

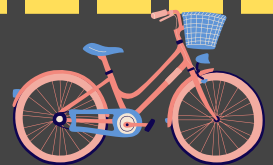
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BURNING MAN TRAFFIC IS COMING PLAN ACCORDINGLY



Burning Man brings a lot of activity to Reno, and the airport is about to get busy. Very busy. You will notice some additional rental restrictions during the peak travel days, Thursday, Friday, Sunday, and Monday.

These restrictions are not meant to keep you from flying. They are intended to prevent you from spending a large portion of your rental sitting on the ramp, waiting 30 minutes or more just to depart. That is not an efficient use of your time or money, and it is not much fun for the airplane either.

Expect increased jet traffic, ramp congestion, longer taxi times, wake turbulence, and possible delays for departure and arrival. ATC will be working hard to move everyone safely, so pilots should come prepared, listen carefully, and keep radio calls clear and concise.

If you are scheduled to fly during these peak periods:

- Arrive early and complete your preflight paperwork before heading to the airplane.
- Check NOTAMs and airport conditions.
- Be patient with Atlantic, ATC, and other airport personnel.
- Avoid unnecessary engine idling whenever possible.
- Do not let delays pressure you into rushing checklists or decision-making.

Burning Man traffic is an interesting part of operating at a towered airport, but it can also become expensive and frustrating quickly. A little planning and some flexibility will help keep everyone safe, sane, and moving.

Thank you for understanding the temporary restrictions. We promise the airport will return to its regularly scheduled level of fun, flight school chaos soon.

REMINDERS FOR THE UPCOMING WEEK

- Starting in September, GBA will be closed on Sundays so we can spend time with our families.
- CFI-led Study Groups are every Monday from 6-8pm. Contact the office for details.
- **NO STUDY GROUP MONDAY, 8/31**
- Don't forget to tell us where you are heading! Any XC flight, please add your destination to the comments.
- In the event of cancellation, call the office or email us asap. Messages and emails are monitored.
- Instrument Ground School will start again On October 12th. More info below.
- Check with the office and/of CFI about any flying over Burning Man. All requirements need to be met.

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GBA STUDENTS TAKING FLIGHT



Charlie Tatro- PPL

Huge congratulations to Charlie Tatro, who earned his Private Pilot Certificate today!

Charlie is truly one of those “no bad days” people, always smiling, always positive, and always an absolute joy to have around. He brought that same attitude to his flight training, along with plenty of hard work, focus, and determination. Granted, some of that studying may have happened poolside...but hey, life is tough. Someone had to make the sacrifice.

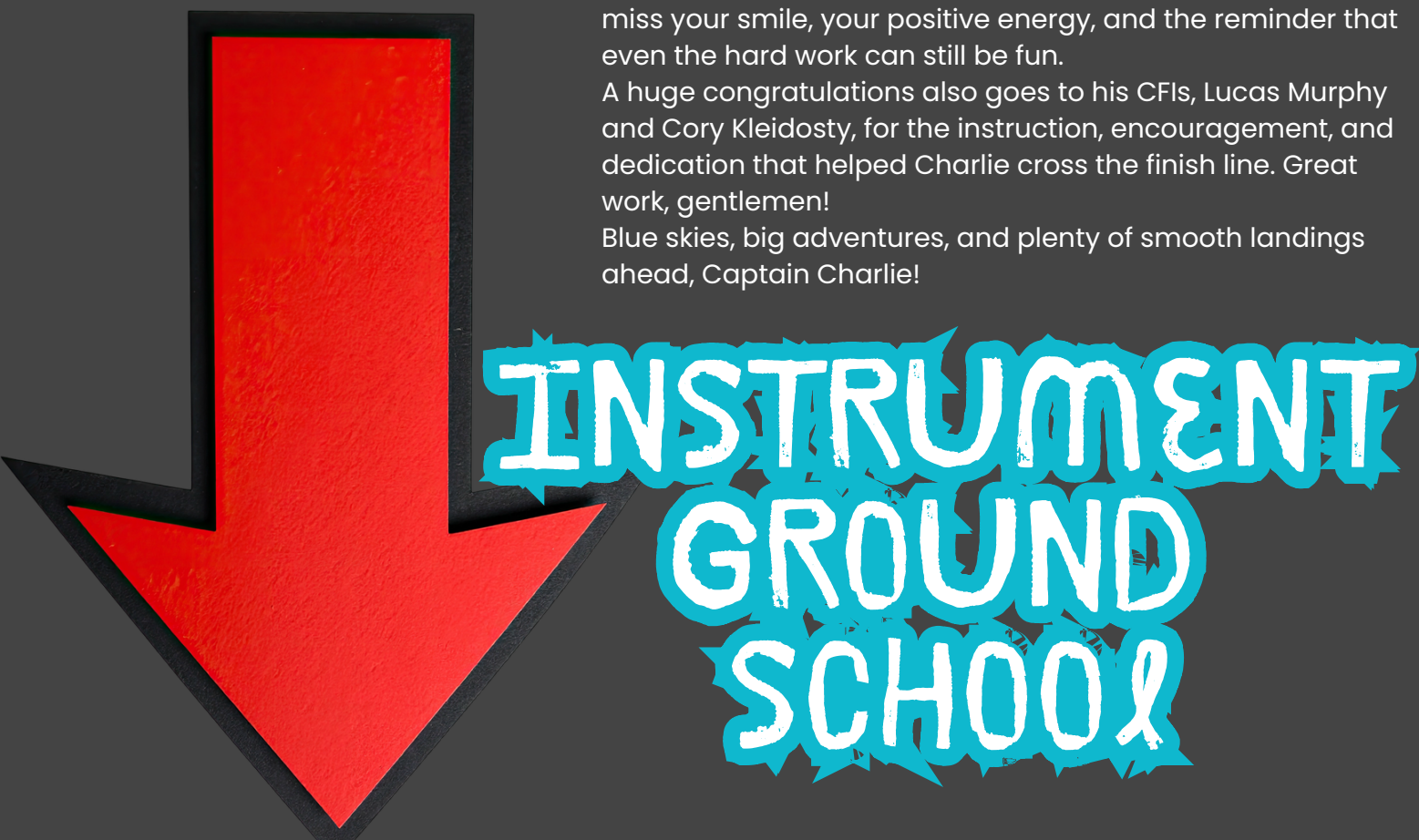
Charlie stayed committed through the challenges, put in the work, and continued sharpening his skills until he was ready to earn that certificate. Today, all of that effort officially paid off!

