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Heaven's Landing Fly-In: Lunch in Heaven

When you ask the people who make the Northeast Georgia mountains their home, they will mostly likely tell you with heartfelt emotion what a perfect place it is to live, work or visit. Saturday, October 2nd exemplified this sentiment with 75 degree temps welcoming visitors to Heaven's Landing for another relaxed "Lunch in Heaven."

"We are thankful for another great fly-in," states Mike Ciochetti. "The best part, as always, is watching folks share stories, talk shop, and enjoy the tours around the area." Visitors are always welcome to extended tours of the amenities the mountains offer. "We were very pleased to spend the evening with guests who were ready to see more."

Visitors flew in from five states including the "Gang" of six from Hendersonville, North Carolina arriving in three airplanes. The group who enjoys traveling and exploring together ranged in age, with the eldest flying strong at 83.

Heaven's Landing will host two more fly-in lunches this year on November 13th and December 4th. New dates for next year will be posted soon. Please also plan on visiting for our annual Christmas and New Years' parties.





Top: Holly visits with a convention guest.
Bottom: Holly and Mike at Pike's Peak on one of many tours offered during the CJP convention.

Citation Jet Pilots Association Convention

The second annual Citation Jet Pilots Association Convention was held September 1-4 at the historic and award winning Broadmoor Resort in Colorado Springs, Colorado, and Heaven's Landing was there. The convention format was designed to support and entertain both Cessna Citation owners and their companions.

Attendance to safety training sessions qualified participants for insurance savings. Spouses had an opportunity to participate in ground school and a first of its kind in-flight "pinch hitter" training which allowed companions to feel more confidence while flying. Cessna's Chief Executive Officer Jack Pelton was the keynote speaker along with featured guests NBAA's Ed Bolen and AOPA's Craig Fuller.



NBAA President Ed Bolen addresses convention participants.

Midwest EXPO—Light Sport Airplane Association

Working to promote light sport aircraft, support pilot education, and the camaraderie among the aviation community, the 2nd Annual Midwest Light Sport Airplane Expo was held at Mt. Vernon Outland Airport (MVN) in Illinois September 23-25. The event was moved up a week earlier to hit the perfect fall weather, and the move paid off well. Great temperatures and clear skies helped make this a very successful show according to organizer and airport director Chris Collins. The Expo showed increases in participation from vendors, manufactures and the public. "I love the smaller venue shows," reports Heaven's Landing's Holly Macaulay, "they put on a relaxed event and the organizers make it very enjoyable attracting serious aviation participants."



Ride in Heaven

Andy Sumlin and his two young sons, Hayden (11) and Benjamin (9), had an opportunity they will long remember on August 22nd. The Sumlin's won a flight, provided by Heaven's Landing, through a charity auction benefiting Atlanta's [Chastain Horse Park](#).

Perfect North Georgia weather welcomed our guests as Mike Ciochetti flew the family over Rabun County on the tour. "It was a pleasure to take a family out and see the reactions of the kids for their first general aviation flight," reports Mike.



Andy Sumlin is in corporate real estate and is a private pilot who has not flown in some time. The family also has a vacation home on Lake Burton. "It was special to share the excitement of a small plane with my boys," states Andy, "...Rabun County is just as pretty from the air as it is on the ground."

Owner Profile – Mike “Kahuna” Stewart

“... after my knees stopped knocking, terror turned into exhilarating excitement,” recalls Mike Stewart when he first flew in formation nearly nine years ago. Mike’s story is one of chance encounter, an awakening spirit of adventure, and one of jaw dropping inspiration.

Mike Stewart works for IBM in Atlanta, Georgia as an IT engineer specializing in network security, he loves his job, but he will quickly move the conversation to his true love - Mike is extremely passionate about flying. It all began as a child with his aviation mechanic granddad who got him started with r/c airplane projects.

One fateful day late in 2001, as a green pilot, Mike was asked by veteran retired U.S. Air Force pilot, Bob “Subob” Goodman, if he would mind having a wingman. This began a great mentoring relationship, and Mike’s love for flying was about to abruptly evolve into a second career.

Mr. Goodman continued to lend his expert instruction, and the two started gathering flight buddies. Within the year and after being blown away watching the Falcon Flight Formation Team in Texas, Mike and friends vowed to hone their skills. Team RV was born. It is now the largest air show formation team in the world. They have grown to eleven skilled pilots with one support crew member who make up this amazing team.

