



Whiteman Airport Newsletter

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Whiteman Airport

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Standing Meetings/ Events

CAP Squadron 35

Every Wednesday
7:00 PM
CAP Trailer

Whiteman Airport Association

Every 3rd Thursday
7:00 PM
Administration Building

EAA Chapter 40

Every 3rd Saturday
9:30 AM

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



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From the Manager..

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Whiteman Airport hosts Santa Claus! On Saturday, December 15th, Whiteman Airport hosted a helicopter fly in for Santa Claus. The event was organization to benefit MEND, the poverty fighting organization that is based across the street from the Airport at the corner of San Fernando Rd and Pierce St. Every December MEND hosts a Christmas Basket Event at their facility when families in need from the community can come and receive toys and other goodies for their children. At this event the kids also get a chance to meet Santa, played by MEND volunteer Lou Marino (no relation to me!). This year through the generous donation of a Robinson 44 helicopter from Group3 Aviation based at VNY and the cooperation of our Towers guys, we were able to fly in Santa from the "North Pole" and over the MEND

building while all the families lined up outside to watch. The R44 did several circuits over the building, with the doors off, and children were able to see Santa Claus waiving down at them. After landing at WHP Santa was driven over to the facility in a beautiful classic red Cadillac convertible generously arranged (and driven by) WHP tenant Jon Carpenter. The kids were incredibly excited to see Santa and I heard more than one child marvel that Santa had flown all the way here from the North Pole in that "little white helicopter". It was a great event and thanks to all that helped make it happen!

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 February 21, 2013.

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.

Storm Water Season Reminder. Just as a reminder; we are still in the rainy season and although it's been a very dry winter so far, we must continue to 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!

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 explore the hangar spaces we currently have available!

PHOTO OF THE MONTH



: Santa Claus being driven across the street to the MEND charity organization after arriving by way of helicopter at WHP

Airport Display Days

KPOC

Every 3rd Sunday
10AM-2PM

KCPM

Every 1st
Saturday and Sunday
10AM-2PM

KEMT

Every 4th Sunday
9AM-1PM

KWJF

Every 2nd Saturday
All Day

KWHP

Every 2nd Sunday
10AM-2PM



Need Fuel?

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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310.752.0578

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@americanairports.net

Available for Lease

Whiteman Airport (818-896-5271)

Tie Downs

From \$96.00/month

T-Hangars

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 (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

Aviation Commission Meeting Calendar

February 27, 2013

10:00AM

Compton/Woodley Airport

March 7, 2013

10:00AM

Gen. William J. Fox Airfield

April 24, 2013

10:00AM

Whiteman Airport

May 29, 2013

7:00PM

El Monte Airport

June 26, 2013

7:00PM

Brackett Field Airport

Spotlight on:

Bonus Depreciation Extended

From NBAA.org

Bonus Depreciation
January 4, 2013

In general terms, Bonus Depreciation may allow aircraft owners to realize the depreciation benefits of an eligible asset more quickly. Aircraft owners are not entitled to more depreciation, but are allowed to obtain the benefits of depreciation more quickly. When available, Bonus Depreciation can be utilized by owners of many capital assets and is not an aviation specific benefit.

The Small Business Act of 2010 contained provisions that extended Bonus Depreciation through the end of 2010. Under the Act, 50%

of the cost of Bonus Depreciation eligible property could be deducted in the year the property is acquired. The remaining 50% of the cost or "basis" remains eligible for depreciation in future years according to normal depreciation rules.

Congress also passed the Tax Relief, Unemployment Insurance Reauthorization and Job Creation Act of 2010 - which allowed businesses 100-percent accelerated, or "bonus" depreciation of investments in capital assets, including new aircraft, through December 31, 2011, retroactive from September 8, 2010. The legislation also provided for a Bonus Depreciation allowance of 50% during 2012.

The American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012, signed into law on January 2, 2013, further extends 50% bonus depreciation through the end of 2013. In general this means that new business aircraft purchased in 2013 are eligible to qualify for 50% Bonus Depreciation. If there is a written binding contract in place to purchase the aircraft by December 31, 2013 and the aircraft qualifies as "Certain Aircraft" or "Long Production Period" as defined in the Internal Revenue Code, the aircraft can be placed in service during 2014 and still qualify for 50% Bonus Depreciation.

More information can be found at www.nbaa.org.