

THE CHANDLER FLYER

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From the Office

Based Aircraft Reporting

Recently the airport has been required by both the FAA and the AZ Dept of Transportation (ADOT) to report all based aircraft on the field. As this reporting is a requirement of these agencies, it is now through the lease, a requirement of all airport tenants to report their based aircraft to the airport. All airport leases have statements that require compliance with all City, federal and state laws, rules and regulations or other requirements of those entities. Reporting based aircraft will meet that requirement.

To insure you are in compliance with your lease agreement, please contact the airport administrative office to make sure we have the correct aircraft registration information on file. The minimum information required is the **tail number**, and the **make** and **model** of any aircraft that stays at the airport for a majority of the year.

Since all hangars and tie downs are required to be used for aircraft storage, a response is expected from all aircraft storage unit occupants on the airport. This includes City and private storage units. Some of the responses may be there is a "project" aircraft under construction in a storage unit. That's an acceptable reply. That lets us know that a particular storage unit doesn't have an aircraft that we should be reporting to FAA or ADOT. Of course, we want you to be moving that project along so we have an airworthy aircraft in that storage facility. So do keep the project moving and let us know when it is more than a "work in progress".

Many of the City leases originally listed an aircraft at the beginning of the lease, but we realize things change through time. Help us to help you meet the terms of your agreements by providing accurate and up to date based aircraft information. Please, feel free to take this same opportunity to update any other information on your lease space, such as contact information, address changes etc...

For our month-to-month lease tenants that utilize automatic payments, please check to make sure you are set up to pay the correct amount. There was a correction to the monthly amount charged a couple of months ago.

Remember: If you experience any problems here at the airport, please contact airport operations at:

(480) 782-3544 or (480) 540-9991

From The Field

Parking Confusion

Aircraft parking has become an issue lately. If you come back from flying and find someone has parked in your spot, please park in the transient parking and let us know your spot has been occupied rather than park in your neighbors spot. This way we can work together to correct the parking situation. Otherwise we can end up with a domino effect with no one parked in the right spot. We appreciate your cooperation.

Hangar Inspections

Hangar inspections are just around the corner. The plan calls for commencing the inspections the week of September 1, 2007. Hangar tenants should expect to see a notification letter in the mail soon. As with the previous hangar inspections, we appreciate your cooperation. To make things a little easier on everyone, you may call to set up a date for your hangar inspection. Please call Tim Garton at 480-782-3544 for an inspection appointment.

Security is for Everyone!

Security is something everyone needs to be aware of. The Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA) provides the following list of things to keep in mind and look out for:

- Anyone trying to access an aircraft through force – without keys, using a crowbar or screwdriver
- Anyone unfamiliar with aviation procedures trying to check out an aircraft.
- Anyone who misuses aviation lingo – or seems too eager to use all the lingo.
- People or groups determined to keep to themselves.
- Anyone who appears to be just loitering, with no specific reason for being there.
- Out-of-the-ordinary videotaping of aircraft or hangars.
- Dangerous cargo or loads – explosives, chemicals, openly displayed weapons – being loaded into an aircraft.
- Anything that strikes you as wrong – listen to your "gut" instinct, and then follow through.
- Pay special attention to height, weight, and the individual's clothing or other identifiable traits.

If you notice someone on or around the airport that you don't recognize, and something just doesn't seem right, don't take chances ...

Call Chandler Police at 911.

"FLY QUIET PROGRAM"

Helicopters – Working to “Fly Neighborly”

The helicopter community has for years followed a voluntary noise reduction program called the “Fly Neighborly Program”. It is a voluntary noise reduction program that was designed for implementation on a worldwide basis by helicopter operators, both large and small. The program includes all types of civil, military, and government helicopter operators. Its inception is an excellent example of an industry taking a proactive approach to a problem.

Prior to the fall of 1981, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) was considering a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) on helicopter noise. The FAA working in concert with the helicopter industry agreed to postpone the NPRM while technical data was acquired, with the understanding that the helicopter industry would implement a voluntary noise reduction program.

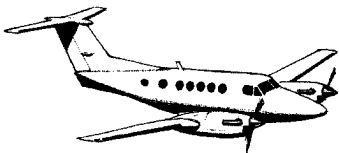
The Helicopter Association International (HAI) Fly Neighborly Committee, composed of members of HAI, the FAA, military, and other associations, launched the “Fly Neighborly Program” in 1982. It has since gained international acceptance. In the United States, the program has gained the full support of helicopter operators, regional associations, manufacturers, pilots, and communities throughout the country. Federal, state, and local government agencies have embraced the program and taken an active part in sponsoring Fly Neighborly presentations in conjunction with safety seminars and other activities. Worldwide, the helicopter industry and its related communities are being informed about the Fly Neighborly Program.

The “Fly Neighborly Program” was created to preclude federal helicopter noise regulation. Today and some 25 years later, the program has worked well. While there will always be noise impacts from helicopter overflight, the elements of the program help to lessen those impacts. The key to its success has been and still is, the adherence to the programs precepts. Airport staff and the helicopter operators work together to maintain implementation of the “Fly Neighborly Program”.

Regarding helicopter activity, the public commonly asks:

- How is technology advancing to make helicopters quieter?
- When will this technology be in daily use?

Clearly, new technology is creating quieter, more advanced equipment every day, and this equipment will eventually be commercially available. Until then, the “Fly Neighborly Program” offers the technical information necessary for helicopter operators to use current equipment as quietly as practical, and to communicate to the public their efforts to make helicopter operations compatible with nearly all land uses.



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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