

Executive Director's REPORT



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SEBRING INTERNATIONAL RACEWAY NEWS

By Wayne Estes

The drag racing program continues to produce surprising results. We have seen attendance grow from roughly 1,000 at the first event, to 1,600 at our most recent event two weeks ago. We were rained out last week, but will make up that event this Thursday night. We will race one more time on June 23 before taking the summer rainy season off.

Two events of note coming this fall are Face Off and Dirty Dozen.

Face Off, in October, will be a Saturday car show, drag race, drift competition... all geared toward a younger demographic.

Dirty Dozen, an established “mud run” event that will return to the track after several years away, will help generate money for the Hendricks Field Memorial project. The event will coincide with Veterans Day weekend.



PRICES: \$20 FOR PARTICIPANTS AND \$5 FOR SPECTATORS. PARTICIPATING RACING PICK-UP TRUCKS TAKE \$5 OFF!

The 2016 Sebring Drag Racing schedule includes seven dates through June 23rd, followed by a summer break. Drag racing resumes on September 29th and concludes on December 8th.

FABA ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND DREAM SOAR

Executive Director Mike Willingham recently attended the Florida Business Aviation Association’s 70th annual conference in Sarasota. Several leads were generated as well as speakers for Expo.

Shaesta Waiz, a graduate student at Embry Riddle, is flying around the world in a V-tail

Bonanza aircraft. She will have accomplished the trip by Expo and has agreed to participate.

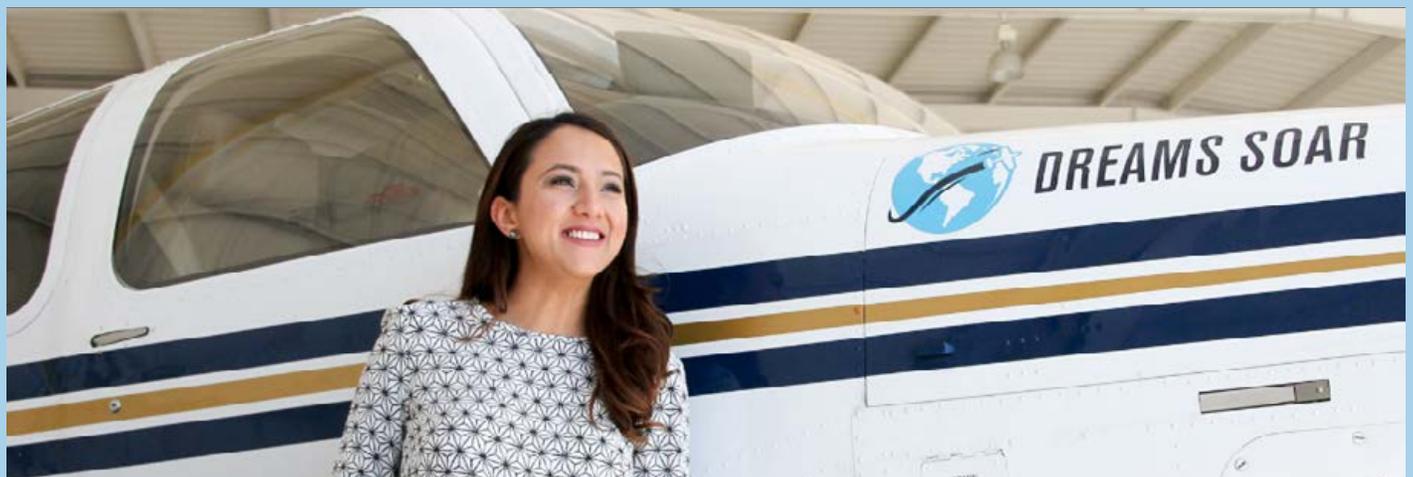
About Shaesta Waiz and Dreams Soar

Shaesta, born in a refugee camp traveled with her family from Afghanistan to America in 1987 to escape the Soviet-Afghan war. She started the Women’s

Ambassador Program at Embry-Riddle— an initiative that seeks to mentor and support young women pursuing an education in aviation and engineering. — Later, Shaesta sought to advance her efforts to a global scale. She started Dreams Soar to share her story with women around the world, to let them know it’s possible to achieve your

dreams, regardless of the challenges you may face.

The Dreams Soar mission is to partner with strong female role models at the 31 stops along the route and together, share and promote the importance of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) education.



OTHER NEWS AND INFO.

FAB LAB

We are in the process of conducting surveys of business and industry as to what they would like to see in a Fab Lab. Interestingly, we have found one of our tenants that is seriously considering prototyping product here and the Fab Lab would be of great benefit. Please stay tuned.

CITRAPAC

The following work was performed this last month:

- Continue installation of ammonia system and pipe insulation.
- Installation of water heaters & water treatment equipment.
- Drywall finishes & Painting in offices
- Landscaping placement
- Insulated panels trims at penetrations
- Handrails fabrication
- Completion of dock levelers installation

- Sink installation
- Mechanical system wiring
- OMNI System installation
- Electrical fixtures installation



Pistons and Props: December Event

Sebring will help recruit at least 10 warbirds and will land them on closed runway 9-27 and taxi the aircraft to the raceway paddock area. [Read more here](#)

FLG Teardowns

In the coming days, FLG will start dismantling aircraft N-GOGPG for recycling. FLG expects to hire 6 mechanics to assist in the dismantling process.

U.S. SPORT AVIATION EXPO UPDATE



FORUM AND KEYNOTE SPEAKER NEWS

JAMES FALLOWS has agreed to be a Keynote Speaker. Fallows is a national correspondent for The Atlantic. He has reported extensively from outside the United States and once worked as President Carter's chief speech writer. His latest book is China Airborne. His current project: "How America Is Putting Itself Back Together", involves a variant on the classic road-trip approach to reporting. The variant being that they are making the journey in a Cirrus SR-22 propeller plane. Since August 2013, they've been visiting America's smaller towns and cities, to see how people are adjusting to opportunities and challenges of this era.

STEWART HAMEL, CEO/Founder & Test Pilot will also be at 2017 Expo as a forum speaker. His forum is tentatively titled, "Presenting Stewart Hamel in Breaking Barriers: The Story of

SkyRunner." SkyRunner is the ultimate recreational vehicle combining off-road adventure with one of the safest forms of aviation.

KEVIN COLEMAN, aerobatic pilot, the only American to compete in the Red Bull Challenger Cup AND the youngest pilot of the 2016 Red Bull Season, has agreed to participate in Expo 2017. (Pictured on cover)

NEW MEDIA PARTNERS

Expo is pleased to announce two additional Media partners:

- KitPlanes
- SportPilot Talk

POSSIBLE MILITARY FLY-OVER

Expo has filed the necessary paperwork in order to request a fly-over of Army, Navy and Coast Guard aircraft.



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| Future Development | Existing Industrial Park |
| Catalyst Site | Airport |
| Future Commerce Park | Sebring International Raceway |



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