



## 60 Hours of ATC: Just Over a Month Away!

**Evan ('Evanet')**

BVA Administration Team

To celebrate our 8th birthday, BVA is holding 60 Hours of non-stop ATC in Boston Center this November! From 11am on Friday, November 14 to 11pm ET on Sunday, November 16, Boston Center will be available. Better yet, every flight plan filed with and controlled by ATC generates at least \$1 for our server and for charity.

In last year's 60 Hours of ATC event, 147 pilots flew 565 flight plans and spent more than 417 hours flying with air traffic control. We generated \$4,130, half of which helped to fund our community this year. The other half was donated to the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

Participating in the event is simple: just fly any time between 11am on November 14 to 11pm on November 16. Flight plans are automatically counted toward the total as long as you talk to ATC during your flight. \$1 is generated each time you file a flight plan, and a further \$1 is counted each time you speak to a new

controller. The more controllers you talk to, the more money your flight will generate.

In addition to the continuous staffing of ZBW, we'll be flying a KBOS and KJFK Regional Circuit from 8-11pm ET on the Friday, and Packing the Pattern at KBOS from 2-5pm ET on the Sunday.

This year, we're also adding the option of having a custom-built flight schedule created for you during the event. For pilots who wish to receive a dispatch complete with airports, arrival times, and gate assignments, an online [Flight Schedule Request Form](#) is available. Your flight schedule will be emailed to you by November 3, 2014, and you'll be responsible for completing the assigned flights. You can choose from a variety of aircraft and flight types, and identify the times you think you'll be online. Assigned routes will be coordinated with ATC staffing and events, ensuring full ATC coverage throughout 60 Hours of ATC.

Please visit the [60 Hours of ATC](#) page of our website for more information about the event.

2014 60 Hours		Sign-In 0730	Sign-Out 14:30	Airline: UAL						
Flt	Dep	Arr	Gate	Turn	Eqp	Blk	TAS	Route		
1527	KORD	08:00	KEWR	10:31	C81	0:59	738	2:11	446	DUFEE ELX HAAKK DOXXY SOSIC KEEHO J584 SLT FQM3
1498	KEWR	11:30	KBOS	12:18	B28	0:59	738	0:48	328	MERIT KRANN3
1686	KBOS	13:10	KEWR	14:08	C86	-	738	0:58	342	PATSS3 PATSS NELIE FLOS13

## Flying with the Night Owls

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BVA will be offering late-night ATC from approximately 11pm ET until 2am at least once per week. On Tuesdays, look for ATC to begin at 11pm ET, or to continue past that time.

Feedback from our recent Member Survey indicates that members have an interest in expanding ATC hours beyond our standard peak hours of 8-11pm. This is ideal for members who participate in BVA from the west coast, or whose schedules permit them to join a little bit later in the evening.

Initially, late-night ATC will be available every Tuesday in our home airspace (Boston and New York Centers). On event nights, ATC will be provided in the event airspace after the event. If late-night ATC proves popular, it will be expanded to include other weeknights.

Remember, you can check the [ATC Timetable](#) to see the latest listing of planned air traffic control availability throughout each week, including which controllers will be staffing ATC for later flights on Tuesday evenings.

### Cape Air Virtual >>

## Pilot of the Month

This month, Cape Air Virtual recognizes the pilot who had the highest pilot rating. For August, that pilot is Jonathan ('jonathan'), who had a 110.25 rating over 12 flights! Congratulations, Jonathan! Next month's Pilot of the Month will also be awarded based on best pilot rating. At least 5 flights are required.

## Cape Air Virtual Welcomes Chief Pilot

Cape Air Virtual welcomes Nathan ('undercoverbros22') to the Cape Air Virtual Administration Team as Cape Air Virtual's Chief Pilot. While Nathan will have many tasks to perform, he will mainly be charged with conducting the majority of checkrides for pilots looking to advance and in developing new resources for Cape Air Virtual Instructors. To reach Nathan, please use the Contact Us form on the Cape Air Virtual website. Please help us in welcoming Nathan to his new position!



## Regional Circuit



Wednesday, October 8  
(8-11pm ET)

KABQ (Albuquerque) &  
KROW (Roswell)

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



Wednesday, October 15  
(8-11pm ET)

KDFW (Dallas Fort-Worth) &  
KMSY (New Orleans)

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



Sunday, October 19  
(2-4pm ET)

KLAX (Los Angeles)

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



Sunday, October 5  
(1-4pm ET)

Boston  
(KBED, KORH, and KOWD)

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



Wednesday, November 19  
(8-11pm ET)

Bad Weather RC  
(KATL-KAHN)

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



November 1-9

Caribbean  
(TJSJ, TNCM, TIST, and TISX)

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

## Ground School

**D**id you know BVA runs a Ground School seminar every two weeks? Held in the Member TeamSpeak every second Sunday, Ground School sessions are focused on different components of online flying within the ATC system. The program is designed to be interactive, and pilots of all skill levels are encouraged to share their knowledge and experience.

The next Ground School session takes place on Sunday, October 19 at 7pm ET, and will discuss IFR and Visual Holding Procedures. The session will cover VFR holds (circling a point) as well as IFR holding procedures including entry, timing, and wind corrections. Please visit our [forums](#) for more information or to download presentations or recordings from previous sessions.

