



Astronauts4Hire

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Astronauts4Hire Selected for Historic Microgravity Research Flight

Tampa, Florida – Astronauts4Hire’s inaugural mission as a contracted flight researcher will be testing the world’s first beer to be certified for drinking in space. The beer, produced as a joint venture between Saber Astronautics Australia and the 4-Pines Brewing Company (under the name Vostok Pty Ltd), is a recipe designed for easy drinking in both in microgravity and on Earth. It is intended to meet anticipated demand from the nascent space tourism market.

An Astronauts4Hire flight member has been hired as the primary flight operator for the non-profit organization’s first employment opportunity. Sampling the beer during weightless parabolas, the flight researcher will record both qualitative data on beverage taste and drinkability and biometric data on body temperature, heart rate, and blood alcohol content.

“Astronauts4Hire is living up to its name,” says its President Brian Shiro. “This opportunity is an important milestone for us and illustrates how researchers can hire our members to conduct experiments under conditions of microgravity.”

The first test is scheduled for mid November 2010 onboard a series of parabolic flights operated by the ZERO-G Corporation. This will be the first of a series of flights qualifying the recipe for consumption in space, funded in part by sales of the beverage on Earth. Astronauts4Hire is honored to be taking a prime role in this research as the payload operator.

About Astronauts4Hire:

Astronauts for Hire, Inc. is a non-profit corporation poised to blaze new trails in the commercial spaceflight industry. Its members are available for hire by researchers to conduct experiments on suborbital flights. As the gateway to commercial human spaceflight, Astronauts4Hire serves as the matchmaker among the suborbital research community, training providers, and spaceflight operators. For more information, please visit www.Astronauts4Hire.org or contact Public Relations Officer Ben Corbin at ben.corbin@astronauts4hire.org or at (850) 685-2218.

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About Saber Astronautics Australia:

Saber Astronautics Australia is a new space engineering company that researches logistics and operations solutions for the space industry. They are also actively involved in bringing their passion for space to the public community. For more information, please visit www.saberastro.com or contact Dr. Jason Held at jheld@saberastro.com or at +61 (04) 3317-8740.



About 4-Pines Brewing Company:

The 4-Pines Brewing Company is an up and coming microbrewery located in Manly near Sydney, Australia. They have made a name for themselves for their high quality beer, which has recently won national and international awards for their purity and strong flavors. For more information, please visit www.4pinesbeer.com.au. Contacts include Jaron Mitchell at jaron@4pinesbeer.com.au or +61 (04) 0563-7644 and Adam Mitchell at adam@4pinesbeer.com.au or +61 (04) 0708-9741.



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