### Charles M. Schulz - Sonoma County Airport

# The Red Baron Flyer

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## Thank you for supporting and flying STS!

**STS** had a great 2015 due to strong community, tenant, and visitor support. Passenger numbers have continued to consistently climb since 2007, and we are excited for 2016. Highlights from 2015 include:

- December had 23,013 passengers compared to 17,962 last year, an increase of 28.1%.
- 2015 ended with 263,142 passengers, compared to 238,320 in 2014, an increase of 10.4%.
- Airline Operations were up 9%.
- Fuel sales were up 27% (through November).
- Parking revenues were up 16.5%.
- Rental car revenues were up 13% (through November).



















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#### **Attention Drone Users!**

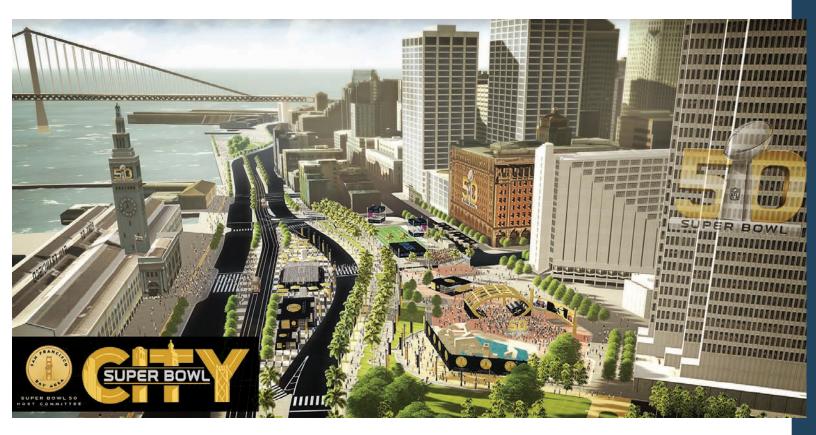
**Know Before You Fly** is an education campaign founded by the Association for Unmanned Vehicle Systems International (AUVSI) and the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) in partnership with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to educate prospective users about the safe and responsible operation of unmanned aircraft systems (UAS).



As excitement and enthusiasm continues to grow around UAS, and the regulatory framework continues to take shape, more consumers are looking to buy UAS for personal use and more businesses are looking to use UAS too. These prospective operators want to fly, and fly safely, but many don't realize that, just because you can buy a UAS, doesn't mean you can fly it anywhere, or for any purpose. Know Before You Fly provides prospective users with the information and guidance they need to fly safely and responsibly.

To learn more please visit: www.knowbeforeyoufly.org

Just released, the **B4UFLY easy-to-use smartphone app** that helps unmanned aircraft operators determine whether there are any restrictions or requirements in effect at the location where they want to fly. For additional information please visit: www.faa.gov/uas/b4ufly/



### **Super Bowl 50 & Sonoma County as a Destination Partner**

#### **Attention Pilots!**

Super Bowl 50 will take place on **February 7, 2016** at Levi's® Stadium in Santa Clara. Super Bowl City and the NFL Experience will open January 30, 2016 in San Francisco, and STS is one of the Airport's expecting Super Bowl related traffic.

Due to the high volume of traffic anticipated during the event, the FAA in conjunction with the NFL has developed a reservation system that will be managed by the FBOs to better coordinate traffic flow. Reservations will be required for IFR arrivals and departures at all Bay area airports.

To contact an STS full service FBO, please visit:

- Sonoma Jet Center 707.523.2800 www.sonomajetcenter.com
- Kaiser Air 707.528.7400 www.kaiserair.com/superbowl50.html

For NOTAMs and additional information, please visit:

www.nbaa.org/ops/airspace/regional/super-bowl/

#### **Taste of Sonoma Wine Lounge**

Sonoma County will be at The Big Game when Super Bowl 50 is played in the San Francisco Bay Area in February. Sonoma County is an official destination partner of the Super Bowl 50 Host Committee. Sonoma County will be providing wines to The Host Committee for its events in the lead-up to Super Bowl 2016 and during Super Bowl Week. Super Bowl 50 will take place on February 7, 2016 at Levi's® Stadium in Santa Clara.

**Super Bowl City** and the NFL Experience will open Saturday, January 30th - Sunday, February 7th in San Francisco.

The "Taste of Sonoma" lounge will be near the iconic Ferry Building in Super Bowl City, and will offer wines from 50 Sonoma County wineries and a chance to win a Sonoma Wine Country getaway experience.

