

HEAVEN'S LANDING

Like no Place on Earth

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Memorial Day Weekend to Remember!—

Heaven's Landing was "the place" for the Memorial Weekend—air shows, bonfires, friends and family.

All weekend long Heaven's Landing welcomed guests. Some enjoyed the accommodations at the Dillard House while others camped around the complex. "The long weekend allowed people to come and go as they wished, in order to enjoy activities at Heaven's Landing and those in Rabun County," reports Mike Ciochetti, "our first guests arrived Friday afternoon, and we had a steady flow all weekend long."

A lot of fun was on hand as Jeff Green, "The Big Banana", John Cook, and Peter Serodino, to name a few, took to the skies Saturday afternoon to showcase their planes and flying skills. Jeff flew his Beech Bonanza as daughters, Emily and Stacey questioned, "Did Mom go with him!?" Turns out it was Claudette Kingery who was the lucky passenger and her first time up and about in Jeff's fantastic plane.

John Cook from Deland, Florida (by way of South Africa) later flew his Lancair IV Turbine. This kit plane was a crowd pleaser as its speed and sleek design zipped across the sky. Peter Serodino arrived early in his Citation, but left and *returned* to Heaven's Landing after fetching his American Champion Citabria from his home in Chattanooga. This versatile aircraft, "airbatic," spelled backwards flew through the sky over Heaven's Landing which perfectly matched its brilliant blue color.



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Heaven's Landing owners, their guests, and new visitors were treated to fantastic food offered at the Clubhouse all weekend long. Notable feasts included our locally famous barbeque from Oinker's, as well as, the outstanding catering by Maria Loveless for Saturday's dinner and Sunday's lunch.



After guests completely satisfied their appetites, the evening hours brought cocktails, music and great conversation. Mitch Patterson, "Fiddlin' Mitch", played classic rock and country for the crowd. Whether on the verandas, out on the lawn enjoying the great fire pit, or in the Clubhouse playing a game of billiards, everyone found a location to relax and get to know one another.



Although the weather all over the Southeast was stormy, the skies were beautiful for most of the weekend at Heaven's Landing -as it should be! Rain seemed to time itself for the late night hours, and campers were well prepared as they found dry comfort in our hangar complex.



"It was great to see so many owners and guests together" stated Mike, "this is the type of community that Heaven's Landing is all about."



May 8th Lunch in Heaven Fly-In

A perfect spring day, great food, and property tours brought a crowd out to Heaven's Landing on Saturday, May 8th. Hotdogs and hamburgers were cooked to perfection, the weather was outstanding, and there was something for everyone.



The Heaven's Landing guests came from all over—some on their first visit and others who brought along friends to see the sites. Late in the afternoon, Holly had a great time with a group of ladies hosting a gallery excursion and tours around town. We thank all our guests for making this day a celebration. We even had an impromptu air show as one of our owners flew home.

Our next Saturday Fly-In will be June 12th. Food will be served from 12-2 p.m. We look forward to seeing you here. For reservations and tour information contact Monica Hunt at the Heaven's Landing office, 800-HEAVEN 2.



Owner Profile—Dr. Dan Balda

Upon entering Heaven's Landing you will immediately see great things are happening. Dr. Dan Balda, broke ground on his property, Lot #9, in the second week of May near the approach end of runway 5.

Dan first became acquainted with Heaven's Landing last year at the Cirrus Owners and Pilots Association (COPA) Migration 7 held in Duluth, Minnesota. It was at COPA that Dan met Mike Ciochetti and Holly Macaulay. "[We] were exhibiting for Heaven's Landing when Dan walked up and introduced himself," recalls Mike, "he has become not only a good customer but better yet, a good friend."



Grading begins on Dan's Lot.

Dan reports having visited many fly-in communities in his travels, but after meeting Mike, Dan made a point to fly to Heaven's Landing a few months later. For him it was just a fantastic trip, highlighted by spending time around the community fire pit getting to know other owners. "I was really attracted to the beauty of the property, and the many great things to do in the area"; states Dan, "but ultimately, I stayed for the people." Dan left that weekend with a contract in hand, and shortly thereafter, he became another one of our great owners.