As someone who loves traveling, becoming a pilot was obviously the natural next step. Now he can plan adventures on his own schedule, assuming he can fit them in between pickleball matches and catching air on a wakeboard. Unfortunately, Charlie is also moving to San Diego because apparently earning his certificate wasn't enough excitement for one day. He will continue his training in some of the crazy, Southern CA airspace. Just shows Charlie doesn't mind a challenge. But sure, Charlie, just get your wings and abandon us for the most ideal climate. We're fine. Totally fine.

Charlie, we are incredibly proud of you and honored to have been part of your aviation journey. San Diego is gaining one heck of a pilot and an all-around wonderful human. We will miss your smile, your positive energy, and the reminder that even the hard work can still be fun.

A huge congratulations also goes to his CFIs, Lucas Murphy and Cory Kleidosty, for the instruction, encouragement, and dedication that helped Charlie cross the finish line. Great work, gentlemen!

Blue skies, big adventures, and plenty of smooth landings ahead, Captain Charlie!



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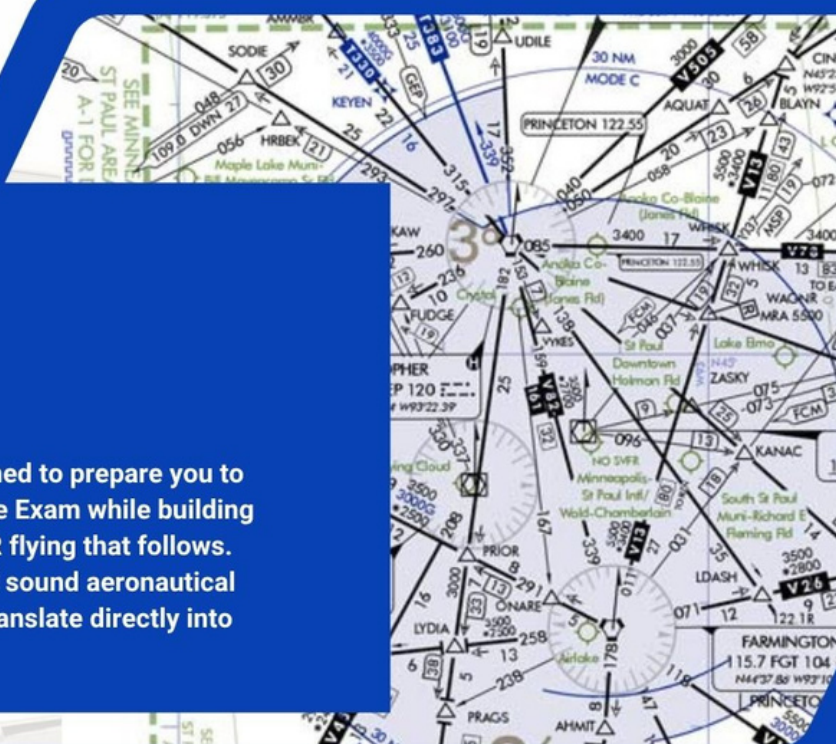
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GROUND SCHOOL OFFERING



INSTRUMENT GROUND SCHOOL

This in-person Instrument Pilot Ground School is designed to prepare you to successfully pass the FAA Instrument Rating Knowledge Exam while building a strong foundation for the oral exam and real-world IFR flying that follows. The course emphasizes understanding, application, and sound aeronautical decision-making, not rote memorization, so concepts translate directly into safer, more confident instrument flying in the cockpit.



DETAILS

WHEN AND WHERE

- Monday & Wednesday evenings
- 6:00 - 9:00 PM
- October 12 - November 18th
- Atlantic Aviation, Large Upstairs Conference Room

COURSE MATERIALS

- Jeppesen Instrument/Commercial & ASA Test Prep Text Books (included)
- Basic Foreflight Subscription

EXPECTATIONS

- Willingness to actively participate
- Commitment to completing assigned homework
- Consistent attendance and engagement during class sessions

COST

- \$500 (includes books)

SIGN UP

- Email - GoFlying@GreatBasinAviation.com
- Call/Text - 775-856-3655



Why Choose GBA?

Well, #1, Bob Bennett and our new Instrument Ground Instructor, Alan Woodburn (retired corporate pilot), will be teaching the class, but also, training for your Instrument Rating at GBA means learning in a structured, professional environment led by experienced instructors who emphasize long-term proficiency. Our focus goes beyond passing a test to developing sound aeronautical judgment, strong IFR fundamentals, and disciplined habits that translate into safe, confident decision-making in real-world instrument flying.