoop down almost to sea level in a breathtaking dive. He loops back next to the Airbus and asks, "Well, how was that?"

The Airbus pilot answers: "Very impressive, but now have a look here!"

The jet pilot watches the Airbus, but nothing happens. It continues to fly stubbornly straight, with the same speed. After five minutes, the Airbus pilot radioed, "Well, what are you saying now?"

The jet pilot asks confused: "What did you do?" The other laughs and says, "I got up, stretched my legs, went to the back of the flight to the bathroom, got a cup of coffee and a cinnamon cake.

The moral of the story is:

When you are young, speed and adrenaline seems to be great. But as you get older and wiser, comfort and peace are not to be despised either.

This is called S.O.S.: Slower, Older, Smarter.

Dedicated to all my friends who like me likes the S.O.S. approach! ✈️

A BIT OF HISTORY

Hacienda Hotel Promotional Flights



Two DC-34s, one of the Hacienda Hotel's "Champagne Tour" fleet.



Constellations were the largest aircraft operated by the Hacienda Hotel.



"Doc" Bayley, owner of the Hacienda Hotel and promoter of the promotional flights.



The Hacienda Hotel's Olympic-class swimming pool.



The Hacienda Hotel had a night-lighted golf course with a \$5,000 hole-in-one jackpot.

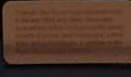
In 1957, "Doc" Bayley, owner of the Hacienda Hotel, decided to compete with the Dunes and Thunderbird Hotels and provide free flights from Los Angeles to Las Vegas. His effort, the brainchild of Harry Price, led to one of the more successful, and unique, Las Vegas promotions.

Bayley's offering was simple. For \$27.50, you were able to fly from Los Angeles to Las Vegas, spend a night in a deluxe room, get a free tote bag, bottle of champagne and \$5.00 in chips for the casino. The popularity of the flights soon made the Hacienda Hotel the largest single buyer of California champagne.

The popularity of the trips forced the addition of more aircraft. DC-3s, DC-4s, and eventually Lockheed Constellations were used, with Bayley and the Hacienda running a fleet of 30 aircraft at the height of the promotional efforts.

By 1961, more visitors to Las Vegas were arriving at McCarran terminal on the Hacienda fleet than by some of the commercial airlines. This led to a dispute with the Civil Aeronautics Board, and the effort was officially stopped on July 10, 1962.

For the five years it operated, the Hacienda fleet brought thousands of visitors to Las Vegas, making the Hacienda Hotel the most popular on the Strip. Doc Bayley did not give up the dream of flying in guests on a regular basis, though. The hotel purchased at least four Constellations after the flights were stopped. Later, Mercer Airlines carried chartered flights for the hotel, and still later a small fleet of De Havilland Doves were privately chartered.