For more information, please visit:

www.sonomacounty.com/SB50



# Mavericks Surfing November - March 31, 2016

Mavericks is a surfing location in Northern California about 2 miles (3 km) from shore outside Pillar Point Harbor, just north of the town of Half Moon Bay at the village of Princeton-by-the-Sea. After a strong winter storm in the northern Pacific Ocean, waves can routinely crest at over 25 feet (8 m) and top out at over 80 feet (24 m). The break is caused by an unusually shaped underwater rock formation.

Mavericks is a winter destination for some of the world's best big wave surfers. Very few riders become big wave surfers, and of those, only a select few are willing to risk the hazardous, sometimes deadly, conditions at Mavericks. An invitation-only contest is held there most winters, when the waves come.

For additional information, please visit:

www.titansofmavericks.com



## **Featured Fly-in Destination**

#### Half Moon Bay (KHAF)

by Fly in California

Half Moon Bay is a popular fly-in destination from the Bay Area, and for good reason! The airport is close to the marina and beach at Princeton by the Sea. It's a fairly short flight over the mountains, with gorgeous views of the Pacific Ocean and coast, and your lunch or dinner there can be combined with a Bay Tour for a perfect sight-seeing day with friends!

This is a favorite fly-in lunch place for many pilots, because it has such a great collection of eateries within walking distance of the tie-downs. No car needed! It's also a wonderful place to take a walk along the beach and breathe the sea air! Don't forget to bring your camera!

Do watch out for the coastal fog, and check the weather before you go!

#### The Airport

Half Moon Bay airport is actually a few miles north of the town of Half Moon Bay, but is right next to the smaller town of Princeton by the Sea. Flying north along the coast you will first come to Half Moon Bay - the bay, not the town. It looks like a smaller version of Monterey Bay, with the same great sandy beach, but not the buildup of houses.

#### What's There?

Princeton is a great little place, with many great restaurants, a marina, a working harbor with fishing boats and some great deals on really fresh fish. It also has a nice beach, and you can even watch the surfers take on the famous Mayericks.



Half Moon Bay Airport aeriel view.



Pillar Point Harbor shops and restaurants.

Plan your flight, and visit today:

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# CONGRATULATIONS, JOSH, ON AIRPORT BUSINESS 40 UNDER 40



# Meet Josh & Julia Hochberg, Owners, Sonoma Jet Center

Is Signature Select right for you? Just ask Josh and Julia. "Signature's marketing and sales support has been outstanding," Josh says. "We expected that. But we didn't realize what a fantastic all-around partner we were getting." The Hochbergs are likely to pull out photos of two brand-new electric tugs, loaned to them by Signature. "Signature delivered these to get us through a really busy month. It was our most successful month ever. Beyond our wildest dreams." Follow Josh and Julia's lead. Retain your identity and your hard-earned customers and add our loyal global customer base. Join Signature Select.® Profit from the power of Signature Flight Support.®

It's like we acquired a big brother with resources who will do whatever it takes to help us out.

- Josh & Julia Hochberg





## Sonoma Jet Center Begins Construction on Large Corporate Hangar

for Lease Early 2016

Contact: Julia Hochberg

Sonoma Jet Center, a Signature Select affiliate and a full service fixed base operator (FBO) serving business and general aviation in Sonoma County, announced today that it has broken ground on a new 21,000 square-foot aircraft hangar for lease to corporate clients. The hangar will be located at the Charles M. Schulz-Sonoma County Airport (STS) and will be available in the Spring of 2016.

The new hangar building will include office and workshop space, and will house large corporate jets with wingspans up to a Gulfstream 650. It is adjacent to existing Sonoma Jet Center executive terminal and hangar facilities. The new hangar is designed to satisfy the needs of the most demanding corporate flight departments, and will include a 170 foot clear span door, private lobby suites, and outstanding Sonoma Jet Center hangar management.

The hangar and related facilities will help meet the growing demand for corporate hangar space at STS. Marin county and north bay business fliers are seeking a base of operations away from increasingly busy and expensive central Bay Area airports such as Oakland (OAK) and San Francisco (SFO). STS recently completed a runway reconfiguration and expansion that makes the Airport safer and more desirable for larger aircraft to operate from. The Sonoma County area also attracts airplane owners and operators simply because of its getaway and wine country appeal.

