

"READY ROOM" NEWSLETTER

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Our Mission is to increase the public's awareness of aviation through the flight of historical aircraft, while supporting our local children's hospital.

The Kaleidoscope Tour

Lookout Mountain provides a community outreach program, Kaleidoscope. Kaleidoscope provides a wide variety of services to adults with intellectual or developmental disabilities. Kaleidoscope provides; day programs, supported employment, family supported services, and residential support. The MOF was honored to be able to host these wonderful adults. A big thank you to Gill Espy and Wayne Bates for being fabulous tour guides.



























London Corbin Airshow



The London Corbin Open House and Air Show was another huge success, with a record number of attendees. On the second day, a great opportunity came in the form of bad weather. The museum made the decision to leave the aircraft at the airport. Before we left for home we went ahead and did another event.







WYMT Lauren McCoart Interviews our team.









Happenings Around the Museum



The Paulding County FAA Aviation summer Camp was limited to Kevin Duncan, Doc Watson, Karl Schwinn, Peter O'Hare, and no less than 100 teenagers.

The Daniel family came all the way from St. Charles, MO to visit Sweet Little Miss. Keith worked on the Tomcats in Miramar in the 1990s. It was an honor to be able to reunite these two!











The museum installed an area designated for work tables in response to previous issues using wings and hoods for workspace.









The museum made another appearance at the Ole Tymer BBQ Event. It was a wonderful time to enjoy great food, friends, and aircraft.











72 kids from the Trion Middle School toured the museum. Docents Johnny Shook, Kevin Duncan, Gil Espy, Dennis Shaw, Phil Cataldo, Anthony Diletti were the epitome of patience.













Even in the rain Museum of flight executes its mission thanks to Bill Hall, Gill Espy, and Johnny Shook.









Carson Hawkins gives a class on the importance of aviation to absolutely fascinated kids at the London Corbin event.





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The Taylorcraft Joins the Beaufort MCAS Airshow

The following was written by Museum of Flight Life Member, Bill Hall. Bill brings with him many years of experience and so much to share with out community. Thank you, Bill!

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The museum's Taylorcraft joined the lineup of static display aircraft at the Beaufort MCAS Airshow the weekend of April 27 and 28. And, as is often the case, the flight to and from the airshow provided some of the more memorable parts of the weekend for the crew.

Pete O'Hare and Jim Brown assigned Bill Hall and 93-year old Johnny Shook the task of flying the 1946 model BC12-D Taylorcraft the 290 miles to Beaufort, South Carolina. Initial flight planning showed with favorable winds the trip would take at least three legs requiring two stops to refuel, so Bill and Johnny planned a full day of flying.

This was Johnny's first time to fly in almost 70 years and Bill's first time to fly in support of a museum activity, so everyone was anxious to help ensure their mission would be a success. Karl Schwelm helped with the preflight items and Gil Espy volunteered to carry Bill and Johnny's personal luggage to Beaufort. With the Taylorcraft's payload limited, that left just enough room for a sack lunch and some extra quarts of oil in the baggage area.

The Taylorcraft departed Rome on Thursday just after 1100 hours on the first leg with a planned refuel stop in Madison, Georgia. A direct flight routing took them through the airspace around the Atlanta area but avoided the busiest airports. Since the Taylorcraft has no electrical system it doesn't have navigation radios and this placed an increased responsibility on the crew to visually avoid other air traffic. Radar Traffic Advisory Services would not be an option as their only capability for airborne communication was a hand-held radio with a range of less than 10 miles.



Left: Bill Hall, Taylorcraft BC-12 pilot, briefs Mike Strickland, Museum of Flight docent on the history and merits of flying this "grasshopper". We paused to remember the 94th birthday of our own WWII airman SSGT Johnny Shook.

The route took them over Allatoona Dam, north of the Cobb County airport and Dobbins Air Reserve Base. And, as they passed north of the Peachtree-Dekalb airport, Bill and Johnny laughed as a check of their groundspeed showed they were only going 100 mph. Still, that was about what they expected. As the Taylorcraft cleared the Atlanta airspace and approached Madison, the tetrahedron showed the winds favoring Runway 14. As the Taylorcraft turned off the runway and into the ramp area after landing, it appeared they were the only activity at the small airport. Two small brick buildings which appeared to be built in the 1950's were adjacent to the parking ramp and a covered area in front of one of the buildings provided a perfect place to take a lunch break after refueling.









2019 Calendar

DATE	<u>EVENT</u>	LOCATION	<u>STATUS</u>
January 5	Safety: PPE, Tool Control and Mx Safety	Museum	Completed
January 12	Safety: Aircraft Ground Handling	Museum	Completed
January 19	Passenger Safety & Pre/Post Fit Briefing	Museum	Completed
January 26	Pancake Breakfast	Museum	Completed
January 26	Security: Aircraft, Airport, Visitor & Personal	Museum	Completed
February 2	MX of Older Aircraft Presentation	Museum	Completed
February 9	Inadvertent IMC Entry: Flight Safety I	Museum	Completed
February 16	Inadvertent IMC Entry: Flight Safety II	Museum	Completed
February 23	Pancake Breakfast	Museum	Completed
February 23	Pilots Meeting (All Pilot Training Session)	Museum	Completed
March 2 or 9	Tentative Date: History of the T-28	Museum	Completed
March 16	Rosie the Riveter Day	Museum	Completed
March 16	History of the Museum's Aircraft	Museum	Completed
March 23	Pancake Breakfast	Museum	Completed
April 20	Open Hangar Gala	Museum	Completed
April 27	Pancake Breakfast	Museum	Completed
April 27-28	MCAS Beaufort	Beaufort, SC	Completed
May 25	Pancake Breakfast	Museum	Completed
June 8-9	Great Tennessee Airshow	Smyrna, TN	Completed
June 22	Pancake Breakfast	Museum	Completed
July 27	Pancake Breakfast	Museum	
August 24	Pancake Breakfast	Museum	
September 28	Warner Robbins Thunder Over GA Airshow	Warner Robins, GA	
September 28	Pancake Breakfast	Museum	
October 26	Pancake Breakfast	Museum	
November 2-3	Moody AFB	Valdosta, GA	
November 8-9	NAS Pensacola	Pensacola, FL	
November 23	Pancake Breakfast	Museum	
December 28	Pancake Breakfast	Museum	









LIFETIME MEMBERS

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James Beaver
Jason Bostic
James Brown
Ray Bell

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Phil Cataldo

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