

# WHITEMAN AIRPORT



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## News & Announcements:

### Photo of the Month



#### WHP Tenant Earns Master Pilot Award!

Doug Rankin was recently given the FAA's Wright Brothers "Master Pilot" Award for his contributions to building and maintaining the safest aviation system in the world through practicing and promoting safe aircraft operations for fifty consecutive years. Doug obtained his pilots license in 1946 and still regularly flies out of Whiteman Airport.

#### May 2009 Commission Meeting

The May Aviation Commission meeting will be held at Fox Airfield at 7:00 p.m. on May 27, 2009.

## Spotlight on...

### San Fernando Valley Ninety-Nines Poker Flight

Calling All Pilots in the Greater Los Angeles Area!

The San Fernando Valley Ninety-Nines invite you to join them in a Poker Flight on Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup>. Registration and check-in begin at **Whiteman Airport** at 8:00 a.m. (in the lawn area by the administration building), where pilots will receive their first "playing card." Then, fly to any of the following five airports to pick up additional cards: **El Monte**, Agua Dulce, **Fox**, Santa Paula and Camarillo. Participants may play their best five cards. Additional cards (to improve your hand) can be purchased at Whiteman for \$1 each.

The Ninety-Nines are lining up some great door prizes for winning poker hands. The "short list" includes:

- \* **A rechargeable folding scooter** (perfect for putting in the back of your plane – no more problems with "ground transportation" at your destination!) valued at \$400
- \* **An introductory aerobic lesson** with Judy Phelps of CP Aviation in Santa Paula
- \* **One hour of "refresher training"** with the legendary Barry Schiff!
- \* **Gift certificates for a cooking lesson**, courtesy of Sur La Table
- \* **Fuel gift certificates** from participating airports
- \* ...and much, much more!!

Registration cost is \$25 per participant (not per plane) and includes a five-card poker hand plus a wonderful BBQ buffet lunch from Rocky's (at WHP). Complete registration information can be found at the SFV 99s website: [www.sfv99s.org](http://www.sfv99s.org).

Come have a fun day of flying, win some prizes and enjoy the camaraderie of your fellow pilots. All proceeds from this event go to support the aviation career scholarship program of the San Fernando Valley Ninety-Nines. We'll be looking for you on May 9<sup>th</sup>!!

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## **For Sale or Lease:**

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

Tie Downs – From \$52.00/month  
End Room - From \$240/month  
“T” Hangars – From \$421.00/month  
Square Hangars – From \$645.00/month  
Executive Hangars - From \$779.00/month

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

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 \$413.20/month

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

Tie Downs – From \$54.00/month  
Hangars – From \$170 - \$650/month  
4000 sq ft office space

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

Tiedowns – From \$96.00/month  
T-Hangars – From \$380.66/month

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

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

## **From the Manager:**

Whiteman Airport recently lost another long-time tenant and friend to many on March 18, 2009. Julian Omerberg (right in photo below) had been at Whiteman Airport for many years and flew a yellow Cherokee. According to his good friend and fellow Airport tenant, Walt Smith (left in photo below), Julian served in the Army Air Corps during WWII flying cargo transport aircraft in the China/Burma region. He was also given the FAA's Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award for over 50 years of safe flight. Julian is survived by his wife and two daughters. He will be truly missed by all who knew him.



**Julian S. Omerberg (9-30-22 / 3-18-09)**

### **Whiteman Airport Community Watch**

As you may have heard, a Cessna 172 was stolen from a flight school at an airport in Canada and forced by Air Force F-16s to land in Missouri last month. The following day, ABC7 News was at Whiteman Airport doing a report on security at general aviation airports. News reporter, Gene Gleeson did an excellent job describing the security measures in place at Whiteman Airport and the other L.A. County airports and he particularly highlighted Whiteman Airport's community watch efforts. Please keep up the vigilance. You are encouraged to contact airport operations at **(818) 312-2911**, the local police at **911**, or AOPA's Airport Watch program at **1-866-GA-SECURE** anytime to report suspicious activity. Your efforts are greatly appreciated and help to reduce or eliminate theft or other misconduct on our Airport.

### **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 May 21, 2009.

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