

1. Upcoming Events

- **Airport Advisory Committee Meeting**
Thursday July 11th, 2019 at 8:00am in our new airport administration and maintenance building at 9 Presidential Lane, Sanford.
More info is posted on the City's website www.sanfordmaine.org/airport.
- **Maine Ace Camp**



Maine ACE Camp is a unique educational, hands-on, nation-wide program co-sponsored by the Federal Aviation Administration with outstanding support from the U.S. Military, State and local aviation businesses, general aviation, corporate aviation, seaplane pilot groups and hundreds of volunteers. These camps are designed for middle and high school

students who have a strong desire to learn about aviation and explore possible aeronautical careers. This is the future of aviation so if you know a kid that may be interested, please spread the word!

There are two camps held each summer in Maine: The Ace Camp South is a junior day camp for students ages 12-16.



The Ace Camp North is more of a senior, overnight camp for high school students ages 14 -18 and is hosted by the Katahdin Area Council Boy Scouts of America at Camp Roosevelt in Eddington, Maine. For more information click the link above that says "Ace Camp North overnight camp". Ace Camp South is held at Brunswick Airport - it is an extended day camp.

Register now at <https://www.maineacecamp.org/>

→ **Maine Aeronautics Association**

Interested in what's going on in aviation around the state? Check out MAA's website for a calendar of events, fly-ins, benefits, and more!

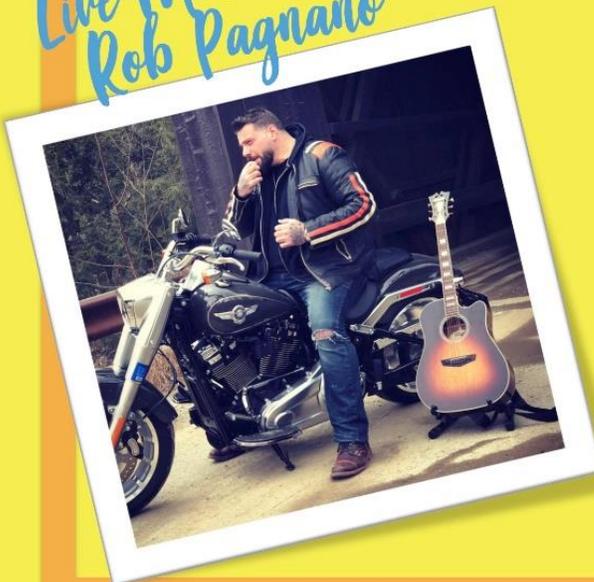
<http://www.maineaeronautics.org/>

→ **Summer Fest!**

1ST ANNUAL *Pilots Cove Cafe* Summer Fest

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JULY 7TH 12-4PM

*Live Music from
Rob Pagnano*



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WWW.PILOTSCOVECAFE.COM/SUMMERFEST

207-850-1183

2. Summertime Scenic Tours: Guest Blog

Jazmin Harb and husband Steve Kreimendahl of [Travel to Blank](#) have visited and fallen in love with the Maine Beaches region! In a recent blog post, they lay out a three-day itinerary for the region, with bonus information on traveling north of the Maine Beaches to Portland and then up to the Mid-Coast area.

Some of their favorite things to do while visiting the Maine Beaches? Exploring the coastline on foot and by air on a scenic flight out of Sanford Seacoast Regional Airport, visiting the Seashore Trolley Museum, and tasting the very best cuisine the region has to offer!

If you want a little more insight to their time here, click to check out this [fun video tour](#) of the area they created! Southern Maine Aviation did a wonderful job hosting them and the scenic flight is showcased in the video.



3. Airfield Spotlight: Powered Paragliders

I recently had the pleasure of interviewing one of the powered paraglider pilots that operates out of SFM. Chris had a wealth of information to share and some great photos as well!

Powered paragliding became popular in Europe before coming to the United States. We have seen a steady flow of new operators, both instructors and students, at SFM over the last couple years. The next nearest place to obtain instruction is Cape Cod.

