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News & Announcements:

Photo of the Month



AAC employees **Ara Martirosyan** (L) and **Renato Aguirre** (R) promptly responded to an aircraft incident involving an aircraft that taxied off the end of Runway 12 at **Whiteman Airport** on Oct. 30, 2006. Thanks to Ara and Renato, the appropriate individuals and agencies were notified, the aircraft was removed from the movement area, and the Runway and Taxiway were swept clear of debris and returned to service. Good work, gentlemen!

* In observance of the Holiday Season, the Aviation Commission will not meet in December. See you in January! *

All of us at the Whiteman Airport Office wish all of you – our tenants, pilots, and airport users – a very safe and Happy Holiday Season!



Spotlight on...

Blue Diamond Aviation at Brackett Airport

Over the next few months, we will highlight some of the newer commercial tenants to the Los Angeles County Airport System, to introduce them and provide a brief description of their business. This month, the spotlight is on Blue Diamond Aviation at Brackett Airport, led by owner, Mr. Amila Rathnayake:

Blue Diamond Aviation, Inc. has been at Brackett Airport since May 2006, with offices located in the building next to the Terminal. Blue Diamond provides both flight training for the more serious aviator, as well as fixed-wing sky tours for those who simply love to ride in an airplane.



Blue Diamond flight instructor and her students, shown here with owner, Amila Rathnayake, second from right.

Blue Diamond's flight school offers training in a Cessna 172 or 150, and a Piper Apache. Pilot's license training programs include private pilot and instrument pilot, as well as commercial pilot single and multi-engine.

For sky tour rates, pilot license packages, and contact information, visit Blue Diamond Aviation's website at www.bluediamondaviation.net.

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For Sale or Lease:

Brckett Airport: (909-593-1395)

Tie Downs – From \$52.00 / month

A & D Row Hangars – From \$398.98 / month

L Row Hangars – From \$262.59 / month

→ Office Space for Lease → Land for Development

Compton Airport: (310-631-8140)

Tie Downs – From \$71.00 / month

T Row Hangar – From \$368.41 / month

El Monte Airport: (626-448-6129)

Tie Downs – From \$60.00 / month

Q Row Hangar – From \$383.69 / 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 Manager:



Runway & Taxiway Project Update

As you probably have noticed, the Runway, Taxiway, and Helipads have been resurfaced with slurry seal and new glass-bead paint has been laid down for the markings. Paint crews will return to the Airport early this month to finish with a second coat on the Runway and Taxiway markings, which may require minimal Runway and Taxiway closure. If required, notices will be relayed to the Airport tenants as early as possible. Finally, although we ultimately did not require assistance, I'd like to thank those who did offer their help in clearing weeds from the infield areas. We all certainly benefit from these improvements at the Airport.

Vehicle Traffic and Parking on the Airport

In an effort to maintain a safe and secure Airport, and to address the recommendations of the Regional Runway Safety Action Team, I would like to request your assistance with the following: 1) Many Airport tenants have already asked us how they can help. Your ongoing commitment to ensure that only one authorized vehicle passes through the access gates at a time is one very effective way. It might take longer for you to enter the airside, but the tradeoff is that it will help prevent theft, accidents, and incursions on the Airport; and 2) additionally, vehicles parked on the airside (outside of hangars, in tiedown spaces, in taxi lanes, etc.) *must* be approved in advance. If you have any questions or comments about the policies and regulations pertaining to vehicle parking on the Airport, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Hangar Inspections

We thank all of you who have made your hangar(s) available for inspection. There are, however, several hangars that still require inspection. If you have not had your hangar inspected yet, please contact the Airport Administration Office as soon as possible to schedule an inspection. Your help is greatly appreciated.

FAA Monthly Seminars

There is an FAA Safety meeting every month in the CAP trailer. To find out the date and topic of the meeting, please go on the web to: <http://faasafety.gov>.

