

Hello,

Just a Reminder! There will be a Pilot Refresher Course in the FNL Modular Building tomorrow night (Thursday, 10/18/12) 7 PM to 9 PM. Dinner and Drinks from the Rose's Peak's Café beginning at 6 PM.

Rob Pekkonen (Civil Air Patrol ES Training Officer) will present the PROS and CONS of various ELT (and Personal Locator Beacon) systems for pilots! He is very knowledgeable about these systems because he participates in CAP missions and knows firsthand what works and what might result in rescue delays.

I think you will get a LOT out of this discussion, especially if you are interested in upgrading your legacy 121.5 MHz ELT to a more modern system. And...Rob will discuss additional ways you can and should protect yourself and passengers during your flights by using FAA (and ATC) services to your advantage!

There are many systems available. Come and hear how they stack up in the real world! Remember, the FAA still requires an ELT of some sort (and in-date batteries) to be air-worthy!

- Legacy 121.5 MHz ELTs (Is anyone listening??)
- New basic 406 MHz ELTs (Who's listening...what do they hear??)
- ELTs coupled with GPS location information (what you need to know about this capability!)
- Personal Locator Beacons (PLBs). How they work...Advantages/Disadvantages. Are they ELTs per the FAA??

Rob Pekkonen will present this course with visuals and hardware. Come and Enjoy!!!

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RESERVE November 29th, 7 PM for the "In-Flight, In-Cockpit Weather and Situational Awareness Course". We plan to present what you can do while evaluating ADS-B systems and waiting for ADS-B coverage to improve. We'll show what you can do with (for example) iPad/ForeFlight and a Garmin GPS with XM weather. Perhaps we can show a Wings-X App also (?). If you have a Garmin 1000 installed, enjoy! Most of us don't, but there's a lot you can do today to increase awareness while using your existing installed avionics equipment! (More details coming on this in November).

Best Regards,

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