Mike’s ability to unite with the right people somehow led him to Heaven’s Landing. The community, the management, the other owners, the vision of the property, and the proximity to his home in Cumming, Georgia, sold him on Lot #124, a taxable lot, on the approach end of runway 23. “I really wanted to have a future of living with my plane,” states Mike. If all goes right, he hopes to begin construction in about six months. In the meantime, he enjoys the mountains by either flying up or the short commute cruising up on his motorcycle a Honda VTX-1800. As the Honda Powersports website puts it, “...the VTX-1800 [is the] most Xtreme V-twin motorcycle we’ve ever made.”

Mike continues to spend his free time building things. This is, when he isn’t organizing and choreographing air shows, writing flight training manuals, test piloting, instructing or attending aviation organization meetings. He currently flies his home built RV-Super 8 (the super is the IO-540 engine) which is his second RV build. His ground transport is a 1999 Miata with a LS6 Corvette engine which he also built. It would appear that big engines and sporty toys are a common theme with Mike.

We look forward to seeing Mike and his team over the Heaven’s Landing skies!



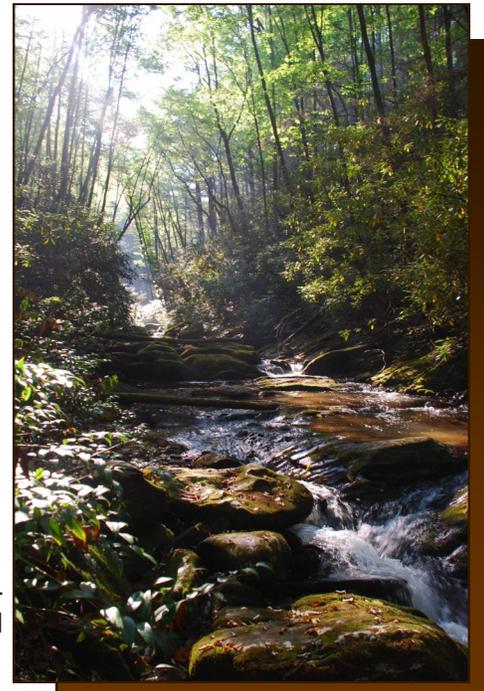
Around the Bend– Hemlock Falls Trail and Surrounding Area

Rabun County has entered fall in grand fashion. Currently, it is late September, and the daytime temperatures are in the low 80's to mid 70's. The nights are cool, skies are clear, and the leaves are just beginning to change- a transition that will take about six weeks peaking in the last week of October just into the first of November.

Your destination for a scenic and spiritually cleansing afternoon is **Hemlock Falls**. The trailhead is located off Andersonville Road right across from Moccasin Creek State Park, a 15 mile scenic drive from the gates at Heaven's Landing. This trail is the perfect outing for anytime of the year; but, as the leaves fall and carpet the rocks, the trip will take your breath away.

There is ample parking, and once you are situated, you will see the US Forest Service trail marker engraved stone. Hemlock Falls Trail is about a 1 mile hike (one way) and closely meanders along Moccasin Creek. It is a wet trail with multiple small springs crossing the old road bed trail (with lots of salamanders to be found under the rocks for kids). Shoes that can handle a little dampness are advised.

With the sounds of water, wildlife to enjoy, and rhododendron trellising the trail, you will have many photographic opportunities. A highlight for kids $\frac{3}{4}$ down the trail is a section of "pot holes"- eroded small pools made by the flow of current and gravel. Safety and care should be taken on the wet mossy rocks, but the spot is great for a warm weather dip.



From here, the mile walk in is almost complete. You will see the path stair-step down to a fire pit. No camping is allowed here, but someone has enjoyed the view several times. Hemlock Falls cascades into a large deep pool surrounded by boulders and framed by plants. The pool is completely inviting for those who don't mind the crisp mountain water.

Remember to take your camera, shoes for a wet hike, and a keen eye for any unexpected critters that live in our beautiful forest. It is not only a great hike, but it will introduce you to another amazing area that is great for the entire family. Moccasin Creek State Park (www.gastateparks.org/MoccasinCreek) has many amenities with 55 campsites, playground, and boat ramp. The Park is also located adjacent to the Lake Burton Fish Hatchery which is open from 8 am- 4 pm daily with a youth fishing area.



Trailhead Directions from Heaven's Landing:

Turn right onto Devils Branch Road. At the bottom of the mountain continue left. The road becomes Persimmon Creek Road (which will parallel Persimmon Creek). Continue for 1.5 miles. Turn left on Persimmon Road and continue 2 miles until you reach US Hwy 76 West and turn right.

