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New ownership, new horizon

April 23, 2008 was a major turning point in Moore Air's history. Twelve years after Rob Moore—the company's founder—incorporated MA as a place where aviators from the community gather to share their passion of flight, two new faces took the reigns of the company that has become Honolulu's favorite flying club and training center. Meet Mark Jones and Alan Fields, both officers in the U.S. Air Force, who step in with a new vision of making the company a premier FBO at Honolulu International Airport—while keeping the heart of the club strong as it's always been.

Combined, Jones and Fields hold 62 years of aviation experience in both the military and civilian worlds. Mark has been flying for over 40 years in various aircraft, from our Cessna trainers to the F-4 Phantom; Alan's expertise comes mostly as an aviator in the C-130 Hercules flying numerous missions around the globe. "Rob Moore has done an exceptional job, has done a huge number of things right in this organization, and we want to continue those excellent qualities while also improving the services we offer our customers," Jones states. "Alan and I share Rob's enthusiasm for flying and flight training, and in fact, we hope to have more . . . there are two of us now!"

One of the first elements on their agenda is to continue offering safe flying with consistently well-maintained airplanes, while aiming to **reduce the cost** of flying to customers. While they recognize the difficulty of doing this in today's challenging economy, they are fully committed to making flying more affordable. "We prefer to see more

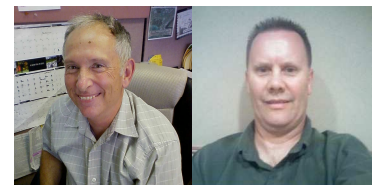
people flying for less, not less people flying for more," says Alan. It's a tough hurdle, but Jones and Fields can already offer their first two successes as evidence of their intent: (1) holding rental rates steady in the face of weekly onslaughts of increasing fuel prices, and (2) reduced flying price offers through block

rate purchases (see page 2 for more details on this new program). Moore Air has continued to please mem-

bers by not raising the price on aircraft rental in spite of significant jumps in fuel cost since the change of ownership (in fact, let them know if you have observed that same restraint at any other flight school on the ramp). These are just the beginning steps to help everyone. Watch for more successes to come.

Mark and Alan also want to continue the strengths of the organization to increase opportunities for flying education. Moore Air already offers a complimentary 8-week, 16-session Private Pilot Ground School, and at the same time they're exploring ways to offer more learning opportunities to improve piloting skills. So members, keep an eye out for upcoming events!

If members haven't visited the club recently, come in and introduce yourself to Mark and Alan, learn more about them, and offer your personal ideas for improvement: they eagerly await your valued input!



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Moore Air Fall Social

Mark your calendars, as **Saturday, September 27th** is the date of the Moore Air Fall Social event, hosted by the new staff. It is scheduled to begin at **6:00 PM** and will run until whenever our last attendee flies away! Come meet and greet the new faces (and new plane!) at Moore Air and enjoy the fully catered event, featuring local and

traditional dishes. Mark, Alan, and their families look forward to getting to know everyone, past and present, and get a feel for the heart of the club that has grown to over 100 strong over the past 12 years.

Feel free to bring family, friends, whoever you like! CFIs, feel free to invite your students. Just remember to **RSVP by Monday, September**

22nd and be sure to let us know how many are attending. As always, door prizes will be awarded!

Looking ahead at the end of the year, keep us in mind during this coming holiday season as we plan the Moore Air Holiday Social—a club tradition for quite some time. Details will be announced in the next edition of the MAQ.

The new and improved MOORE AIR QUARTERLY is now accessible from anywhere in the world! Visit mooreair.com and click on “The Club”.

Hail & farewell

With new ownership comes new faces in the Moore Air family.

Coming aboard at the front desk is **Chelsey Fields, David Phears, Becky Jones, and Sandie Fields**. Be sure to stop in and say hello if you haven’t already done so.

On the flip side, we must sadly give a big “mahalo nui loa” to the following: **Susie Koshiyama** is now flying for a Part 135 company here in Honolulu; **Kim Conrad** has relocated to pursue a master’s degree; **Lou Caporicci** relocated to the mainland with the Air

Force and for retirement; **Rick Kennington** has moved to the west coast to further his aviation career.

We are incredibly grateful for what everyone did for the club, and we wish everyone the best for the years to come.

Block rate discounts

Our philosophy at Moore Air has always been to provide our pilots with safe, reliable airplanes at an affordable price. We understand

that the high cost of flying is challenging for many people; therefore, Moore Air has begun offering a block rate discount off the hourly rate for all aircraft! As long as members or students prepay in \$1000

increments, they are eligible for a 7% discount off of any aircraft or simulator at the club. Come talk to the staff for more information on this exciting news.



