



ATC & You: NATCA Volunteers Lend Expertise at World's Largest Airshow

This week at EAA AirVenture Oshkosh at the NATCA booth, controllers volunteered their time and expertise, sharing tips and tools to help pilots improve their radio communication skills. As part of NATCA's outreach to build stronger pilot-controller relationships, information sessions focused on clarity, confidence, and what effective communications sounds like in real-world flying. Pilots left with practical techniques they can apply right away to make every flight smoother and safer.



NATCA's presence at EAA AirVenture Oshkosh is made possible by our

member volunteers who give generously of their time, energy, and expertise. Their commitment strengthens pilot-controller communication, supports education, and helps keep our skies safe. The results speak for themselves: more informed pilots, better safety practices, and a stronger aviation community. Want to be part of that impact? Volunteer with us next summer, or start by sharing your knowledge in your own community today through pilot outreach!

To see more of NATCA's presence at EAA AirVenture Oshkosh, [check out our Flickr album](#) for additional photos and videos.

Congratulations to Our Newest FacReps!

The NATCA Onboarding Committee welcomes and thanks all new NATCA leaders who have recently taken office for their terms as FacReps at their local facilities:

Eastern:

Justin Saltalamacchia (Elmira TRACAB, ELM)

Southern:

Barbara Shivers (Fulton FCT, FTY)
James Hall (Jackson ATCT, JAN)

Great Lakes:

Joshua Smith (Springfield ATCT, SPI)

Southwest:

Donald Martindale (Houston Intercontinental ATCT, IAH)

Northwest Mountain:

Jaeson Solomon (Grant County ATCT, MWH)

Western Pacific:

Raymond Martel (San Jose ATCT, SJC)
Juan Serna-Spuler (San Francisco ATCT, SFO)

CONGRATULATIONS
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**NATCA Members Participate in Drug & Alcohol
Training Course**



NATCA Members Complete Drug & Alcohol Class Baltimore | June 2025

Last month, NATCA held a Drug and Alcohol Training course in Baltimore. This course brought together members from across the country, educating and empowering them to serve our Union membership.

During the class, instructors Martin Ramirez (Los Angeles Center, ZLA) and James Squire (ZLA) educated participants about the proper procedures for a drug test and the rights afforded to all bargaining unit employees during such testing. Since finishing the course, attendees have the ability to be an effective representative and witness during testing processes at their facilities.

Congratulations to all who completed this course:

- Kenneth Bazman (Detroit TRACON, D21)
- Molly Hurst (DeKalb-Peachtree ATCT, PDK)
- Christopher McLaren (Denver ATCT, DEN)
- Ricardo Martinez (Miami ATCT, MIA)
- Kendra Mock (PDK)
- Gilbert Orsini (NATCA National Office)
- Dylan Oliver (Pontiac ATCT, PTK)
- Lakecia Shuron (Reading TRACAB, RDG)
- Justin Whetstone (D21)

And a special thanks to the instructors, Martin and James!

If you are interested in taking the DAC course, or another NATCA Academy course, visit <https://www.natca.org/academy/>.

For resources and information from NATCA's Drug and Alcohol Committee,

Watch Out for Hotel Scams Targeting CFS Attendees

A reminder to all CFS 2025 attendees and sponsors: Beware of hotel booking scams. Some unauthorized third parties are contacting people claiming to offer discounted hotel rooms for CFS. These offers are not legitimate companies and are not connected to NATCA.

NATCA's hotel booking is available only through our official registration process. You will book your hotel room as part of registration, and all verified messages about CFS logistics will come from natcacfs@natca.net, sent through Cvent.

If you receive an unsolicited message about hotel rooms for CFS, do not respond and do not click on any links. Book your room through the CFS registration website: natca.org/events/cfs



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