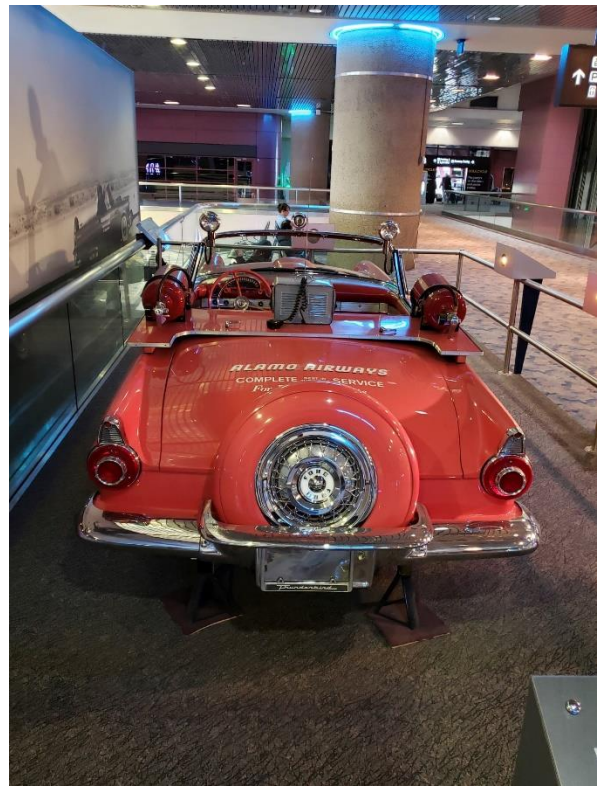


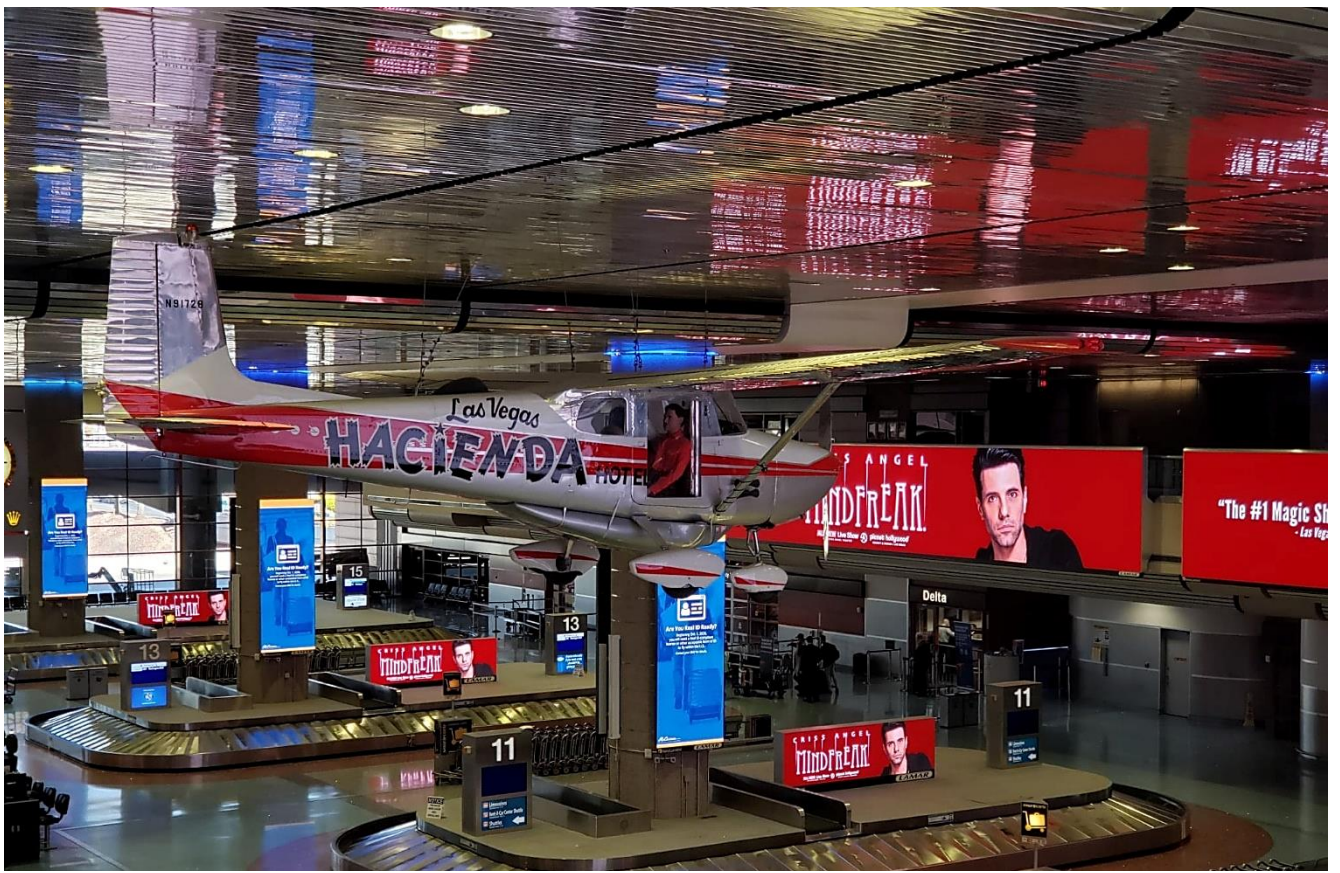
ENDURANCE TEST, CIRCA 1958

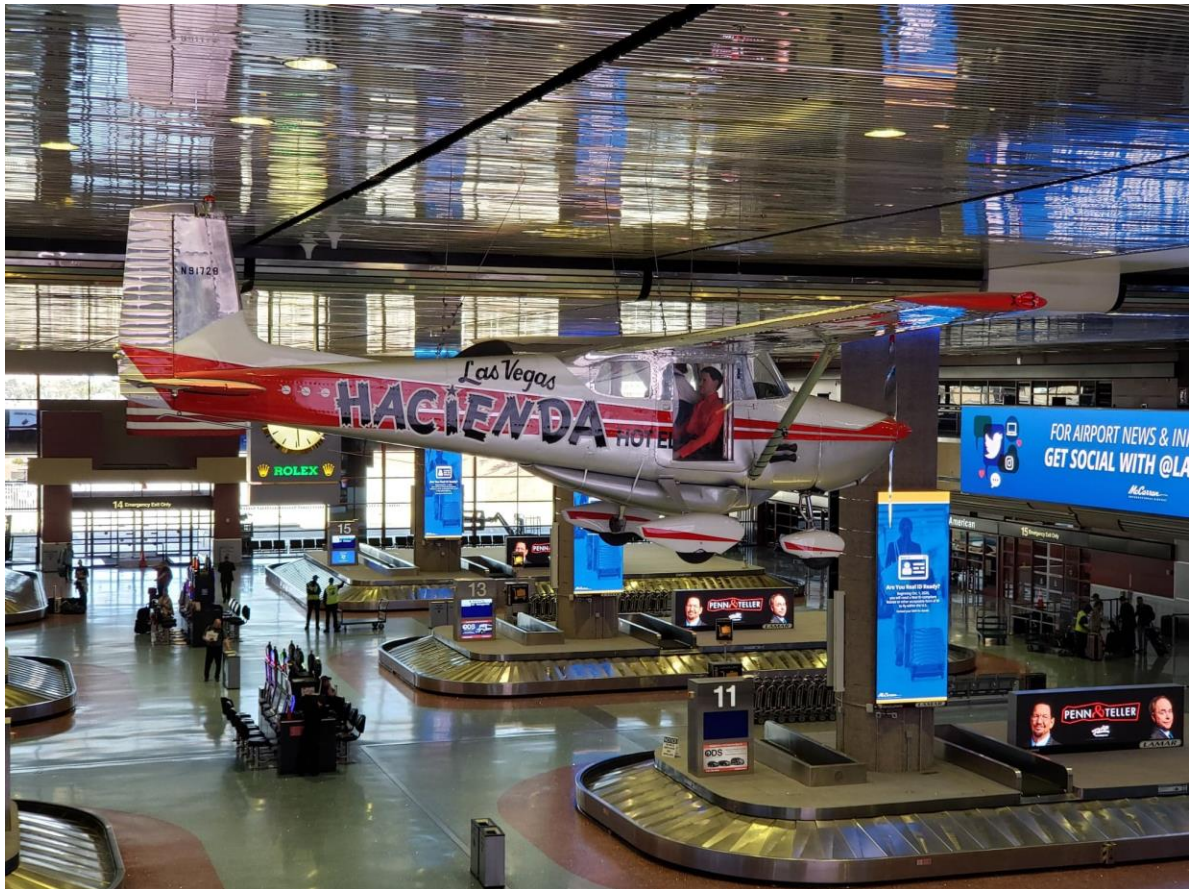


During the months of December 1958 and January and February 1959, two young men flew a mission-modified Cessna 172 around and around over the desert Southwest for 64 days, 22 hours, and 19 minutes. The world endurance record in a propeller-driven airplane was set in that little Cessna almost 50 years ago.