Support your Airport Association

Please come out on the 3rd Thursday of the month to **Rocky's Restaurant**, and join the Airport Association. For \$10 a year in dues, you can help provide input on how to better run your airport. December's meeting will begin at 7:00 pm on the 21st following a **Holiday Party** (including food, beverages and giveaways) **which will start at 6 pm**.

Happy Holidays!

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 2 - SGV Car Show at El Monte: 4pm - 8pm, EMT Parking Lot
- 2 - SGV Radio Control League Holiday Party at El Monte:
5:30pm - 9:30pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- 2/3 - Compton Antique Aircraft & Auto Display: 9:00am - 4:00pm
- 4 - Pacoima Rotary Club at Whiteman: 6:00pm @ WHP Rocky's
- 5 - EAA Chapter 49 at Fox: 7:30pm @ WJF Terminal Building
- 6 - PEMA at El Monte: 6:00pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- 6 - CAP Squadron 35 at Whiteman: 7:00pm @ WHP CAP Trailer
- 7 - Brackett Airport Assn Christmas Dinner:
6:00pm @ POC Terminal Bldg (\$25/person)
- 7 - Civil Air Patrol at El Monte: 7:00pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- 9 - Fox Airfield Open Hangar Day (all day)
- 9 - SGV Car Show at El Monte: 4pm - 8pm, EMT Parking Lot
- 9 - SGV Airport Assn Holiday Party @ EMT: 6- 9pm Terminal Bldg.
- 9 - Fox Pilots' Assn Christmas Party: 6:30pm @ WJF Term. Bldg.
- 10 - Whiteman Display Day: 10am - 2pm
- 11 - Pacoima Rotary Club at Whiteman: 6:00pm @ WHP Rocky's
- 12 - SGV Radio Control League at El Monte: 7pm @ Terminal Bldg.
- 13 - FAA Safety Seminar at El Monte: 7:00pm @ EMT Terminal
- 13 - CAP Squadron 35 at Whiteman: 7:00pm @ WHP CAP Trailer
- 13 - Latin American Pilots' Assn at Whiteman: 7:30pm @ Rocky's
- 14 - Civil Air Patrol at El Monte: 7:00pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- 14 - Brackett 99s: 7:30pm @ POC Pilots' Lounge
- 15 - Compton Airport Holiday Party: 7pm @ CPM Terminal
- 16 - EAA Chapter 96 at Compton: 10:00am, EAA Hangar
- 16 - SGV Car Show at El Monte: 4pm - 8pm, EMT Parking Lot
- 17 - Brackett Antique Aircraft & Auto Display:
10:00am - 2:00pm @ POC Transient Parking Lot
- 18 - Pacoima Rotary Club at Whiteman: 6:00pm @ WHP Rocky's
- 20 - PEMA at El Monte: 6:00pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- 20 - FAA Safety Seminar at Brackett 7:00pm @ POC Pilots' Lounge
- 20 - CAP Squadron 35 at Whiteman: 7:00pm @ WHP CAP Trailer
- 21 - Whiteman Airport Association: Holiday Party (6:00 pm) and
Meeting (7:00pm) back-to-back @ WHP Rocky's
- 21 - Civil Air Patrol at El Monte: 7:00pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- 23 - SGV Car Show at El Monte: 4pm - 8pm, EMT Parking Lot
- 24 - El Monte Vintage Airplane & Auto Display:
9:00am - 1:00pm @ EMT Center Field
- 25 - Pacoima Rotary Club at Whiteman: 6:00pm @ WHP Rocky's
- 26 - SGV Radio Control League at El Monte: 7pm @ Terminal Bldg.
- 27 - CAP Squadron 35 at Whiteman: 7:00pm @ WHP CAP Trailer
- 28 - Civil Air Patrol at El Monte: 7:00pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- 28 - Pomona Valley Pilots' Association at Brackett:
7:30pm @ POC Pilots' Lounge
- 30 - SGV Car Show at El Monte: 4pm - 8pm, EMT Parking Lot