

# THE HOLD SHORT

A

12 AUG - 18 AUG

## CORY AND SYDNEY GOT ENGAGED!!

Love was truly in the air today at GBA! Cory, a GBA original and commercial student, seized the perfect moment while preflighting N4ORF. He had his love, Sydney, join him to take a look at the transponder antenna. Little did she know, he had more than avionics on his mind. He got down on one knee and proposed – talk about taking “life at new heights” quite literally!

Congratulations to this incredible couple on this life-changing moment! The skies have been part of your love story taking flight, and we couldn't be happier for you both. Wishing you a lifetime filled with blue skies, warm embraces, and endless adventures. Here's to a love that's ready to take on any altitude!



## REMINDERS FOR THE UPCOMING WEEK

- Friendly reminder for the August 20th Aviation Weather class. Class will be from 1pm-2pm (or longer if you have questions) in the large upstairs conference room at Atlantic Aviation. This class will be taught by Commercial Pilot, Line tech extraordinaire, and CFI candidate, Derek Davis! Derek will be instructing on aviation weather and what conditions breed what weather patterns. This will include discussion about fronts, systems, prognostic charts, turbulence charts, and open questions. No need to RSVP. Please show up by 1pm with your aviation weather questions. This class is FREE!!!
- Instrument Ground school will be offered again in October. Bob Bennett will be teaching a 6-week course starting on Tuesday, October 3rd, every Tuesday and Thursday night from 6pm-9pm. All classes will be held at Atlantic Aviation. Cost for class is \$500. This includes instruction, course textbook, and written exam guide. All students will also need Foreflight. Classes will be limited to 12 students so please let us know right away if you would like a spot.

**B****12 AUG - 18 AUG**

# GBA STUDENTS TAKING FLIGHT



**KYLE BRAZIL- PRIVATE**

Sound the alarms, folks – Kyle Brazil just lit up the skies with his solo flight at KSPZ on runway 24! And guess what? It was a sunrise pattern solo flight, making it quite literally a "fire in the sky" moment. 🔥 Now, hold on to your helmets, because Kyle's not just a pilot-in-the-making; he's also a firefighter, tackling blazes on the ground like a true hero. And speaking of heroes, he's got a beautiful family, complete with a precious baby. With this solo flight, Kyle's taking one step closer to reaching those sky-high dreams. It's like he's on a mission to prove that firefighters can rock the runway too. Let's not forget to give a big shoutout to CFI Grant Muzzio – the instructor who's been Kyle's co-pilot on this wild journey. Awesome job guys!!



**SHANE MCALISTER – PRIVATE**

The one and only Shane McAlister is in the spotlight today! He earned his Private Pilot Certificate!! Not only does he tackle the skies with finesse, but he's also our go-to guy on the ground – a true multitasking maestro! Imagine this: there's a storm brewing on the horizon, and what's Shane up to? Demonstrating his amazing flying skills, of course! While the rest of us are eyeing the clouds nervously, he's out there mastering maneuvers like a pro. Between dodging friendly banter in the office and running the ramp, Shane somehow managed to sneak in some serious studying time. The result? He's now the proud holder of a private pilot's certificate! Is there anything this guy can't do? Great job as well to his CFI Austin White, the mastermind who guided Shane on this incredible journey. Awesome job guys!!



**CLAIRE EBERLE – PRIVATE**

Hold onto your hats, because we've got a storm brewing – and by storm, I mean Claire Eberle, our latest addition to the Private Pilot club! Claire is now officially licensed to take the friendly skies by storm. She's been on a non-stop rollercoaster of training for the past several months, all while gearing up for her law degree journey at the University of Michigan. Remember that goth phase we wrote about when she soloed? Well, it looks like Claire outgrew it and traded it in for a set of wings. Who knew, right? From My Favorite Muffin connoisseur to Red Bull enthusiast, Claire is on fire! Your departure from GBA might leave a gap in the "spunk" department, but we're beyond excited to see you shine even brighter on your new adventure. A huge congratulations also goes out to her CFI, Nathan Morin, for being the co-pilot on this epic journey. Awesome job Claire on being the new pilot on the block who's ready to take on anything – from the skies to the courtroom and beyond! Best of luck at University of Michigan! Go Wolverines!