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Dear friends

It is not too long ago since I wrote you last time. Now I have my new laptop and I'm "back in the game", writing is much easier when you have the right tool at hand.

Nothing special has happened in the AVGAS area and I try to keep a close look at the topic since I know it is of interest to many aviators, and for good reasons. Seems that GAMI is expecting to have the G100UL to pumps during 2024 in USA. They estimate that the price would be around 70 c -1,05 USD more than "normal" AVGAS 100LL per USG. If and when it is available in USA it will be available elsewhere, e.g. in Europe. The questions: When? Where? At what a price? If GAMI's estimates are correct then we have a blink of light again at the end of the tunnel. Here's a link to GAMI website, so you can check you self.

<https://www.g100ul.com/>

I also found R100 fuel and they expected to have FAA certification process done by the end of 2023 but today this seems unlikely. Th: link to their website:

<https://www.swiftfuels.com/swift-100r>

At this point in time we can only hope that someone will succeed in this quest and that we shall have a replacement by 2026.

A usual find Renés composition of the current news and foremost EASA matters

Court orders Liquidation of French Light Aircraft Manufacturer Robin

23/11/2023, from flightglobal

French light aircraft manufacturer Robin Aircraft, which dates back to 1957, has been ordered into liquidation by a commercial court. That's not good news... For more information:

<https://www.flightglobal.com/aerospace/court-orders-liquidation-of-french-light-aircraft-manufacturer-robin/155961.article>



As you can see: I fly now to most interesting places!





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BAA Training signs for 48 Cessna Skyhawk

22711/2023, from Cessna's parent company Textron via flightglobal

Lithuania-headquartered BAA Training has agreed to buy 48 examples of Textron Aviation's Cessna Skyhawk aircraft, which are expected to be delivered in 2026. For the full text:

<https://www.flightglobal.com/aerospace/baa-training-signs-for-48-cessna-skyhawk-trainer-aircraft/155952.article>



Repetition

Webinar on Area 100 Knowledge, Skills and Attitudes: Theoretical Knowledge Courses for the ATPL, MPL, and CPL (Aeroplanes, Helicopters),

EASA promotes the online event mentioned above, **to be held on 13/12/2023**. It may be of interest to flight instructors. For more detailed information:

<https://www.easa.europa.eu/en/newsroom-and-events/events/webinar-area-100-knowledge-skills-and-attitudes-theoretical-knowledge>



New, short reaction time!

Workshop on Level of Involvement with EU Propulsion design organisations

On-site event, 5/12/2023, EASA Headquarters at Cologne. For more information please go to

<https://www.easa.europa.eu/en/newsroom-and-events/events/workshop-level-involvement-eu-propulsion-design-organisations>





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Public consultation workshop – Interim results of EASA study on ATCO Fatigue

8/12/2023, online event.

This topic does not directly address our community but the one of those who are guiding us and distribute clearances. For more information:

<https://www.easa.europa.eu/en/newsroom-and-events/events/public-consultation-workshop-interim-results-easa-study-atco-fatigue>

Workshop – Implementation of the Aerodrome ‘Triple One’ Concept

13/12/2023, online event

Among other topics the event looks at runway incursions, also important for our community. For more information:

<https://www.easa.europa.eu/en/newsroom-and-events/events/workshop-implementation-aerodrome-triple-one-concept>

VIRTUA – Blockchain for airworthiness in aviation – Introductory Webinar

13/12/2023, online event

EASA is developing a case study on the implementation of blockchain technologies, including their potential benefits and constraints, as part of the research project VIRTUA – Digital Transformation – Case Studies for Aviation Safety Standards – Blockchain technology in aviation airworthiness management. For more information on the event please go to

<https://www.easa.europa.eu/en/newsroom-and-events/events/virtua-blockchain-airworthiness-aviation-introductory-webinar>

EASA
European Union Aviation Safety Agency

Consultation Webinar

**Impact Analysis,
Prevention and
Management of
ATCO Fatigue**

Friday, 8 December 2023
09:00 – 12:00 CET

Delivered in partnership with our consortium



VIRTUA

Digital Transformation - Case Studies for Aviation
Safety Standards - Blockchain Technology in Aviation
Airworthiness Management

Upcoming Webinar



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Electric/Hybrid Propulsion System (EHPS)– Progress and Roadmap to means of compliance definition

13/12/2023, online event

EASA writes: “Electric/Hybrid Propulsion Systems (EHPS) are regarded as key enablers for a future CO2-neutral aviation. Such systems are making use of novel technologies combining them with traditional propulsion techniques in various ways.

The technological developments of the last years showed that the degree of hybridization will highly depend on the intended use of the aircraft, the selected fuel/power supply, suitable power storage solutions and the required safety objectives. EASA is currently preparing for the development of Means of Compliance suitable to address a variety of possible EHPS architectures.”

This includes General Aviation, that is where our part starts. For more information on this event please go to

<https://www.easa.europa.eu/en/newsroom-and-events/events/electrichybrid-propulsion-system-ehps-progress-and-roadmap-means>



Terms of Reference (ToR), Notices of Proposed Amendments (NPA), Comment Response Documents (CRD), Opinions, Agency Decisions, and Public Consultations published between 9/11/2023 and 30/11/2023. Titles or text parts in bold characters means that the texts are at least partially important for our community:

ToR: None for the moment.

Focused Consultation: None for the moment

Notices of Proposed Amendment:

09/11/2023 NPA 2023-08 Regular update of the air traffic management / air navigation services rules (RMT.0719). Not directly for us, it comes in four parts. Deadline for comments: 09/02/2024. For more information:

<https://www.easa.europa.eu/en/document-library/notices-of-proposed-amendment/npa-2023-08>

15/11/2023 NPA 2023-09 Implementation of the latest CAEP amendments to ICAO Annex 16 Volumes I, II and III. (RMT.0514) Not directly for us. Deadline for comments: 15/02/2024. For more information:

<https://www.easa.europa.eu/en/document-library/notices-of-proposed-amendment/npa-2023-09>

Agency Decisions: None for the moment

Comment Response Documents (CRD): None for the moment

Opinions: None for the moment



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EU Consultations: None of relevance.

EU Regulations: None of relevance.

EU Decisions: None of relevance.

EU Publications

22.11.2023 EUROPEAN UNION AVIATION SAFETY AGENCY, Publication of the final accounts for the financial year 2022 (C/2023/812). The complete version of the final accounts may be found at the following address:

<https://www.easa.europa.eu/en/the-agency/management-board/decisions/easa-mb-decision-05-2023-opinion-2022-annual-accounts>

ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/C/2023/812/oj>

ISSN 1977-091X (electronic edition)

Recommended Reading: Murphy's Law COMPLETE

compiled by Arthur Bloch, arrow books, not brand new, but of great value. Capt. Ed Murphy was a development engineer from Wright Field Aircraft Laboratories, connected with Northrop Aircraft. The event finally leading to the Law occurred in 1949 at Edwards Air Force Base.

ISBN 978 009 944 5456

We have to add "Meiers Law, no 1" which says: "When servicing aircraft, a tool always falls in such a way that it causes the greatest possible damage."

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Best wishes for good luck and perfect health, kind regards,

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FI-16900 Lammi, 1 December 2023

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