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## Welcome New Club Members!

- Ivan Andreev
- Jon Bergeron
- Dustin Caldwell
- Bryce Carter
- Michael Cheshire
- Julia Coppola
- Hunter Cox
- Matthew Cox
- Danial Diaz
- George Fergione
- Nico Figueras
- Thomas Fuller
- Ryan Johanns
- Roland Haas
- Adam Inns
- Raymond Jayo
- Bernard Lee
- Travis Martinez
- Tyler McLeod
- Wendy Mingin
- Cody Neyrinck
- Robert Oldfield
- Jennifer Olivia
- Jeff Perry
- Steven Rosendahl
- Paria Saber
- Scott Seigle
- Sida Shen
- Peg Sloan
- Spencer Steele
- Charlie Vaughters
- Travis Weir

## Upcoming Events!

- ▶ INSTRUMENT GROUND SCHOOL BEGINS ..... November 3rd, 6PM-9PM
- ▶ SPORT/PRIVATE PILOT GROUND SCHOOL BEGINS ..... November 11th, 6PM-9PM
- ▶ ATC/RADIO COMMUNICATION COURSE ..... November 15th, 9AM-1PM
- ▶ MONTHLY WINGS SEMINAR ..... November 17th, 6PM-8PM
- ▶ FREE G1000 CLASS ..... December 13th, 9AM-Noon
- ▶ SPORT/PRIVATE PILOT GROUND SCHOOL BEGINS ..... January 6th, 6PM-9PM
- ▶ CLUB FLY-OUT TO PUEBLO (KPUB) FOR LUNCH AT THE SPITFIRE GRILL AND TO VISIT THE PUEBLO WEISBROD AIRCRAFT MUSEUM ..... January 17th, 10AM-4PM
- ▶ MONTHLY WINGS SEMINAR ..... January 19th, 6PM-8PM
- ▶ MONTHLY WINGS SEMINAR ..... February 16th, 6PM-8PM
- ▶ FREE G1000 CLASS ..... February 21st, 9AM-Noon
- ▶ CLUB FLY-OUT TO BROOMFIELD (KBJC) FOR LUNCH AT THE RUNWAY GRILL ..... February 21st, 1030AM-2PM

## New Solos, Certificates and Ratings

*Congratulations to these students and their instructors!*

- Michael Barnes**  
Solo - Josh Vanterpool, CFI
- Chris Cortes-McEntee**  
Instrument - Jon Nafie, CFI
- James Hale**  
Private - Jason Coley, CFI
- Caleb Jamison**  
Private - Danny Smith, CFI
- Ronald Lee**  
Sport - Spence Mamber, CFI
- Alex Minne**  
Private - Lance Ward, CFI
- Ron Mosness**  
Private - Danny Smith, CFI
- Nicholas Napolitano**  
Solo - Jeremy Allen, CFI
- Karl Parsons**  
Private - Jason Coley, CFI

- Ian Purdue**  
Solo - Erik Barton, CFI
- Carola Rhodes-Benson**  
Solo - Barbara Marx, CFI
- Emily Rissmiller**  
Solo - Brian Barnett, CFI



*Student Pilot Emily Rissmiller celebrates her very first solo flight!*

## It's That Time of Year Again!



It's a common misconception that winter is not the best season for flying...don't be misled! With beautiful views of the snow-capped mountains and great aircraft performance, the winter months actually provide some of Colorado's best flying conditions.

Like each season, winter flying does require important precautions. Luckily, the list isn't very extensive or complicated; it just takes a little time and advanced planning.

**Pre-Heating-** All aircraft must be pre-heated when temperatures are below 32F. This decreases the long-term wear and tear on the engine. For, anyone unfamiliar with the pre-heating process, just ask any AFC staff member or instructor for an introduction. Pre-heating will add some time onto any flight reservation, so just make sure to compensate for that time when reserving an aircraft.



**Winter Weather-** Snow and ice are also factors to be mindful of during winter flying. Any aircraft must be free of any ice or snow before flight. After a snowfall, AFC staff and instructors will be out brushing snow off the aircraft; however, sometimes it takes a little more elbow grease to get the frost off the wings. If that is the case, there are brooms located on the flight line that can be used to brush off the frost. Again, this may add some length to a pre-flight, so be sure to factor that into the total

reservation time.

Additionally, it's common for ice and snow banks to align the taxi and runways so it's extremely important to maneuver on the ground with caution. After all, airplanes are made to fly, not to function on the ground in winter weather.

