

# The Crab Pot



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## Welcome to Our Newest Members!

- Katherine Grasley
- Georgeanna Rokos

## Essex Skypark (W48) STEM Event

- Several of the Maryland 99s met June 8<sup>th</sup> at Essex Airport to support the Boy Scout STEM Event. Thank you to everyone who came out!

## Upcoming Chapter Events

Mark your calendars for the upcoming chapter events:

- **July 13** - Personal recounts of the 2019 Air Race Classic (MTN).
- **August 10<sup>th</sup>** - Tour of the Flight Safety International Training Facility at Wilmington Airport (ILG) with Loretta Cook
- **September 28<sup>th</sup>** - Girl Scout Aviation Day at Martin State Airport (MTN)
- **October 12<sup>th</sup>** - Visit to the Dover Air Force Museum

## Upcoming Regional Events

Mark your calendars for the upcoming events:

- **June 21-23<sup>rd</sup>** - Chester County Balloon Festival at New Garden
- **June 29** – Pancake, Motorcycle Ride, Fly-In at KLNS
- **July 1<sup>st</sup> 7 PM** – Apollo 11 Mission, Dr. Tom Jones, LM Auditorium 2323 Eastern Blvd. 21220
- **July 16-21** - International Conference and Career Expo, Dayton, OH
- **July 22-28<sup>th</sup>** - EAA Airventure, Oshkosh, WI
- **August 17<sup>th</sup>** - Festival of Flight Air & Car Show, New Garden (N57)
- **August 24-25** - Lancaster Airshow (KLNS)
- **September 14-15** - Dover AFB Open House & Air Show
- **October 5** - Wings & Wheels – A Georgetown Fall Festival (KGED)

## SPIN Endorsement / Aerobatics Lessons

Interested in obtaining your SPIN endorsement and/or learning Aerobatics?

- Read more on pages 4-5.



## Scholarship Opportunities

## Deadline

- [L3 Pilot Pathways Women Aviators Scholarship](#) June 30
- [IAC CP Aviation Emergency Maneuver Training Scholarship in Memory of Vicki Cruse](#) June 30
- [Greg Koontz Airshows Aerobatic Instructor Scholarship in Memory of Bobby Younkin](#) June 30
- [Douglas Yost Memorial Aerobatic Scholarship Grant](#) June 30
- [2019 Karen Johnson Solo Scholarship](#) July 1
- [CAE Women in Flight Scholarship with American Airlines](#) July 30
- [National Gay Pilots Association Scholarships – Member Sponsored](#) August 31
  - Buttgenbach Foundation \$10,000 Private Pilot Scholarship
  - NGPA \$6000 Private Pilot Scholarship – 3 Available
  - NGPA \$6000 Instrument Rating Scholarship – 3 Available
  - NGAP \$6000 Commercial Rating Scholarship – 3 Available
  - NGPA \$7000 Steven Moore Advocacy Scholarship
  - NGPA \$3000 Seaplane Rating Scholarship
  - NGPA \$1000 Tailwheel Checkout Scholarship
- [National Gay Pilots Association Scholarships – Airline Sponsored](#) August 31
  - United Airlines \$6000 Advanced Flight Training Scholarship – 2 Available
  - United Airlines \$5000 Tech Ops Scholarship – 2 Available
  - Delta Air Lines \$6000 Advanced Flight Training Scholarship – 2 Available
  - Alaska Airlines & K&S Aviation Boeing 737 Type Rating
  - American Airlines \$6000 Advanced Flight Training Scholarship – 3 Available
  - FedEx \$6000 Advanced Flight Training Scholarship

Contact Carol Christian ([carolc91@gmail.com](mailto:carolc91@gmail.com)) for any Scholarship questions.

