

PAINÉ FIELD AVIATION DAY

FLYING, FUN, FOOD, AND CHARITY AT PAINÉ FIELD

Hosted by Washington Pilots Association and Paine Field

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The Washington Pilot's Association and Paine Field will host the 17th annual Paine Field Aviation Day on Saturday, May 19th. This event is for everyone, with lots of fun, food and activities for all ages.

\$5 INDIVIDUAL / \$10 FAMILY ADMISSION

INCLUDES ADMISSION TO FLYING HERITAGE COLLECTION AND HISTORIC FLIGHT FOUNDATION

On May 19, 2012 Paine Field, the Washington Pilots Association (WPA), the Historic Flight Foundation (HFF) and the Flying Heritage Collection (FHC) will host the 17th annual Paine Field Aviation Day event. This year, all parking is free and will be offsite at 3 designated lots with easy shuttles running throughout the day. Shuttles will drop visitors at the FHC or the HFF entrances and an internal shuttle will quickly take visitors between the east and west sides to experience the splendor of the Paine Field attractions. There will be a \$5 adult and \$10 family admission this year, which will allow entrance to the airfield ramps, as well as free entry into the FHC and HFF.

The morning kicks off with the Firefighters' 4th Annual Fly Day 5k Run which begins at the Future of Flight at 8:00 am, and the Paine Field Firefighters will follow up with a pancake breakfast at 9:00 am. The cost of the breakfast is a \$5 donation to benefit the Northwest Burn Foundation. The aviation ramp will open at 9:00 am, with free Young Eagles introductory flights for kids ages 8 - 17 (seats may be limited), many aircraft displays and new local vendors. There will also be scenic helicopter and bi-plane rides available through the day (additional fees apply).

Come see the latest in general aviation aircraft as well as many of the airplanes owned and operated by local private pilots. Vintage aircraft and warbirds will be on display thanks to the participation of the Museum of Flight Restoration Center, Flying Heritage Collection, Historic Flight Foundation and Cascade Warbirds. Among these will be WWII aircraft and many pre-war military and civilian aircraft. Also, in conjunction with the 70th Anniversary of the Doolittle Raid, there will be up to 5 vintage B-25 aircraft on display. Along with these fascinating and historic aircraft, there will be automobile displays, unlimited hydroplane displays, and some of Paine Field's fire apparatus will also be on hand for kids to get an up-close look. Beginning at 12:00 pm, the warbirds will take flight, as well as formation flying by The Blackjack Squadron, the Cascade Warbirds and other aviation groups.

Local non-profit organizations will have a booth at Paine Field Aviation Day including Civil Air Patrol, Snohomish County Department of Emergency Management, FAA Aviation and Space Education, the Ninety-Nines, Kiwanis, Mukilteo Lighthouse Festival, Museum of Flight Restoration Center, Boeing Bluebills, Christmas House, Animal Rescue Foundation of Everett, Connecting Borders Foundation, Lions International, Everett Community College Aviation Maintenance School, and more. They will all be on hand with information booths, sharing information about their work in the community.

The Airport's flight schools will also be on hand - Northway Aviation, Regal Air, and Northwest Helicopters (Everett). The schools will offer several free seminars on How to Get Started earning your own pilot certificate. Discounted Introductory Flights for adults will also be available.

The Food Court will open at 11:30 am with great tastes available from familiar venues in and around Mukilteo and the surrounding communities. The event will conclude at 5:00 pm, and towards the end of the

day we encourage you to keep your eyes to the sky as the B-25's will make a closing appearance. Take a flight, meet the pilots, see one-of-a kind aircraft, talk with the flight schools, enjoy some great food, and watch the thrilling flying - all this and more!

For more info, please call the event hotline at [425.353.2110 x5](tel:425.353.2110), visit www.wpaflys.org