From the Manager

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Standing Meetings and Events

All meetings and events are canceled until further notice

2021 Aviation Commission Meetings

May 26 2021 7:00 p.m. Virtual Meeting

Please check the website for up to date information

https://dpw.lacounty.gov/ avi/airports/ AviationCommission.aspx Impact of COVID-19 on Whiteman Airport — Things seem to be improving rapidly as we are opening up more businesses. The Governor has stated the state will be fully open on June 15, 2021. We will still have to wear masks and most likely maintain social distancing. Other restrictions may apply but the general plan is for all businesses to return to full operating status. It has been a long year plus dealing with all that COVID brought to us. I am thankful for your cooperation and support during the past year.

Things from Around the Airport

Flying Activity Up — We have seen a significant increase in flying the first three months of 2021. The weather has been good for flying and many of you have chosen to take advantage of the fair weather. With the increase in flying we need to be extra vigilant for taxiing aircraft while driving on the airport. Aircraft taxiing near hangars are hard to hear and your view is blocked. Likewise, taxiing aircraft have to move carefully for the same reasons. Remember, airplanes take up more space on the ramp than a car and take longer to stop than a car. Also, right of way goes to aircraft. The speed limit remains 10 mph on the airport for cars and aircraft.

EAA Kicks Off Youth Aircraft Build — On Saturday, April 24, 2021, EAA Chapter 40 held a Young Eagles day along with accepting a wing kit for the Zenith 750, which the Chapter is going to build with youth from the community. Several Civil Air Patrol Cadets and a number of former and current Young Eagles participated in inventorying the wing kit. Zenith Aircraft has donated the kit to the Chapter. The goal of the build, in addition to creating a new aircraft, is to provide youth with an opportunity to learn about how aircraft are constructed, develop attention to detail, use their problem solving skills, explore engineering and physical science fields and ultimately learn what career field they want to pursue. The Chapter is recording the build so the project can to be used by other Chapters who chose to do a similar build project. Once completed the aircraft will be used to provide flight training. The build will take a while to complete, so if you see the EAA hangar door open, stop by and see how it is progressing. Or, even better yet, get involved with the EAA project and learn about aircraft design and construction while offering encouragement to the youth making it happen.

Aircraft Display Days — Aircraft Display Day is scheduled be held on Sunday May 9, 2021. Members of the Association will be present to sign paperwork. The signings will be held at HH09 on the East end of the Blue hangars. The following COVID 19 rules will be in place. Face Mask Required, Six Feet Social and Physical Distancing Mandatory, Bring Your Own Pen. No Congregating Allowed.

Watch for an announcement from the Whiteman Airport Association, since regulations are changing on a daily basis



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Airport Display Days

KWHP

Every 2nd Sunday 10AM-2PM

KPOC

Every 3rd Sunday 10AM-2PM

KCPM

Every 1st Saturday and Sunday 10AM-2PM

KEMT

Every 4th Sunday 9AM-1PM

KWJF

Every 2nd Saturday
All Day

Available for Lease

Whiteman Airport (818-896-5271)

Hangars (790sf) starting at \$355.71/month →

Brackett Field Airport (909-593-1395)

Standard Hangars (1013sf) starting at \$438.00/month

Compton/Woodley Airport (310-631-8140)

Half Hangars starting at \$194.93/month

San Gabriel Valley Airport (626-448-6129)

Half Hangars starting at \$152.19/month

Fox Airfield (661-940-1709)

Half Hangars starting at \$137.59/month

Spotlight On

FAA Video Series Gives GA Pilots a Preview of Airports Before They Arrive By General Aviation News Staff | April 6, 2021 | www.generalaviationnews.com

When a runway incursion stemming from a pilot error occurs, it is a rare event, but it draws scrutiny from the FAA.

And according to FAA officials, more than 75% of runway incursions related to pilot actions involve GA aircraft.

That led the FAA to find multiple ways to reach general aviation pilots, including safety summits, advanced surface radar, clear signage, and new videos.

"We need to reduce risk in the system by raising the awareness of general aviation pilots and provide them more understanding of local runway and taxiway configurations," explains Glen Martin, FAA Vice President of Safety and Technical Training.

This is the premise behind the expanding From the Flight Deck runway safety video initiative. The FAA has produced a series of short videos — four to five minutes long — of actual approach, landing, and runway taxi scenarios at small and medium-size airports using Go-Pro cameras in a Cessna to create the GA pilot viewpoint.

Graphics, animation, and runway diagrams have been added, along with a voice-over, to fully describe and educate about runway and intersection "hot spots" at specific airports across the United States.

"With these videos, knowledge and training is designed from the cockpit perspective, allowing pilots to visualize the approach and layout to an airport before they actually arrive," Martin adds. "This experience will improve their decision-making and reduce errors and accidents."

So far, more than three dozen videos have been developed and released free to the public, which highlight runways and intersections at 33 different U.S. airports. General videos also have been created for GA operations that focus on wrong airport landings, wrong surface landings, winter weather, wrong direction departures, and hold short procedures. The video series has garnered more than 170,000 views since its inception, according to FAA officials.

The FAA plans to create and release videos for 30 to 40 more airports during the next two years. Additional goals include linking every video to its corresponding airport website and for general aviation trade associations to help build awareness and distribution of these safety videos through their own social media sites.

"These are invaluable safety tools for general aviation pilots and for airports with general aviation operations," adds Martin. "Getting the right information to the pilot will help make us safer."

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