Sonoma Jet Center offers an elegant executive terminal, Avfuel branded aviation fuels, aircraft maintenance, tiedowns, hangar space, and concierge service. Serving both corporate aviation clients and smaller owner/operators, Sonoma Jet Center is an independently owned and operated Signature Select affiliate with a reputation for safe and efficient operations, first-class VIP service for every customer large or small, and a passion for aviation.



Construction as of January 15, 2016.

"We serve a number of business jet clients who appreciate our high quality service and want more hangar space with us. So building a big hangar is simply the next logical step in expanding the range of services we can offer. Pilots know our reputation for safe efficient service and VIP treatment. We want to remain the first-choice FBO for years to come, whether you fly a Gulfstream G650 or a Cessna 152."

- Josh Hochberg, President Sonoma Jet Center



www.sonomajetcenter.com



## **Expands Services in Wyoming**

#### Emergency Air Medical Transport Base will Provide Airplane Service from Greybull in Q1 2016

Contact: Anna Blair

REACH Air Medical Services announces the expansion of their services into Wyoming. In late January, REACH will be transitioning ownership and management of the air medical helicopter base in Cody, WY. The company will add a second base, located in Greybull, WY, providing patient transports onboard a medically-equipped King Air B200 airplane.

Both bases will provide round-the-clock, life-saving emergency air medical service to area residents. The well trained flight crew consists of a flight nurse, flight paramedic and pilot. These highly skilled teams provide critical care during transport.

"Opening a second base in the Big Horn Basin benefits the community in many ways.

In this rural landscape, a plane can be advantageous to transport patients to needed care. With our airplane in Greybull, and our helicopter in Cody, we will increase our ability to serve patients in their time of need. Our airplane has the ability to travel long distances, and often under adverse weather conditions that may ground other aircraft. The Wyoming bases, along with our bases in Montana and Colorado, will support the region as a whole. When minutes matter, having an air medical transport service in the community saves lives."

- Sean Russell, President REACH Air Medical Services



The two new air bases will provide round-the-clock, life-saving emergency air medical service to residents in Wyoming.



REACH Air Medical Services was named Program of the Year by the Association of Air Medical Services (AAMS). Sponsored by Airbus Helicopters, Inc., this award is hailed as one of the air medical transport industry's highest honors and is presented annually to a company that clearly exceeds industry standards for safety, patient care, leadership and community service.

www.reachair.com



## **New Additions at PCAM**

By Peter Loughlin

The Pacific Coast Air Museum, home of the Wings Over Wine Country Air Show, is growing! We've just added two new U.S. Navy aircraft to our collection: a T-34B Mentor trainer, and an SH-60F Seahawk helicopter.

The T-34 is a single-engine trainer, and most of the U.S. Naval Aviators of the 1950s, 1960s, and 1970s spent a lot of time in them. We are grateful to the USS Midway Museum and the National Naval Aviation Museum at Pensacola, Florida for the loan of this aircraft. It is not going to be on display for a while because it is undergoing restoration and assembly.

The SH-60F Seahawk (or "Oceanhawk" in Navy parlance) was built to operate from aircraft carriers as a battle group's dedicated anti-submarine warfare (ASW) aircraft. We are grateful to Naval Air Station Fallon and the National Naval Aviation Museum at Pensacola, Florida for the loan of this aircraft. It has not yet been shipped to PCAM, but we expect to have it on the museum grounds early in 2016.

Though these two aren't on display just yet, drop in and see the other 35 or so aircraft! Come on the third weekend of the month when selected aircraft are open for "climb-aboard" when you can actually sit in the cockpit! Different aircraft are open for climb-aboard each month. Take a look at our climb-aboard schedule at http://pacificcoastairmuseum.org/events/climbaboard/ and plan your visit to coincide with open-cockpit day for your favorite aircraft.

The Pacific Coast Air Museum is located at the Charles M. Schulz - Sonoma County Airport, at One Air Museum Way. That's near the corner of N. Laughlin and Becker.



The T-34 is still in need of assembly and restoration but will be an interesting and important addition to the Pacific Coast Air Museum collection.



This is the Pacific Coast Air Museum's new SH-60F Seahawk, shown performing in an air show several years ago. It is no longer flyable, and will be the most modern helicopter in the Museum's collection of static-display aircraft.

Just watch for all the vintage airplanes behind the fence. Hours are Saturday, Sunday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 10:00 a.m. through 4:00 p.m. Visit www.pacificcoastairmuseum.org for details. We look forward to seeing you!

www.pacificcoastairmuseum.org

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The Charles M. Schulz - Sonoma County Airport





### **Apron Project Update**

by Brett Siweck, PE, Civil Engineer Aviation Services. Mead & Hunt

In addition to replacing an old, deteriorating pavement section, the Terminal Apron Rehabilitation project was designed to expand the overall Airline parking space and to accommodate larger, heavier aircraft.