Addition, improvements to the fleet



Moore Air is proud to announce the newest addition to the company: **N30740**, a Cessna 177 Cardinal! Featuring fully-loaded IFR instrumentation in-

N30740, our newest addition to the fleet.

cluding a Garmin 430 GPS stack, the aircraft will be ready to spread its wings by the end of September. It arrived this past August from Minnesota, and after a long journey across the U.S., it now calls HNL its new home. Even better news: she'll be available for rent at the **same rate as the Cessna**

172. So be sure to get your checkout soon!

N92594, our Cessna 182 Skylane, had an avionics upgrade to replace the aging radio stack; it now features a brand new King Radio COM/NAV and DME unit. Moore Air is the only company in Hawaii that offers a 182 for rental, so if you haven't already been checked out in it, you're missing out on this fun bird!

If any Moore Air members are interested in contributing to the MAQ, we'll be glad to include your article in the next edition!

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: WAYNE K. BLANKENSHIP, CFII/MEI/ATP

Each edition of the MAQ presents an in-depth look at one of our club members. This issue introduces Mr. Wayne Blankenship, a seasoned veteran of the wild blue yonder.

A part-time CFI at Moore Air since 2007, Blankenship retired from Hawaiian Airlines in 2006 after thirty-five years as a Boeing 767 Captain. He also served thirty years in the U.S. Army as a helicopter and fixed-wing pilot, both on active duty and in the National Guard. Locally born and raised, he's spent most of his life here but lived in Puyallup, WA for several years prior to retiring. Living next to the Pierce County Airport there got him back into general aviation before returning to the islands. Throughout Wayne's career as a professional pilot, he's been involved in training and standardization in all walks of aviation, including general aviation, military, and the airlines—and enjoyed it thoroughly. In December of 2003, Wayne participated in a memorable event as a chaperone to Seattle-area high school students on a week-long cross-country flying journey to Kitty Hawk, NC for the Centennial of Flight celebration. "I love flying and find teaching enjoyable and rewarding," he says.

Although Wayne has instructed everything from Private to ATP to DC-9 type-ratings and even military fixed-wing transitions, he's now happy to be back to his roots. "I feel this is my way of giving back to the industry and my community," he explains. "I love flying and find teaching enjoyable and rewarding."

From the pilot shop

The Moore Air pilot shop is your one-stop shopping site for all your training, or even leisurely needs. We've recently added brand new AvComm rental headsets available for any pilot at Moore Air—still at the same low price of \$5 per use. They are also available for pur-

chase if you're looking for an economical, yet versatile headset. Additionally, we now have two affordable models of the world-class David Clark headset lineup in stock, so come by and take a look! Aside from headsets, FAR/AIM 2009 books have arrived and are now available for purchase; 2008 editions

are now on sale. New Moore Air polos and aloha shirts are currently in the process of being designed, so stay tuned!

Moore Air would greatly appreciate any input from students and members on what they would like to see available for purchase. Please call us with your requests!





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THE MOORE AIR MISSION:

To provide airworthy and reliable airplanes to our customers/members at an economic price.

To provide friendly, professional service to our customers and foster a friendly environment where aviators from the community want to gather.

Coming Events

Here are some upcoming events to be aware of. If any members know of any additional aviation events, please let us know and we'll be happy to spread the word.

- **Private Pilot Ground School.** \$FREE, and anyone is welcome. 11/3 ~ 12/31, Mons & Weds, 18:00~20:00
- **Instrument Ground School.** \$TBA. 11/3~12/31, Tues & Thurs, 18:00~20:00
- **Pinch-hitter for Non-Pilots:** this course is designed for non-pilots, especially their spouses, to make them more comfortable with flying and to inform them on the basics of general aviation. December 2008, days and more details TBA.
- **Moore Air Holiday Social.** December 2008; details TBA.

... Recent Achievements ...

CONGRATULATIONS to these newly-accomplished pilots!



Sean Colley
Adam Forsberg
Paul Mauguin
Walter Uyesugi
Dylan Aucoin
Rick Soesman
Grant Hooks
Eric Yetsko

Private Pilot
Private Pilot
Instrument
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First Solo
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CFI: Taylor Oliver & Mark Jones
CFI: Lou Caporicci
CFI: K. Woolley & N. Thompson
CFI: Wayne Blankenship
CFI: Taylor Oliver & Mark Jones
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CFI: Mark Jones
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