

FNL PILOT ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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NOTE: The first Pilot Refresher Course for this year will be held on **THURSDAY, 3/22/12 in the FNL Modular building. 6 PM for Supper (Rose's Café), 7 PM for the Program.** Hope we have a GREAT turnout for this one. Bill Standifer will present "Mountain Flying Tips and Tools", a very popular subject since we live and fly so close to MOUNTAINS. See Pam's e-mail on this, and See you there!

Details: Peak's Café open for supper, drinks, snacks! Great time to neighbor with fellow FNL pilots before the meeting starts. **No fee to attend the meeting.** Plan on (no host) supper if possible. Make it worth Rose's time to come out and wait on us.

7 PM: Bill is a CFII, MEI, and ATP. Also a member of CPA, heads their Mountain Flying Committee. He knows what you need to know, and knows how to present it. This course is tailored for Colorado and Wyoming mountain flying. Should be a great meeting.

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DETAILS:

[FNL Pilot Association Pilot Refresher courses!](#) **Save the Dates...**

Pam Busboom (new Board Member as of 2012) is setting up the Pilot Refresher Meetings this year....watch for her e-mails).

- Mar 22 (Thursday 7 PM, FNL Modular building): Mountain Flying Seminar. See Pam's e-mail..
- April, July, Aug, Sep, Oct—targeted months for **Pilot Refresher Meetings.** (Details pending).
 - o Possible topics for future meetings were discussed at the Annual Meeting. Your feedback is always welcome!

Denver Center and/or Approach Control Tours (**Two set up already—WERE FULL**)

Mountain flying (**March 22, 2012. 7 PM. FNL Modular**)

jetCenter FBO new digs/services

Maintaining one's own airplane (what's legal)

Airport procedures and aircraft mix

Light-sport aircraft
Electronic flight bags (e.g. ForeFlight/iPad)
Glass cockpit updates/upgrades
Regulatory changes (e.g., ELTs, ADS-B)
WINGS/FAAST programs

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Meetings in 2012:

- The Schedule for 2012:
 - o May 19—FNL Pilot Association sponsored BBQ and Activities at FNL. (Target Date)
 - o June 16—FNL Pilot Association Semi-Annual All-member's meeting. (Target Date)
 - o July 14—Collings Foundation bomber weekend visit and activities. (Target Date)

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FNL Pilot Association By-Laws Change: (Passed! Thanks for your help)

Steve Wolf (our **Secretary**) reports the change in By-Laws vote PASSED. You can find the change here: <http://airwoof.org/ProposedChanges2012.pdf>.

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2012 Steering Committee Meeting Dates:

- **April 5th**. (postponed from March 15, 2012). Agenda and Supporting information coming soon.
- May 17, 2012
- July 19, 2012
- September 20, 2012
- November 15, 2012

The Airport Steering Committee Meetings are usually held every other month with occasional special request meetings throughout the year. The Airport Steering Committee consists of the Mayors and City Managers of both the City of Fort Collins and the City of Loveland.

Meetings are held from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. at the Loveland Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Center located at the Outlet Mall at Centerra, 5400 Stone Creek Circle in Loveland at the NW corner of I-25 & Hwy. 34. (Next door to the Lone Star Steakhouse). *Location subject to change.*

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FAA Safety Information:

Sun N Fun will have several daily seminars sponsored by the FAA in Lakeland 3/27/12 -> 4/1/12. If you go, be sure to check these seminars out.

If you can't go to Sun N Fun this year, the seminars will be **held as WEBINARS** that you can tune into and attend with a computer!! Click the link below, register, and follow the instructions provided.

Using technology FAA is going to try and bring the FAA Safety Forums TO YOU at home!

Here is a PDF copy of the [Forum Schedule](#) with webinar links for each forum session. YOU CAN ATTEND from your home or office. Check the lineup of great speakers from the FAA, NTSB, AOPA, and other government and aviation organizations—bringing special safety message and information just for you.

[FAA Safety Forum Schedule](#) : <http://qrs.ly/471nfnz>

If you plan to attend this year (3/27->4/1), see www.sun-n-fun.org/flyin for pertinent fly-in information!

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Hangar Door Safety:

Do NOT stand or pass under a hangar door in motion!

Many of our (very heavy) hangar doors around FNL are lifted with (typically) only four cables. If any one of these cables should break (AND IT'S BEEN KNOWN TO HAPPEN!) the remaining door weight is transferred to another cable. That cable can break...then the next, then the last one. In an instant!

You will not be able to get out of the way in time as the door rapidly falls, without warning, out of control. You or a waiting passenger can be killed in such an accident.

There have been several hangar door **cable breaks** at FNL resulting in a falling door. It's important to inspect cables for fraying or other wear that can lead to failure, but that doesn't always happen in a timely manner.

So...word to the wise—be safe--**warn folks with you to never pass under a moving hangar door.**

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