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News & Announcements:

3rd Annual EAA, Optimist & Traveling Space Museum Event at WHP a Great Success

Whiteman Airport held their 3rd Annual EAA, Optimist & Traveling Space Museum event on May 21st. "We had a great display day", says Airport Manager, John Frymyer. An estimated six hundred visitors braved temperatures of over 100° for the chance to view vintage aircraft, get a free ride around the Valley, and visit the many interesting booths on display. Frymyer reports that among the nine aircraft on display was an event newcomer, a Sikorsky S-58 heavy lift helicopter. AAC Chairman, David Price, loaned his P-51 Mustang, and WHP tenants Thom Polizzi, Randy Rogers and John Sheldon each rolled out their own vintage birds. EAA put smiles on over 240 kids' faces with free airplane rides.

"We couldn't have made this happen without the help of some key volunteers", says Frymyer. John Carpenter provided power to the food booths. And after early difficulties securing crowd control barriers, L.A. City Council members Alex Padilla and Tony Cardenas, and L.A. County Supervisor Yaroslavsky's office arranged for a City resolution to get the needed barriers. WHP, John Frymyer and AAC extend thanks to all the many people who helped make this event such a success. We hope to see you at next year's!

L.A. Board of Supervisors Approves Hangar Rate Increase

On June 14th, the L.A. Board of Supervisors approved a hangar rental rate increase of 3.9%. The increase takes effect August 1st, 2005, and is applicable to all County-owned non-commercial hangars at Compton, El Monte, Brackett Field, Whiteman and Fox Field Airports.

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Spotlight on... Promoting Runway Safety

Reducing the risks of runway incursions and runway collisions is a top priority of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). American Airports is equally committed to this priority.

FAA Runway Safety Report - August 2004

The FAA's most recent Runway Safety Report shows that from FY 2000 through FY 2003, 75% (1,112) of all runway incursions involved at least one general aviation aircraft. Although the rate and number of runway incursions involving general aviation have been decreasing since 2001, awareness and education are critical because the potential for collision remains. Of the four years cited in the report, seven incursions resulted in collisions. In March of 2000, one incursion resulted in the collision of two general aviation aircraft that caused four fatalities.

What is a runway incursion?

A runway incursion is any event on an airport that causes a loss of separation or creates a collision hazard with aircraft landing or taking off. An incursion can involve another aircraft, a ground vehicle of any sort, a pedestrian or an object on the ground.

What can happen to me if I cause a runway incursion?

If you are found to be at fault for a runway incursion, you may be subject to enforcement action by the FAA. Pilot certificates can be suspended or revoked, depending upon the severity of the incident. Further, if you cause an incursion while driving a vehicle, American Airports may suspend or revoke your privilege to drive on the airside of the airport.

Of course, the very worst that can happen if you cause, or are involved in, a runway incursion is serious or fatal injury.

How can I learn more about preventing runway incursions?

It is vital that all users of the airport, not just pilots, be aware of incursion hazards and ways to prevent them. The FAA's website dedicated to runway safety, <http://www.faa.gov/runwaysafety>, has a wide variety of downloadable and interactive tools aimed at pilots, ground vehicle operators and others who operate on and use airports. The material is free and most of it is available in commonly used formats. You can also stop by the airport office for information and procedures specific to your airport.

For Sale or Lease:

Brackett Airport: (909-593-1395)

- Tie Downs – From \$52.00 / month
- D & J Row Hangars – From \$367.43 / month
- E Row Mini Hangar – From \$205.59 / month
- L Row Hangars – From \$242.23 / month
- Commercial Space for Lease
- Land for Development

Compton Airport: (310-631-8140)

- Tie Downs – From \$71.00 / month
- I Row Hangar – From \$381.65
- S Row Hangar – From \$270.42 / month
- T Row Hangar – From \$338.90 / month
- Commercial Space – Prime Terminal Location!

El Monte Airport: (626-448-6129)

- Tie Downs – From \$60.00 / month
- N Row Hangars – From \$353.16 / month

Fox Airfield: (661-940-1709)

- Tie Downs – From \$54.00 / month
- Land for Development

Whiteman Airport: (818-896-5271)

- Tie Downs – From \$76.00 / month
- E Row Port-A-Port – From \$382.66 / month
- E Row Hangar – From \$407.12 / month
- G Row Hangar – From \$325.70 / month

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

There will be no L.A. County Aviation Commission meeting for the month of July. The Commission will meet again on August 31 at WJF at 7 pm.

