



NEWSLETTER

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AIRSHOW!



The Airshow of the Cascades was a blast, as usual! SAW did 11 acro rides and we wish we had 2 airplanes as there was a lot of demand. Weather was challenging on Friday, but decent on Saturday.

Next year is the 25th anniversary of the Airshow, and the Patriot Jet team will be headlining. We plan to have a party there and hope everyone will attend the show. If you have a fun airplane, consider bringing it and putting it on display. Mark your calendars and plan for a great airshow in 2025!!

NEW INSTRUCTOR!



SAW welcomes Tony "Woody" Paradis to our team. Woody is an ATP, CFI, and test pilot. He has experience in airplanes ranging from Maules to 767s. Tony is also an Epic instructor and Mentor pilot. We are happy to have Tony on Team SAW!

FLIGHT TESTING



Mike Kloch went to Santa Maria, CA to do initial flight tests on one RV-14 and aerobatic testing on another RV-14. It was a great week of flying these great machines. Kudos to the builders for doing such a great job putting these airplanes together so well!

ARE YOU A CURIOUS PILOT?

Do you ask questions (to yourself or others) as to why we do what we do as a pilot? We should question everything we do in an aircraft. If you don't know why something is done, or not done, then you should ask the question, why?, and seek out answers. One of the worst answers is "that is what my instructor told me". What if your instructor is wrong? (instructors can be, and are, wrong at times) Besides, that answer provides no display, or depth, of knowledge.


The idea is to be more knowledgeable, which, when applied with critical thinking, leads to better decision making, and hopefully better action. It can also lead to more confidence as a pilot. We all need to continuously work on better decision making. This is especially important when emergencies occur.

So be curious. Seek out answers so you can become a better pilot. You won't regret it.



Check out this interesting [article](#) on curiosity, published in psychology today.

<https://www.psychologytoday.com/intl/blog/ulterior-motives/202310/what-drives-curiosity>

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