In September 2015, Ghilotti Construction Company mobilized to begin rehabilitation of the terminal apron. As many of you know, Horizon Air aircraft were displaced to temporary parking spots north of their regular location just outside of the terminal. This was necessary so construction could safely occur and still maintain scheduled commercial service in to and out of the Charles M. Schulz - Sonoma County Airport.

Over the past few months, the existing pavement was removed, approximately 4,000 cubic yards of material was dug out and replaced with twelve inches of lime treated subgrade, seven inches of aggregate base, and either nine inches of hot mix asphalt or thirteen and a half inches of Portland cement concrete. Some additional underground storm drainage was installed to help manage storm water as well as some electrical infrastructure to support aircraft operations. Just before the end of the year, and the rain, the final placement of concrete and the joints were sealed.

Once the weather cooperates and provides several days of dry weather, the temporary markings will be installed and the aircraft will return to being in front of the terminal. This will then free the space for the final installation of a microsurface coating and fencing on the north side of the airline box. When the project is fully completed next spring, there will be parking available for three airliners, simultaneously.



Concrete pour.



Concrete pad complete.

#### **Interesting Apron Facts:**

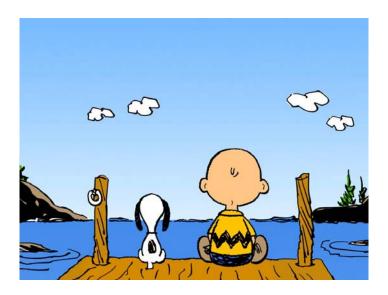
- About 155 linear feet of 18-inch storm drain was installed.
- About 8,800 square yards of asphalt was removed.
- About 3,700 tons of hot mix asphalt was placed.
- About 1,100 cubic yards of concrete was placed.
- About 8,600 square yards of microsurfacing is planned to occur.



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# Snoopy & Charlie Brown in Orange County, CA

by Jeanne Farris, Airport Volunteer Spouse

Snoopy, the "master flying ace", was pacing back and forth on the new tarmac of the Charles M. Schulz - Sonoma County Airport, worrying about his Sopwith Camel. He wanted to fly to the John Wayne Airport in Orange County but his usual hearty mode of transport needed some upgrades. Momentarily it would be grounded.

Charlie Brown coaxed his weary friend into the lobby and together they decided they would utilize that which was right before them. They'd fly to Orange County on Alaska Air.

"Sure Snoopy, we're going to have a great time down south. We'll check out the beach scene, maybe do a bit of surfing." "Are you kidding me?" Snoopy thought, "Why, I can barely dog paddle!" He knew his specialty was being a pilot. What was Charlie Brown thinking?

As the two pals boarded the flight on the Alaska's Q400 plane, they anxiously waited to take to the blue skies. And in less than 90 minutes they'd be in the land of surf and amusement parks.

Upon landing and going out of baggage claim, Snoopy was surprised at the scale of the bronze statue of John Wayne. He was perfectly depicted in all aspects, beautifully done. "We'll be seeing ya, Pilgrim." thought Snoopy as he swaggered off with his sidekick, Charlie.

With that in mind, Snoopy wanted to go to Knott's Berry Farm to get a bit of old town western flavor. There also happens to be Camp Snoopy with rides like the Flying Ace where everyone can pilot their very own Sopwith Camel. If you'd like, you can also try the Linus Launcher. Children can be launched 10 ft. in the air on Linus's blanket.

Knott's Berry Farm is a mere 11 miles from Disneyland. So much to do and see. Charlie Brown especially enjoyed the opportunity to pretend to fly a Sopwith Camel. "Now, I know why you love flying, Snoopy" he said. This made Snoopy happy.

The next visit was to the beaches of Orange County. Huntington Beach is where the annual Beach Volley Ball Tournament is held. It is also only steps to Main Street and all the best dining experiences in Huntington. Lots of surf shops available and small boutiques, as well. Snoopy watched as Charlie Brown tried in vain to "hang ten" at the surf classes offered.

After their visit to Huntington Beach, the two decided to visit the quaint area of Balboa Island in Newport Beach. Balboa Island's Ferry Boats have been family owned for many years. The pals took one across the bay to land at the Newport Beach Peninsula Fun Zone.

