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WHAT'S UP? BEFORE THE AIRCRAFT PREFLIGHT CHECKLIST

The sequence of flight preparation usually involves a weather briefing and en route flight planning. Often the first checklist is the aircraft Preflight checklist, followed by the Before start checklist. But before the aircraft Preflight checklist there are several things that need to be considered before heading out to the airplane.

Preflight Action, FAR 91.103, requires: Each pilot in command shall, before beginning a flight, become familiar with all available information concerning that flight. This information must include—(a) For a flight under IFR or a flight not in the vicinity of an airport, weather reports and forecasts, fuel requirements, alternatives available if the planned flight cannot be completed, and any known traffic delays of which the pilot in command has been advised by ATC; (b) For any flight, runway lengths at airports of intended use, and the following takeoff and landing distance information: (1) For civil aircraft for which an approved Airplane or Rotorcraft Flight Manual containing takeoff and landing distance data is required, the takeoff and landing distance data contained therein; and (2) For civil aircraft other than those specified in paragraph (b)(1) of this section, other reliable information appropriate to the aircraft, relating to aircraft performance under expected values of airport elevation and runway slope, aircraft gross weight, and wind and temperature.

The brief, opening paragraph of that regulation contains three words that summarize those actions. "All available information." That simple phrase in the opening paragraph has tremendous implications—pilot, passengers, airplane, and environment. Don't wait until taxiing out to consider these items. Put together a Pre-Engine Start checklist, including such items as:

- Obtain and use aircraft diagrams. Do not try to taxi without reviewing and understanding the taxi routes.
- Passenger briefing before getting in the aircraft. Encourage passengers to have their "eyes out" when taxiing.
- Remember to have a "heads up" policy when taxiing.
- Review the "IM SAFE" Checklist: Check for Illness, Medications, Stress, Alcohol within 24 hours, Fatigue or Eating/Emotion.
- Check for Hazardous Attitudes: Anti-authority, Impulsivity, Invulnerability, Macho, or Resignation. Get-Home-Itis?
- Must you always use current navigation charts? If you don't have current charts, you don't have all available information.

Don't taxi in close quarters, especially at night. Shut down the aircraft and use the towbar. In fact, any time in doubt, STOP. Always have a plan and situational awareness.

Whether you're going on a local VFR flight to your airport's practice area or you're flying IFR all the way across the country, you must have a plan or you can't do what the regulations require. The letters in the word plan itself can serve as a checklist for you. Plan every flight you take. Think through it from beginning to end, reviewing everything you will do. Learn more about every flight than you think you need to know. Always leave yourself an out. Have a backup plan and don't go where you have no options. Never take anything for granted. Check and double-check.

2019 WAS A BUSY YEAR!!!

Last year Long Beach Flying Club, Flight Academy and Air Charter flew over 11,000 hours!

Reported to the front desk: Forty-one students soloed, eleven students completed their solo cross-country, twenty-eight students received their private pilot licenses and fifteen pilots achieved an instrument rating. Fifteen pilots achieved a single-engine commercial license and ten pilots achieved a multi-engine commercial license. Two pilots who achieved their CFI rating and one pilot earned their CFII rating.

Club pilots and alumni reported successes on the next step of their careers:

- 3 pilots were hired on at Regional Airlines as First Officers.
- 3 pilots got hired as First Officers at a major Air Carrier.
- 1 pilot was hired as a Captain at a Part 135 charter company.

CONGRATULATIONS to CFI of the Year: RICHARD GARNETT, the CFI of the Month who logged the most hours of dual given in club aircraft for all of 2019. Runner-ups were VICKY LIU and AXEL SEIXAS!!!

The TOP GUN of the YEAR AWARD goes to HANSEUNG LEE, the Top Gun of the Month who logged the most flight hours renting club aircraft in 2019. Runner-ups were DAYGUN LEE and TIEN NGUYEN!!!

All our flight instructors and pilots were very, very busy in 2019 and we look forward to a productive and industrious New Year 2020!

FLYING PHOENIX

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29, 2020
6:30 pm to 7:30 pm**

This will be a story about working towards being the safest pilot, but even when doing everything right, sometimes life takes an unexpected turn. Come take an educational journey and see how one goes through a very unique flight training experience, achieves goals never thought could be accomplished, gets very close to death from an aircraft accident, and how the recovery turns in to a flying Phoenix.

Speaker: Ryan Davis

Location: Long Beach Flying Club
Everyone Welcome to Attend
Donations Accepted at the Door

MINI ROUTE — UPDATE

The Mini Route, the lowest altitude LAX Bravo airspace VFR transition route, has not been available for quite some time.

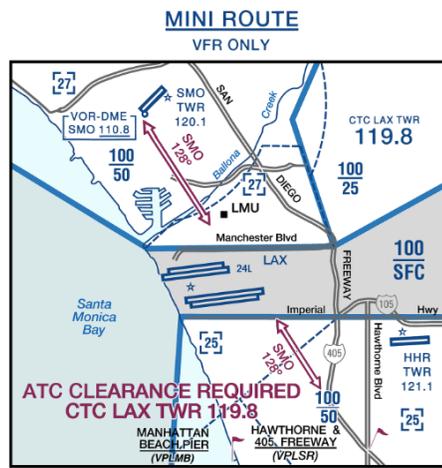
LBFC has recently received news that the Mini Route will now be available on a part-time basis, dependent upon LAX tower staffing.

The Mini route connects the Santa Monica airport and the Hawthorne airport.

