Whiteman Airport Newsletter

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From the Manager

Slurry Project Update. The Airport's Slurry Seal project is now underway. Already, large sections of damaged asphalt have been replaced, crack sealing has been completed, aircraft on Rows 32 and 31 have been relocated to the new tie downs and tie down chain has been removed. Thank you to all those that came out and moved their aircraft so quickly! Slurry application is scheduled for the week of June 18th and that will be followed by paint striping and tie down chain reinstallation. Once the project is completed all those with aircraft that were relocated will be free to return to their old parking spaces. One change that you will notice though is that the tie down rows will be numbered differently. The old Row 32, (which ran all the way from the back hangars to taxiway "A") will now be designated as Row 30. The actual parking space numbers will remain the same. Those with aircraft affected by this change will receive further info from my office in the near future, and as always if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at (818) 896-5271.

Tie Down Project Completed. The County's tie down project has been completed and Whiteman Airport now boasts 70 new tie downs, dramatically increasing capacity at the Airport and allowing those on our tie down waitlists to finally base here at WHP. Currently all the new tie downs are filled with aircraft that have been relocated for the ongoing Slurry Seal project but once that project is completed and aircraft move back to their original locations, spaces in the new area will be available for rent.

New Pilot News! San Fernando Valley 99's Aviation Explorer Nick Meyer is a pilot! Nick earned his SEL on Saturday, June 16th from examiner Mark Boss. The weather prevented Nick from getting his ticket on Thursday (his seventeenth birthday) but on Saturday his checkride was a success. His parents, grandparents, flight instructor Jim Griffiths, Bill & Ruth Logan, and mentor Stacie Vournas were all present for the event. Nick will be a senior at Burbank High in September and this week he may just be the youngest pilot in America. Congratulations Nick!

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

Quote of the Month

The Wright brothers flew through the smoke screen of impossibility.

— Dorothea Brande



Picture of the Month



Aircraft parked on the new tie down ramp just completed at WHP

Save the Date!

Whiteman Airport Association Summer BBQ J

July 8th 1130 am — 2 pm

Grassy Area in front of Admin Bldg



AWOS

Up to the minute weather information can be found outside of Tower Operating hours (8PM-8AM) by calling 818.899.9820 or dial into the frequency at 132.1



Operations staff can be contacted for fuel and services
by phone at any time by calling
818-312-2911
Or
Unicom at
122.95

Contact us:

Accounting Customer Service:
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Spotlight on...

FAA Clarifies GA Seatbelt Rules

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Pilots of general aviation aircraft should be careful about allowing passengers to share a seat and a seat belt, the FAA says in a clarification to its seat-belt requirements, released last week. "Prior [FAA] interpretations state that the shared use of a single restraint may be permissible," the FAA said. But the new clarification says it is permissible only if it conforms to the limits defined in the Airplane Flight Manual. The pilot also must check that the seat belt is approved and rated for such use, if that information is available. Pilots should also attempt to affirm that the structural strength limitations of the seat are not exceeded. Even better, says the FAA, "Whenever possible, each person onboard an aircraft should voluntarily be seated in a separate seat and be restrained by a separate seat belt."

The FAA revisited its seat-belt advice after an accident in March 2009, when a 10-seat Pilatus PC-12 crashed and all 14 people on board were killed, seven of them children. In its report, the NTSB noted that if the accident had been less severe and the impact had been survivable, any unrestrained occupant, or occupants sharing a single restraint system, would have been at much greater risk of injury or death. In August 2010, during its investigation, the NTSB recommended that the FAA should require separate seats and restraints for every occupant in Part 91 operations. Also, the board said, the FAA should require each child under 2 years old to be restrained in a separate seat position by an appropriate child-restraint system during takeoff, landing, and turbulence.

To read the full report go to: https://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2012/05/24/2012-12554/clarification-of-prior-interpretations-of-the-seat-belt-and-seating-requirements-for-general.

KWHP Airport Events

Standing Meetings/Events

Pacoima Rotary Club Every Monday — 6:00 PM Restaurant

CAP Squadron 35 Every Wednesday — 7:00 PM CAP Trailer

Whiteman Airport Association Every 3rd Thursday — 7:00 PM Restaurant

EAA Chapter 40 Every 3rd Saturday — 9:30 AM

Restaurant

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

Airport Display Days

KPOC

Every 3rd Sunday 10AM-2PM

КСРМ

Every Ist Saturday and Sunday 10AM-2PM

KEMT

Every 4th Sunday 9AM-IPM

KWIF

Every 2nd Saturday
All Day

KWHP

Every 2nd Sunday 10AM-2PM

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

Available for Lease

Whiteman Airport (818-896-5271)

<u>T-Hangars</u> From \$401.66/month

Brackett Field Airport (909-593-1395)

<u>Tie Downs</u>
From \$52.00/month
<u>Port-a-Ports</u>
From \$298.69/month
<u>T-Hangars</u>

From \$451.20/month
Executive Hangars

From \$821.92/month

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Compton/Woodley Airport (310-631-8140)

<u>Tie Downs</u> From \$49.00/month

Standard Hangar From \$418.15/month

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El Monte Airport (626-448-6129)

<u>Tie Downs</u> From \$60.00/month Hangars

From \$460.34/month

Fox Airfield (661-940-1709)

<u>Tie Downs</u> From \$54.00/month Standard Hangars

From \$401.66/month

<u>Large Hangars</u> From \$694.28/month