"Hey, Snoopy, lets ride the ferris wheel!" But Snoopy was nowhere near Charlie Brown. He looked around and spied Snoopy in line for a cotton candy. Snoopy came back to Charlie Brown and offered his friend a sugary bite of the sticky confection. "Yum", said Charlie Brown, "this is just as good as the frozen banana we had at Dad's Famous Balboa Bars on Marine Street. All that ice cream dipped in chocolate and nuts...and the frozen banana was dipped in chocolate and nuts, too!" I love this place, Snoopy."

Snoopy didn't respond. He was much too busy eating and trying to get the gooey stuff off his paws. (That was as much fun as licking ice cream, he thought).

With that the friends boarded the ferris wheel and rode to the top. They could see all the beautifully lighted boats and buildings around. The water glinted at dusk, presenting a lovely sight.

They strolled to the end of the pier and around Ruby's Diner. There were people seated near windows overlooking the ocean. Charlie Brown ordered a nice big hamburger for each of them. They soon found a bench by the fisher men. Eating dinner was very entertaining.

After the very long day of touring the Orange County attractions, they retired to their hotel room at one of the many lodgings available. Snoopy slept soundly and not one moment did he worry over his Sopwith Camel. He knew it was safe.

# **Aviation Commission Meetings**

Meetings are held at 8:00 a.m. in the Airport Manager's office, 2290 Airport Blvd, Santa Rosa, CA 95403, unless otherwise noted. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend.

- · January 21, 2016
- February 18, 2016
- March 17, 2016
- April 21, 2016

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#### **Hangars & Storerooms**

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## **Development Opportunities**

# Commercial Development & Concessions

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# **Airport Tenant Listing**

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→ Airport Maintenance Shop 707.544.6198 → Complaint Line 707.544.4787 →

Organization	Description	Location	Phone
Airport Express	Airport Shuttle	5807 Old Redwood Hwy	707.837.8700
Alaska Airlines	Commercial Airline	Terminal	800.252.7522
Avis Rent A Car	Car Rental Agency	Terminal	707.571.0465
Barron Air	Aircraft Maintenance	2290 Becker Blvd	707.284.9786
Budget	Car Rental Agency	Terminal	707.528.2195
CAFE Foundation	Aeronautical Non-Profit	5550 Windsor Road	707.526.3925
Cal Fire	Firefighting	2235 Airport Blvd	707.576.2586
Civil Air Patrol	US Airforce Auxillary	5 Air Museum Way	707.545.7488
Enterprise	Car Rental Agency	Terminal	707.570-3600
<b>Experimental Aircraft Association</b>	Aeronautical Non-Profit	5550 Windsor Road	707.539.5188
Federal Aviation Admin - Tower	Government Agency	2245 Airport Blvd	707.546.4294
Helico Sonoma	Helicopter School/Tour Co	5000 Flightline Drive	707.526.8949
Hertz	Car Rental Agency	Terminal	707.528.0834
J & R Electronics	Avionics	6000 Flightline Blvd	707.583.3973
Kaiser Air - Santa Rosa Jet Center	Full Service FBO	2240 Airport Blvd	707.528.7400
National	Car Rental Agency	Terminal	707.570.3600
North Coast Air	Rentals/Instruction/Tours	5000 Flightline Drive	707.542.8687
Pacific Coast Air Museum	Aviation Museum	1 Air Museum Way	707.575.7900
Premier Digital Display	Digital Media	555 5th Street	707.541.6999
PropJet Aviation	Aircraft Maintenance	2282 Becker Blvd	707.284.9777
RAM Aviation	Rentals/Instruction/Tours	2240 Airport Blvd	707.479.5969
REACH Air Medical Services	Air Ambulance	451 Aviation Blvd #101	707.324.2400
Republic Parking	Parking Lot Management	2200 Airport Blvd	707.523.2186
Santa Rosa Ninety-Nines	Women Pilots Organization	2247 Airport Blvd si	99s@sonic.net
Sixt Rent a Car	Car Rental Agency	3362 Fulton Road	707.595.3960
Sky Lounge Restaurant	Restaurant	Terminal	707.542.9400
Solairus Aviation	Aircraft Management & Charter	201 First Street #307, Petaluma	707.523.4092
Sonoma Jet Center	Full Service FBO	6000 Flightline Drive	707.523.2800
Trinity Technology Group	Airport Security Screening	Terminal	707.527.7226
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