

## From the Manager..



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### Standing Meetings and Events

- **CAP Squadron 35**  
Every Wednesday  
7:00 PM  
CAP Trailer
- **Whiteman Airport Association**  
Every 3rd Thursday  
7:00 PM  
Administration Building
- **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

### 2015 Airport Commission Meetings

April 29, 2015 7:00 pm	<b>KWHP</b>
May 27, 2015 7:00 pm	<b>KEMT</b>
June 24, 2015 7:00 pm	<b>KPOC</b>
July 2015 No Meeting	
August 26, 2015 7:00 pm	<b>KCPM</b>
September 30, 2015 7:00 pm	<b>KWJF</b>

**Explorer Pancake Breakfast.** Aviation Explorer Post 747 (kids aged 14-21) will be hosting their annual pancake breakfast fundraiser on Saturday, April 25th from 8:30 am until 12 pm. The event will take place in front of the Administration Offices in the grass park area. For a \$5 donation patrons will receive pancakes, sausage, fruit salad and a choice of coffee or orange juice. That same day EAA Chapter 40 will be holding their monthly Young Eagles event which offers free airplane rides for kids between 8 and 17 years of age. Young Eagles flights will start at 10:30 am. In addition to these two great events there will also be a raffle featuring many great items so please come out and support these young aviators as they work towards their dreams of flight! For more information you can call Ruth Logan at 818-364-1224.

**Storm Water Season.** As a reminder; we are still in storm water season and we must ensure all rain water entering our storm water drains does so without picking up any pollutants along the way. Please remember that painting, sanding or the use of 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!

**Support your Airport Association.** Please come out on the 3rd Thursday of each month to the Airport Administration Building and join the Airport Association for \$10 a year in dues. The next Airport Association meeting will be held on April 16, 2015.

**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.

**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.

**Need Hangar Repairs?** If you are having difficulty with your hangar please to not hesitate to call the office at (818) 896-5271 so that we may diagnose the problem and make the appropriate fixes.

### Photo of the Month



US Forest Service DC3 visiting KPOC

## Spotlight on...

# Droning On-Coming to a Sky Near You?

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### Regs to set ground rules for unmanned ops

AOPA has two main goals in its advocacy on the integration of unmanned aircraft systems into the National Airspace System: preserving safety and protecting access for general aviation pilots.

With rapid advancements of UAS technologies, AOPA recognized early that clear rules were needed to ensure that the introduction of unmanned aircraft wouldn't endanger people or require dedicated airspace that shuts out pilots. The association formally asked the FAA in 2004 to task an advisory committee with developing consensus standards for unmanned aircraft that weigh 55 pounds or less. The FAA established the committee; AOPA served on it, helping to provide recommendations; and the FAA accepted the consensus standards in 2007 and proposed rules for small UAS in February 2015.

AOPA maintains that in general, unmanned aircraft should be appropriately maintained and registered, be flown by a certified pilot, and be flown in compliance with current operating rules and airspace requirements. The proposed rule for small, commercial unmanned aircraft would address many of AOPA's concerns by requiring them to "see and

avoid" other aircraft and setting certification requirements for UAS operators. It also would require small unmanned aircraft flown for other than recreational purposes to obtain an FAA registration and display an N number; operators would be required to conduct a preflight safety inspection before each flight. The FAA is seeking input on whether to create a subset of rules for aircraft weighing 4.4 pounds or less. The proposed regulations are open for comment through April 24.

The publishing of proposed rules is welcome progress for an industry that has been frustrated by the pace of rulemaking. An Inspector General audit found that the FAA was behind schedule in its attempt to meet Congress's 2015 deadline for integrating these systems into U.S. airspace, and called into question when and if full integration of unmanned aircraft into the National Airspace System will occur. That's caused uncertainty for existing airspace users, as well as for an industry poised to take off.

"I would say there's very few industries that want to be regulated," Michael Toscano, former president and CEO of AUVSI. "We're one of them." —SSD

### Model aircraft dos and don'ts

In the summer of 2014, the FAA asserted its enforcement authority over model aircraft and issued these

guidelines for hobbyists:

#### Do's

- Do fly a model aircraft/UAS at the local model aircraft club
- Do take lessons and learn to fly safely
- Do contact the airport or control tower when flying within 5 miles of the airport
- Do fly a model aircraft for personal enjoyment

#### Don'ts

- Don't fly near manned aircraft
- Don't fly beyond line of sight of the operator
- Don't fly an aircraft weighing more than 55 pounds unless it's certified by an aeromodeling community-based organization
- Don't fly contrary to your aeromodeling community-based safety guidelines
- Don't fly model aircraft for payment or commercial purposes

For more information, visit the website.

### FAA proposal sets rules for small UAS

The FAA's proposed rule for small unmanned aircraft systems would set requirements for systems weighing 55 pounds or less used for commercial purposes. Among them, the FAA sets out requirements for see-and-avoid capability, operator certification, and aircraft registration.

- Operators must see and avoid other aircraft, giving right of way to manned aircraft.
- Operators must be at least 17 years old, obtain an FAA-issued unmanned aircraft operator certificate with a small UAS rating, and pass an FAA-administered knowledge test every two years.
- Aircraft must obtain an FAA registration and display an N number. A preflight safety inspection is required before each flight.
- Flights are limited to daylight, line-of-sight operations with a least 3 statute miles visibility at speeds of less than 100 mph and altitudes below 500 feet.
- The aircraft may not operate over people, except those involved in the flight.
- The systems must remain outside of Class A airspace. Operations in Class B, C, and D airspace, as well as within the lateral boundaries of the surface area of Class E airspace, can be allowed with prior permission from air traffic control.
- Aircraft must remain at least 500 feet below clouds and 2,000 feet from them horizontally.

Pilots may read and comment on the full proposal, "Operation and Certification of Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems," in the Federal Register.



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## Available for Lease

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

#### Tie Downs

From \$96.00/month

#### T-Hangars

From \$364.78/month



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

#### Tie Downs

From \$49.00/month



**Brackett Field Airport**  
**(909-593-1395)**

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From \$260.56/month

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From \$463.85/month

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From \$831.67/month

**San Gabriel Valley Airport**  
**(626-448-6129)**

#### Tie Downs

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

## Airport Display Days

### **KPOC**

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

### **KCPM**

Every 1<sup>st</sup>  
Saturday and Sunday  
10AM-2PM

### **KEMT**

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

### **KWJF**

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

### **KWHP**

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday  
10AM-2PM