



## BVA Hosts Cross-Community Flight on December 14

### Evan ('Evanet')

BVA Administration Team

Boston Virtual ATC is proud to host the third Cross-Community Flight! In partnership with msFlights.net, we're bringing the FSX multiplayer community together in our server on **Saturday, December 14 from 3-6pm ET.**

The Cross-Community Flight (CCF) is a mix of flying and social interaction with FSX users from across the multiplayer realm. The event will represent a great chance for BVA members to share ideas, express opinions, and chat with some of the finest virtual pilots and air traffic controllers in the FSX world. For the community, the event is an opportunity for us to make history by trying to get more than 100 people into the FSX server!

We'll be gathering in BVA's Cross-Community Flight TeamSpeak Server starting at 2pm ET (see connection details to the right). From there, pilots will spawn in to the server flying either the default or add-on Carenado Beechcraft Baron. After a brief introduction, we'll fly a group VFR hop from KAVK to KPNC to KTUL in the mid-west, with special TeamSpeak-based Air Traffic Control service for the arrival at KTUL.

For more information and updates, please visit the forums: <http://forums.bostonvirtualatc.com/viewtopic.php?f=10&t=4386>.

### Server Access During the Cross-Community Flight

Boston Virtual ATC expects our members to be an integral part of the Cross-Community Flight. Your support is needed to show what a thriving and unique community we are. For this reason, only flights associated with the CCF will be permitted on BVA's server during the event.

### Please note the following important information:

Our FSX server will be **re-started at 1:30pm ET and 6:30pm ET** to support custom settings for the event.

During the event, we'll be featuring a custom weather theme. **Voice capabilities in FSX will be disabled** as all audio and Air Traffic Control communications will take place in TeamSpeak.

Finally, please remember that **only BE58 aircraft are permitted** in the server during the CCF to reduce the possibility of flooding.

### Event Details:

- **Date:** Saturday, December 14, 2013
- **Time:** 3-6pm ET  
TeamSpeak and FSX server online from 2pm ET
- **Flight Plan:** KAVK-KPNC-KTUL  
Fly VFR for the first two legs, optional IFR service at KTUL
- **Location:** Join BVA's Cross-Community Flights TeamSpeak Server after 2pm ET:  
Address: [teamspeak.bostonvirtualatc.com:9991](http://teamspeak.bostonvirtualatc.com:9991)  
Password: BARON58!



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### Pilot of the Month

Each month, Cape Air Virtual recognizes the pilot who has the most hours for the airline. For November, that pilot is Claude ('treking1'), who has flown a total of 28.1 hours! Congratulations, Claude!

### Pilot Tip of the Month

## When Do I Turn on Course?

**W**hen flying a Departure Procedure, ensure you understand the instructions specific to your aircraft type. Departure Procedures are often designed to provide separation from terrain, other aircraft, and to minimize noise. Flying them incorrectly puts yourself, as well as other airplanes, in potential danger.

To make virtual flying safer for everyone, ask ATC any questions before you start to taxi if you are unsure of an instruction.

Once airborne, remember to level off at the assigned initial altitude if you have not received further instructions from ATC.

Some Departure Procedures provide instructions that take aircraft from takeoff to their route of flight. If you are on one of those procedures, follow the instructions. However, most departures give an initial set of instructions resulting in a heading, and require ATC to provide radar vectors on course. If you are on one of those procedures, remain on the prescribed heading until otherwise instructed. By doing so, you help minimize noise impacts on surrounding airport communities and help maintain safe separation between successive departures.



## Regional Circuit



Monday, December 2  
(8-11pm ET)

KMCO (Orlando) &  
KMIA (Miami)

Our controllers fully staff two airports and provide complete ATC coverage for flights between the two; pilots are encouraged to file preferred routes and can expect multiple handoffs and busy frequencies throughout the event

## Domestic Journey



Thursday, December 19  
(8-11pm ET)

KLAS (Las Vegas) &  
KPHX (Phoenix)

The Domestic Journey provides BVA pilots with the opportunity to enjoy medium-haul flights across North America with air traffic control coverage from gate-to-gate.

## Pack the Pattern



Thursday, December 5  
(8-10pm ET)

KPBI (Palm Beach)

Pilots are encouraged to fly into the event or fly IFR or VFR circuits of a busy Class Bravo airport, with full ATC coverage for the entire evening (including Clearance, Ground, multiple Tower and Approach controllers, and maybe even a Center!)

## Fly-In



Thursday, January 9  
(8-11pm ET)

Arizona  
(KGLC, KGCN, and KPRC)

Tower (Local) Controllers will feature several small airports designed for General Aviation aircraft. Fly IFR or VFR within controlled airspace; general aviation aircraft (anything from a Cessna to a LearJet) are preferred.

## Challenge



Sunday, December 15  
(3-6pm ET)

Uncontrolled Airport  
(CYWG-48K-KGFK)

BVA's Challenge event will test your piloting skills in the realistic atmosphere of BVA. This event is about exercising your multi-tasking ability in challenging and unfamiliar situations—something pilots have to do all the time.

## Getaway



December 1-8

South Florida  
(KMCO, KMIA, KPBI, KRSW)

BVA's Getaway Event takes pilots and controllers for a change of scenery, and features various airports across North America. Join BVA as we 'Getaway' to explore new airports and destinations

## Controller of the Month

### Evan ('Evanet')

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Each month, one member of our controller community is selected by ATC Instructors for special recognition for outstanding performance and ongoing dedication. As essential frontline service providers, controllers play the most important role in ensuring the satisfaction and enjoyment of our membership.

This month, our ATC Instructors recognize the hard work of **Richard ('cessna4')**, in training for his Class B Approach Solo rating.

Instructors have commented that his service to pilots, frequency presence, coordination, and his ability to manage traffic at multiple airports are all above average for his level. A few weeks ago, Richard handled an impressive amount of traffic effectively during the final hours of the 60 Hours of ATC event on BDL\_A.

Richard continues to put in time to train and develop as a controller. While training for Boston Approach, Richard has been able to manage the satellite airports like KMHT and KBVY while still keeping up with the flow of traffic into KBOS. We look forward to welcoming him to the team of Boston Approach controllers shortly.

