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**Pilot Proficiency Center Expands with Support from Redbird Flight**

***Pilots participating in the EAA Pilot Proficiency Center will receive an interactive debriefing experience through Redbird Sidekick.***

*Oshkosh, WI (July 25, 2016)* – Redbird Flight is proud to support the EAA Pilot Proficiency Center by providing 14 training devices, Sidekick data collection system, and its new debriefing application on Redbird Landing. The Pilot Proficiency Center serves as a gathering point for pilots of all levels to enhance skills, learn from expert instructors, and become safer pilots through effective simulation training. Those who visit the Pilot Proficiency Center will be able to choose from 32 different training scenarios. At AirVenture, all simulator flights will be recorded with Redbird’s Sidekick technology and uploaded to the Redbird Landing. Data collected by Sidekick will allow pilots to perform a thorough debrief of the scenarios at the Redbird exhibit or at home by visiting [landing.redbirdflight.com/debrief](http://www.landing.redbirdflight.com/debrief). Attendees participating in the Pilot Proficiency Center will receive an ID badge that will identify and associate them with all of their training flights. At the Redbird exhibit space (located next to the Proficiency Center), they can retrieve their flight information with the QR code and review everything about their training session.

Pilots will be able to seamlessly connect to other aviation apps, such as CloudAhoy for an in-depth review of their flightpath and ForeFlight which allows pilots to log their flights in ForeFlight Logbook.

“We are excited to demonstrate Sidekick at AirVenture and enhance the pilot’s experience at the Proficiency Center,” said Charlie Gregoire, VP, Sales and Marketing for Redbird Flight. “Scenario based training in a simulator is the perfect way to sharpen and enhance your pilot skills. Being able to review and debrief that training in detail will maximize the value of the instructional experience from each scenario.”

In addition to Sidekick, the EAA Pilot Proficiency Center will feature a total of 14 Redbird training devices - 12 Redbird LD simulators, an MCX full motion device, and an Xwind. Due to last year’s overwhelming success and participation, the tent has been expanded 33% and has moved to show center at the Four Corners. The space will also feature Tech Talks each day covering a variety of VFR and IFR topics. As an added bonus to participants, the Tech Talks and simulator training are eligible for FAA WINGS pilot proficiency program credit. The EAA Pilot Proficiency Center is an industry collaboration supported by Hartzell Propeller Inc., Jeppesen, Redbird Flight, AOPA, David Clark, Mindstar Aviation, PilotEdge, Plane & Pilot, NAFI, SAFE, and Pilot Workshops.

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