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News & Announcements:

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April Commission Meeting at El Monte

The Aviation Commission will hold its next meeting on Wednesday, April 26, at El Monte Airport. The meeting will begin promptly at 10:00 am in the Terminal Building.

Aircraft Liability Insurance

The County hangar and tie-down agreements require owners of based aircraft to provide proof of certain levels of aircraft liability insurance. In addition, they require licensees to include American Airports Corporation and the County of Los Angeles on their policy as Additional Insureds, *and to provide us with the corresponding insurance certificates*. Most insurance companies can easily include the Additional Insured endorsement upon request, and this will not typically increase the premiums. Your license agreement contains limits of liability and other details regarding your insurance requirements. Please check your agreement to be sure you are carrying the proper amounts. If you have any questions, or are not certain that we have a current copy of your insurance, please contact the Airport Office at (818) 896-5271.

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Spotlight on...

El Monte Airport

El Monte Airport was first constructed in 1936 by Nick Lentine on 35 acres of land in the Rio Hondo riverbed. The area had been used as a local landing spot for a number of years prior to its formal establishment. Mr. Lentine started an Army Air Corps Cadet Training School at the airport and continued to operate the airport until World War II, when it was closed.

After the war, the airport was purchased and reopened by a Mr. Livermore, who operated it for several years before selling it to Robert Wanamaker. Mr. Wanamaker purchased adjacent properties, increasing the size of the airport to 70 acres, and operated the airport until 1965, when the County of Los Angeles entered into a lease with Mr. Wanamaker and took over the operations of the airport to prevent it from closing. The County purchased the airport outright in 1969 for approx. \$3 million.

Because of the poor condition of many of the facilities at the airport, the County had the runway, taxiway, and lighting system rebuilt and brought up to FAA standards in 1970. Other improvements over the years have included an FAA control tower, hangars for aircraft storage, large hangars for FBOs, new airplane tie-down areas, increased auto parking, a new sewer system, water and fire hydrant lines, and a large airplane wash rack. In June 2001, a brand new, \$1.5-million terminal building opened to the public. The terminal is currently home to a pilots' lounge, pilot/gift shop, and a restaurant.

A wide variety of tenants have called El Monte Airport "home" over the years: in the early 1970s, the airport was serviced by Golden West and Cable Commuter Airlines. The invasion of the Mediterranean Fruit Fly in the 1980s and early 1990s brought most of the local aerial spraying operations to the airport.

Today, El Monte Airport encompasses 103 acres and is home to over 390 aircraft. The airport serves the diverse needs of the Greater Los Angeles and San Gabriel Valley areas, and truly is an asset to the local community.



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For Sale or Lease:

Brackett Airport: (909-593-1395)

- Tie Downs – From \$52.00 / month
- L Row Hangar – From \$251.39 / month
- Office & Storage Space for Lease
- Land for Development

Compton Airport: (310-631-8140)

- Tie Downs – From \$71.00 / month
- D Row Endroom – From \$219.84 / month
- Commercial Space – Prime Terminal Location!

El Monte Airport: (626-448-6129)

- Tie Downs – From \$60.00 / month
- B & D Row Hangars – From \$386.76 / 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

From the Airport Desk:

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

Airport Improvements: You may have noticed that we have been working diligently on several improvements around the airport for our users. We have repainted the terminal building, added new landscaping, and repainted other areas around the airfield. We appreciate your patience during this ongoing process and hope it makes your experience here at the airport more enjoyable.

Airport Security: We must continue to be vigilant with respect to security at the airport. Tenants of the airport are the most valuable asset when it comes to detecting suspicious behavior. Many of you have brought issues of concern to the attention of management, which allows us to provide a safer G.A. environment. Keep up the good efforts!

FAA Monthly Seminars: There are monthly FAA Safety meetings held in the CAP trailer. To find out the meeting date and discussion topic, please go on the Web to: <http://faasafety.gov/>.

