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Hiller Aviation Museum to Host 6th Annual Airport Runway Run on June 5

2K, 5K, 10K races to raise money for STEM programs

Who: Hiller Aviation Museum

What: 6th Annual Airport Runway Run at San Carlos Airport

Where: Hiller Aviation Museum, 601 Skyway Road, San Carlos, CA 94070

When: Sunday, June 5, 2022 at 8 am

Why: A competitive race for runners, a health and wellness event for families, and a special event for aviation enthusiasts that raises funds for STEM education programs at Hiller Aviation Museum!

SAN CARLOS --- An airport runway is not the typical place to find runners, walkers and parents pushing strollers, but for a brief time on Sunday, June 5, the runway at San Carlos Airport will be teeming with precisely such people for the 6th annual Hiller Aviation Museum Airport Runway Run.

"It's the chance of a lifetime," said Jeffery Bass, president and CEO of Hiller Aviation Museum, "to set foot on an airport's active runway and movement area, and NOT get in trouble for it."

The 2K/5K/10K races start at 8 a.m. on the runway next to Hiller Aviation Museum. Participants in the certified 5K/10K races and 2K family fun run will head down the 2,600 foot runway and continue on courses at the airport, then return to Hiller Aviation Museum.

"This 2K/5K/10K is held on one of the most spectacular race courses in the country," Bass said. "It is fast and flat with particularly serene views of the bay on the longer 5K and 10K courses. And for aviation enthusiasts, all of our courses offer the very rare chance to step foot on the runway!"

In addition to those racing at top speeds, both the 5K and 2K race will accommodate participants seeking a more leisurely walk, jog, or stroll that includes the opportunity to snap pictures and chat with friends.

To register, go to www.hiller.org/run. Adult super early bird standard registration starts at \$29 for the 2K and \$39 for the 5K and 10K. It increases marginally until race day. If there's still availability on race day, it's \$44, \$69 and \$69 respectively. For those interested in lowering their carbon footprint by skipping the medal/t-shirt/goodie bag, green registration is available at \$19 for the 2K, \$29 for the 5K and the 10K. The green entry fees increase over the next few months and top out at \$34 and \$59 respectively on race day. Finally, virtual registration is also available and ranges in price from \$19 to \$34, allowing participants to participate from anywhere.

All the money raised at this event will go to STEM education programs and exhibits at Hiller Aviation Museum.

Standard registration includes a t-shirt, goody bag and admission to Hiller Aviation Museum on race day. Plus for 5K and 10K participants, chip timing and eligibility for race awards including a gift certificate to Sports Basement, a museum membership and recognition on the museum's Highway 101 marquee. Top finishers in all age categories will also receive a pair of Airport Runway Run sunglasses.

After the race, there will be a wellness wing, refreshments, sponsor booths and a raffle. The event's major sponsors are Alexandria Real Estate Equities, Centrex/Skyway Center, Sports Basement, Toyota 101, Kittyhawk, and Orangetheory Fitness.

Additional sponsorships are available through April 15 and a complete list of sponsors can be found at www.hiller.org/run.

The Hiller Aviation Museum welcomes more than 100,000 annual visitors each year including more than 10,000 students from diverse regional schools. Core programs for youth are based on state and national academic standards and support K-12 school curricula in history, science, technology, engineering and math (STEM), including interactive, hands-on programs developed in partnership with NASA.

The museum makes it possible for any school to visit by providing fee waivers for low income institutions and transportation reimbursement.

The Hiller Aviation Museum is a Smithsonian Affiliate. It opened in 1998 by helicopter designer and inventor Stanley Hiller Jr. and features more than 50 aircraft from over a century of aviation history. Since then, the museum has had more than 1.7 million visitors. The Hiller Aviation Museum is a 501(c)(3) California nonprofit Public Benefit organization.

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