FAASTeam presents:

Where the ACS Fails Us

Having experienced several "unusual" emergencies in her own flying, Cape Fear Flying Club Instructor, Mary Margaret McEachern, CFI, CFII, AGI, IGI, expounds on what can go wrong, what we're not teaching and should be, and what we're not briefing and should be. She will cover issues on take-off and climb-out, why we must teach ourselves to expect them, and how we can prepare ourselves to react immidiately and appropriately when they occur. She will also dive into the "Impossible Turn," how to train for it and when it can be safely emplyed. Finally, we will discuss how to train for partial and complete loss of power on takeoff and during climb-out. The presentation will be discussion-based, with points relevant to students, certificated pilots, and flight instructors.

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A message from the National FAASTeam Manager

Event Details

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