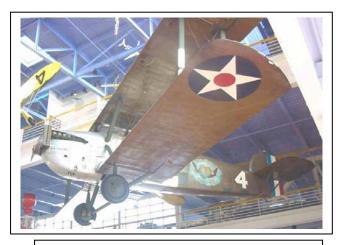
# WHITEMAN AIRPORT



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# **Photo of the Month:**



The Douglas World Cruiser at the old Museum of Flying is one of two Douglas World Cruisers that were the first planes to circumnavigate the World in 1924.

#### **November Commission Meeting**

The November Commission meeting will be held at Fox Airfield at 9:00 am on November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2008.



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# Spotlight on...

## The History of the Museum of Flying

The Museum of Flying was originally founded and opened as the Donald W. Douglas Museum and Library on the south side of the Santa Monica Airport in 1974. The driving force behind the early days of the Museum was Donald Douglas Jr., who knew the importance of preserving the rich history of Douglas Aircraft and the Santa Monica Airport.

Years later, David G. Price wandered into the Museum and struck up a conversation with Mr. Douglas. Before you knew it, plans were being drawn for the new Museum of Flying that was built and opened on the north side of the Santa Monica Airport in April of 1989. Over the next decade, the Museum's collection of aircraft, artifacts, exhibits and aviation art grew into a rather formidable collection. Many historic and one-of-a-kind events were held at the Museum including a 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Battle of Britain event that was attended by both RAF and Luftwaffe pilots who actually participated in that famous air battle.

The Museum was forced to temporarily close in July 2002 due to high operating costs. Over the past five years a number of different locations have been identified and evaluated as potential replacement sites, with none meeting all of the desired criteria. Just recently, the Santa Monica City Council approved a new site on City land that is on the south side of the Santa Monica Airport. This has led to the design of the new Museum with groundbreaking anticipated for early Spring 2009.

For more information: www.museumofflying.com.

# For Sale or Lease:

## **Brackett Airport: (909-593-1395)**

Tie Downs – From \$52.00/month Square Hangars- from \$645.00/month Executive Hangars from \$779.00/month

## Compton Airport: (310-631-8140)

 $\label{eq:first-state} Tie\ Downs-From\ \$49.00/month \\ Storage\ Space-From\ \$179.10/month$ 

#### El Monte Airport: (626-448-6129)

Tie Downs – From \$60.00/month Hangars – From \$294/month

#### Fox Airfield: (661-940-1709)

Tie Downs – From \$54.00/month Hangars – From \$350/month 4000 sq ft office space → Land for Development

#### Whiteman Airport: (818-896-5271)

Tie Downs - From \$96.00/month T-Hangars - From \$380.66/month

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 1 SGV Car Show at El Monte: 4pm 8 pm, EMT Parking Lot
- 1/2 Compton Antique Aircraft & Auto Display: 10:00 am -2:00 pm
- 3 Pacoima Rotary Club at Whiteman: 6:00 pm @ WHP Rocky's
- 4 EAA Chapter 49 at Fox: 7:30 pm @ WJF Terminal Building
- 5 PEMIA at El Monte: 6:00 pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- 5 CAP Squadron 35 at Whiteman: 7:00 pm @ WHP CAP Trailer
- 6 Civil Air Patrol at El Monte: 7:00 pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- 6 Brackett Pilots' Association: 7:30 pm @ POC Pilots' Lounge 8 - SGV Car Show at El Monte: 4pm - 8 pm, EMT Parking Lot
- 8 Fox Airfield Open Hangar Day (all day)
- 9 Whiteman Display Day: 10 am-2 pm
- 10 Pacoima Rotary Club at Whiteman: 6:00 pm @ WHP Rocky's
- 11 SGV Remote Control Assn at El Monte:
  - 7:00 pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- 12 CAP Squadron 35 at Whiteman: 7:00 pm @ WHP CAP Trailer
- 12 Latin American Pilots' Assn at Whiteman: 7:30 pm @ Rocky's
- 13 Civil Air Patrol at El Monte: 7:00 pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- 13 Brackett 99s: 7:30 pm @ POC Pilots' Lounge
- 15 SGV Car Show at El Monte: 4pm 8 pm, EMT Parking Lot
- 15 EAA Chapter 96 at Compton: 10:00am, EAA Hangar
- 15 EAA Chapter 40 at Whiteman: 9:30 am @ Rocky's
- 16 Brackett Antique Aircraft & Auto Display:
  - 10:00 am 2:00 pm @ POC Transient Parking Lot
- 17 Pacoima Rotary Club at Whiteman: 6:00 pm @ WHP Rocky's
- 19 PEMIA at El Monte: 6:00 pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- 19 CAP Squadron 35 at Whiteman: 7:00 pm @ WHP CAP Trailer
- 20 Civil Air Patrol at El Monte: 7:00 pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- 20 Whiteman Airport Association Meeting: 7:00 pm @ Rocky's
- 22 SGV Car Show at El Monte: 4pm 8 pm, EMT Parking Lot
- 23 El Monte Vintage Airplane & Auto Display:
  - 9:00 am 1:00 pm @ EMT Center Field
- 24 Pacoima Rotary Club at Whiteman: 6:00 pm @ WHP Rocky's
- 25 SGV Remote Control Assn at El Monte:
  - 7:00 pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- 26 CAP Squadron 35 at Whiteman: 7:00 pm @ WHP CAP Trailer
- 26 L.A. County Aviation Commission Meeting at Fox Airfield @
- 9 am in Terminal Building
- 27 Civil Air Patrol at El Monte: 7:00 pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- 27 Pomona Valley Pilots' Association at Brackett:
  - 7:30 pm @ POC Pilots' Lounge
- $\,$  29  $\,$   $\,$  SGV Car Show at El Monte: 4pm 8 pm, EMT Parking Lot

# From the Manager:

#### **Airport Master Plan Update**

Helping to set the course for the future of Whiteman Airport, aviation consulting firm DMJM Aviation (http://www.dmjmaviation.com) is in the process of updating the Airport's Master Plan which was last completed in 1990. The entire update process is anticipated to take approximately 12 months.

The first of three anticipated public meetings was held on September 9<sup>th</sup> at the Airport. DMJM is still gathering information from the tenants and users of the Airport so, if you haven't already submitted a survey, please take a few moments to complete the online survey.

Project information, updates, meeting dates and survey(s) are available on the L.A. County website at http://dpw.lacounty.gov/AVI/commission/Page\_53.cfm and on the Whiteman Airport Association's website at http://www.whpsafety.org.

#### **Minimum Standards**

L.A. County will soon be leveling the playing field at Whiteman Airport. The Aviation Division is in the process of evaluating proposals in response to their RFP to develop Minimum Standards for the five L.A. County airports. As an airport guiding document, Minimum Standards describe minimum requirements – including, among others, facilities, equipment, licenses and certifications, and insurance – for commercial and noncommercial activities at the Airport. Look for updates and opportunities for public participation to be announced in future newsletters.

#### **Aviation Meetings & Seminars**

For FAA meeting information, please see the FAA's website at http://faasafety.gov. Meetings are typically held in the Civil Air Patrol trailer or the Pilots Lounge. For information on aviation seminars regularly offered by Richard Mend, please visit his website at http://www.mendaviation.com.

#### **Support your Airport Association**

Please come out on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month to *Rocky's Restaurant* and join the Airport Association for \$10 a year in dues. The next Airport Association meeting will be held on November 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.

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