

Valley Flyers,

We'd like to welcome Vern Johnson, a seasoned pilot to the club:) Now that he got smart and sold his airplane so that flying is more affordable...he has decided to fly with us. Just a reminder...if you have a family member who flies or would like to learn to fly, there is no initiation fee for a family member.

There will be some upgrading going on at the Salem Airport over the next few weeks; new runway markings and enhanced taxiway centerline & hold lines. Please be alert to equipment moving on the airport.

Runway incursions at many airports are on the rise. If uncertain of position, (and you aren't on the runway or creating a hazard) Stop and contact ATC. If you are on a runway without an approval...exit. Do not cross a runway unless you are certain you are instructed to do so and it is clear.

Know your destination airport diagram and have it ready in the cockpit. If you don't have a current one, download it from www.naco.faa.gov Know and pay attention to airfield signs and markings.

Practice heads-up and eyes-out. Avoid distracting tasks.

Listen carefully to all air traffic instructions. Get approval before crossing or using any runway. "Taxi to" does not give you permission to enter the assigned runway

The FAA "Runway Safety Collection" DVD is a good and entertaining way to get further education on this subject. This DVD was issued free to AOPA members, and there are a few copies in our hangar office for anyone to take and view.

Upcoming aviation events for September:

The McMinnville Aircraft Club's Annual Fly-in Sept. 4 & 5. For more information to to: http://www.macflyin.com/Welcome.html

The Western Antique Aeroplane & Automobile Museum fly-in Vintage Airplane & Automobile Show in Hood River Sept. 11-13 http://www.waaamuseum.org/

Reno Air Races Sept. 16-20: http://www.airrace.org/indexJS.php

Have a great month flying!!

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