



Coffee, Tea & Goodies across the hall

Fairbanks General Aviation Association

**2026 Spring Meeting
Thursday, April 23, 2026**

Meeting begins at 7:00 pm

AGENDA



Welcome

- ✓ Coffee, Tea, & Goodies
- ✓ Odds & Ends
- ✓ GAA membership dues

Across the hall

The latest from FAI

- ✓ Leasing/Tiedowns
- ✓ Maintenance/Hard Pack Reminders
- ✓ Operations/ Gate Bravo & Know before
- ✓ Engineering/Construction Updates

Phil Adams, Chief of Operations
Richard Ackerman, Leasing Specialist

On Fairbanks ATC's radar

- ✓ Float Pond operations
- ✓ Staffing
- ✓ Question & Answers

Corey Shaw, FAI ATC Pilot Outreach

Fairbanks Flight Service

- ✓ New WX Cameras
- ✓ Master Flight Plans
- ✓ River Ice/Breakup Season

Ben Eidem, FAIFSS Pilot Outreach

Alaska Issues Updates

Adam White, Alaska Airman's Association
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Tom George, AOPA, Alaska Region Manager

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Eielson Range Control

- ✓ Range Control operation/capabilities
- ✓ How military aircraft typically train in the airspace
- ✓ Questions and Comments

Blake “Musher” Matray
Senior Airspace Manager
354 RANS/RSA 11 AF
CPT Abraham “GOTTA” Go, F-35 Pilot

Upcoming events & announcements

Merle Jantz

Business items

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THANK YOU



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GAA Membership Info

Dues are only \$10 per calendar year. Pay your dues now and your membership is good through 2025!

We encourage you to join or renew, please make check for \$10 payable to

FIA General Aviation Association

and mail: %Wally Smith

P.O. Box 81068, Fairbanks, Alaska 99708

or

See instructions on the GAA website

fairbanksgaa.com

or

Pay online

*or Google **Fairbanks General Aviation Association***

(New members-- Use registration form on the website)



Fairbanks GAA Flight Instructor Registration

Contact Information:

Name: _____ Date _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Airport(s): _____

Independent Flight Instruction Associated with Flight School: _____

FAA Classification: Part 61 Part 141 Approved for VA Training

Instruction offered:

Private Pilot Commercial Airline Transport Pilot (ATP) Sport Pilot

Flight Instructor (CFI) Flight Instructor Instrument (CFII) Flight Instructor Sport (CFIS)

Multi-Engine

Ratings: Instrument Seaplane Multi-Engine

Aircraft Available for Instruction:

Aircraft types available: _____

Instruction in student's aircraft: Yes No Maybe

Services or other specialization

Flight Reviews Ski operations Off field operations Emergency Maneuver Training

Other: _____

Complete this form on your computer, sign and save it.
Email it to gaa.fairbanks@gmail.com. Your name will be
added to the Flight Instructor page on the GAA website.
Someone looking for a flight instructor will be able to
access the form.





Upcoming Aviation Events

The background image shows a large indoor aviation exhibition. Several aircraft are on display, including a white and red biplane in the foreground, a white and blue biplane in the middle ground, and a white and red biplane in the background. People are walking around the exhibition, and there are various banners and signs, including a FedEx banner on the left and a 'HIGHER POWER' banner on the right. The setting appears to be a large hangar or exhibition hall.

**Great Alaska Aviation Gathering – Palmer
State Fairgrounds & Palmer Airport, May 1-3, 2026**

Valdez Fly-In – Friday-Sunday, May 8-10, 2026

Fairbanks Aviation Day – May 16, 2026

Airport Clean up Day – May 14, 2026 – 10:00 am

Midnight Sun 99's Poker Run – May 30, 2026 (Rain Date May 31, 2026)

Alaska Airmens/ GAA Summer BBQ – June 23, 2026

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