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IOWA AVIATION PROMOTION GROUP ANNOUNCES 2008 FLY IOWA CHALLENGE

Ankeny, Iowa – May 26, 2008 – The Iowa Aviation Promotion Group is proud to announce the 2008 Fly Iowa Challenge. The goal of the Fly Iowa Challenge is to:

- Encourage pilots to visit Iowa's fine airports
- Increase awareness of and promote Iowa's airports
- Increase activity levels at Iowa's airports.
- Increase support for the goals of the Iowa Aviation Promotion Group
- Increase the activity and proficiency level of Iowa pilots

Pilots from all across the U.S. will attempt to visit as many of Iowa's 115 public access airports as possible. Participants will visit Iowa airports within a 12 or 24 month period. Visitors sign into a logbook at each airport and keep a personal record of their visits.

Participants will be eligible for pilot accessories such as hats, shirts, pilot bags, and leather jackets. Rules and Registration information is available at each Iowa airport or on the web at www.FlyIowa.org under the Fly Iowa Challenge tab.

Winners in last year's first Fly Iowa Challenge were:

- 1st Place: Bruce Beecroft, Sioux Falls, SD
- 2nd Place: Ron Mayland, Cedar Rapids, IA
- 3rd Place: Paul Stoecker, Colorado Springs, CO

In the Future Pilot category, the winner was:
Jason Boggess, West Des Moines, IA

Beecroft and Stoecker completed the Challenge together, visiting all 115 public use airports in just four days. At the Iowa Aviation Promotion Group annual meeting in November, Beecroft detailed their adventure, complete with a photo presentation of the airports they visited.

The Iowa Aviation Promotion Group is an Iowa 501(c)3 non-profit corporation dedicated to growth, education, and development of aviation in Iowa. More information is available on the web at www.FlyIowa.org.