## FAA Safety / Training Opportunities

### Upcoming Safety Webinars

- Intro to Weather Briefings – Weather Briefing 1
  - June 24, 7:30 PM
  - July 1, 6:30 PM
  - July 6, 6:00 PM
- Safe Self-Briefing – Weather Briefing 2
  - June 25, 6:30 PM
  - June 28, 5:00 PM
  - July 3, 1:00 PM
  - July 8, 12:30 PM
- Weather Risk Assessment-Weather Briefings 3
  - June 26, 6:00 PM
  - June 30, 6:00 PM
  - July 5, 9:00 AM
  - July 10, 12:00 PM
- Back to Basics - Airspace
  - June 27, 7:00 PM
- FAA Flight Program – Have you Thought About Stabilized Approach and Go-Arounds?
  - July 1, 3:00 PM
- ForeFlight IFR Mastery Tips
  - July 1, 8:00 PM

### Upcoming Seminars

- **Everything You Always Wanted to Know About the WINGS Program**  
 Speaker: Mike Bangert  
 Location: Bay Bridge Airport (W29)  
 also offered Online  
 Date/Time: June 22, 1:00 PM
- **AOPA Rusty Pilots Seminar**  
 Speaker: Dale Robinson  
 Location: Bay Bridge Airport (W29)  
 Date/Time: June 22, 9:00 AM
- **CFI/DPE Forum**  
 Speaker: Vicki Bevan  
 Location: Tipton Airport (KFME)  
 Date/Time: Wednesday, June 26, 7:00 PM

## Monthly Feature – FAA WINGS Program

This **FREE** Pilot Proficiency Program encourages on- going training and proficiency. The objective is to reduce the number of GA accidents.

The WINGS Program targets education and training opportunities to help pilots apply the principles of aviation risk assessment and risk management. Reviewing and Refreshing your knowledge is just as important as flying.

For the purposes of the WINGS program, the six accident causal factors have been broken out into three knowledge and three flight areas as follows:

### Knowledge Topics

1. Aeronautical decision making, including runway safety issues
2. Performance and limitations, including loss of control issues
3. Preflight planning, risk management, and fuel management

### Flight Topics

1. Takeoffs and landings
2. Positive aircraft control, including loss of control issues
3. Basic flying skills

### Three Levels within the WINGS Program:

#### Basic

- Designed for pilots looking for more than a basic flight review. The basic level addresses primary accident factors to help ensure pilots' awareness of these factors and possible mitigation strategies.

#### Advanced

- This level goes beyond the Basic level to better tailor the training to the pilot's specific needs. The Advanced level is generally based on the Commercial pilot standards.

#### Master

- The Master level allows for even more flexibility and specialized training, often at the Commercial or Airline Transport Pilot (ATP) PTS or even CFI. The focus is often specialized equipment and flight environment training scenarios.

In addition to the FAA, many 3<sup>rd</sup> party companies/organizations such as AOPA, ASA, Sporty's, Gleim Publication, and others offer opportunities for WINGS credit. Credit can be obtained through completion of online courses, attending seminars and other events, and participation in webinars.

More details can be found in [AC 61-91J](#) as well as the [WINGS User's Guide](#).

## WINGS Flight Training Challenge Sweepstakes

\$10,000 WINGS Sweepstakes is offering a CASH INCENTIVE to pilots and CFIs participating in the program.

- Ten Cash Prizes
  - Four \$1,500
  - Four \$750
  - Two \$500
- Deadline for entries is December 31, 2019

Visit <https://www.mywingsinitiative.org/> for more details.



## Spin Training in the Pitts S-2C with Legendary Instructor Bill Finagin

*Submitted by Meaghan Cohen*

A remarkable experience spin training with CFI – Bill Finagin / 2008 International Aerobatic Club Hall of Fame Inductee

As part of pursuing my CFI certification, I've been on the hunt for an instructor to conduct the required spin training. After going through a fairly lengthy list of options, I was fortunate enough to find someone who is local (based out of Lee Airport), experienced (Bill is a Young 82 years old and an IAC Hall of Fame member), and available (I was fortunate enough to fly with Bill within a few days of connecting with him). I have to admit that despite flying for several years now, the idea of intentionally entering a spin condition and spiraling towards the ground was a bit unnerving. However, when I spoke to Bill and read about his background, any fears that I had were replaced with the excitement to fly with and learn from a person who has had such a remarkable career.

