



FAA Production Studio News

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Annual Soaring & Seaplane Seminars

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SEAPLANE SAFETY...

In February the FAA Production Studios were pleased to host the Annual Seaplane Safety Seminar and the Annual Soaring Seminar.

Seminar Host, Mike Volk, brought guest speakers Harry Shannon, top left photo; Ben Coleman, R - third photo down on left with Mike Volk; and Bob Highley, fourth photo down on left.

Bob Highley opened the day with "Back to Basics" of Seaplane operations followed by Harry Shannon with "Understanding the Lake Amphibian." Ben Coleman lead the afternoon session with "Seaplane Maintenance & Corrosion" and Mike Volk closed the day with "Cross Country on Straight Floats."

All of our speakers presentations were excellent. They shared a wealth of their experience in what seemed like one short day.

If you long to be a seaplane pilot or are a seaplane pilot this annual event should be on your 'do not miss' list!



SOARING...

On February 5, 2005 our Soaring Seminar hosts, Wayne Garner & Knut Kjenslie were sure to please our seminar attendees with another incredible soaring program for the day.

Wayne's guest speakers included.... Kevin Shultz with an "Update on SSA & Soaring in Florida", Bruce Patton presenting "Get Out of Your Normal Routine-Become a Safer Pilot", John Makoski with "Parachutes & Soaring." After a lunch break the program resumed with Dr. Howard Chipman, MD and "Pre-Flighting the Pilot", followed by Ben Coleman and "Maintaining Your/Club Glider & Tow Plane."

Thanks to our fine presenters who put a great deal of time and effort into these superb programs. They are truly "first class."

Thanks go to our FAA Production Studio Crew Members who staff the studio, year round, to support the safety program and make these programs available to our pilot community.

It is truly an effort that comes from their love of flying and the dedication to make our skies safer for everyone!

Don't miss our forums at Sun 'n Fun. We will be hosting safety seminars throughout the week and broadcasting live on the ATN (Aviation Training Network, GETN (Government Education Training Network, and FAN (Florida Aviation Network).



Host Mike Volk in make-up with Melody Coleman



Steve Graff, Switcher - L, Hugh Hardy, Technical Director - R



Mike Mascia works the Audio Panel



Bill Lewis, Engineer and Floor Manager - L, and Walt Schamel, Floor - R



Obie Young, Studio Director - L, and Mike Volk, Seaplane Seminar Host - R



Obie Young, II works the Avid in Post Production Editing



Some of our fly-in's for the days event



Norma Jeerings heads up our Front Desk for Administration