

# Airport Newsletter



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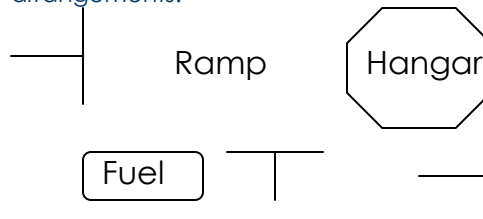
## Winter Operations

As the cold weather is quickly approaching, the Kingston-Ulster Airport would like to distribute new rules pertaining to winter operations on the field.

- Pre-heating services are free for all pilots based on the field. Pre-heat time will vary depending on the length of heating required by the aircraft type. You may request longer pre-heating services at the cost of \$15 per engine.
- If you would like to use the airport pre-heating services, please call the airport at least 40 minutes prior to your flight.
- Airport employees will tow your aircraft to the ramp for pre-heat unless otherwise specified.
- If your plane is equipped with a block heater, electrical outlets are available. If you would like your aircraft to be plugged in, please call the airport 6 hours prior to your flight.
- For early flights requiring block heating, aircraft must be plugged in no later than 5 p.m. Line personnel assistance is required.

- If your flight is scheduled to depart before airport hours, please make sure to roll up the extension chord provided to your and store it away from the ramp area.
- Aircraft previously plugged in the day before may not remain plugged in after 11 a.m. Any aircraft left plugged in after this time will be unplugged by River Aviation personnel.
- If your aircraft is scheduled to depart during operating hours, please be sure to leave ample time for employees to relocate your aircraft and plug it in.
- Block heating and plug in services are available to pilots based on the field free of charge.

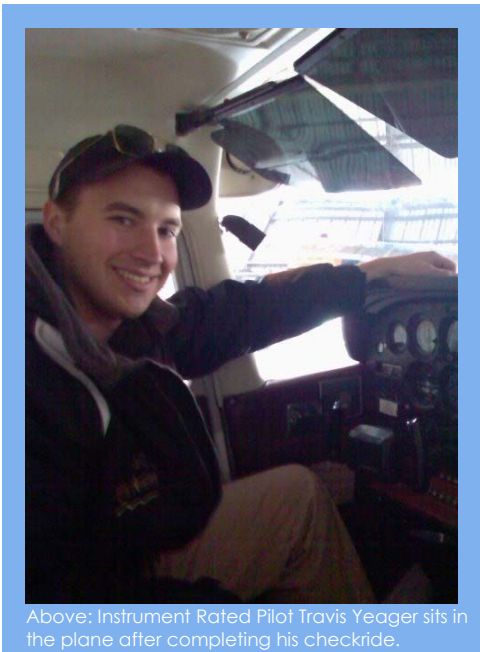
The following is a diagram of plug in spaces available for block heating arrangements.



If you have any questions regarding winter operations, please feel free to ask any of the River Aviation or Kingston – Ulster airport employees.

*The Kingston-Ulster Airport would love to hear your comments about the airport. We encourage you to stop by the River Aviation Flight School and drop a comment in the Suggestion Box!*





Above: Instrument Rated Pilot Travis Yeager sits in the plane after completing his checkride.

## Student Earns His Instrument Rating

Stop by the airport on almost any given day and you'll find employee Travis Yeager waiting and willing to help you with a smile. In addition to working for the airport, Travis has been a flight school student of River Aviation since the fall of 2007.

On 10/16/07, Travis took his first flight with Certified Flight Instructor Al Schultz. He was an eager student and worked hard to earn his private pilot license. Travis' dream of becoming a pilot came true on 04/27/08 when he successfully completed his Private Pilot Checkride.

Immediately after completing his private pilot training, Travis knew he wanted to continue his flight training further. It wasn't long before Travis found himself sitting next to Certified Flight Instructor Don Sutherland focusing on the instruments in front of him. Travis worked hard juggling his work schedule, college schedule, and flight training schedule, but was determined to reach the goal he had set for himself. After careful preparation and hours devoted to studying, Travis set out to earn his Instrument Rating with Pilot Examiner Doug Stewart at the Columbia County Airport on 10/26/09. All of his hard work had finally paid off.

## New Faces, New Accomplishments

Congratulations Travis! We are all extremely proud of you! Your instrument rating is certainly well deserved. Keep up the good work!

### First Time Solo Flights

- On 10/21/09 Flight School student Jed Sherman took to the skies for his first solo flight. Jed joined the flight school over the summer and has been working diligently to accomplish his goal of solo flight. His flight was supervised by Certified Flight Instructor Kevin Hofelmann.
- Ulster BOCES Student James Dorman flew his first solo flight on 10/27/09. The flight was conducted in the traffic pattern and was supervised by his Certified Flight Instructor Kevin Hofelmann.
- On 10/29/09, Flight School Student Dylan Large soloed for the first time with River Aviation in the traffic pattern. His flight was supervised by Certified Flight Instructor Al Schultz.
- Flight School Student Nancy Engelhardt completed her first solo flight on 12/7/09. Nancy joined the flight school in the summer of 2009. Her flight was supervised by Certified Flight Instructor April Albanese.

Congratulations Jed, James, Dylan, and Nancy! We are all extremely proud of your recent accomplishments! We wish you blue skies as you continue your flight training.



Above: Student Nancy Engelhardt stands by her aircraft after completing her first solo flight.



Above: Student Dylan Large completed his first solo on 12/29/09.

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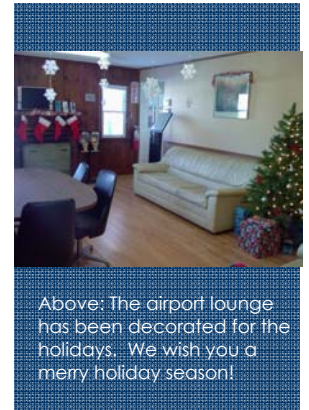
Hungry for a snack?  
Stop by the airport  
vending machine  
located inside the  
River Aviation Flight  
School.

## Family Adoption for the Holiday

River Aviation and the Kingston- Ulster airport have adopted a less fortunate local family for the holidays. Donations are being collected in the main office of the flight school building. If you would like to make a donation, the family is in need of the following:

- Misses pants size 01 or juniors pants size 15 – Misses shirts size small – Girls pants size 10 slim – Girls shirts size 12 – Girls pants size 8 – Girls shirts size 10 – 2 Girls Jackets, size Medium – Girls Hats – Girls Gloves – Girls Scarves – Gift Certificates to local supermarkets.

All donations must be submitted to the flight school no later than Wednesday, December 23rd at 12 p.m. We appreciate your kindness and generosity.



## Did You Know...?

- On December 15, 2009, The Boeing 787, also called the “Dreamliner” took to the skies for its first flight ever
- The aircraft is composed of 50% composite material and the remaining is made of various metals.
- The 787 was designed so that the humidity levels inside the aircraft are higher in cruise flight. This will increase passenger comfort level and will reduce the effects of jet lag.
- Currently, there are 840 outstanding orders for the aircraft.
- The aircraft offers the largest windows in any passenger jetliner. The design will provide a more open feel.
- The 787 will be able to carry 210-250 passengers and can travel up to 8,000 nautical miles.
- There are no sunshades for passenger windows as their normally are in passenger jets. A button has been installed that will cause the window to tint and block out the sun
- Due to more efficient engines and less weight, the 787 will reduce fuel consumption and carbon emission by approximately 20%..

Have a fun fact? Share it with us! Drop it in the suggestion box at the River Aviation Flight School to be published in the next issue of the Airport Newsletter.

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