



## Media Release

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### **New International Flight Planning Service Launches At the Petaluma Airport**

A new service specializing in international flight planning at the Petaluma Municipal Airport called [petalumapilotsupplies.com](http://petalumapilotsupplies.com) is scheduled to open Saturday, August 8, 2009.

The Opening Event features presentations about international flight operations and raffle prizes donated by numerous aviation related firms which include flights in numerous different aircraft, an introductory helicopter training flight, simulator training, a case of aviation oil and books and posters. The event is sponsored by the Lagunitas Brewery which is providing its IPA beer for the event. Proceeds from the raffle will benefit the Petaluma Arts Council and the Western Horizon Flight Museum, a museum dedicated to keeping historical aircraft flying.

“The international focus of this business fits well with the diversity of the pilot community at the Petaluma airport,” notes Bob Patterson, airport manager of the Petaluma Municipal Airport. Known as one of the most vibrant general aviation airports in the world, the airport is home to unique aircraft owned by a diverse group of individuals ranging from retired airline pilots to experimental aircraft builders and designers and foreign nationals who enjoy the added freedom of aviation in the United States.

Marion Hodge, general manager of Aeroventure, the FBO and flight school at the airport notes that “Having this pilot resource available at the airport will fill an important need for the aviation community.”

In addition to an extensive selection of raffle prizes (see the web site for the latest list), the Opening Event features a special pilot supply closeout sale with special deals on aviation related items and presentations on flying in China, Mexico and Switzerland. Early registrants to the free event also have the opportunity to receive a free aviation planning chart and a bilingual English/Chinese magazine about aviation in China. Registration is not required to attend to attend the event.

[petalumapilotsupplies.com](http://petalumapilotsupplies.com) carries a unique collection of international aviation charts hard to find elsewhere and provides international flight planning support for the general aviation community. Services include arranging international overflight and landing permits, arranging for international ground handling and customs clearance and international aviation insurance.

For additional information about the company or the Opening Event which takes place from 2-5pm, Saturday, August 8, 2009 please visit [www.petalumapilotsupplies.com](http://www.petalumapilotsupplies.com)