When flying northwestbound (toward Santa Monica) pilots must stay clear of Class Bravo airspace (the floor is at the surface in the vicinity of Los Angeles International Airport [LAX]) until an ATC clearance is received. Clearances are obtained by speaking with Hawthorne Tower

When flying southeastbound, contact Santa Monica tower. Note: Departing Santa Monica in a climbing left turn directly to Loyola College (LMU) for entry into the Mini route at 2,500 feet is marginal for the typical trainer. With takeoff clearance, an SMO tower local controller will normally request you fly to the shoreline and then make a right turn around to LMU to ensure you will be at 2,500 feet at LMU for crossing LAX.

When a clearance is required and those towers are closed, contact LAX Tower on 119.1. This route is flown at 2,500 feet msl.



NEW & REJOINED CLUB PILOTS!



- DAVID WHITE
- RHYS HARDIN
- DAE HONG
- RYAN CROMPTON
- TAE HONG
- MICHAEL SAWYER
- JAMARI WILLIAMS
- JASON PANZARINO
- HOVIK KHACHEKIAN
- BEN TILKIN

CONGRATS to RICHARD GARNETT, top CLUB CFI for December, logging the most hours of dual given in club aircraft! Runners-up were JESSE BELTRAN and VICKY LIU!!!

TOP GUN AWARD goes to HEATER CHANG for logging the most flight hours in club aircraft in December! Runners up were AMY YANG and ANNA VICTORIA BARRIOS!!!

EMAILED: “Merry Christmas and Happy New Year 2020. Your student Kelvin Kapya was last week promoted to Full Captain, with Coastal Aviation Services Ltd., Tanzania”. Congratulations, KELVIN!

REMINDER – Check the renewal date as printed on the front of your airport badge. If your badge expires, the airport sends us a bill for \$200. It is impossible for us to track your badge expiration date since it varies based on the date the badge is picked up from the badging office. Don't let those badges expire!

NOTAM: Club pilots wishing to submit articles for our monthly newsletter are greatly appreciated! Thank you Bob Hartunian for the Big Bear Airport update!

QUEEN MARY STADIUM TFR

Last month I was on a rant about the Stadium TFR that sprouted up on the December Edition of the LA Terminal Area Chart at the Queen Mary. I was not able to find out how it got there but I think it's a safe assumption that the annual Grand Prix each May is the cause. I believe Notam 7/4319, the “Stadium TFR NOTAM,” will be published when the TFR is in force:

Operations are prohibited except as specified below within an area defined as: 3 nm radius of a qualifying stadium or other sporting venue hosting a qualifying event up to and including 3000ft agl. Qualifying locations and events are defined as any stadium or other sporting venue having a seating capacity of 30,000 or more where: 1) a regular or post season major league baseball, national football for select league, or NCAA division one football game is occurring; or 2) a nascar cup, indy car, or champ Series race is occurring, excluding qualifying and pre-race events. This flight prohibition is in effect one hour before the scheduled start until one hour after the end of a qualifying event.

On the Los Angeles Terminal Area chart, there are currently five other locations where the Stadium TFR NOTAM may be issued: Rose Bowl, LA Coliseum, Anaheim Stadium, Dodger Stadium and California Speedway.

CLUB RULES AND REGULATIONS UPDATED

Badge deposits and charges have been updated to omit the credit card rate.

Badge - airport rebadging	\$ 10
Badge - initial/renewal fee	\$ 35
Badge - first time lost fee	\$150
Badge - second time lost fee	\$200
Badge - third time lost fee	\$250
Badge - deposit	\$200



BEST SQUAWK IN A LONG TIME:

Heading indicator failed (attitude indicator and vacuum pump still work).

Thank you!!!

BIG BEAR AIRPORT UPDATE

SUBMITTED BY BOB HARTUNIAN, BIG BEAR-BASED PILOT/CORRESPONDENT

The airport at Big Bear, L35, has a policy of immediate runway snow removal as top priority after we get winter storms.

The Maintenance crews are out during the night plowing and blowing snow to keep the runway open should there be a community emergency like earthquake or medical issues. Big Bear has some of the largest and most capable airport snow removal equipment in California and they know how to use it effectively. After the runway and taxiways are opened, the crew addresses the hangar access for local tenants. At Thanksgiving, we received 3' of snow and we were back in full operation in 2 days.

And we will have charter flights thru Float Airlines from Long Beach and Santa Monica scheduled to start in 2020, direct to Big Bear.

Happy New Year

2020!



HAPPY JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

- JOHN CAMPBELL
- THOMAS CAMPBELL
- DENNIS CHANG
- JEFF CLEMENT
- PAUL CLEVINGER
- JIBBY DIRKSE
- THOMAS GAEBEL
- IVAN GALVAN
- GRAEME HATZKILSON
- ALEXANDER JONES
- ROBERT KASSOUF
- GENISHA MACPHERSON
- MICHAEL MAGDALENO
- KEVIN NGUYEN
- TIEN NGUYEN
- ALLEGRA PATTERSON
- TEDDY PHU THANH DANH
- ANDREW PLUMA
- REBECCA ROSSINI
- CHRIS ROTH
- ALEJANDRO SOBERANES
- DONALD SWETT
- SHEENA TEMPLO
- RITCHIE THORUP
- RYAN TRAN
- PRAVESH UDHWANI
- BRIAN WATERS
- ROBERT WEEBE
- BRITTANY WEST
- DARREN WONG
- DARYL YAMBAO