Vehicle Parking: We must all remember to comply with parking regulations around the airport. Parking vehicles around the ends of the hangars and in unauthorized areas for long periods of time creates a difficult environment in which to navigate, for aircraft and vehicles. It is our responsibility to ensure that the airport is safe for our users, and we will continue to strictly enforce vehicle parking ordinances in the future.

Driver Safety: This is an important safety issue here at the airport. We are all aware that speeding and driving your vehicle in the taxiways can cause an extremely dangerous situation to quickly materialize. Please remember that aircraft have the right of way at the airport.

Tenant and User Input: We do value and welcome your suggestions for creating a more positive airport environment here at Whiteman. If there are ideas you would like to see implemented, please let us know.

Rocky's Restaurant: Until further notice, Rocky's is, once again, offering a 15% discount on meals when you bring in a copy of this Newsletter! Hurry in to take advantage of this great deal before it's too late! Rocky's is now also open from 6:30 am on Saturdays.

Support Your Airport Association: Please come out on the 3rd Thursday of each month to Rocky's Restaurant and join the Airport Association. April's meeting is on the 20th and starts at 7:00 pm.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 1/2 - Compton Antique Aircraft & Auto Display: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
- 3 - Pacoima Rotary Club at Whiteman: 6:00 pm @ WHP Rocky's
- 4 - EAA Chapter 49 at Fox: 7:30 pm @ WJF Terminal Building
- 5 - PEMIA at El Monte: 6:00 pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- 5 - CAP Squadron 35 at Whiteman: 7:00 pm @ WHP CAP Trailer
- 6 - Civil Air Patrol at El Monte: 7:00 pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- 6 - Brackett Pilots' Association: 7:30 pm @ POC Pilots' Lounge
- 8 - Fox Airfield Open Hangar Day (all day)
- 9 - Whiteman Display Day: 10 am-2 pm
- 10 - Pacoima Rotary Club at Whiteman: 6:00 pm @ WHP Rocky's
- 11 - SGV Remote Control Association at El Monte:
7:00 pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- 12 - FAA Safety Seminar at El Monte: 7:00 pm @ EMT Terminal
- 12 - CAP Squadron 35 at Whiteman: 7:00 pm @ WHP CAP Trailer
- 12 - Latin American Pilots' Assn at Whiteman: 7:30 pm @ Rocky's
- 13 - Civil Air Patrol at El Monte: 7:00 pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- 13 - Brackett 99s: 7:30 pm @ POC Pilots' Lounge
- 16 - Brackett Antique Aircraft & Auto Display:
10:00 am – 2:00 pm @ POC Transient Parking Lot
- 17 - Pacoima Rotary Club at Whiteman: 6:00 pm @ WHP Rocky's
- 19 - PEMIA at El Monte: 6:00 pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- 19 - FAA Safety Seminar at Brackett 7:00 pm @ POC Pilots' Lounge
- 19 - CAP Squadron 35 at Whiteman: 7:00 pm @ WHP CAP Trailer
- 20 - Civil Air Patrol at El Monte: 7:00 pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- 20 - Whiteman Airport Association Meeting: 7:00 pm @ Rocky's
- 23 - El Monte Vintage Airplane & Auto Display:
9:00 am – 1:00 pm @ EMT Center Field
- 24 - Pacoima Rotary Club at Whiteman: 6:00 pm @ WHP Rocky's
- 25 - SGV Remote Control Association at El Monte:
7:00 pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- 26 - L.A. County Aviation Commission Meeting at El Monte Airport
10:00 am @ EMT Terminal Building
- 26 - CAP Squadron 35 at Whiteman: 7:00 pm @ WHP CAP Trailer
- 27 - Civil Air Patrol at El Monte: 7:00 pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- 27 - Pomona Valley Pilots' Association at Brackett:
7:30 pm @ POC Pilots' Lounge