Plane & Pilot

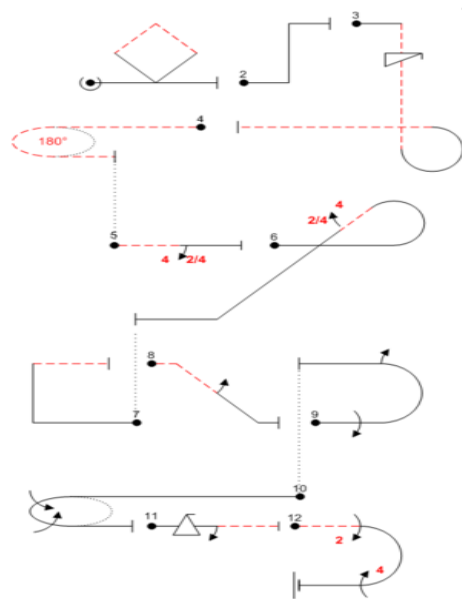
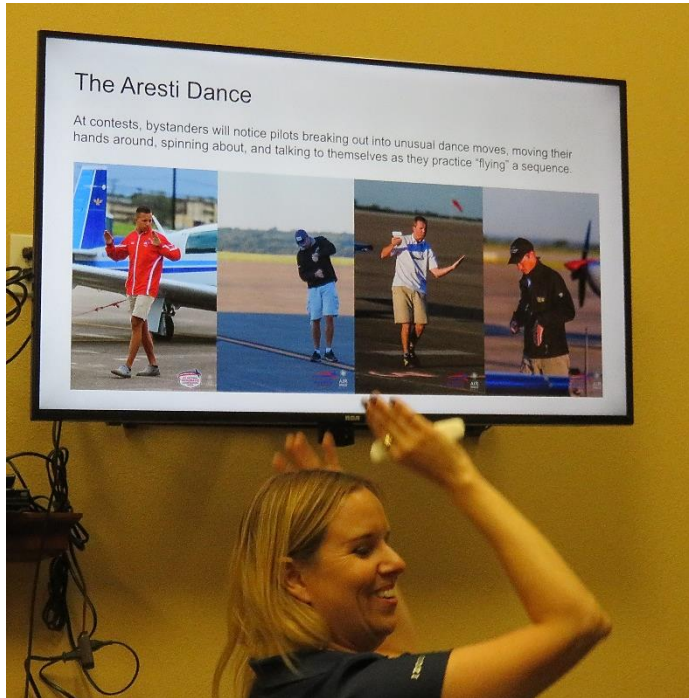


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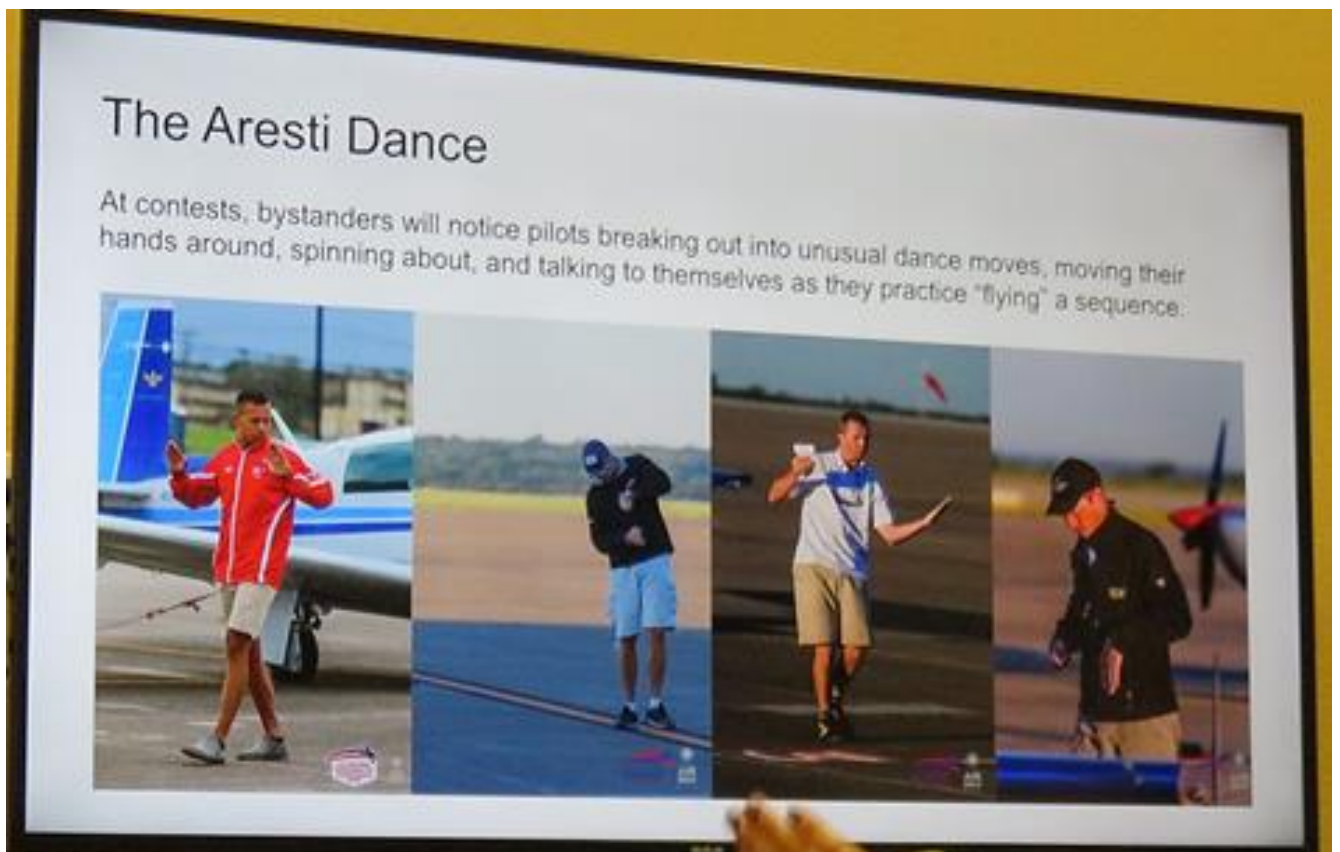