Dr. Balda lives and works full-time in Melbourne, Florida, his hometown, near his parents, two brothers, and one sister. Dan has two girls, ages 4 and 6.

At 15 years old, Dan's working life began as a stockroom employee for a cardiac monitoring company, Medicomp, Inc. He worked on and off for Medicomp for 20 years, and after his medical training in cardio-thoracic surgery at the University of Florida was completed in 2004, he was asked to return as President and CEO. Medicomp monitors patients remotely and soon expects to serve over 90,000 patients around the world (www.medicompinc.com).



Dan and his dad at Heaven's Landing.



Visiting with Kathy and Jim Stone in May.

Dan loves to fly. "Is there anything else worth doing?" Averaging about 300 hours a year around the Southeast for business and pleasure, it is an integral part of his life. He received his private fixed-wing license in 2006 (IFR late 2008) and private helicopter license in 2008. Dan has a Cirrus SR22 and a Flight Design. He aspires to have a helicopter when the opportunity presents itself.

The progress on Dan's lot will be a sight to behold. He is building an "angular" shaped hangar with a guest cottage above. The idea of two bi-fold doors accessing the hangar was presented to Dan by Mike, and Dan knew from the beginning that was his direction.

Dr. Dan Balda is a great addition to our community. We'll see you around the fire pit!

The Aero Club of Metro Atlanta

Heaven's Landing's Mike and Holly joined the Atlanta chapter of the Aero Club and attended the May meeting. As guests of President Steve Champness, Mike and Holly were very fortunate to sit at his table where they had the opportunity to dine with Jeff Skiles, the US Airways First Officer of the ill-fated, "Miracle on the Hudson", Flight 1549.

"His story was absolutely incredible," states Holly, "he tells it in a way that personally walks you through the details of that day—a series of events that lasted only about 4 minutes." With about 150 attending the luncheon at the historic Capital City Club (www.capitalcityclub.org) in downtown Atlanta, everyone seemed to walk away uplifted by the story of survival, teamwork, and the combination of things just going perfectly right.



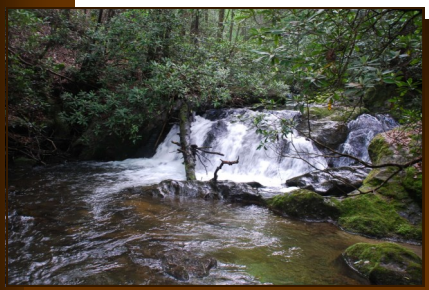
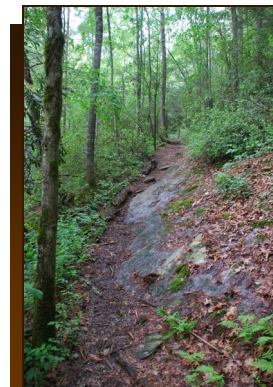
Mike Ciochetti, Jeff Skiles, and Holly Macaulay

"The Aero Club is a great opportunity to network," stated Mike. The mission of the Aero Club of Metro Atlanta is to promote aviation and to bring aviators and business people into a community. Membership is \$50 and meetings are held bi-monthly at the stunning Capital City Club. For more information contact: www.atlantaaeroclub.org.

Around the Bend— by Jan Nash

Although Heaven's Landing offers acres of fantastic scenery, there are a multitude of places to explore in Rabun County. One spot that should be on your list is just up the road from our gates.

In the Persimmon Community, you will find the magnificent Tallulah River Road (Forest Service Road 70). On this journey you have two options. For "Sunday drivers" take the slow and scenic 35 minute drive to Tate City, North Carolina; or, if you enjoy a moderate hike, drive 1.6 miles (150 yards past Tallulah River Campground) and pull off on the right at the *Coleman River Scenic Area*. You will see a small parking area at the confluence of the Coleman and Tallulah Rivers. This is the Coleman River trailhead.