A powered paraglider or PPG is an ultralight aircraft with a 2 stroke motor. Many of the motors are manufactured in Italy and their size largely determines the ultimate altitude that can be reached. Federal Aviation Regulations Part 103 governs operational rules. Pilots fly only during daylight hours and can fly 30 minutes before and after



sunset only if they are equipped with a strobe/ anti-collision light. The aim to operate nearer to sunrise and sunset because winds 12 miles per hour or less are desirable. Ground speed is usually 15 – 25 miles per hour. Oxygen is required if they operate above 18,00 feet – which incredibly has been done!

PPGs are easy to transport – right in the back of most cars. The parachute-looking part is referred to as the “wing” and easily folds up for transport. Wing sizes and shapes differ based on weight, abilities and goals (like aerobatics!). When the pilot is ready to get going he or she first warms up the motor, check all the straps and harnesses, the risers, two brake lines, and the hand held throttle and take off running into the wind. The pilot pulls up on the risers and can get airborne in as little as 25’ in a good headwind!

Chris had recently taken off from Biddeford and gone to Old Orchard Beach and back when I spoke with him. Depending on the engine and other flight factors, a flight can last 300 miles! Most flights have a duration of about two hours and a twelve liter tank. MoGas is the fuel of choice since it does not contain ethanol. Pilots typically have a head set connected to a radio capable of two way communications. On this particular flight, Chris hit 7,500’ and

then killed the motor. “Very peaceful” he told me. “It’s not about speed at that point – it’s the unrestricted view.” No cockpit, just the pilot and the sky.



When the flight is done and it's time for getting back on the ground the wind sock is consulted to make sure the landing is into the wind, which is the same procedure for a conventional aircraft landing. It's not all fun and games... pilots constantly look for good landing spots in case of a “motor out” or engine failure. They also need to be mindful of obstacles, including power lines and obstructions. Other

hazards are the “rotors” that occur on the edges of buildings or trees lines where the wind spins in a downward, disruptive pattern that can negatively interfere with flight.

Interested in powered paragliders? Email me at marogers@sanfordmaine.org and I can put you in touch with the group here the airfield. Want to stay on the ground but still curious? The patio on the rear of the terminal is open all day and offers a wonderful view of the airport. You can enjoy food and drinks from Pilots Cove Café on the patio as well! Find their hours here: www.pilotscovecafe.com.



4. FOR SALE: Large Shed

The City of Sanford, Maine invites sealed bids for the purchase of a large shed at the Sanford Seacoast Regional Airport in Sanford, Maine beginning June 6, 2019.

SPECIFICATIONS

- AS IS CONDITION.
- 16' 4" long
- 12'4" wide
- 10'4" tall
- Wood siding
- Two Windows
- One full size personnel door
- Wired for electricity – could be hardwired or attached to a generator
- Purchaser fully and solely responsible for pickup and removal from Airport Property within 14 calendar days of the date the bid is awarded

Sealed bids shall be received until 3:00 p.m. on Monday July 1, 2019 at the Airport Manager's Office at 9 Presidential Lane, Sanford, Maine 04073, at which time and place all proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud. All bids shall be submitted on the original form provided with these bid specifications and shall be typewritten or hand written in ink. All bids shall be submitted in sealed envelopes clearly marked on the outside "AIRPORT BID SHED".

Bid documents may be obtained on or after June 6, 2019 in two locations:

1. At the Office of the Airport Manager at 9 Presidential Lane, Sanford Maine; or,
2. Downloaded from the City's website: www.sanfordmaine.org/airport.

The Owner's representative in this bidding process will be:

Joseph Ridley, Airport Maintenance Supervisor

Telephone: two zero seven-324-8six95

E-Mail: jtridley@sanfordmaine.org



THE CITY OF SANFORD RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY OR ALL PROPOSALS AND TO ACCEPT THE BID DEEMED TO BE IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE CITY.

5. Construction Season!

You may have noticed several areas of construction around the airport – we are quite literally surrounded by progress!

East Hangars

A new six unit hangar is being constructed on the north side of the general aviation ramp adjacent to the terminal building. The area is cordoned off with orange and white barriers

to help show the area unavailable for taxiing and parking. Completion is estimated for early summer.



West Hangar: Life Flight Building
Anticipated completion date for Life Flight is July 2019.



Please never hesitate to reach out to me if you have any questions, concerns, ideas or comments. Funny and interesting stories are also welcome. ☺

Sweet, sweet summertime!
Your airport manager,

Allison
SFM

