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News & Announcements:

Pancake Breakfast at WJF – Saturday, Sept. 17

The Fox Field Pilots Association will be holding a pancake breakfast September 17th from 8am to 11am at the Barnes Aviation hangar. Adults: \$4.00, Children under 12: \$3.00. Come out and support the Association!

Pancake Breakfast at WHP - Saturday, Sept. 24

The Whiteman Airport Aviation Explorers Post 747 will host a Pancake Breakfast Saturday, Sept. 24, from 7:30-11am. Breakfast includes 3 pancakes, sausage, OJ and Coffee for your \$3 donation. This will take place on the lawn in front of the Admin office. EAA Chapter 40 will also be giving free rides under the Young Eagle program to kids between 8-17 from 10:30am. Please call Ruth Logan at (818) 257-3993 with any questions.

12th Annual Compton Air Fair – Saturday, Sept. 24 Compton/Woodley Airport will host the CBAA 12th Annual Compton Air Fair on Saturday, Sept. 24, from 9am-5pm. The Tuskegee Airmen and young world-acclaimed African-American pilots, Jimmy Haywood (11) and Kenny Roy (15), will be the featured guests. Sponsored by the California Black Aviation Association (CBAA) in conjunction with Tomorrow's Aeronautical Museum, the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA), and the California Redtails, the event is free to the community, and will feature free airplane rides, helicopter rides, an international food court, in-air entertainment, computer flight simulation classes, and much more. Fly-ins from several groups are anticipated, and landings will be allowed the prior Friday all day and early Saturday morning before 8am. Everyone is invited! For additional information, contact the CBAA at (213) 427-8270.

Farewell to Tim O'Donnell

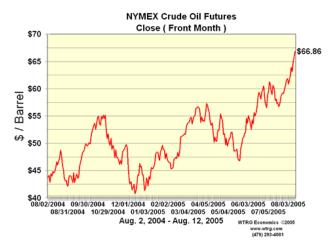
As some of you may know, Tim O'Donnell, our Manager at El Monte (and who, prior to EMT, also managed CPM), has resigned with AAC and has accepted a position in Fort Wayne, Indiana. We wish him all the best.

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Spotlight on... **GAS PRICES!**

With oil prices approaching a record \$70 per barrel (close to 50% more than last year), and the average auto fuel price in SoCal around \$2.72 at publication, those who are active in aviation are being hit with a double-whammy, with fuel prices soaring airside as well. What has caused the spike in fuel prices?



Chris Cooper, Southwest Territory Manager at Chevron, believes "it is a supply-and-demand issue affected by refining interruptions." Refining and pipeline capacity in some regions of the U.S. has grown slower than the demand, meaning companies must run their equipment harder to satisfy growing fuel needs. This raises the chances of operational snags and leaves less of a cushion when something does go wrong. Recent refinery outages have helped push oil prices to their record heights today.

American Airports offers 3 money-saving options to help you stretch your dollar further:

- 1. Pre-pay 12 months of your hangar/tie-down rent and receive a 5% discount
- 2. Set up a pre-paid fuel account and save up to 10 cents per gallon
- 3. Use the self-serve fuel areas and save up to 10 cents per gallon

Although these programs have been in place for a while, now more than ever before might be a good time to start taking advantage of the savings. The pennies do add up!

For Sale or Lease:

Brackett Airport: (909-593-1395)

Tie Downs – From \$52.00 / month
D Row Hangars – From \$381.68 / month
L Row Hangars – From \$251.39 / month
→ Commercial, Office and Storage Space for Lease
→ Land for Development

Compton Airport: (310-631-8140)

Tie Downs – From \$71.00 / month
I Row Hangars – From \$396.91 / month
T Row Hangars – From \$352.13 / month
→ Commercial Space – Prime Terminal Location!

El Monte Airport: (626-448-6129)

Tie Downs – From \$60.00 / month E Row Hangars – From \$603.54 / month T Row Hangars – From \$294.12 / 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