The trail is only about 1 mile long, but you could spend a few hours taking in all the plants, old growth trees, and cascading falls. For the most part, the trail is a moderate grade, but you certainly can get your heart racing if you want to or slowly take in the sights and sounds. Each turn brings new discoveries and fantastic drop-pools. This section of the Coleman River is a designated "artificial lure only" trout stream. Not as maintained as it once was, but well traveled, you will find a few trees and limbs to scale over and slick foot bridges, but it actually adds to the natural beauty and adventure.

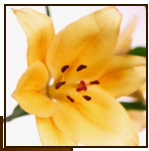
The trail offers obvious beauty, but there are some treasures that are more subtle. Keep your eyes open for the turn in the trail and the great hemlock that has a spring running under it's roots. The forest in the Eastern United States is changing rapidly. The Woolly Adelgid has been active for several years, and the large Hemlocks all over are succumbing to their spread. These huge trees in the Scenic area look like they don't have much time, but in all things, they usher in a new generation.

Very close to the end of the walking path is a rugged side trail leading to a kid favorite, a small cave. You can keep going for a short while where a boulder blocks the trail. This signals the end of the trail, but a few more yards will take you under and over rhododendron to a series of small beautiful cascades before the river becomes hidden by the terrain.

Enjoy. As with all hikes, wear proper shoes, make sure someone knows where you are going, never climb waterfalls, and be observant.



Directions: Leaving Heaven's Landing turn right onto Devil's Branch Road. Continue 2.2 miles and merge left onto Persimmon Creek Road. Go .5 mile turn right onto Mellie Keener Road. Continue 1.1 mile and turn left onto Persimmon Road. Go 1 mile and Tallulah River Road (FS70) is on your right.



Upcoming Events



Heaven's Landing Events:

Heaven's Landing Fly-Ins

June 12

Please join us and see what's new at Heaven's Landing. Tours are available all day with food served from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. RSVP with Monica 800-HEAVEN 2. Mark your calendar for these Saturdays:

June 12
October 2

August 21
November 13

December 4

Area Events:



Flying Magazine's Parade of Planes

June 11-12

From the budding pilot to the avid aviator, this regional Expo is for you. Gwinnett County Airport/Briscoe Field, Lawrenceville, Georgia (KLZU); 10 a.m.—5 p.m. Heaven's Landing will see you there!

Saint James Episcopal Church Flower and Liturgical Arts Festival **June 11-12**

"This Fragile Earth, Our Island Home." Celebrate God's glory expressed in floral displays. Open from 10 a.m.—5 p.m. Warwoman Road, Clayton, Ga. Admission is Free.



NE Georgia Mountain Home and Garden Show

June 12

Hosted by the Home Builders Association of Rabun County. Businesses will display products from home design, appliances, flooring, paint, home security, windows, doors, and furniture. Rabun County Civic Center, 9 a.m.—3 p.m.

Dinner with Artistic Foods

June 12

Welcome to the Beechwood Inn! Call for reservations 706-782-5485. www.beechwoodinn.ws

Robert Ray & Company— "The Johnny Mercer Show"

June 13

Rabun Gap-Nacoochee School, Rearden Theatre, 4 p.m. Concert series. Additional information call 706-746-6226 or www.rabunmusicfestival.com.

Migration 8 Cirrus Owners and Pilots Association (COPA)

June 16-19

Migration 8 is the biggest event of the year for Cirrus pilots. Dayton, OH. Heaven's Landing hopes to see you there!



Foxfire Children's Heritage Day

June 17

Foxfire Museum & Heritage Center, 9 a.m.—2 p.m. Children ages 8-12; blacksmithing, weaving, candle-making, toys and games. Info: 706-746-5828.