Continue until you reach GA Hwy 197 (3 miles) and turn left. Travel 3.7 miles around the NW side of Lake Burton to Moccasin Creek State Park. Take Andersonville Road on the right across from the Park. Continue for .5 miles staying straight until you dead end at the trail head parking area.



Upcoming Events



Heaven's Landing Events:

Heaven's Landing Fly-Ins

You do not want to miss our great fly-in Saturdays where food and friendship are in abundance! See what's new at Heaven's Landing. Tours are available all day with food served from 11:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. RSVP today at **800-HEAVEN 2**. In the event of rain, fly-ins will be rescheduled the following day (Sunday). Mark your calendar for these Saturdays:

November 13

December 4

Area Events:

Foxfire Mountaineer Festival

Foxfire 16th Fall Heritage Festival begins at 6 pm with a parade in downtown Clayton. Saturday enjoy over 35 exhibits from 10 am -4 pm. Crafts, blacksmithing, basket making, cornhusk dolls, BBQ, and more. Admission \$4 for adults and children 11 and up, \$2 children 6-10 yrs. Visit www.foxfire.org or www.mountaineerfestival.org.

October 1-2

Fall Farm Day

Hillside Orchard Farms, Tiger, Ga. Crafts, music, sorghum cooking, hay rides, tractors and so much more. Visit www.hillsideorchard.com.

October 9 & 16

War Pony Customs Anniversary, Fundraiser, and Party

Party begins with the Poker Run fundraiser for the Clayton Rotary Club. BBQ, bike show, live music, door prizes. Poker Run registration at 9 am, kickstand up at 10 am. See www.warponycustoms.com for additional info.

October 10

Haunted Corn Maze

"Let Us Scare You" at Hillside Orchard Farms country Store from dark until 9:30 p.m. www.hillsideorchard.com or 706-782-7848.

October 27-31

Halloween Hey Day

Bring the kids for games, trick or treating and a costume parade to downtown Clayton and stay for hamburgers and hot dogs provided by the Clayton Rotary Club. Event starts at 10 a.m.

October 30

Halloween Dinner with Scary Stories by David Fore

Beechwood Inn, Clayton. Call for reservations 706-782-5485.

October 30

North Georgia Community Players "Jungle Book"

The classic children's story adapted by Vera Morris is bound to please young and old. Dillard Playhouse, Dillard, Georgia. Visit www.ngcommunityplayers.com for show times and tickets.

Nov. 6,7,12,13,14

Veteran's Appreciation Dinner

Rabun County Civic Center, 5:30 p.m. hosted by the Rabun County Chamber of Commerce. Please call 706-782-4812.

November 11

Christmas in Downtown Clayton

An old fashioned Christmas tradition for the whole family. Many merchants will be collecting for the Rabun Food Pantry. Sponsored by the Clayton Merchants and Business Association. 5-8 p.m.

November 26

Aviation Shows:

NBAA 63rd Annual Meeting and Convention

The world's largest business aviation expo with over 100 sessions to choose from. Join over 25,000 attendees to this extraordinary event in Atlanta, Ga. For details and membership visit www.nba.org. HL booth 7914.

October 19-21

AOPA Aviation Summit

Exhibits, forums, static display and demonstrations, AOPA Aviation Summit is the place. Held in Long Beach, CA. Visit www.apoa.org/summit to register today. See Heaven's Landing at booth 647.

November 11-13

Our Community



- **Fire Pit Crew.** 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 our office at 706.212.0017 or sales@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.



- **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 our office for an estimate: 706.212.0017 or sales@heavenslanding.com.

"Work with someone you know and trust."



Our Current Fuel Prices



Self Serve Pumps

AV GAS	\$3.99/gal*
JET A	\$3.25/gal*

**Prices Subject to Change*

Prices as of September 1, 2010





Gintas Smagurauskas and John Cokinogenis

You've heard of the Wright brothers...
These are the "Wrong" Brothers!!!
—Mike Ciochetti

Complete with bicycle.



The North Georgia Community Players
PRESENTS

The Jungle Book

By Vera Morris

Our Eighth Annual All Children's Play
November 6, 7, 12, 13, and 14

It's a Wonderful Life

by Francis Goodrich and Albert Hackett

The American Version of Dickens' Christmas Carol
December 4, 5, 10, 11, 12, 2010



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