

# NBAA Announces the 2021 Business Aviation Top 40 Under 40

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**Las Vegas, NV, Oct. 8 2021** – The National Business Aviation Association (NBAA) today unveiled the 2021 Business Aviation Top 40 Under 40, which recognizes rising leaders who are driving innovation within the industry.

“We are honored to recognize this group of innovators who are helping shape the industry’s future,” said NBAA President and CEO Ed Bolen.

This year’s fourth annual Top 40 Under 40 list was selected by NBAA’s Young Professionals (YoPro) Council, a group of business aviation professionals and NBAA staff liaisons working to build relationships between the industry’s emerging leaders.

This year’s Top 40 Under 40 recipients are:

## **Airport Business:**

- Katherine Bales, Napa County Airport
- Justin Lobb, Naples Airport Authority
- Grant W. Sussey, Watertown International Airport
- Christina Wilson, LADOTD – Aviation Division

## **Broker/Sales:**

- Alexis Bennett, Textron Aviation
- Danielle Booth, AVEX, Inc.
- Jared Hasty, OGARAJETS

- Shelbey Hooker, Jet It
- Dan Jenkins, World Fuel Services
- Jason Newbold, Bold Jets

### **Business Management:**

- Kyle Black, GFK Flight Support
- Amanda Ferraro, Aviation Safety Solutions, LLC
- Kevin J. Kovarik, USAIG
- Elliott Taub, Advanced Drainage Systems, Inc.

### **Cabin Attendant**

- Jasmine Alvarado, Clay Lacy Aviation
- Griffin Bruehl, Private Owner
- Natasha Gardner, Visa
- Kerri Russi, Adobe

### **Innovation**

- Stephanie Werner, Exosonic
- Andy Nixon, MRO Insider
- Trevor Steffensen, Gogo Business Aviation
- Jacob Velky, Duke Energy

### **Maintenance**

- Nate Dietsch, Netflix
- Caleb Gibson, Textron Aviation
- Michael Mansur, The Williams Companies, Inc.
- Brett Melcher, Encompass Health Corp.
- Tim Wade, Constant Aviation

### **Marketing**

- Claudia Arnold, AEG Fuels
- Ashley Bouzianis, Standard Aviation, LLC
- David Buritica, Sheltair
- Rekha Lyons, Hillsboro Aviation

## **Pilot**

- Brett Abbott, Boston Scientific
- Ryan Gibbons, CNL Aviation
- Julia Harrington, Axis Jets
- Leah Murphy, First City Helicopter
- Anthony Oshinuga, AirOshi
- Austin Stephens, TriFly LLC
- Kellie Young, The Coca-Cola Company

## **Scheduler/Dispatcher**

- Megan Knox, Liberty Global
- Lee Rafalko, Corteva Agriscience

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