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LAMA ANNOUNCES NEW PRESIDENT and CHAIRMAN of the BOARD

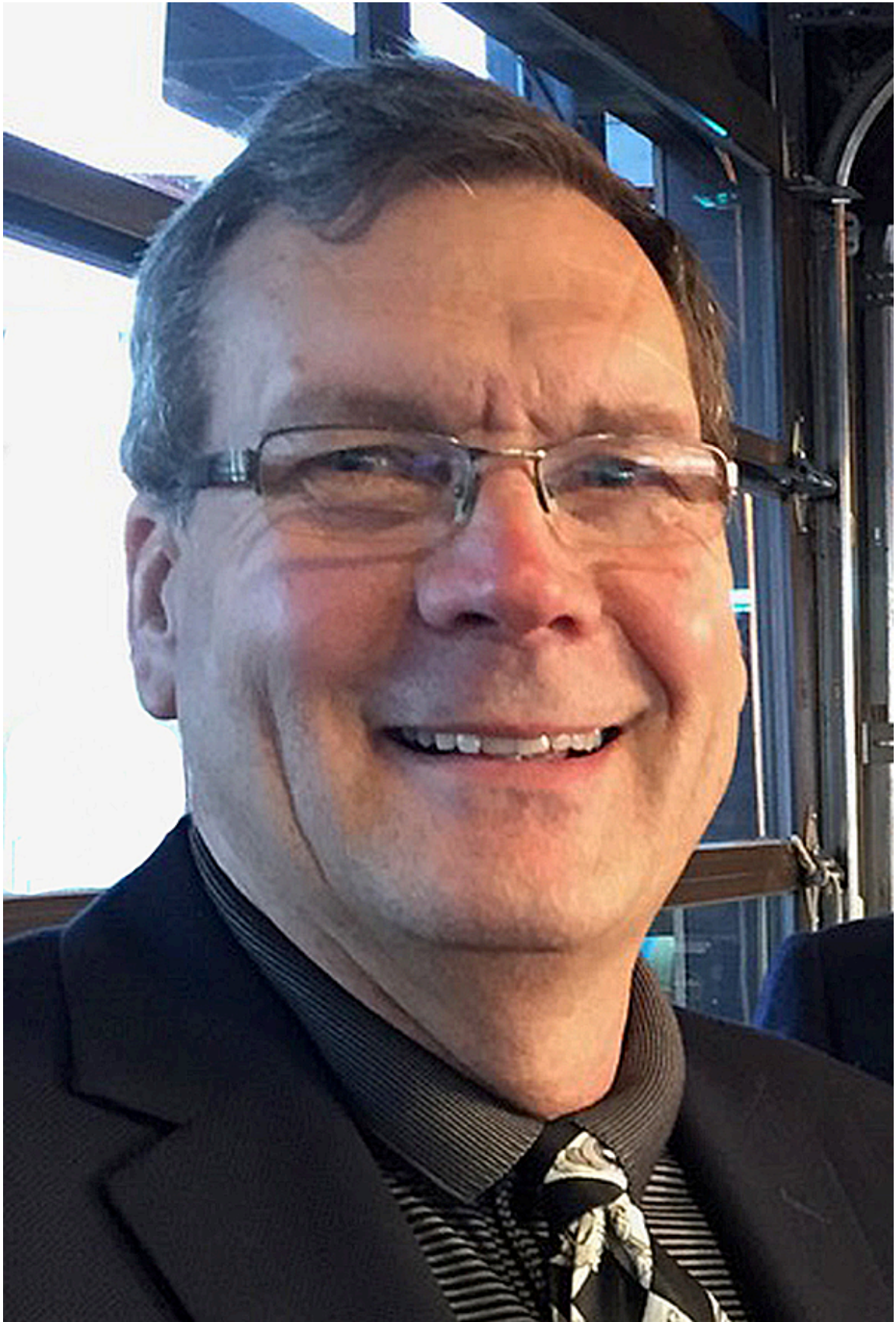
Scott Severen Takes the Baton from Dan Johnson

JOB ONE: Submit Association Comments on Mosaic to FAA

Port Orange, FLORIDA / February 1, 2024 — After 20 years on the Board and 17 years as President and Chairman of the Board, Dan Johnson welcomed a new leader of LAMA, the Light Aircraft Manufacturers Association. The handoff occurred on December 31, 2023 following an in-person election at AirVenture in summer 2023.

“**Scott Severen** has been member of the Board of Directors of LAMA,” Johnson noted, “and he brings a wealth of experience in both industry and other organizations.”

Severen's extensive association experience includes membership in USHGA, United States Hang Gliding Association (now USHPA, for Paragliders); USUA, United States Ultralight Association; and AOOA, the Airpark Owners and Operators Association, where he also served as the first president.



Before Johnson became LAMA president, in the mid-1990s Severen served as interim president of LAMA. He participated as a charter member of the Part 103 FAA ARAC, Aviation Rule-making Advisory Committee, that eventually created the Light-Sport Aircraft and Sport Pilot regulations.

Later, he volunteered as a director and interim president of USUA, United States Ultralight Association.

Severen is also a voting member of the ASTM F37 committee writing LSA consensus standards. In addition, he is a member of the F44 committee working on industry consensus standards for aircraft presently certified under Part 23.

In 2014 he was appointed to the EAA Ultralight & Light-Sport Aircraft Council.



Outgoing LAMA president Dan Johnson (L) flies with incoming president Scott Severen in a Jabiru J-230D LSA.

"With his very broad work among many light aircraft organizations plus his years in industry," Johnson observed, "Scott Severen is an ideal choice to take over LAMA as the industry prepares for enormous changes coming with the Mosaic regulation."



JOB ONE

Almost immediately after assuming the leadership of the light aircraft organization, Severen assembled his board and prepared the association's comments after months of conversation and preparation throughout the industry. Contributions by all members were gathered, presented in a clear and useful form, and submitted to FAA before the close of comments on January 22, 2024.

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MORE ABOUT SCOTT SEVEREN

In the 1990s, Scott Severen was president of TEAM Aircraft, distributing aircraft kits in the USA and 30 countries. In his role at TEAM, Severen also directed compliance processes to Canada's TP10141 regulation and United Kingdom's BCAR-S.

In 2004, Severen joined IndUS Aviation in Texas where he was Instrumental in the effort to be the first American-designed aircraft to earn Special LSA acceptance. IndUS was the first company to complete an ASTM SLSA audit.

In 2018, Severen became the North American importer for the Jabiru line of Light-Sport Aircraft and four seat aircraft kits, operating under the business name, US Sport Planes.

Scott is a private pilot with more than 2,000 hours logged in a wide variety of aircraft. He has written many articles for various aviation publications.



MORE ABOUT LAMA

LAMA, the Light Aircraft Manufacturers Association, is the light aviation industry's trade association. Founded in 1984, LAMA represents members of the Light-Sport Aircraft and light kit aircraft business community including airframe manufacturers; producers of engines, avionics, and components; airports; suppliers, distributors; flight schools; and other aviation businesses.

LAMA Europe provides specific, localized European Union support for the industry.

LSA Mall by LAMA

With supervision from longtime show expert, **Jana Filip**, Scott Severen will also be leading LAMA's presence at the 50th running of Sun 'n Fun in Lakeland, April 9-14, 2024.

For further information on the LSA Mall, contact Jana Filip by [email](#).

