

Press Release: Tommy Comes Home Centennial Flight- Saturday, September 29, 2018



ITHACA, NY- Tommy Comes Home Centennial Flight Celebration will take place on Saturday, September 29, 2018, from 2 pm to 5 pm, weather permitting, at the Ithaca Regional Airport. This historic event is free and open to the public. The celebration will feature Tommy flying around the airport, family-friendly activities, local food vendors, stories about Tommy, and more!

[The Ithaca Aviation Heritage Foundation](#) (IAHF) is a not-for-profit 501(c)(3)

corporation dedicated to the preservation of the rich aviation heritage of the Ithaca area. In 2009, IAHF acquired an original 1918 Thomas-Morse S-4 Scout advanced high-speed trainer designed for the U.S. Army Air Corps built and manufactured in Ithaca, NY. The Scout played an enormous role in the early years of aviation and became affectionately known throughout the aviation world as “Tommy.” Throughout the past 10 years, a team of volunteers has devoted countless hours to restoring our Tommy to flying condition. IAHF’s ‘Tommy Come Home Project’ was conceived more than 15 years ago, and has fulfilled the dream of bringing a Tommy home, restoring it to flying condition and flying it on its 100th birthday.

The event is FREE and open to the public! Sign up to see the show [HERE](#). Facebook event invitation can be found [HERE](#).

Please consider supporting the Tommy Come Home Project with your tax-deductible donation either on IAHF's website [HERE](#) or by mailing your donation to the Ithaca Aviation Heritage Foundation, 200 East Buffalo Street, Ithaca, NY 14850. Your financial support will help with the cost of the Centennial Flight Celebration and the ongoing use of Tommy as an educational tool at Tommy's permanent home in the new Tompkins Center for History and Culture on the Commons in downtown Ithaca, NY.

This project was made possible in part by a grant from the Tompkins County Tourism Program.

**In the case of inclement weather, an alternate rain date is scheduled for Sunday, September 30, 2018, from 2 pm to 5 pm.

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