- Jul 2/3 - Antique Aircraft & Auto Display @ CPM 10:00 am - 2:00 pm
- Jul 5 - EAA Chapter 49 at Fox: 7:30 pm @ WJF Terminal Building
- Jul 7 - Brackett Pilots' Association: 7:30 pm @ POC Pilots' Lounge
- Jul 7 - Civil Air Patrol at El Monte 7:00 pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- Jul 9 - Open Hangar Day at Fox Airfield (all day)
- Jul 10 - Whiteman Display Day: 10 am-2 pm
- Jul 11 - Pacoima Rotary Club: 6:00 pm @ WHP Rocky's
- Jul 13 - FAA Safety Seminar at El Monte 7:00 pm @ EMT Terminal
- Jul 13 - Latin American Pilots' Association 7:30 pm @ WHP Rocky's
- Jul 14 - Park El Monte Improvement Association 6:00 pm @ EMT Terminal
- Jul 14 - Civil Air Patrol at El Monte 7:00 pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- Jul 14 - Brackett 99s: 7:30 pm @ POC Pilots' Lounge
- Jul 16 - EAA Chapter 96 Meeting 9:00 am @ CPM
- Jul 17 - Antique Aircraft & Auto Display at Brackett
10:00 am – 2:00 pm @ POC Transient Parking Lot
- Jul 18 - Pacoima Rotary Club: 6:00 pm @ WHP Rocky's
- Jul 20 - FAA Safety Seminar at Brackett 7:00 pm @ POC Pilots' Lounge
- Jul 21 - Whiteman Airport Association Meeting: 7:00 pm @ Rocky's
- Jul 21 - Civil Air Patrol at El Monte 7:00 pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- Jul 24 - Vintage Airplane & Auto Display at El Monte
9:00 am – 1:00 pm @ EMT Center Field
- Jul 25 - Pacoima Rotary Club: 6:00 pm @ WHP Rocky's
- Jul 26 - SGV Remote Control Association at El Monte
7:00 pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- Jul 28 - Park El Monte Improvement Association 6:00 pm @ EMT Terminal
- Jul 28 - Civil Air Patrol at El Monte 7:00 pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- Jul 28 - Pomona Valley Pilots' Association at Brackett
7:30 pm @ POC Pilots' Lounge

From the Manager:

New Rotating Beacon

On May 25th, we installed a brand new rotating beacon with the help of Jim Woodaman and Summit Air, who airlifted the new beacon to the tower, and brought the old one back down to earth. Fun Fact: The time from when the rotor started turning to when the new beacon was bolted in place was about 6 minutes.

Pilot's Lounge

The pilot's lounge is located next door to the Pilot Learning Center (Near Rocky's). The door combination is 135000*. Internet is available inside and surrounding the lounge through wireless connectivity. Bring your laptop and surf under the shade of the trees near the lounge or in air conditioned comfort inside.

Hangar Inspections - Rows E, F and G

We will be inspecting hangars in rows E, F and G on July 23rd and 24th. Inspections will begin both days at 8:00 a.m., with each inspection lasting about 15 to 20 minutes. If you prefer to have your hangar inspected prior to July 23rd, please contact me or Tom at (818) 896-5271. We can schedule an inspection appointment Monday through Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. or 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Hangar rows H and J will be inspected August 21st and 22nd.

Driving Vehicles Safely on the Airport

Aircraft always have right of way on the airport, and motor vehicles are not allowed on the aircraft movement areas. Both sides of the airport can be reached without the need to drive on a taxiway or taxilane. When driving between the airport main entrance and the Heights (M&D, Hartmann Hangars, Rows 31 & 32), stay on the northeast side of the broken double line.

Further, Title 19.04.910 prescribes that motor vehicles operated on the airport must be in accordance with all state motor vehicle laws. Observe the posted speed limit, which is 10 mph. Also, please do not let unlicensed minors drive vehicles on the airport. Please help us stay as safe as possible.

FAA Monthly Seminars

FAA's Aviation Safety Program holds monthly safety seminars for pilots and airport users at various airports in the Los Angeles area. You can find out dates, topics and locations on-line at <http://faasafety.gov>. You can also register to attend meetings, receive email notifications, and recommend future seminar topics.

Safety First - Unattended Children

L.A. County Code Title 19.04.490(C) requires that children under the age of 14 be accompanied by an adult while anywhere on the airport except in the terminal building. For the safety of everyone, please do not leave your children or underage guests unattended, or let them ride bikes, motor scooters, skate boards, etc. on the airport.

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