## **Whiteman Airport Newsletter**

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## **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 adjacent to Pilot's Lounge

Whiteman Display Day Every 2nd Sunday 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Whiteman Airport Open House. I am pleased to announce that American Airports Corporation will be hosting a yearly Airport Open House here at Whiteman with the first one taking place this coming December. The goal of the event is to welcome our neighbors from the surrounding community on to the airport and give them a chance to see aviation up close and maybe even in a new light. At the same time we hope that airport users will come out and use this as an opportunity to meet with one another and also interact with people from the community strengthening the ties between Pacoima and Whiteman Airport. We have scheduled our first open house for Sunday, December 9th, from 10 am until 2 pm which coincides with the monthly antique aircraft display day. The event will take place on our grassy area in front of the Administration Office as well as on the ramp area next to it. As we are in the early planning stages for the event I welcome any and all suggestions and ideas that will help make the day a successful and fun one for all. Currently we are planning for static aircraft, food vendors and other aviation themed displays.

Anyone with thoughts on how to make this day fun for all is encouraged to contact me at (818) 896-5271.

Hangar Inspections. The initial phase County of hangar inspections has now been completed. Those in third party hangars should have received notice from your landlords as to the date and time of your hangar inspection. I understand that with schedules. vacations. appointments and just our daily lives in general making it to the Airport on a specific day can be difficult. So for anyone that was unable to make their respective inspection day please contact the office at (818) 896-5271 so that we may make arrangements to complete the inspection. For those that did make it out, thank you, I appreciate your assistance in completing the inspection.

Fire Extinguisher Recertification Pickup. For those that dropped off a fire extinguisher for our October 29th fire extinguisher recertification, the extinguishers are ready for pickup if you have not already done so.

Storm Water Season. The rainy season is once again upon us and so we must ensure that all rain water entering our storm water drains does so without picking up any pollutants along the way. Please remember that painting, sanding, or using any chemicals or solvents is not permitted in or around storage hangars or tie downs. If you see potential storm water issues around the airport please do not hesitate to contact my office at (818) 896-5271 or Airport Operations at (818) 312-2911 so that we may clean up any potential problems before they become one. Thanks in advance for your help!

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.

FAA Monthly Seminars. There is an FAA Safety meeting every month. For meeting information, please see the website at http://faasafety.gov. It is held in the Civil Air Patrol trailer.

## **Airport Display Days**

## **KPOC**

Every 3rd Sunday 10AM-2PM

## **KCPM**

Every 1st Saturday and Sunday 10AM-2PM

## **KEMT**

Every 4th Sunday 9AM-1PM

Every 2nd Saturday All Day

## **KWHP**

**Every 2nd Sunday** 10AM-2PM

# **Photo of the Month**



White Knight II makes a visit to Fox Airfield while on a test flight.



## **Whiteman Airport**

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Whiteman Airport

I've never known an industry that can get into people's blood the way aviation does.

Robert Six



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

> Or Unicom at 122.95



### 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

## Contact us

Accounting Customer Service: 310.752.0559

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## **November is Aviation History Month**

In November 1783, Joseph Michel Montgolfier and Jacques Etienne Montgolfier experimented with filling paper and fabric bags with smoke and hot air. Their results lead to the invention of the hot air balloon. Their experiments showed that it was possible to soar above the earth and survive. November celebrates Aviation History by remembering this first hot air balloon flight.

Man's fascination with aviation has extended for more than two thousand years from stories in early Mythology like that of Daedalus and Icarus, moving to actual attempts at manned flight on kites and in gliders. The earliest recorded attempts at

manned flight were from China around 200BC with stories of a general flying a kite over enemy territory to calculate the length of a tunnel required to enter a region. Leonardo da Vinci's dreams of flight were demonstrated numerous drawing he made of various flying machines, but he never attempted to actually construct any of them. The most notable first was the Wright Brothers with the first sustained flight with a power controlled aircraft in 1903. Since that time, aviation has seen the invention of aircraft that can break the sound barrier and fly into space.

Los Angeles is a great place to explore aviation with the numerous museums and airports that are located in and around the County. From the arrival of Endeavour at the California Science Center, to aviation museums such as; the Museum of Flying in Santa Monica, Flight Path Learning Center and Museum at LAX and the Lyon Air Museum in Santa Ana, there is no shortage of places to discover more about aviation.

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So this month, and during the rest of the year, take advantage of the Display Days that each of the 5 LA County Airports as well as the air shows that take place all over the Southland throughout the year, and have fun learning more about aviation and aviation history.

## **Available for Lease**

# Whiteman Airport (818-896-5271)

<u>Tie Downs</u>
From \$96.00/month
<u>T-Hangars</u>
From \$364.78/month

# Brackett Field Airport (909-593-1395)

Tie Downs
From \$52.00/month
Port-a-Ports
From \$260.56/month
T-Hangars
From \$463.85/month
Executive Hangars
From \$831.67/month

## Compton/Woodley Airport (310-631-8140)

Tie Downs
From \$49.00/month
Hangars
From \$484.49/month
El Monte Airport

El Monte Airport (626-448-6129) <u>Tie Downs</u>

From \$60.00/month
Hangars
From \$465.77/month

Fox Airfield (661-940-1709)

Tie Downs
From \$54.00/month
Standard Hangars
From \$374.24/month
Large Hangars
From \$712.96/month

## Aviation Commission Meeting Calendar

## November 28, 2012

El Monte Airport 10:00 AM

December 2012

No Meeting