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A Newsletter for the Patrons of the Chandler Municipal Airport

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From the Office

TENANT RECORDS UPDATE

A big thank you to all the tenants that have already turned in the Tenant Record Update form! The response has been great and is very much appreciated. For those tenants who have not yet submitted their forms, please take a moment to do so. You can pick one up from the front office when you stop by for a visit.

AIRPORT MASTER PLAN UPDATE

The Airport is currently conducting a Master Planning Study. The inventory and projections portion of the study are now complete, and the study will now begin to focus on planning alternatives for the future growth and development of the airport. If you are interested in learning more about this study, the next planned public meeting will be held on August 9 starting at 6 pm in the terminal. It will start with an informational workshop where the consultant will be available to answer your questions on a one-to-one basis. The meeting will wrap up with a formal presentation and question/answer session. A synopsis of work on the plan to date is available on the Internet at the consultant's website: www.wilbursmith.com/chandler. You may contact airport administration for more information at (480) 782-3540.

GOT AIRWORTHINESS?

As hard as it to believe, we've reached 100% capacity on the tiedown ramps with a wait list for these spots – even in the summer months. The list will likely grow even more when the cooler months arrive. Plans are developed for additional apron, but the construction is dependent upon grant funding, which has not yet materialized.

This unusual condition has forced us to re-evaluate our policy for aircraft storage. For those of our tenants with non-airworthy aircraft (no engines, propellers, flat tires, etc.) we need you to begin making plans for an alternate storage location for these aircraft. We will begin contacting the owners of the aircraft we feel do not meet the FAA's airworthiness criteria. We will need to see a current airworthiness certificate and proof of a current annual on the aircraft for it to remain at Chandler Municipal Airport.

From The Field

WHAT'S HAPPENING

There are lots of things happening on and around the airport. Several airpark projects are now under development outside the fence. Some of these projects may include future through the fence access into the airport. We have two executive hangar projects under construction inside the fence. These are both on Airport Boulevard. Please bear with us during construction. Due to space constraints, impact on taxiing aircraft, noise and dust for neighboring hangars have been a challenge. If you have any problems relating to either of these projects, please contact airport operations at (480) 782-3544.

PAVEMENT MAINTENANCE PROJECT

We are expecting a major pavement maintenance project to begin at CHD in about October. This project will be 90% funded by the Arizona Department of Transportation, Aeronautics Division, with 10% funding from the city. Virtually all of the paved surfaces at CHD will receive crack sealant, a slurry seal, and new markings. Taxi lanes serving FBOs will receive a pavement overlay, as well as the City T-hangar taxilanes. It will be necessary to re-locate aircraft on the city tie down ramps in stages, during this project. Airport operations will be in contact with aircraft owners to coordinate aircraft locations in the coming weeks. For owners of aircraft that are not airworthy, reference the comments in the previous column. We need to have you relocate your aircraft prior to this project.

DEVELOPMENT AT NEW HELIPORT

Quantum Helicopters will start their helicopter operations at the new Heliport beginning the first of August. They will be fully moved into their new facility also in August. The facility will include a 14,000+ square foot hangar, and 8000 square feet of office space.



Change of Address?

Chandler • Arizona Please advise airport staff of any change of address, telephone number, or change of aircraft "N" number in your leased premises. Besides meeting the terms of your lease, keeping airport staff current on these changes will help us help you. If you experience any problems here at the airport, please contact airport operations at
(480) 782-3544 or (480) 540-9991

Question of the Month

- Q.** What year did Giuseppe Bellanca build his first airplane?
- A.** In 1912. The engine was in front and the tail in the back, contrary to the popular design back then - although today, this is the norm.

From The Tower

SEVERE WEATHER

A dust storm moves in from the east/southeast stretching across the desert horizon. Large cauliflower-like clouds are forming in the skies above the valley and winds are beginning to sustain themselves at 20-knots and greater. VIRGA is seen throughout the skyline and sudden wind shears on final while attempting to land. These are just a few "hazards-to-aviation" known as severe weather phenomena.

During this time of year known as the "Monsoon Season", this phenomenon can occur at anytime and last for the entire day or be of short-duration in length. In any event, this can be and is extremely hazardous to aircraft safety and should be avoided at all times. When this weather is occurring, tower personnel are receiving constant updates, putting out new ATIS broadcasts and trying to keep you, the flying community, advised as best as possible.

So before you go flying throughout the Valley or for just a little hop around the pattern, make sure that you have the correct ATIS broadcast and check with the Prescott Flight Service Station for any severe weather advisories that may be in effect. Also while you're out there flying around, be sure to remain vigilant for hazardous weather not previously reported, listen up on the frequencies for any updates, and be aware that the landing/departing runways can change in a moments notice.

As the saying goes --- "Don't mess with Mother Nature" --- as she can sure put out a lot of damage in a very short period of time especially if you are not being alert and flying "safe".

HAVE A GREAT FLYIN' SUMMER!



GENERAL INFORMATION

The Chandler Airport Commission usually meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the terminal building conference room. The agenda is posted outside of the City Clerks office located on the second floor of the Chandler Office Center and the Airport Administrative offices in the Terminal Building. All tenants and patrons are invited to attend.

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