**Dress Appropriately-** Anyone bold enough to brave the cold temperatures should always make sure to be prepared to spend a lot of time outside in the elements. Pre-heating and defrosting alone could take at least 30-45 minutes. Just make sure to dress warmly and bring extra layers.

*One of the biggest advantages of flying in Colorado is the ability to fly in the Rocky Mountains.*



All it takes to be able to fly Aspen's planes into the mountains is 100 hours total time and a checkout with an AFC mountain qualified instructor. Aspen Flying Club also offers a Mountain Flying Ground Course, a great foundations course that will help any pilot during the actual checkout flight. The course runs periodically, dates can be found on the calendar of events.

Winter flying in Colorado It is especially thrilling and picturesque so don't be deterred. It is guaranteed to be some of the most fun and scenic flying any pilot will ever have the chance to experience.

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## Looking for a unique gift idea this this Holiday Season?

Here are a couple ideas...

## Give the Gift of Flying!

If you're looking for a truly unique gift idea, give that special someone something they will really appreciate...the gift of flying!

The gift of flying is a truly special present that will leave a lasting memory and maybe spark a newfound interest. Give a gift certificate to any aviation enthusiast for a Discovery Flight or just give your favorite pilot some air time.

Any Aspen Flying Club gift certificate can be applied to a flying lesson, Discovery Flight, aircraft rental, or purchase of awesome pilot gear at our flight school. Aspen Flying Club gift certificates in larger denominations can be used toward a complete pilot training program. Gift certificates are redeemable at both Aspen Flying Club and Alliance Flight Training.

We make it easy for you to give the gift of flying, just follow the links below to purchase a gift certificate that you can either print instantly or email directly to the recipient.

Select from one of two types:

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- Select one of our packages

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### "The Aviator's Bathroom Reader"

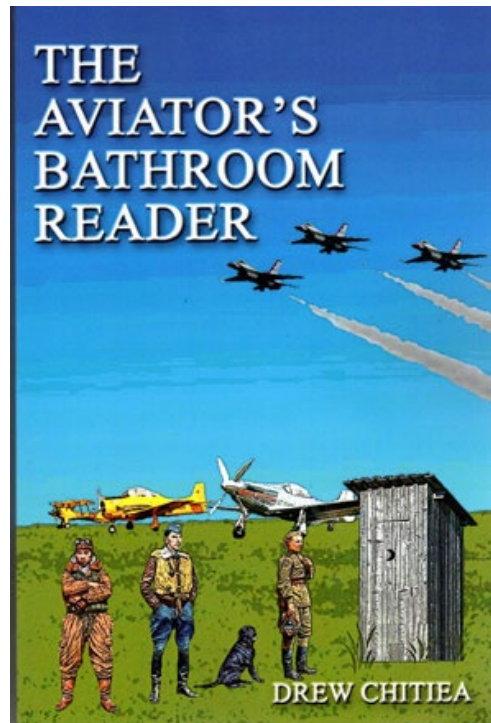
"The Aviator's Bathroom Reader" is a grab bag collection of humorous, whimsical, pithy truisms that should lead most aviation-inspired readers to an occasional thought-provoking moment when in fact a serious point has been made for aviation safety, despite the fun. The author begins the book with supposed praise from aviation luminaries, such as Charles Lindbergh, "Pancho" Barnes, and "The Great" Waldo Pepper. This sets the stage for what is to follow.

The book's 524 pages are broken down into 146 chapters, most only two or three pages, with irresistible titles to entice the reader, such as "Airline Pilot Dies Enroute"; "Aviation Monkey"; "The Cat and Duck Method of IFR Flying"; "If a Dog Was Your Instructor"; "Nightmare at FL350"; and "The Preacher and the Pilot." In the true style of bathroom readers, if in fact that is where the book ends up in one's home, the book can be opened at any point, only a page or two at most from a chapter heading. This bathroom companion is meant to be a short read, though it would be equally useful on a long trip, where one would not be tied to a long narrative, but rather short amusing anecdotes and observations to help while away the time.

Drew Chitea is a gifted writer, and has the background for an aviation-themed book. He earned his Private Pilot License in 1971, and since then he has been a bush pilot in Alaska, Chief pilot for an airline training academy, an instructor for a major airline, and is currently an FAA Designated Pilot Examiner.

"The Aviator's Bathroom Reader" is a great read, not only for those with an aviation background but for just about anyone who has been a passenger on an airline.

You can purchase your very own copy of this book at the Aspen Flying Club front desk or at [www.coloradoskymaster.com](http://www.coloradoskymaster.com) by clicking on "Products."



Happy Holiday Shopping!

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**As always, fly safely! We look forward to seeing you at the club!**