

# WHITEMAN AIRPORT



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## News & Announcements:



### **Welcome to Whiteman Airport:**

Airport Operations Coordinators Art Garcia and Ruben Montes recently put a fresh coat of paint on the Osborne Street entrance sign.



### **September Commission Meeting**

The September Commission Meeting will be held on Wednesday, the 26<sup>th</sup>, at El Monte Airport, and will begin at **7:00 pm** in the Terminal Building.

## **Spotlight on...**

### **The P-51 Mustang**

The P-51 Mustang is the ultimate single-engine, propeller-driven airplane. The distinctive snarl of its liquid-cooled, V-12 engine turns heads wherever and whenever it is heard. The unbridled acceleration and energy of the Mustang, with its Rolls-Royce Merlin engine and giant 11-foot propeller, is startling and impressive. It's easy to understand why the British – for whom the P-51 was developed – called this airplane a Mustang, a wild stallion of the American prairie. Can there be a pilot who has not yearned to fly one?

Wanting to solo a Mustang and doing it are obviously two different things. Stallion 51 in Kissimmee, Florida is the only place in the world to obtain formal, FAA-approved Mustang training. The school has two magnificent TF-51s. These are P-51Ds that have been highly modified with a second, fully equipped cockpit. Although the full-blown course is expensive, those wanting to sample a Mustang can obtain dual instruction during one or more orientation flights. It's an experience of a lifetime.

In Columbus Ohio, at Rickenbacker International Airport, there is a gathering of Mustangs & Legends which takes place from September 27 -30 and is billed as "The Final Roundup" of the Mustangs still flying and the fighter pilots who made them famous. So far, 106 owners of P-51s, and 29 legendary pilots plan to attend. Out of the 15,868 Mustangs built, 129 are still flying.

David Price, Founder and Chairman of American Airports, who is also a 5,500-hour Navy pilot, is the proud owner of one of the last P-51s, *Cottonmouth*. He was featured flying his plane, in some stunning photographs, in the August 2007 edition of AOPA Pilot Magazine. The writer of the article, Barry Schiff, flew Mr. Price's plane in order to write his piece in AOPA. Check it out.

For more information, visit [www.gml2007.com](http://www.gml2007.com).

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## **For Sale or Lease:**

### **Brackett Airport: (909-593-1395)**

Tie Downs – From \$52.00 / month  
Executive Hangars 1,824 sq ft – From \$724/month

### **Compton Airport: (310-631-8140)**

Tie Downs – From \$49.00 / month

### **El Monte Airport: (626-448-6129)**

Tie Downs – From \$60.00/month  
Hangars – From \$320.00/month

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

Tie Downs – From \$54.00 / month  
→ Land for Development

### **Whiteman Airport: (818-896-5271)**

Third-party lessee offering 2,500 square feet of office and  
2,500 square feet of hangar  
(50' x 50') for lease – contact (818) 890-7662.

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- 1 - SGV Car Show at El Monte: 4pm - 8 pm, EMT Parking Lot
- 1/2 - Compton Antique Aircraft & Auto Display: 10:00 am -2:00 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)
- 8 - SGV Car Show at El Monte: 4pm - 8 pm, EMT Parking Lot
- 9 - Whiteman Display Day: 10 am-2 pm
- 10 - Pacoima Rotary Club at Whiteman: 6:00 pm @ WHP Rocky's
- 11 - SGV Remote Control Assn at El Monte:  
7:00 pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- 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
- 15 - EAA Chapter 96 at Compton: 10:00am, EAA Hangar
- 15 - SGV Car Show at El Monte: 4pm - 8 pm, EMT Parking Lot
- 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 - 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
- 22 - SGV Car Show at El Monte: 4pm - 8 pm, EMT Parking Lot
- 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 Assn at El Monte:  
7:00 pm @ EMT Terminal Building
- 26 - CAP Squadron 35 at Whiteman: 7:00 pm @ WHP CAP Trailer
- 26 - L.A. County Aviation Commission Meeting at EMT  
7:00 pm @ Terminal Building
- 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
- 29 - SGV Car Show at El Monte: 4pm - 8 pm, EMT Parking Lot

## **From the Manager:**

Several Airport tenants have asked me how they might be able to relay information relevant to Whiteman Airport to other tenants and users of the Airport. As I suggested in an earlier newsletter, one of the best ways to communicate information is through the Whiteman Airport Association monthly meetings and/or web site (<http://www.whpsafety.org>). I recommend that you contact the Association's president, Don Hagopian at (818) 782-1654 for assistance. Additionally, I always welcome any suggestions and/or information that I may be able to incorporate into these monthly newsletters. Feel free to contact me at (818) 896-5271 or via e-mail at [jmorgan@americanairports.net](mailto:jmorgan@americanairports.net).

### **Airport Enhancements / Updates**

A second sweeper has been purchased by the County and we anticipate that it will be dedicated to both Whiteman Airport and Fox Airfield sometime this fall. Having two sweepers between the five County airports will allow us at Whiteman to sweep/clean the movement and non-movement areas of the airport more frequently.

Additionally, in an effort to facilitate the safe movement of aircraft through improving the visibility of taxiway centerlines, and in response to requests from tenants, we have installed reflective yellow markers/dots along the taxiway centerlines adjacent to tie-down rows 31 and 32.

### **Airport Safety / Security / Operational Items**

We will be undertaking several summer/fall projects which will involve our personnel and equipment on and around the movement areas of the Airport. Projects include: grading the edges of the taxiway and runway, lighting repair/replacement, and tree trimming. Please use extra caution for men and equipment. We don't anticipate any runway or taxiway closures. If closures are involved, you will be notified via Notice to Airmen.

Thank you for your support and continued comments and suggestions regarding safety/security/operational issues at Whiteman Airport.

### **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.

### **Support your Airport Association**

Please come out on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each 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. The September meeting will be on the 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.

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