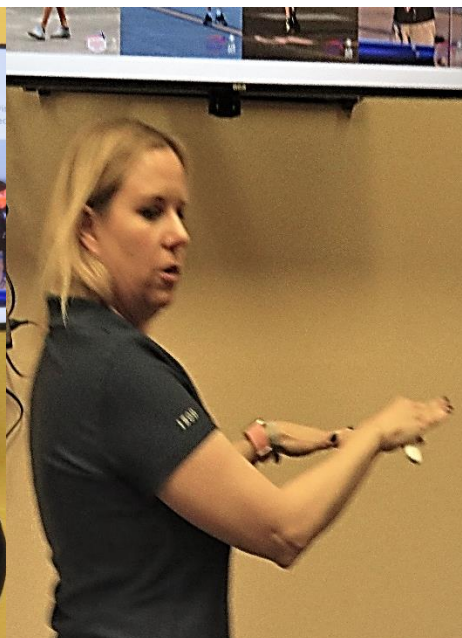
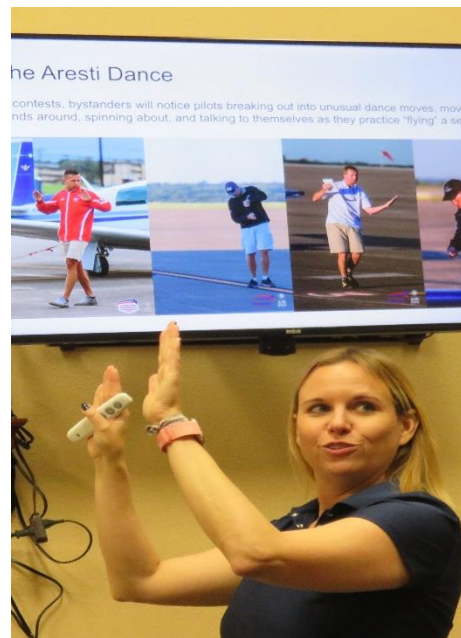
[How To Use Your Plane's Brakes](#)

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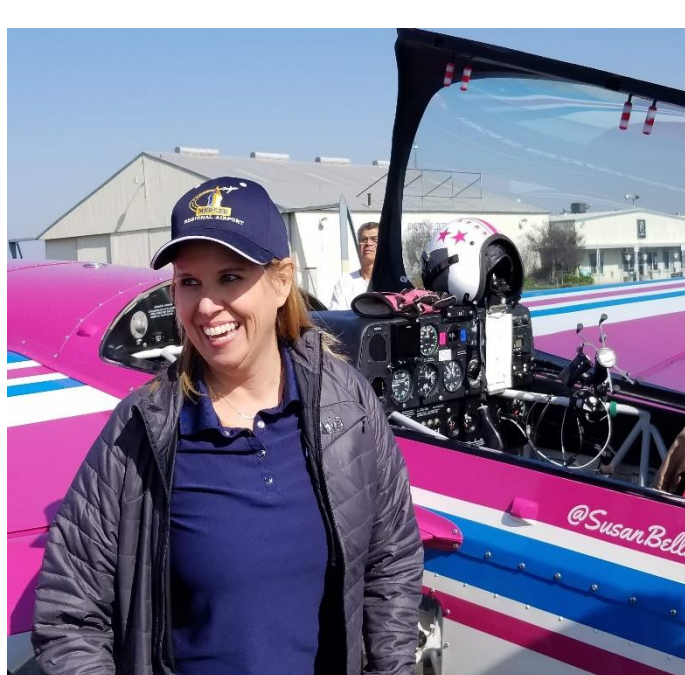


Competitors rehearse their contest sequence, comprising specified figures, on the ground by doing the Aresti 'dance'











My great-grandson was definitely impressed with Susan



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