



American Airports Corporation

# WHITEMAN AIRPORT

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## WHITEMAN AIRPORT CALENDAR OF EVENTS

6/1	.....Pacoima Rotary Club 6:00pm Rocky's
6/3	.....CAP Squadron 35: 7:00pm CAP Trailer
6/8	.....Pacoima Rotary Club: 6:00pm Rocky's
6/9	.....Latin American Pilots' Assn: 7:30pm-Rocky's
6/10	.....CAP Squadron 35: 7:00pm CAP Trailer
6/14	.....Whiteman Display Day 10:00am-2:00pm
6/15	.....Pacoima Rotary Club: 6:00pm Rocky's
6/17	.....CAP Squadron 35: 7:00pm CAP Trailer
6/18	.....Whiteman Airport Association 7:00 pm-Rocky's
6/20	.....EAA Chapter 40: 9:30am Rocky's
6/22	.....Pacoima Rotary Club: 6:00pm Rocky's
6/24	.....CAP Squadron 35: 7:00pm CAP Trailer
6/27	.....Young Eagles: 10:30am Grassy area adjacent to Pilot's Lounge
6/29	.....Pacoima Rotary Club 6:00pm Rocky's

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## Spotlight on...

### NFL Star Reggie Bush Takes a Ride

Reggie Bush, a star running back for the New Orleans Saints and 2005 Heisman Trophy winner, took a ride he will never forget over his San Diego home town on Saturday in a Red Bull Air Race World Championship two-seater. Bush has faced a lot of intimidating defenses on the football field and taken some pretty hard hits. But nothing prepared him for the 7g turns in midair over San Diego.

"I thought I was going to die," Bush said after a high-speed, high-g ride with pilot Sergio Pla. "It's the ultimate, most scary ride ever invented. Ever. There's nothing scarier than flying upside down, spiraling down. Your life flashes by in front of your eyes. I wasn't expecting anything like that. It was just awesome. It was really great."

Bush candidly admitted he spent quite a bit of his time aloft screaming as the ground and horizon spun endlessly past him. "We started out just making right-hand turns and I thought 'this is easy'. Then he turns straight up into the air and then starts spiraling down. The spiraling down part was scary. So was the flying upside stuff. Actually, the whole thing was scary. When we were upside I felt like there was nothing covering me. I felt like I could just fall out of the seat. It was just very, very scary. Sergio has a bit of a foreign accent and every time he'd say something I would ask 'What?' just as he would pull into some crazy maneuver. He was doing all the talking. I was doing more yelling and screaming."

Pla told Bush he had nothing to worry about. "He looked a little scared but I told him this was nothing compared to football players weighing over 300 pounds trying to tackle him. That is scary."

American pilot Mike Mangold said he was duly impressed by Bush's stamina in absorbing the 7g ride in the plane that has an empty weight of just over 1,000 pounds – engine and all. "He thought the forces were pretty awesome," said Mangold, a Californian who won the world championship in 2005 and 2007. "It's definitely a different experience than getting tackled in football. He was worried about the engine and I don't blame him. He relies on his legs; we rely on our engines. He didn't get sick, though. He did 7gs and that's great for a first timer."

From [www.redbullairrace.com](http://www.redbullairrace.com)



## From the Manager

The Airport Managers from Compton/Woodley Airport and Whiteman Airport recently participated in the 2009 Aviation Career Day held at the Syncro Hangar at Van Nuys Airport. The event seems to get bigger and bigger each year and this year was no exception.

Approximately 1,700 students from 38 local high schools were bused in to attend the event which featured hands-on educational exhibits, military and civilian aircraft displays, an airport tour and the opportunity to meet with representatives of local airports and aviation organizations. Also present at the event were the San Fernando Valley 99s sharing their Aviation Explorers Program along with the EAA Chapter 40 from Whiteman Airport sharing their Young Eagles Program.

### Whiteman Airport Association Summer BBQ

The Whiteman Airport Association Summer Bar-B-Que will be held at the public viewing area next to the Administration Building and Rocky's Restaurant on July 12<sup>th</sup> from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

### 2009 Fire Extinguisher Program

This year's Fire Extinguisher Program will take place in July 2009. As part of our efforts to improve safety at Whiteman Airport, the Program is intended to help hangar tenants maintain current, appropriate, and fully-functional fire extinguishers in their hangars. Simply bring your fire extinguisher by during the collection period - all non-commercial tenants are welcome - and American Airports will have it serviced for you free-of-charge.

Airport staff will be collecting fire extinguishers **July 11-19, 2009 daily between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.** at the Airport Administration Building. We anticipate that fire extinguishers will be serviced and ready for pickup within 1-3 weeks. Further details, if any, will be provided to tenants at the time of fire extinguisher drop-off. If you have any questions, please call us at (818) 896-5271.

### 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 June 18, 2009.

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## News & Announcements



### June Aviation Commission Meeting

Brackett Field Airport  
June 24, 2009  
7:00 pm

### Photo of the Month



**Team Flying Tigresses:**

Whiteman Airport tenants Anne Marie Radel (pilot) and Julieann Sikora (co-pilot) will be making history on June 23<sup>rd</sup> by leading this year's 2009 Air Race Classic. This year's race celebrates the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the all women transcontinental air race. Good luck Team Flying Tigresses!



## For Sale or Lease

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

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### Brackett Field Airport (909-593-1395)

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Executive Hangars  
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### Compton/Woodley Airport (310-631-8140)

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

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## Calendar of Events-LA County Airports

### **BRACKETT FIELD AIRPORT**

- 6/4 ..... Brackett Pilots' Association: 7:30pm  
POC Pilots' Lounge
- 6/11 ..... Brackett 99s: 7:30pm  
POC Pilots' Lounge
- 6/21 ..... Brackett Antique Aircraft & Auto  
Display  
10:00am - 2:00pm  
Transient Parking Lot
- 6/25 ..... Pomona Valley Pilots' Association  
7:30pm - Pilots' Lounge

### **COMPTON/WOODLEY AIRPORT**

- 6/6 ..... Compton Antique Aircraft & Auto  
Display  
10:00am - 2:00pm
- 6/13 ..... California Black Aviation  
Association  
11:00am - 1:00pm  
Administration Bldg
- 6/20 ..... EAA Chapter 96: 10:00am  
EAA Hangar

### **FOX AIRFIELD**

- 6/2 ..... EAA Chapter 49 at Fox  
7:30pm - Terminal Building
- 6/13 ..... Fox Airfield Open Hangar Day  
(all day)

### **EL MONTE AIRPORT**

- 6/3 ..... PEMIA: 6:00pm-Terminal Building
- 6/4 ..... Civil Air Patrol: 7:00pm  
Terminal Building
- 6/6 ..... San Gabriel Valley Car Show  
4:00pm - 8:00pm-Parking Lot
- 6/9 ..... SGV Remote Control Assn  
7:00pm-Terminal Building
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Terminal Building
- 6/27 ..... San Gabriel Valley Car Show  
4:00pm - 8:00pm-Parking Lot
- 6/28 ..... Vintage Airplane & Auto Display  
9:00am - 1:00pm-Center Field