



Balloon Camp Update



In this time of uncertainty, we want you to know we are still excited to see so many of you applying to our 2020 BFA Hot Air Balloon Summer Camps in South Carolina and Albuquerque. Many of you have asked if Cornavirus precautions will affect our current camp dates (SC June 14-18/Abq. July 11-16). The safety of our campers and volunteers is top priority for the Balloon Federation of America. Please know we are closely monitoring the situation and will bring you a weekly update. Currently camp is still happening, and we have openings. Go to <u>www.bfa.net</u> to register.

If you'd like to volunteer, please go to <u>www.bfa.net</u> to fill out an application. Thank you to our sponsors and volunteers.



The Balloon Federation of America's Annual Online Safety Seminar will be available starting

Saturday, April 25, 2020

The seminar is offered in Video format starting April 25th. You can access the videos from the seminar and can take the sessions at your own pace.

Any BFA member may watch the videos at no charge. The fee is only required if taken for insurance credit. Pilots: \$60 Crew: \$35

To Register and more information please click here: <u>https://www.bfa.net/education-training/online-seminar-2020</u>



BFA National Convention April 8-10, 2021 Capitol Plaza Hotel Topeka, Kansas

Continuing Education and Presentations by Industry Leaders Open to Pilots and Balloon Enthusiasts of all skill levels

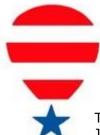
Registration Opens May 1, 2020

More details coming! <u>www.bfa.net</u>



Angus & Rupert

Are you following Angus & Rupert's adventures on the way to the convention? Go see what they are up to at <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCQV9hNcd</u> <u>b-I_di2NuudgH5A</u>



Tim Orchard Jim Engel Robert O'Brien Don Day Brian Parker Ann Neff Tamlyn Hedemann Luis Ruis Heather Watkins

WELCOME NEW BFA MEMBERS

Aylesbury, England Frankenmuth, MI Waupaca, WI Cheyenne, WY Marcellus, NY Lancaster, PA Corrales, NM Napa, CA Utah Timothy Kerns Charles Dell David Chelgren Justin Provoncha Kelly Gatfield Tiffany McKinney Christopher McCord Kelly Couch Lincoln, IL Waynesfield, OH Colorado Springs, CO Glassboro, NJ Schwenksville, PA Lawrenceburg, KY Albuquerque, NM Elk Grove, CA



LONG JUMP SEASON



Two balloons from the Balloon Society of Kentucky flew a "leap jump" together on Saturday, February 29, from Ellettsville, Indiana. "Kilroy", an Aerostar RX8, flew to Scottsburg, Indiana, for 64.9 miles. Kenton Slayton was the pilot; Billy Green was the copilot and Kennedy Slayton was the flight crew member. "We had a top speed of 54 mph and a peak altitude of 13,000 feet and a flying time around 2 hours," said Kenton. "This was my first long jump, Kilroy's second, and was a bunch of personal bests for me." Kendra Slayton and Athyleon Tindall were the ground crew. Fuel usage was 29 gallons.

The Phantom, a Lindstrand 105A, flew on to Shelbyville, Kentucky, for 104 miles in two hours and 30 minutes. Bill Smith was the pilot; Tiffany McKinney was the copilot and Ava Allen was the flight crew member. Janet Smith and Rodney Zeller were the ground crew. D.J. Stickler served as the official launch observer for both balloons. Fuel usage was 33.7 gallons. "This was a personal best distance, altitude, speed and duration for both Tiffany and Ava," Bill reported. "Tiffany also got valuable air traffic control training while operating the balloon at high altitudes with a transponder and using oxygen equipment." Both crews submitted BFA long jump reports to document their flights.

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AWARDS

Congratulations to BFA member Gary Brossett who will receive the 2020 National FAA Safety Team Representative of the Year Award! For details: <u>https://tinyurl.com/uth22kq</u>

Below: Mark MacSkimming presents the Northeast Director's Award to Nick Moehlemann





To the left:

In the fall of 2017, the NJ restaurant of a longtime balloonist was lost to a devastating fire. It was filled with balloon memorabilia from a lifetime time of flying. Among the items in the restaurant was a BFA Director's Award that had been presented to the <u>Great Eastern Balloon</u> <u>Association - GEBA</u> by then NE Director Bill Hughes. This March during the GEBA Continuing Education Seminar the current NE Director, Mark MacSkimming replaced the lost award, presenting it to the 2010 GEBA President, Joe Doerer.

BFA Board at Work

The BFA Board held their Face-to-Face meeting at the Balloon Museum in Indianola, Iowa on March 14, 2020. The Board Audit Committee also conducted an Audit on March 13 with Jill's assistance.



Pilot Achievement Award Program 2020



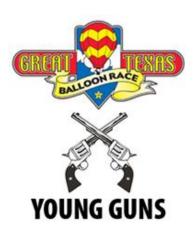
Congratulations!!

Ed DeVore Seth Hudson Completed Level 1 PAAP Completed Level 1 PAAP



For more information in participating in the PAAP or the CAAP please go to: <u>www.bfa.net</u> under the education tab.





Are you an LTA pilot, 29 years old or younger? Interested in competition flying? The Young Gun National Championship and the Balloon Federation of America Junior Nationals is being held June 19 to 21, 2020.

Up to 15 pilots will have a shot at their share of a \$12,100 total purse at this second-year event. It's part of the Great Texas Balloon Race in Longview, Texas.

Details at http://www.gtbr.net/race-information/young-guns/

