

Flight school announces 2014 training schedule

LOCK HAVEN - AvSport of Lock Haven, the Sport Pilotflight school on the Piper Memorial Airport, has announced its academic schedule for the 2014 calendar year.

Several different aviation courses will be offered, spread among three quarterly training sessions. Because of weather, AvSport normally shuts down during the Winter quarter.

Each of AvSport's intensive training terms spans a total of five weeks. AvSport's spring intensive session runs from March 7 to April 12. The flight school's summer session has been scheduled for July 7 through August 10 and the fall term is August 18 through Sept. 21. In all cases, students commit to two three-hour sessions of individualized flight and ground instruction per week.

During all three intensive training sessions, AvSport will be offering its "Five Weeks, Rain or Shine" pre-solo and "Five More Weeks of Heaven"

post-solo Sport Pilot flight training modules, as well as a Private Pilot upgrade course for licensed Sport Pilots. In order to maximize the individual attention required for success in flight training, AvSport accepts only four students (first come, first served) during each of these three five-week sessions.

The Sport Pilot license, in which AvSport specializes, is the newest portal of entry into the world of aviation, allowing prospective pilots to become licensed in half the time, and at half the cost, of the traditional Private Pilot license. Piper Memorial Airport is the ancestral home to the legendary Piper Cub, arguably the world's first sport plane. Modern Light Sport aircraft allow pilots to recapture the bygone fly-for-fun Cub era, with increased reliability and improved safety.

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