

# *Valley Flyers*

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## **Update on avionics:**

Valley Flyers and Garmin have entered into a mutually beneficial agreement which will allow the club to upgrade avionics, add up to 15 new members from the Garmin facility here in Salem, and give Garmin employees access to a flying club. Valley Flyers is contributing some funds to the project, raised by some members prepaying their dues and flying fees. Through this agreement we will immediately be able to install a Garmin G500 avionics package in 5ED. In addition, we will install a VAL avionics dual nav/com in 574, and in the near future upgrade the nav/com panel in 36H, with the exact configuration yet to be determined. The Skylane will be down for about 2 weeks beginning Jan 3 for its install, and 5ED will be off-line for about 2 months starting on the same date. During this time, the Club will lease the C-172 12382 from Joan and Vern so that club members are not without access to aircraft.

**A general club meeting** is planned for **Thurs Jan 26**, 6:30 at Great Wall Buffet on South Commercial. We will discuss the avionics changes, elect a couple of board members, and present information on training and checkout procedures for the G500. Please watch your email for information on that in the interim.

**Airspace change!** The Seattle class B airspace has been *completely* revised. A copy of the TAC chart can be found at [https://www.faa.gov/files/notices/2011/Dec/Seattle\\_TAC.pdf](https://www.faa.gov/files/notices/2011/Dec/Seattle_TAC.pdf) if you want to look. But now is the time to buy a current sectional, at least. The dimensions and altitudes are REALLY different. Don't get caught with an inadvertent class B incursion!

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