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BURNING MAN TRAFFIC IS COMING IN A MONTH

We're about a month away from Burning Man, which means it's time to start planning forthe significant increase in aircraft traffic at RNO.
Great Basin Aviation will remain open throughout the event, and we absolutely encourage you to continue booking and flying. However, we also want everyone to know what to expect before arriving for a lesson or rental. During peak Burning Man travel days, aircraft may experience longer waits on the ramp, extended taxi times, and delays receiving takeoff clearance.
Flights on Thursday, September 3; Friday, September 4; and Sunday, September 6 are expected to be the most affected. If you schedule during those days, please consider the potential for additional ground time when booking your aircraft and planning the rest of your day. Even with everyone doing their best to keep traffic moving, RNO gets extremely busy, and sometimes we simply have to wait our turn. This is not a reason to avoid flying. Book the lesson, fly the airplane, and enjoy the opportunity to see some unique aircraft visiting Reno. Just bring a little extra patience, keep your schedule flexible, and remember that "hold short" may be more than the name of our newsletter that week!
Also, no Burning Man overflights in GBA aircraft without completing the current 88NV pilot briefing, registration/test if available, and receiving prior approval from GBA.

REMINDERS FOR THE UPCOMING WEEK

- **0500 starts will fall off the schedule starting August 1st. Reach out to your instructor for any before/after hours scheduling. Thanks!**
- CFI-led Study Groups are every Monday from 6-8pm. Contact the office for details.
- Dont 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.
- Make sure you are following summer heat restrictions. Check with the office or your instructor if you have questions.
- Check with the office and/of CFI about any flying over Burning Man. All requirements need to first be met.

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GBA STUDENTS TAKING FLIGHT

Reed Hagmueller- PPL

Some milestones just feel extra special, and this is definitely one of them.

A huge congratulations to Reed on earning his Private Pilot Certificate with instructor Greg! From the very beginning, Reed has been working toward a dream he's had since he was a kid, to become a pilot. Watching someone check off a lifelong goal never gets old, and we're so excited to celebrate this moment with him.

Originally from California, Reed has always had a passion for aviation that reaches beyond just flying. He's currently pursuing a future in aerospace engineering, combining his love for airplanes with the desire to help shape the future of flight. We'd say he's picked a pretty awesome career path.

Outside of aviation, Reed has traveled throughout Europe, enjoys hitting the golf course whenever he gets the chance, and clearly isn't slowing down anytime soon. In fact, he's headed to the Philippines this Friday for another adventure. Talk about good timing for celebrating a brand-new pilot certificate!

Greg has loved being a part of Reed's journey, and it's been awesome watching his confidence and skills grow with every lesson. Earning your PPL takes commitment, patience, and a lot of hard work, and Reed showed up ready to put in that effort every step of the way.

Reed, congratulations on an incredible accomplishment. You took a childhood dream and turned it into reality, and that's something you'll carry with you forever. We can't wait to see where aviation, engineering, and all of your future adventures take you next.

From everyone here at Great Basin Aviation, congratulations, safe travels, and welcome to the club! The sky is no longer the limit, it's just the beginning. ✈️