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From the Manager

Tie Down Project Update. The County's tie down project, which I have been mentioning in recent newsletters, is still scheduled to begin shortly, although no specific dates have yet been set. The project will transform the dirt area located in the middle of the airport to new tie down rows. During the project some taxi lanes and vehicle access ways may need to be temporarily closed so please be on the lookout for signage and notices if these temporary changes become necessary. Owners of aircraft that will need to be relocated during the duration of this project will be contacted directly by my office soon and as always anyone with any questions about this project are encouraged to call the office.

Storm Water Season As a reminder, the rainy season is now upon us we must ensure that all rain water entering our storm water drains does so without picking up any pollutants along the way. Please remember that painting, sanding, or using any chemicals or solvents is not permitted in or around storage hangars or tie downs. If you see potential storm water issues around the airport please do not hesitate to contact my office at (818) 896-5271 or Airport Operations at (818) 312-2911 so that we may clean up any potential problems before they become one. Thanks in advance for your help and we appreciate your cooperation!

Support your Airport Association. Please come out on the 3rd 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 February 16, 2012.

Refer a Friend, make some extra cash! Our hangar referral program continues. Any current WHP tenant that refers a friend to my offices and that friend signs a lease for airplane storage (and then stays for more than one month) will receive a check in the amount of \$100! Anyone with questions is encouraged to call the office at (818) 896-5271.

Looking for a new or different hangar? If you currently lease a tie down or if you're in a hangar and would like to move to a different hangar please stop by the Administration Office, Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 am and 5 pm, to discuss the hangar space that is currently available. If the particular hangar of your choice is not available now, we will provide you with a hangar waitlist application to fill out so that we can move you in to the hangar of your choice as soon as possible.

Hangar Repairs? If you are having difficulty with your hangar please do not hesitate to call my office at (818) 896-5271 so that we may diagnose the problem and make the appropriate fixes.

FAA Monthly Seminars. There is an FAA Safety meeting every month. For meeting information, please see the website at <http://faasafety.gov>. It is held in the Civil Air Patrol trailer.



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Photo of the Month



Members of the Whiteman Airport Association enjoying dinner and good company at the Association's annual holiday party in December.

Quote of the Month

Flyers have a sense of adventures yet to come,
instead of dimly recalling adventures of long ago as
the only moments in which they truly lived.

— Richard Bach



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Spotlight on...

NTSB Investigates Air Show Safety

By Mary Grady, Contributing Editor, AvWeb

The NTSB held a hearing last month to learn more about safety standards used in air races and air shows, and although an FAA official said current regulations are adequate, NTSB Chairman Deborah Hersman was less certain. "We have 11 ongoing investigations," she said at the close of the hearing. "Certainly, when there's accidents, we know that there's more that can be done." The board heard from a range of experts including air show organizers, regulators, and air show pilot Sean Tucker. Hersman said the panel showed that "if you have a great safety culture, it's always asking about what can be done better, and not saying we want to be complacent." The board doesn't create new regulations, but develops safety recommendations that are passed on to the FAA and other agencies.

John McGraw, FAA's deputy director for flight standards, told the board that he doesn't know of any need for "significant or substantive changes" to the current regulations. "If we become aware of a risk that exceeds the boundary of what we think is acceptable, we will make those changes," he said. "But not currently." John Cudahy, president of the International Council of Air Shows, agreed. "Are we regulated enough? I think we are," he said. "But that is not to say there isn't always room for improvement." Questions were raised about the qualifications of those who serve as air bosses, and whether they should have to pass some kind of certification. Tucker also suggested that perhaps air show pilots should be held to a higher standard. "The buy-in is a little too easy right now," he said. "It should be a privilege [to fly at air shows]." Others who testified for the board included EAA President Rod Hightower and Jim DiMatteo, who formerly worked as a race director for Red Bull Air Racing. DiMatteo noted that in his experience helping to stage air races around the world, the FAA has the safest standards. The board will issue safety recommendations as it completes its investigations.

Available for Lease

Whiteman Airport (818-896-5271)

T-Hangars

From \$401.66/month



Brckett Field Airport (909-593-1395)

Tie Downs

From \$52.00/month

Port-a-Ports

From \$298.69/month

T-Hangars

From \$451.20/month

Executive Hangars

From \$821.92/month



Compton/Woodley Air- port (310-631-8140)

Tie Downs

From \$49.00/month

Standard Hangar

From \$418.15/month



El Monte Airport (626-448-6129)

Tie Downs

From \$60.00/month

Hangars

From \$460.34/month



Fox Airfield (661-940-1709)

Tie Downs

From \$54.00/month

Standard Hangars

From \$401.66/month

Large Hangars

From \$694.28/month

KWHP Airport Events

Standing Meetings/Events

Pacoima Rotary Club

Every Monday — 6:00 PM
Rocky's

CAP Squadron 35

Every Wednesday — 7:00 PM
CAP Trailer

Whiteman Airport Association

Every 3rd Thursday — 7:00 PM
Rocky's

EAA Chapter 40

Every 3rd Saturday — 9:30 AM
Rocky's

Aviation Explorer Post 747

2nd & 4th Monday's
6:30-8:00
Pilot's Lounge

Young Eagles

Every 4th Saturday
10:30 AM

Grassy Area adj. to Pilot's Lounge

Whiteman Display Day

Every 2nd Sunday
10:00 AM — 2:00 PM

Aviation Commission Meeting Calendar

July 2012

No Meeting

August 29, 2012

7:00 PM

Compton/Woodley Airport

September 19, 2012

7:00 PM

Gen. Wm. J. Fox Airfield

October 24, 2012

7:00 PM

Whiteman Airport

November 28, 2012

10:00 AM

El Monte Airport

December 2012

No Meeting

January 25, 2012

10:00 AM

Brckett Field Airport

February 29, 2012

10:00 AM

Compton/Woodley Airport

March 28, 2012

10:00 AM

Gen. Wm. J. Fox Airfield

April 25, 2012

10:00 AM

Whiteman Airport

May 30, 2012

7:00 PM

El Monte Airport

June 27, 2012

7:00 PM

Brckett Field Airport



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