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# Whiteman Airport



From the Manager..

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### Standing Meetings and Events

- CAP Squadron 35
  Every Wednesday
  7:00 PM
- → Whiteman Airport
   Association
   Every 3rd Thursday
   7:00 PM—Civil Air Patrol
   Meeting Room
- Aviation Explorer Post 747 2nd & 4th Monday's 6:30-8:00—2nd Floor Conf Room (Airport Terminal)
- → Young Eagles Every 4th Saturday 10:30 AM—Grassy Area adjacent to Pilot's Lounge
- → Whiteman Display Day Every 2nd Sunday 10:00 AM — 2:00 PM

# Support your Airport Association.

Please come on the 3rd Thursday of each month to the old Airport Admin Building meeting room (New CAP HQ) and join the Airport Association for \$10 a year in dues. The next regular Airport Association meeting will be held on June 21, 2018.

### 2018 Aviation Commission Meetings

June 27 7:00 PM	KPOC
July 2018	No Meeting
August 29	KCPM

100th Anniversary Commercial Mail Route Reenactment Flight. On May 13th three Boeing Stearman Speedmail biplanes touched down at WHP as part of a flight reenactment of Contract Air Mail Route 8. The aircraft were flying as part of a 100th anniversary celebration of the air mail route and WHP was chosen as a stop because it is located just 2 miles from the original airfield that handled US Mail in 1918 on this route. The three Speedmails that visited are part of only seven flying

examples in the entire world! After landing, bags of mail were unloaded from the aircraft and post marked by US Postal Service employees that were here at the Airport as part of the Whiteman Airport Station, an official US Postal Service location for the day! The aircraft departed Whiteman at around 4 p.m. and headed off to Bakersfield. The flight includes a total of eleven stops eventually ending at Paine Field north of Seattle. Those that would like to see more information about the flights can visit www.cam8in2018.com.



"NC485W, NC489W and NC663K lined up on the ramp as part of the 100th Anniversary reenactment flight of Contract Air Mail Route 8."

**County Hangar Inspections.** We've completed our first round of County hangar inspections and thank you to all that came out to help us complete this important process. For those that missed the inspections; please give is a call in the office at (818) 896-5271 to set up a time for your inspection.

**Vehicle Access Gate Cards.** As a reminder; the new vehicle access gate cards that were issued in 2014 when our new gates were installed require annual renewal, which is scheduled to coincide with the holder's birthday. Please stop by the office or call us during office hours (Monday through Friday, 8am-5pm) at (818) 896-5271 **before your birthday** to have your card renewed.

**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 hangar spaces that are 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.

**Fire Extinguisher Recertification Pickup.** For those that dropped off a fire extinguisher during our recent fire extinguisher recertification; the extinguisher is ready for pickup if you have not already done so.

## Spotlight on...

### **Aviation Organizations Seek Weather Station Access**

By Kate O'Connor| May 11,, 2018 | www.avweb.com

Fourteen aviation organizations including AOPA, EAA and GAMA are asking the FAA to reconsider its position on not allowing pilots access to weather data from hundreds of non-federal weather stations. Currently, non-federal weather stations must be equipped with AWOS-III or better to be included in the FAA's Weather Message Switching Center Replacement (WMSCR), which collects, processes and disseminates aviation weather products to NAS systems, airlines, and international and commercial users.

The organizations sent a joint letter to the FAA last August asking the agency to remove the AWOS-III requirement and to change the VFR weather station standard to require fewer maintenance visits. The letter states that the inclusion of data from lower-level and non-AWOS stations has the potential to increase safety, help prevent unintentional flight into IMC and assist with go/no-go decision making. Reducing required maintenance visits will, the groups believe, save money without impacting safety. The FAA denied the requests, but both AOPA and EAA have said they are continuing to pursue the issue.

The FAA told AVWeb that the AWOS-III requirement is in place in order to meet national and international policy requirements. The agency went on to say that "[it] is reviewing current policies and is investigating refinements to procedures and infrastructure as part of future acquisitions under NextGen Weather Systems."

### Aviation Quote of the Month

I fly because it releases my mind from the tyranny of petty things ...

— Antoine de Saint-Exupéry

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Half Hangars starting at \$152.19/month

### Fox Airfield (661-940-1709)

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### Airport Display Days

### **KPOC**

Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday 10AM-2PM

### **KCPM**

Every 1st Saturday & Sunday 10AM-2PM

#### **KEMT**

Every 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday 9AM-1PM

#### **KWJF**

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday All Day

#### KWHP

Every 2nd Sunday 10AM-2PM