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Sep 1 PEMIA at El Monte: 6:00 pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- Sep 1 Civil Air Patrol at El Monte: 7:00 pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- Sep 1 Brackett Pilots' Association: 7:30 pm @ POC Pilots' Lounge
- Sep 3/4 Compton Antique Aircraft & Auto Display: 10am-2pm @ CPM
- Sep 5 Pacoima Rotary Club at Whiteman: 6:00 pm @ WHP Rocky's
- Sep 6 EAA Chapter 49 at Fox: 7:30 pm @ WJF Terminal Building
- Sep 7 Squadron 35 CAP at Whiteman: 7:30 pm @ CAP Trailer, WHP
- Sep 8 Civil Air Patrol at El Monte: 7:00 pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- Sep 8 Brackett 99s: 7:30 pm @ POC Pilots' Lounge
- Sep 10 Open Hangar Day at Fox Airfield (all day)
- Sep 11 Whiteman Display Day: 10am-2pm
- Sep 12 Pacoima Rotary Club at Whiteman: 6:00 pm @ WHP Rocky's
- Sep 13 SGV Radio Control League: 7:00 pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- Sep 14 FAA Safety Seminar at El Monte: 7:00 pm @ EMT Terminal
- Sep 14 Latin American Pilots' Association at Whiteman: 7:30 pm @ WHP Rocky's
- Sep 14 Squadron 35 CAP at Whiteman: 7:30 pm @ CAP Trailer, WHP
- Sep 15 PEMIA at El Monte: 6:00 pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- Sep 15 Civil Air Patrol at El Monte: 7:00 pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- Sep 15 Whiteman Airport Association: 7:00 pm @ WHP Rocky's
- Sep 17 Fox Pilots Assoc'n Pancake Breakfast: 8-11am @ Barnes WJF
- Sep 18 Brackett Antique Aircraft/ Auto Display: 10am-2pm @ POC Transient Parking
- Sep 19 Pacoima Rotary Club at Whiteman: 6:00 pm @ WHP Rocky's
- Sep 21 FAA Safety Seminar at Brackett: 7:00pm @ POC Pilots' Lounge
- Sep 21 Squadron 35 CAP at Whiteman: 7:30 pm @ CAP Trailer, WHP
- Sep 22 Civil Air Patrol at El Monte 7:00 pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- Sep 22 Pomona Valley Pilots' Assn: 7:30 pm @ POC Pilots' Lounge
- Sep 24 Whiteman Aviation Explorers' Post 747 Pancake Breakfast:
- 7:30-11am @ Lawn Area near WHP Admin Office
- Sep 24 CBAA 12th Annual Compton Air Fair: 9am-4pm @ CPM
- Sep 25 Vintage Airplane/Auto Display: 9am-1pm @ EMT Center Field
- Sep 26 Pacoima Rotary Club at Whiteman: 6:00 pm @ WHP Rocky's
- Sep 27 SGV Radio Control League: 7:00 pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- Sep 28 L.A. County Aviation Commission at Compton:
 - 7:00 pm @ CPM Terminal Bldg
- Sep 28 Squadron 35 CAP at Whiteman: 7:30 pm @ CAP Trailer, WHP
- Sep 29 Civil Air Patrol at El Monte: 7:00 pm @ EMT Terminal Building

From the Manager:

Read Your Newsletter! We announce important events and information in the monthly newsletter. Don't miss out on key info you need to know!

<u>Calling for Fuel:</u> When calling for fuel, please remember to use either the **Unicom Frequency (122.95)** or the fuel phone number **(818-312-2911)**.

Hangar Inspections: Aircraft hangars are for aircraft storage. Whiteman has a total of 260 LA County hangars, and the demand surpasses the supply. In March, we announced we would be inspecting hangars in rows B-J during June and July. My assistant manager and I came in on two particular weekends to accommodate tenants and so as not to lose time during the work week. We asked that anyone not available on those weekends to contact us to inspect at a later date of their choice. Rows B- J havel 207 hangars; however, Licensees of only 92 of them voluntarily allowed us to inspect them. The primary purpose of hangar inspections is to verify what is being stored, and that no unsafe situation exists.

<u>Hangar Access:</u> Please provide the airport manager with a key to your hangar if you have not already done so. Leaving a key with the airport will also allow us to gather up the fire extinguishers when we service them, or to have access in case of an emergency.

Fire Extinguisher Servicing: Last May, the airport conducted its annual fire extinguisher servicing. Out of 260 extinguishers, only 85 were serviced. Fire extinguishers need to be checked annually, and we provide this service free of charge. We will offer this service a second time for this year, on October 10, and request that you drop off your extinguisher at the airport office between October 6-9, so we can service this important piece of safety equipment.

Safety and Security First: You are the frontline person at the airport to provide the airport staff with information of any strange or improper behavior on the airport. If you notice people who don't seem to belong or are acting in a strange manner, do not hesitate to notify us. When you enter the gates, please ensure the person coming in behind you, riding in on your gate card, should be coming in. If you are coming in behind someone, show your gate card so they can see you have one, or display your WHP Hanging Mirror Pass so that they can see you belong here. We ask your patience and courtesy to those trying to get in, as some may be flight school students who are required to come through the gate. The flight schools should relay to their students to use the gate key panel to get entry to their respective school. If you would like a hanging mirror pass, they are free - please come by the airport office with a copy of your current vehicle registration and insurance, and we will gladly issue one to you.

FAA Monthly Seminars: FAA Safety meetings are held monthly in the CAP trailer. Please visit http://faasafety.gov for details.

<u>Support Your Airport Association!</u> Please come out on the 3rd Thursday of each month to *Rocky's Restaurant* and join the Airport Association. Annual dues are \$10, and you can help provide ideas on how to better run your airport.

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