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## AIR RESPONSE FOUNDATION HELPS WITH LOCAL SEARCH AND RESCUE MISSIONS

January was a busy month for local pilots that volunteer their time helping search for lost people with the Air Response Foundation. The pilots were called up to help search for two missing/endangered teens in Juab County, a missing man in Tooele County and for a downed aircraft outside of Elko, Nevada.

Air Response Foundation is a non-profit organization that organizes pilots willing to volunteer their time, fuel and airplanes to assist public agencies and local Sherif's department with search and rescue missions. The group started 10 years ago when a plane went down outside of McCall, Idaho. Friends of the pilot organized to help locate the aircraft after local search and rescue efforts were called off. The group has flown over 100 search and rescue missions since for local sheriff's departments in Idaho, Nevada and Utah.

U42 pilots Dennis Bleazard, Dave Holmgren, Creighton King, Fraser MacPhee, Erno Ovari, Matt Perkins and Cory Robin have flown volunteer missions for the organization.

Air Response Foundation operates all flights free of charge to requesting agencies. For more information on the Air Response Foundation go to <a href="https://www.airresponse.org">www.airresponse.org</a>.

#### **NEW U42 FBO MANAGER STARTS ON FEB. 18**

Kristian Wade is taking over the FBO Manager position at the South Valley Regional FBO beginning Feb.18. Kristian has run the Airport Badging Office for the Salt City Department of Airports (SLCDA) for nine years. Prior to his experience with SLCDA, Kristian worked with U.S. Navy and ASIG dealing with fuel quality and fuel services.

## FIBER OPTIC COMING TO SOUTH VALLEY REGIONAL

Planning is underway to run fiber optic lines to the buildings and gates at South Valley Regional. The fiber lines will enable the airport to have active control of electronic gates. Badging updates will be instantaneous and will eliminate the needed to manually download information. The gates can also be opened from the Salt Lake City International Airport Control Center in an emergency. Fiber work is expected to start this spring.

South Valley Regional Airport and Tooele Valley Airport Gate Codes Changing on February 15

#### SLCDA GA News Electronic Option



To receive the Salt Lake City Department of Airport's monthly General Aviation newsletter by email, send your email address to dave.teggins@slcgov.com.

#### UTAH BUSINESS AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP GOLF TOURNAMENT SET FOR MAY 16

The Utah Business Aircraft Association (UBAA) will host its 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament on May 16 at Stonebridge Golf Club. The tournament raises scholarship money for students pursuing an aviation degrees at Westminster College, Utah State University, Salt Lake Community College, and Utah Valley University. The tournament has raised more than \$25,000 over the last 5 years and helps students offset the high costs of obtaining an aviation degree. The tournament is a fun day of golf, food, networking and helping support the future of aviation. For more information go to www.utahbaa.org.



### Helpful Points of Contact

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## Upcoming Events and News

February 9- EAA Chapter 23 will hold its monthly chapter meeting at Salt Lake International Airport (640 North 2360 West) between 7:00 and 9:00 p.m. For more information go to www.23.eaachapter.org.

March 14-16-Utah Airport Operators Association (UAOA) is holding its annual Spring Conference at the St. George Best Western Abbey Inn. For registration information, go to www.uaoa.org.

May 16-Utah Business Aircraft Association (UBAA) will hold its 6<sup>th</sup> annual scholarship golf tournament at Stonebridge Golf club. For more information visit www.utahbaa.org.

Upcoming activity and FAA seminar information is available at www.faasafety.gov under the Activities, Courses, and Seminars tab.

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