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Kim Magee Earns Elite Balloon Instructor Accreditation!

2/14/2020 The Elite Balloon Instructor Committee is proud to announce Mrs. Kim Magee as an Elite Balloon Instructor!



Magee, from Swisher, IA, was a co-founder and currently serves as Vice President of The Balloon Training Academy a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to hot air balloon education and training. Through The Balloon Training Academy Kim has helped over 150 students pass the FAA Knowledge Exam for hot air balloons.

As an instructor, Magee has successfully trained many students to their LTA balloon rating. With student's, Magee is regarded as practical instructor always inserting new scenarios for a student to consider and learn from. Mastering the fine details, Magee is highly regarded as the final check ride preparation instructor.

As an educator, Magee has developed a pre solo written exam, and helped train a number of students through ground instruction. Students who've taken The Balloon Training Academy have

described the course by saying, "I wanted to let you know that I passed my private written with a 92%. I passed my check ride and the DPE said that I was very prepared. I do think your course helped me prepare for sure." – Mike Lorentz

Magee has provided great service to the aviation community and has kept her own professional education up to date. Magee currently holds 6 World and 9 National Records in hot air balloons. Magee is a valued and sought after speaker on the hot air balloon Continuing Education speaking circuit, having presented at numerous seminars across the USA including the National Convention in Philadelphia in 2018. Magee also serves the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) as a FAA Safety Team Representative, WINGSPro, and DronePro.

Elite Balloon Instructor

The Elite Balloon Instructor Program fueled by the National Association of Flight Instructors (NAFI) was created to differentiate between commercial balloon pilots. In the ballooning community, all commercial pilots are considered flight instructors. The Elite Balloon Instructor Program will separate those who provide flight instruction and are raising and maintaining the professional standing of the flight instructor in the ballooning community.

To learn more about the program visit: <https://www.theballoontrainingacademy.com/ebi/> or email theballoontrainingacademy@gmail.com

The Balloon Training Academy

The Balloon Training Academy is a 501c3 nonprofit organization with a mission to bring the launch field to students across the USA. Through online ground schools, flight instructor refresher courses, continuing education courses, and flight training syllabus we make quality hot air balloon education readily available. To learn more visit: www.theballoontrainingacademy.com

National Association of Flight instructors

Since 1967, NAFI dedicates its efforts exclusively to “raising and maintaining the professional standing of the flight instructor in the aviation community.” NAFI’s renowned Master Flight Instructor program is recognized by the Federal Aviation Administration and showcases CFIs who are raising the bar on flight instruction. NAFI is proud to fuel the Elite Balloon Instructor program! To learn more about NAFI visit www.nafinet.org