

NATCA Leaders Join IFATCA's Record-Breaking 63rd Annual Conference

NATCA leaders participated in the International Federation of Air Traffic Controllers' Associations (IFATCA) 63rd Annual Conference in Singapore. The event had record attendance with representatives from 96 member associations and focused on technical discussions and the adoption of working papers from various committees, which will guide future dialogues with global regulators and service providers.

NATCA's involvement was highlighted by Executive Vice President Andrew LeBovidge's role as moderator for the "Mental Wellbeing Panel," which aimed at promoting the mental resilience of air traffic controllers. LeBovidge emphasized the global necessity for progress in this area.

"It was an honor to moderate a panel on mental wellbeing and to bring focus to this very important subject on an international stage," LeBovidge said. "We have a lot of work ahead of us in this area, but one thing is clear: Progress is necessary and is welcomed across the globe."



The conference also featured presentations on topics such as remote towers, systems-based licensing, and unmanned aircraft systems. NATCA presenters and participants in the conference included National NextGen Article 114 Representative Adam Rhodes (Houston TRACON, I90), Article 114 Rep. for Unmanned Aircraft Systems Jimmy Smith (Southern California TRACON, SCT), Betsy Beaumont (Technical and Operations Committee (TOC) member; Dallas-Fort Worth Center, ZFW), Jaymi Steinberg (TOC member, Washington Center, ZDC), Michelle Trudeau (Professional and Legal Committee (PLC) member, Indianapolis Center, ZID, Retired), Tom Thompson (IFATCA Speak English Program, ZID, Retired), and Brittney Armbrust (IFATCA Communications, Colorado Springs ATCT, COS).

The conference concluded with plans to conduct further research on topics like environmental policy and safety management, which will be discussed at the next annual conference in Abu Dhabi in 2025.

Read more on our website.

NATCA Local ZID Triumphs Again at Strike Out Homelessness Bowling Tournament

On April 27, the Central Indiana AFL-CIO hosted its fourth annual Strike Out Homelessness Bowling Tournament, raising over \$5,700. The event supported the Coalition for Homelessness Intervention & Prevention (CHIP), which leads efforts in Indianapolis to prevent and end homelessness through community collaboration and advocacy.



NATCA Local ZID clinched first place for the third time in the tournament's four-year history. The winning team, made up of Bob Zabel (Indianapolis Center, ZID, Retired), Beau Brown (ZID, Retired), Dan Woloszyn (ZID), and Tom Thompson (ZID, Retired), showcased the enduring solidarity and community spirit of NATCA members.

Welcome to Our Newest Members

Welcome to NATCA's newest members! Let's give a warm welcome to these sisters and brothers joining our NATCA family! We encourage NATCA members to reach out in their facilities to these new members, share your experiences, and help integrate them into our Union activities. Your guidance is invaluable in fostering our new members' growth and involvement. Together, we can ensure our members are well-informed and ready to advance our commitment to safety and advocacy in the skies. In the spirit of solidarity, here's to strengthening our union with fresh perspectives and energy.



There were 50 member applications processed for the week of May 20, 2024.

Central Region

Colton Haas (Des Moines ATCT, DSM)

Eric Schartz (Lincoln ATCT, LNK)

Eastern Region

Kevin Dougherty (Philadelphia ATCT, PHL)

Kalob Kennedy (Roanoke ATCT, ROA)

Zachary Moyes (Washington Center, ZDC)

Jackson Smith (Washington Center, ZDC)

Great Lakes Region

Syed Mahadi (Columbus ATCT, CMH)

Dameara Adams (Chicago Center, ZAU)

Orion Collins (Chicago Center, ZAU) Blade Griffin (Chicago Center, ZAU) Josiah Hunt (Chicago Center, ZAU) Benjamin Johnson (Chicago Center, ZAU)

Danny Ouk (Chicago Center, ZAU)

Region X

Mark Salum (Engineer/Northwest Mountain Region, ENM) Bang Bui (Engineer/Southwest

Region, ESW)

Thoai Nguyen (Engineer/Southwest Region, ESW)

Kandace Parsons

(Engineer/Southwest Region, ESW) Kisha Woods (Engineer/Southwest

Region, ESW)

Michael Zamarripa

(Engineer/Southwest Region, ESW)

Southern Region

Richard Paris (Naples ATCT, APF)
Melissa Mason (Gulfport ATCT, GPT)
Andrew Ward (Jackson ATCT, JAN)
Casey Smith (Montgomery ATCT,
MGM)

Raymond Florentino (Jacksonville Center, ZJX)

Alexander Mckee (Jacksonville Center, ZJX)

Michael Mcdonald (Memphis Center, ZME)

William Roberts (Chicago Center, ZAU)
Chancler Vander Woude (Chicago Center, ZAU)
Luke Stahley (Indianapolis Center, ZID)

New England Region

Kevin Plante (Boston TRACON, A90) Emily Weeks (Nantucket ATCT, ACK) Christopher Knight (Boston Center, ZBW)

Trevin Snell (Boston Center, ZBW) Daniel Vanamburg (Boston Center, ZBW)

Northwest Mountain Region

Jacob Klemptner (Aspen TRACAB, ASE)

Kolby Lassen (Aspen TRACAB, ASE) Mitchell Sieckmann (Grant County ATCT, MWH)

Jonathan Low (Pueblo ATCT, PUB)

Chelsea Rial (Memphis Center, ZME) Alan Martins (Atlanta Center, ZTL) Ashton Stelljes (Atlanta Center, ZTL)

Southwest Region

Kaleb Webb (El Paso ATCT, ELP)
Robert Harris (North Texas Regional
Airport, GYI)
Timothy Roberson (Lubbock ATCT,

LBB)

Caleb Park (Fort Worth Center, ZFW)

Western Pacific Region

Mike Cascasan (Honolulu Control Facility, HCF)
Lars Hanna (Honolulu Control Facility, HCF)
Kanani Marcos (Honolulu Control Facility, HCF)
Taryn Mata (Honolulu Control Facility, HCF)
James Tanahashi (Honolulu Control

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