Mountain Lakes Classic Antiques Show

June 18-20

Featuring some of the Finest Antiques Dealers from across the US! Rabun County Civic Center. Fri. and Sat. 10 a.m.—5 p.m.; Sun. 12 p.m.—5 p.m. For information: 770-928-0052 or www.mountainlakesclassic.com.

4th Annual Rabun Ramble 5K and 10K Roadrace

July 3

Lake Rabun Pavilion; 7:30 a.m. Participants can either run or walk along the scenic Lake Rabun Road. Applications and directions at www.rabunramble.com.

Lake Burton Fun Run & Fourth of July Fireworks

July 3

Run begins at 9 a.m. One of the SE's most scenic 2 mile race. Visit www.lakeburtonfun.com. Fireworks begin 9:30 p.m. (Dark).

Dillard House Fourth of July BBQ Festivities & Fireworks Show

July 4

Hamburger cookout, live band, outdoor BBQ, fantastic fireworks show beginning at dusk. Visit www.dillardhouse.com for reservations and information.



Our Community



- **Fire Pit Crew Returns.** Just check to see if there are embers burning in the chimenea any Friday and Saturday night, bring a chair, and come join us for lively conversation with a great view outside Hangar Apollo 12.



- **What's New with You?** Let us know what activities and adventures you are having. Share photos and stories of what is new in your flying circles. Please send submissions to janclay@windstream.net. (All submissions are subject to editing and the evaluation of content.)



- **Go Green!** We are so happy to introduce our newly formatted newsletter. We hope to share it while protecting our natural resources. Please update your contact information with Monica Hunt 706.212.0017 or monica@heavenslanding.com and make sure we have your latest email address, so you will stay informed.

- **Stay in Touch.** Join us on Facebook, "Heaven's Landing". Connect, share, and learn about the latest happenings within our community.

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- **Let us Know About Your Aviation Groups.** Give the office a call and share what groups and organizations you belong to, the website address, and the organization's contact information. (800) HEAVEN 2.

Heaven's Landing Services

Private Pilates Instruction



Our very own **Holly Macaulay** is now offering private instruction in Pilates, the exercise program that builds flexibility, strength, and endurance without adding bulk. With over two years of instruction experience, Holly specializes in beginner and intermediate levels. Call her at 706.982.5245 to set up an appointment to work out in our beautiful Clubhouse.

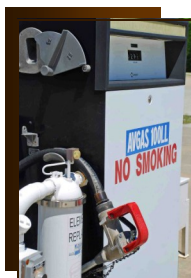
Heaven's Landing Concierge Service

We offer the finest, personalized, and professional services to meet your needs. Whether it's scheduling a trustworthy service to clean your home, picking up groceries, or keeping up with routine maintenance, Heaven's Landing Concierge Service will maintain your property, so you can fully enjoy your Heaven's Landing home. Please contact **Monica Hunt** for an estimate: 706.212.0017 or monica@heavenslanding.com.

"Work with someone you know and trust."



Our Current Fuel Prices



Self Serve Pumps

AV GAS \$4.39/gal*

JET A \$3.95/gal*

**Prices Subject to Change*

Prices as of June 1, 2010





The North Georgia Community Players

2010 Performance Schedule

The Odd Couple— (Female version)

The zany tale by Neil Simon of mismatched roommates

July 9, 10, 11, 16, 17, 18, 2010

The Jungle Book— by Vera Morris

Our Eighth Annual All-Children's Play

November 6, 7, 12, 13, 14, 2010

The Man Who Came to Dinner—

1939 Classic Comedy by George S. Kaufman and Moss Hart

December 4, 5, 10, 11, 12, 2010

All shows are at the *Dillard Playhouse* in the Old Dillard School, 892 Franklin Street in Dillard, Georgia, right next to the famous *Dillard House Restaurant*. Tickets: \$10 and \$5 for children under 12. Ticket line is 706-212-2500 or email at ngcptickets@windstream.net.

If you'd like to audition for a play or be involved in NGCP by directing or helping backstage please go to www.ngcommunityplayers.com for more information.



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