Our Vision

AvSport envisions a General Aviation renaissance, facilitated by quality training of Sport Pilots and the availability of modern Light Sport Aircraft.

Our Mission

AvSport enhances aviation safety and enjoyment, by offering:

- a rigorous, though flexible, flight training curriculum
- experienced, professional Certified Flight Instructors
- well maintained advanced Light Sport Aircraft
- modern and accessible instructional materials
- individualized instruction
- an affordable aviation experience

Meet Our Chief Flight Instructor

- H. Paul Shuch, Ph.D., CFII, LSRM-A/GL/WS/PPC, iRMT
- Air Force veteran, Commercial Pilot, retired college prof.
- Certified Flight Instructor, Airplane & Instrument
- Ph.D. in Air Transportation Engineering (Cal Berkeley)
- Started flying in 1961; four decades of teaching experience
- FAA licensed Light Sport Airplane maintenance technician
- Volunteer FAA Safety Team Lead Rep for Lock Haven
- Recipient of EAA and FAA Safety Achievement Awards
- Memberships: AOPA, BAC, BIS, EAA, IAA, NAFI, SAFE

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Light Sport Flight Training

at the birthplace of sport aviation:
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Accomplish your first Solo Flight for just $2500! *
Become a fully licensed Sport Pilot for only $5000! *
Continue on to Private Pilot, for another $3000! *
Try a $60 * *Taste of Freedom* tm Discovery Flight, or our $120 * *Gateway to the Sky* tm Introductory Lesson
(Gift Certificates available)

** Plus tax. Includes a fuel surcharge that may vary with energy prices. Testing fees not included. Based on our standard prepaid training packages at FAA minimum flight hour requirements. Your mileage may vary. Certain weight, height, and health restrictions apply. We regret that our Light Sport Aircraft cannot safely carry passengers weighing in excess of 250 pounds. All students must sign our standard Liability Waiver form.*

If you can drive, you can fly!

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What is the Sport Pilot License?

The FAA's newest introduction to General Aviation gets you into the air in half the training hours, and at half the cost, of the traditional Private Pilot license. Sport Pilots fly simple, low-cost, low-performance Light Sport aircraft, and may carry only one passenger. They fly only during daylight hours, in good weather, and are restricted from flying in the nation's busiest airspace (unless they have received additional training and an instructor's endorsement). No medical examination is required, though you must possess a valid driver's license, and abide by any medical restrictions it may impose.

Before Sport Pilot was established in 2004, the flight training paradigm had not changed appreciably since before Pearl Harbor. This new portal of entry to the world of aviation has allowed AvSport to develop a new curriculum, employing the very latest in instructional methodology and technology. It's never been easier to learn to fly.

A Sport Pilot may not fly in furtherance of any business activity. This is personal pleasure flying that dates back to the days of the barnstormers, upgraded to modern equipment and advanced training methods. The Sport Pilot rating is an ideal stepping-stone for those wishing later to upgrade their skills and privileges. If you've always dreamed of flying for fun, the Sport Pilot rules will allow you to live that dream!

What is a Light Sport Airplane?

Small, lightweight, safe, and simple to fly, LSAs are the modern reincarnation of the classic Piper Cub born right here in Lock Haven. Under FAA rules, Light Sport airplanes (LSAs) fall into two categories: Experimental (homebuilt) and Special (factory built). AvSport of Lock Haven trains in Special LSAs manufactured in the Czech Republic by meticulous European craftsmen, and certified by the American Society of Testing and Materials (ASTM) to meet the FAA LSA standard.

*** Note:** AvSport advertised hours and pricing are based upon our minimum requirements as established in FAR Part 61. Price does not include PA state sales tax, or FAA examination and licensing fees, which are neither set by nor paid to AvSport. Includes an estimated fuel surcharge that may vary with energy prices. Many students opt to receive training above and beyond the minimum required. If you desire or require additional instruction, it may be purchased at our affordable *Pay As You Go* rates.

AvSport's Course Catalog

Flight FUNdamentals tm Mini-Course

$1000* for your first four flight lessons!

- 4 hours of dual flight instruction
- 8 hours of individualized ground instruction
- the Gleim Sport Pilot Kit with Test Prep Software

Counts toward your complete Sport Pilot training course

Up, Up, and Away tm Pre-Solo Training

$2500* takes you from zero hours to first solo flight!

- 12.5 hours of dual flight instruction
- 0.5 hours of supervised solo flight experience
- 17 hours of individualized ground instruction
- the Gleim Sport Pilot Kit with Test Prep Software

Typically completed in five weeks at two lessons per week

Out On Your Own tm Post-Solo Training

$2500* takes you from your first supervised solo flight to being a fully licensed Sport Pilot!

- 8 hours of dual flight instruction
- 6 hours of solo flight experience
- 16 hours of individualized ground instruction

Typically completed in five weeks at two lessons per week

Airspace Ace tm Endorsement Module

$1350* allows Sport Pilots to earn endorsements for flying congested and controlled airspace!

- 8 hours of dual flight instruction
- 7 hours of individualized ground instruction
- Online access to all required training materials

Typically completed in one week, flying every day

The Next Step Up tm Private Pilot Add-On

Our Sport Pilot graduates can go on to earn the Private Pilot license, for an additional $3000!*

- 15 hours of dual flight instruction
- 3 hours of solo cross-country flight experience
- 12 hours of individualized ground instruction
- all required books and training materials

Typically completed in five weeks at two lessons per week

Pilot Downsizer tm LSA Transition Module

Licensed private pilots: go LSA for just $1000!*

- 5 hours of dual flight instruction
- 4 hours of individualized ground instruction
- AvSport's LSA Training CD, with manuals, checklists, and custom PowerPoint flight briefings

Typically completed in three days (one long weekend)

Flight Simulation at AvSport

Gaining and maintaining pilot proficiency requires consistent flying and frequent practice. Airlines and the military have long recognized that flight simulators play an important role in both the acquisition and retention of flying skills. Unfortunately, the FAA-certified full-motion training devices they employ are priced on a par with the average Light Sport airplane -- well beyond the resources of AvSport, or most other small flight schools.

AvSport has found a more affordable option, thanks to the introduction of AOPA's Jay flight simulator by Redbird, a scenario-based training system which allows the student (or the licensed pilot, or the prospective flyer) to test his or her skills in a variety of aircraft, flying a variety of routes, under varying weather conditions, with the machine providing constant visual, tactile, and verbal feedback. In other words, the Jay is the ideal electronic combination of aircraft, airspace, and flight instructor. And, although hours spent flying the Jay may not count toward your license, they promise to reduce in-aircraft training time by helping you to gain proficiency in the tasks you find most challenging. After all, it isn't hours in the logbook, but rather skill with the stick, that really counts.

THE JAY by Redbird

All registered AvSport primary students are granted free, unlimited simulator use.

Simulator Club members enjoy unlimited Jay access for just $120 per calendar year.