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# Skyraider Sentinel

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## Skyraider Aviation Welcomes New Club Members!

- Paul Harrison
- Matt Killough

## This Month in Aviation History



Antonov An-225

**June 5<sup>th</sup>, 1989...** On this date, the massive Antonov An-225 Mriya flew in to Paris-Le Bourget for the 1989 Paris Air Show, carrying the Soviet Shuttle Buran on its back. When it took off from Kiev to fly to Paris, the combination had a takeoff weight of 1,234,600 lbs, the greatest weight ever lifted into the air.

### An-225 Specs

- \* Crew: 6
- \* Length: 275.6 ft
- \* Wingspan: 290 ft 2 in
- \* Height: 59.3 ft
- \* Empty weight: 385,800 lbs
- \* MTOW: 1,322,773 lbs
- \* Takeoff run: 11,500 ft with maximum payload
- \* Max speed: 460 knots
- \* Cruise speed: 400 knots

"No one can realize how substantial the air is, until he feels its supporting power beneath him. It inspires confidence at once."

— Otto Lilienthal

## New Sport Pilot

Congratulations to **Dave Matus!** On Friday, June 20<sup>th</sup> Dave aced his practical test and was awarded his Sport Pilot Certificate. His aircraft of choice... our Evektor SportStar, N617EV.

Just three days later, **Brian Banks** earned his Sport Pilot Instructor Certificate in our Gobosh 700, N703GB. Brian headed back to Las Vegas shortly thereafter where he will put his new license to use.

## The Fleet Grows

On Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup> Skyraider Aviation's fleet of Light Sport Aircraft grew to three! Skyraider Aviation owner, Chris Dillis and CFI, Bob Stark picked up the brand new Remos G-3 in Rogers, Arkansas and flew it back to Erie. The flight, which lasted 6.1 hours was uneventful, and included a single stop in Hays, Kansas.

The new G-3 boasts a glass cockpit, huge useful load, and impressive performance numbers. It is currently available for training and rental.



Skyraider Aviation's new Remos G-3

## Upcoming Events

- July 17<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>: *Parade of Pistons*, Centennial Airport. Free pre-registration at [www.paradeofpistons.com](http://www.paradeofpistons.com) before July 14<sup>th</sup>.
- July 28<sup>th</sup> – August 3<sup>rd</sup> – EAA AirVenture; Oshkosh, WI
- September 6<sup>th</sup>: *National Radial Engine Exhibition*, Akron, CO [www.nationalradialengineexhibition.com](http://www.nationalradialengineexhibition.com)
- September 20<sup>th</sup>: *Fly-In Breakfast, Sidney, NE*. Pilots eat for FREE!



Skyraider fleet on display at Fort Morgan

## Club Flies to FMM

The entire Skyraider Aviation fleet descended upon Fort Morgan Municipal Airport on Saturday, June 28<sup>th</sup> as part of the town's annual Glenn Miller Festival. Six of our club members joined a crowd of about 350 other pilots and aviation enthusiasts for a pancake breakfast. Nearly 30 aircraft of various types (including many vintage airplanes) were flown in during the event. The Glenn Miller Festival is held each year in memory of the famous Jazz musician who hailed from Fort Morgan.