



ACCOMPLISHMENTS			
BRENT STEPHENSON	First Solo	WARRIOR	JACK BASHFORD
BRIAN DENOUDEN	First Solo	C152	RYAN DAVIS
GILBERT PUNSALAN	Private	C152	RYAN DAVIS
RUSS GALBOT	Private	WARRIOR	JACK BASHFORD
BILL LYNCH	Instrument	C172	CODY PIERCE
JUNG SOO KIM	Instrument	C152	DAVID KIM
KELVIN KAPYA	Commercial	C172RG	RICHARD GARNETT
KIMEONG KIM	Multi Commercial	PA44-180	DAVID KIM

CONGRATS to DAVID KIM, top CLUB CFI for March, logging the most hours of dual given in club aircraft! Runners-up were RICHARD GARNETT and RAND STERRETT!
 TOP GUN AWARD goes to JUNG KIM for logging the most flight hours in club aircraft in March. Runners-up were KI MEONG KIM and JUNGKU LEE!!!

DON'T MISS OUT! By RYAN DAVIS

At the present time it looks as if the potential for getting a good flying job is fading off into the horizon, but don't be so pessimistic. Don't look at the current conditions of pilot hiring as an everlasting situation that produces more drag than it does thrust. Look at it as a very turbulent cross country with you just arriving at the top of your descent. The point that, if you time it perfectly, you will smoothly and effortlessly glide to your destination. Of course to time it out properly you must be aware of a few different variables that allow you to calculate when you should start reacting. By the way, the time is NOW! Let me show you how if figured that out.

Factor 1, Retirement age. On December 13th of 2007 president Bush signed a new law stating that all commercial pilots will be required to retire at the age of 65. That was a little over two years ago. What this law did was delay airline pilot retirement for five years. So from that day in 2007 there has been a significant postponement of pilots leaving their positions, and until December 13th of 2012 this postponement will continue. By just waiting for that day alone will greatly increase your chances of getting that dream job. But waiting is too boring, and can leave you to pass up many opportunities. If you start flying today with the intention of making aviation a career, you will be getting in at just the right time. The average student fly's two times a week. Under these conditions you could get through all your certificates and ratings, and build the hours needed to be eligible for a pilot job in approximately three years. Remember in three years many pilots will start retiring.

Factor 2, Our economy. If you take a look at the Dow Jones Industrial average from October 12th of 2007 to March 6th of 2009, you will notice the highest peak ever in the DJIA on October 12th, and you will also the lowest point in more than ten years on March 6th. Between these two dates you will observe the sharpest decline in stock prices that has ever taken place. Is there coincidence between the change of retirement age pilot and the decline in stock prices? Direct implication between these two situations is hard to notice and outside the scope of this article, but what you can derive is the fact that since the 65 age rule came into effect the airliners haven't hired too many pilots because of the falling economy. Let put these two factors into focus. No one retiring plus no one getting hired equals a mass shortage of pilots. Are you going to be there when it all unravels?

Factor 3, Less pilot training. When the economy suffers, so do the people...of course. If people are losing their jobs, homes, and any savings that they once had, how can they start flight training? Also because of the downfall of the economy student loans are also becoming much harder to attain. These issues result in less people (a lot less) beginning their flight training.

With the three previous factors considered, you can easily see that the airliners are in for a world of hurt. This is how it will work from the airlines perspective. After December 13th of 2012 the airlines collectively will let go of close to 3,000 pilots a year for the following 15 years (the reason for 12 years is because of the hiring trend that occurred 7 years prior to 2007). That's more pilots who currently work for SkyWest. The major airlines will search in the military population, but with the increasing use of UAVs the prospects will be slim to none. The regional airlines will put out ads and lower their hiring minimums, but since a vast amount of people haven't started training their results will be bare as well. Who will fly their airplanes, you will.

Correlation. As you can presently see a pilot career may not look like something you would want to get into, but if you look at the situation in the right light you can clearly determine that this is the best time to get in. Stop questioning the idea of "should you start flying," and take your first step in becoming a commercial pilot today. If you miss out on this trend you will have to wait a long while before it gets this good again. Trust me on this one, you won't regret a thing.

CALENDAR

Apr 28	The Long Beach Flying Club and the Long Beach Airport Association GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING will be held at the AirFlite facility on Taxiway Bravo at the end of Wardlow Road. A buffet will be served beginning at 6:30 PM with the program beginning at 7:00 PM. Everybody is welcome to attend -- we hope to see you there -- sandwiches, fruit and dessert will be served! This meeting will count toward CFI credit for April!
May 1	Chino Monthly Event includes seminars and, weather permitting and whenever possible, flight demonstrations by appropriate aircraft. Seminars start at about 10am and last till about 2pm and occur on the first Saturday of every month. Contact 909.597.3722
May 26	Long Beach Flying Club CFI meeting from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm. This is our annual recurrent TSA Security Awareness training as required by the FAA -- so don't miss this one!
June 22	Mark Your Calendars! Plan on attending both nights of the FAA airspace meetings to discuss the "Establishment of Class C Airspace at Long Beach and Revision of the Santa Ana (John & Wayne) Class C Airspace Area." Comments on the proposal will be due by July 31, 2010.
June 23	Class C airspace at LGB would create a wall from Dana Point to Magu. We will be letting them know our alternatives to Class C!
Nov 8-10	AOPA Summit here at LGB. Static displays, and lots more.

NOTAM: Club pilots wishing to write safety articles for our monthly newsletters would be greatly appreciated! Many thanks to HANK SMITH, RAND STERRETT and RYAN DAVIS for the help with this newsletter!

NEW & REJOINED CLUB PILOTS! WELCOME!



- BRANDON ABREGO
- SANDESH BHAVANAM
- ERIC BURGER
- TALIA DALTON
- GIACOMO DI CONSOLO
- TERRY JOHNSON
- RICHARD JONES
- CALVIN KALBACH
- GRAEME KIMMEL
- SZYMON KWASNY
- TSCHACHTLI LUC
- GHOLAMREZA MALAKZADEH
- KYUNGWOON MIN
- DAVID OFFITZER
- MALCOLM ROBERTSON
- MICHAEL ROWAN
- SHERIF SAAD
- SCOTT SCHAIDLE
- TODD SMITH
- KYLE STONE
- RENE TRUJILLO
- TERRY WALLACE
- DAVID WISNIEWSKI



HAPPY APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- WILLIAM H. ARMET
- JOEL DAVIS
- JOE DEL RIO
- DWIGHT L. DENNIS
- RONALD JOSEPH DRAKE III
- DANON FREAR
- RICHARD GARNETT
- MICHAEL GILBREATH
- FREDDY GUNDEVIA
- TERRY JOHNSON
- RICHARD JONES
- ARASH KHORSAND
- GARY LAZENBY
- AARON URI LEVY
- JORDAN MANTEY
- JOSEPH MOTIS
- EDWARD V. PACHECO
- SUEBPONG PRABYAI
- RYAN ROBINSON
- CARLOS ROSSIL
- DANIEL SANTOS
- LANCE WEBB

*Celebrating new private pilot
Ryan Robinson!*



Ryan with DPE Lyn Carlson



Celebrating Our 30th Year!

Spring Bash BBQ



Ryan Martinez checks out the hangar with Sue and guacamole with CFI/Dad Tomás!



Samuel Santos goes for a Famous Friedlander Rootbeer Float served up by CFI/Dad Daniel!



Rand breaks the news — an Obama TFR is scheduled for Monday 😞



Jaxon Baker gets some dual cockpit familiarization!

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