

# Antique Airplanes to land in Joseph on July 10

The old-fashioned aviation salute is held as a fundraiser for local foundation

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Aviation fans can time travel back to the heyday of the '30s barnstorming tours as a whirlwind of vintage planes descend on the Joseph Airport. Forty-five vintage aircraft from the Puget Sound Antique Airplane Club are expected to land July 10 for a full day of aviation shows capped by a tri-tip and shrimp dinner to benefit Wallowa County-based North East Oregon Aviation Foundation, particularly the aviation scholarship program.

This is the first time the 120-member club has come to Joseph.

The community is invited to join the event, and a few lucky folks will be able to go up in a vintage biplane and experience history first-hand.

Airplanes scheduled to participate include a Boeing Stearman, which were widely used during WW II to train pilots. Since then, they have been repurposed into agricultural or personal aircraft. They have become part of the bridge linking older aircraft to our modern world.

The oldest airplane displayed on the tour will be a 1930 Stinson SM8A powered by a Lycoming R-680 225HP.

Each pilot and plane has its own story.



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**Biplanes such as this one will be featured when the Puget Sound Antique Airplane Club lands at Joseph Airport July 10 for a full day of aviation shows capped by a tri-tip and shrimp dinner to benefit Wallowa County-based North East Oregon Aviation Foundation, particularly the aviation scholarship program.**

“Pilots attending come from all walks of life and will include airline pilots, machinists, mechanics, builders, flight instructors and Boeing employees,” said Marlo Jones, co-chair of the Puyallup, Wash.-based club.

“All have a passion for flying machines, and events such as this allow for sharing this passion with people and communities around the Northwest.”

Jones flies a 1947 PA-11 Piper Cub Special.

Local flavor will be added to the event as Joseph Charter School will be providing its flight simulator for a hands-on experience. Students will guide visitors through the process of flying and show off what they have learned in the one-year-old Joseph Charter Aviation Class.

Towards the end of the event, the evening meal will provide visitors with a great meal and an opportunity to donate to the foundation’s work, including funding the aviation promotion organization and \$2,000 aviation scholarship. This year, the scholarship was given to Clayne Miller

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*Foundation President*

from Enterprise High School.

“The PSAAC tour combines the excitement and innovation of aviation from the past with the possibilities and opportunities for our youth in the future,” said foundation President Tim Locke.

“Much like the young innovators who developed aviation in the past, there is a bright future for anyone interested in the exciting field of aeronautics and aviation going forward.”

Tickets for the tri-tip and shrimp dinner are available by contacting Tim Locke at 541-263-0470 or Kana Oliver at kana.oliver@students.josephcharter.org.

Tickets are also available at Joseph Hardware in Joseph, Ace Hardware in Enterprise and M. Crow in Lostine.

Adult tickets are \$25 (which includes beer), youth tickets cost \$15, and children younger than eight are admitted free.

Raffle tickets for a biplane ride sell for 1 for \$5 or 3 for \$10.

# Rare brews and new recipes on the way as brewery gets OK

Reporter Steve Tool recently let us know that Terminal Gravity Brewing was expanding with a new business in the old Mutiny Brewing building on Main Street in Joseph. The new business, Eastfork Brewery, just had its liquor license approved by Joseph City Council.

Rumors about this had been making the rounds for some time, but that liquor license made it official. I stopped in to talk to Terminal Gravity co-owner **Randy Slinker** and marketing and sales manager **Kevin Harlander** the other day for details.

TG owners **Ed Millar, Dean and Rosa Duquette**, and **Randy and Pam Slinker**, along with special projects manager **Natalie Millar**, brewer and production manager **Josh Evans** and marketing guy **Kevin Harlander** have been talking about opening a new location for a while.

“We felt we could use a presence in Joseph,” said Slinker. “It also gives us the opportunity to open an additional pub with an additional brewery.”

The reason that an additional smaller brewery is important is because TG puts out beer in 30 to 35 keg batches. That’s a lot of brew. By leasing the Mutiny Brewing location TG — or rather, Eastfork Brewery — will be able to make some really special small batches.

We’re talking really special.

Everything that is produced at Eastfork Brewery will eventually be available nowhere else in the world, said Harlander.

The beer experts have been experimenting all along. One of those experiments you may have enjoyed was aging the TG IPA in a Stein’s Brewery rye barrel for a few weeks.

Opening in Joseph also ticked off another goal on their communal list.

“We could build a pub in Portland or anywhere, but we have a big economic impact in the county and we talk about that often,” Harlander said. “We ask ourselves ‘how can we build a place that is important to people here?’ The nice part of what we’re doing is celebrating the place we live. We want to have a place that is an economic boost to the county and a place people are fond of going to. We want it to be acceptable to tourists and locals alike – and that’s a fine balance.”

That fine balance begins with locals and spreads to tourists, not the other way around, Slinker said.

“Locals are the lifeblood of our business,” Harlander agreed.

Maintaining that business model has resulted in Terminal Gravity celebrating 20 years, which makes it one of the grand-daddies of Oregon craft beers. Harlander estimates that more than half the breweries in business in Oregon are less than 15 years old and many are just a few years old. Dozens more gave brewing a try, but it didn’t pan out for them for them for one reason or another.

TG has been around long enough to see the once-tiny craft beer distributor that circulated TG brews grow from representing five or six brands to handling 65 brands.

That’s a lot of competition for the palate of



**BIZ BUZZ**  
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the beer drinking public. How has TG done in that competitive field?

You be the judge.

No timeline has been declared for a Grand Opening of Eastfork Brewery. There is remodeling and a “ton of paperwork” yet to be done, Harlander said. So just keep watching and anticipating that only-available-here small batch that is coming your way.

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Oregon’s Alpenfest has announced a change in vendors this year, naming The Dollar Stretcher and Sugar Time Bakery in Enterprise as its new food suppliers.

The appointments came after Alpenfest officials said they couldn’t reach an agreement with Mt. Joseph Family Foods in Joseph, which had been its food supplier since the festival was revived in 2012.

“We are incredibly sorry to lose Mt. Joseph as a major supporter,” **Chuck Anderson**, president and Alpenmeister, said. “Mt. Joseph has had our back since 2012, and we always will appreciate its help in getting our revived festival up and running.”

The Dollar Stretcher, the only independent grocer in Enterprise, will provide bratwurst, rolls and other supplies during summer Bratwagon sales and at the festival in September. Sugar Time will bake strudels for the summer sales and the festival.

Details of the 2017 edition of Oregon’s Alpenfest, successor to the historical Alpenfest 1975-2009, are at oregonalpenfest.com.




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