



Grass Roots Flyer April 2021



Stanton Squadron – Civil Air Patrol – Color Guard Receives Honor:



The Stanton Composite Squadron Color Guard is honored to be selected to present the Colors for the National Anthem for the 2021 Minnesota Wing Conference. As the conference will be virtual, the Colors presentation is pre-recorded.

The Stanton Color Guard was formed in March 2018 and has been very active ever since. The team has presented the Colors for numerous high school athletic events, marched in parades, and made Colors presentations for a number of

community organizations. The team presented the Colors for the National Anthem at the opening game of the St. Paul Saints baseball team's 2020 season. The Stanton Color Guard captured first place in the 2020 Minnesota Wing Cadet Competition.

Airport Manager Report:

Congratulations to the Stanton Squadron and their Color Guard on their impressive list of accomplishments in a relatively short time. Stanton Airfield is very proud of the squadron and its members for their service in the US Air Force Auxiliary.

As I'm looking outside today, I'm not trying to be negative, but just wondering when Mother Nature is going to drop the other shoe on us. It's not State Basketball Tournament time yet, and as my dad used to say, "Murphy was an optimist".

The runways have been open for powered traffic off and on for the past couple of weeks. The turf isn't conducive for the gliders quite yet, including tying out any trailers. We still have not unpacked any of the hangars or the barn from winter storage. We are asking the glider folks to PLEASE BE PATIENT and wait for the go ahead before coming out, expecting to move things or begin rigging.

The facility access protocol remains unchanged for now. We're monitoring all the guidelines weekly and will only relax our position when appropriate to safely do so.

As we look forward to a more normal summer operation, we'll be calling on our most recent past volunteers, as well as seeing if there is any new interest in helping us out with our daily operations. The most immediate need is to cover evenings and weekends to give the paid staff some needed time off. We've done well the past five years serving our based, rental and transient customer base offering our services during these time frames. I really don't want us to take a step backwards. **If you would like to know more about what you could do to help us out, please contact me.**

Congratulations to Will Mason on obtaining his tailwheel endorsement from Jay Biggs on 3-22. We also recognize Adam, Eric and Greg for their Flight Reviews that

Date	Student	Inst	what
1/25	ADAM DUCKWALL	PR	TW
2/19	ADAM ALLABOUNI	JB	PR
2/20	ERIC CAMBRONNE	PR	FR
2/20	GREG DIETRICH	JB	FR
3/22	WILL MASON	JB	TW

were conducted in February. As you can see, the “board” is pretty empty due to the marginal weather of this calendar year. With weather changing – it’s time to get on the schedule with Jay, Jarrett, Paige, Chris, Brad, or Steve. Call anytime to schedule or to ask your questions about how to get started.

Our 3rd annual ground school is at the halfway point and so far, half of the students are committed to moving straight into our powered flight training program.

On the glider side, we have been talking with our two primary students from last fall who are eager to continue their training again in the next couple of weeks. In addition, there are three Commercial glider pilots who also hold a CFI, looking to add their CFIG's with us, and one CFIG reinstatement student.

All of this will be a great boost to our flight school this spring.

The shop also deserves a pat on the back for the 18 work orders opened in March. Over the past 24 months, our shop has signed off an Annual/Condition Inspection

every 4 1/2 days, which is a testament to our work ethic and pride of workmanship.

As always, please direct any comments or questions about Stanton Airport to me at the contacts listed below.

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