Bill has over 18,000 hours of dual instructing in a Pitts S-2C and is determined help his students become safer pilots. Bill's plane is an Aviat Pitts S-2C, which is a highly aerobatic biplane. The Pitts has a Lycoming AEIO-540 engine that is rated at 260 HP. Empty weight of the aircraft is 1,155 pounds with a gross weight of 1,700 pounds. Aerobatic payload with full fuel is 371 pounds. The airplane is extremely nimble and fun to fly. If you have ever wanted to fly a Pitts or other aerobatic plane, training with Bill is a great opportunity.

Besides being an airshow pilot for 30 years, Bill was a former Navy Admiral and a dentist, so he is naturally extremely cool under pressure. Bill began as a self-taught pilot and can recite many tips from his vast experience to prevent you from making dangerous mistakes. During my experience flying with Bill, he instructed me on the safe and effective recovery from spins and provided many interesting stories and other tips in the process.

We began by taking off from the Lee Airport (ANP) and proceeding to an area near Easton (ESN) to perform the maneuvers. Bill called the local tower to give a heads-up regarding our acrobatic activities. Next, we proceeded to 7,500 ft MSL where we performed a multitude of spins: upright, flat, accelerated, inverted flat, and emergency recovery techniques. Bill gave me ample time to appreciate several turns in each of these spins before we initiated the recovery techniques, with most ending at an altitude of about 3,000 ft MSL. Bill provided valuable feedback throughout the lesson, pointing out the plane's sighting device as well as the gauges inside the aircraft during the maneuvers. After you get used to the feeling, it's then hard to remove the smile that sets in.

I highly recommend this experience to anyone who wishes to become a better and safer pilot!

**Thank you to Sophia Dengo for the Referral!**



## Spin Training continued

The following is an excerpt from an article written about Bill in the International Aerobatics Club Magazine in 2009:

Bill was the original aerobatic competency evaluator/committee member appointed by the FAA—at one time, if you wanted to fly air shows, Bill Finagin was the guy who gave you the nod. In addition to flying air shows for 20 years, Bill has flown more than 10,000 hours in the Pitts biplane while instructing more than 600 students in the fine art of competition aerobatics—and it's always just been a hobby! His accomplishments alone are quite amazing, but what really sets Bill apart is his personality. He's humble, kind, and laughs easily—just the kind of person who makes you smile and say, “What an amazing human being.”

William “Bill” Finagin was inducted into the IAC Hall of Fame at a ceremony in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, on October 24, 2008. Anyone who's spent any time speaking with Bill will immediately understand why he was chosen for this prestigious award, but he humbly admits that he “... just doesn't want to lower the esteem of previous Hall-of-Famers.” After all he's accomplished, that may be impossible. Read more about Bill's remarkable career in this International Aerobatics Club Article: <https://www.iac.org/files/magazines/SA-2009-01.pdf>

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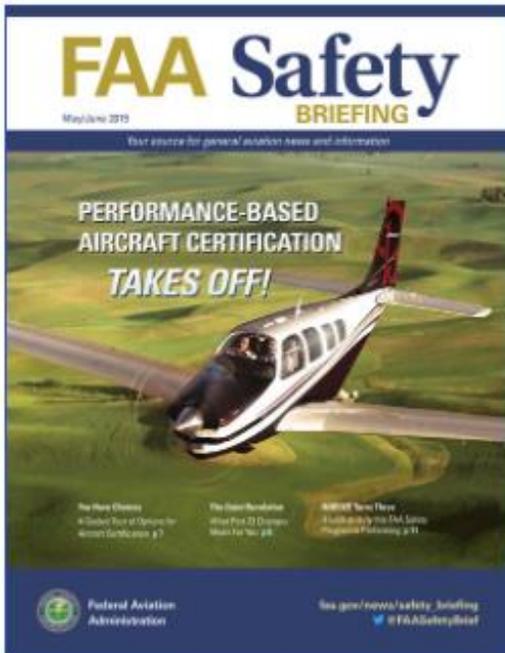
Tailwheel endorsement, Stall/spin recovery, Unusual attitude/upset training, Basic aerobatics, Competition aerobatics, Pitts Checkout

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