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EDITORIAL WHAT'S UP? NATIONAL PILOT ALERT, YOUR HELP IS NEEDED:

SOUNDS FAMILIAR, ONLY WORSE: Much like the enhanced Class B we lived under for many months in 2001, here's an excerpt of the operating instructions for the proposed permanent Washington, DC ADIZ: "The operator must apply for and receive a tentative reservation from the FAA for a slot for each flight into and out of DCA. These slots will be given on a first come-first served basis. Upon receiving the tentative slot reservation, the operator must submit to TSA a request for a DCA flight authorization. Operators must submit this request to the TSA at least 24 hours in advance of the aircraft departure. Upon successful review by TSA, the TSA will communicate its approval to the FAA for the confirmation of the slot reservation. Once FAA finalizes the reservation, the TSA will notify the aircraft operator.' On top of all this, passenger names must be submitted and, if any change, the entire process must restart. DCA can't be expected to live/fly like that. But if it can happen there, it can happen here. Let your opinion be known. Submit your comments to the NPRM Before the February 6, 2006 deadline. Mail to: Docket Management Facility, Docket No. 2004-17005, U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh St. SW, Washington, DC, 20590, or fax to 202/493-2251. Or, a petition is available at the club and we'll do the sending for you.

SPECIAL HOLIDAY OFFER! Purchase \$100 or more in gift certificates before December 31, 2005 and, for each \$100, receive a coupon for 15% off a pilot supply item purchased from January 1, 2006 to February 28, 2006.

HANK SMITH reports: "To learn more about weather, visit the web at www.aopa.org/asf." The AOPA Air Safety Foundation course, **WeatherWise: Ceiling and Visibility** will give you tools to cope with two of the most challenging weather phenomena known to pilots. Many pilots don't realize that low ceilings and restricted visibilities are aviation's most deadly killers. With a little knowledge, you can minimize the risk these conditions pose. Satisfactory completion of this program fulfills the seminar attendance requirement for the FAA Wings Program. Completion of the course takes approximately 60 minutes. If you registered, your course progress is automatically saved. You may close the course and resume at a later time exactly where you left off.

The FAA's Pilot Proficiency Award Program, WINGS, is "designed to make you a better pilot and enhance the overall safety record through comprehensive, periodic and enjoyable recurrent training." Each phase has two components: a *safety seminar component* and a *flight-training component*. Completing a phase of the FAA WINGS Program can take the place of a Flight Review (described in FAR 61.56(e)) if the pilot has satisfactorily completed one or more phases in the previous 24 calendar months. Your Flight Review date will be the date you completed your WINGS training..

Pilots can complete an FAA WINGS phase in three easy steps: (1) Earn Safety Seminar Credit (often referred to as the "ground" requirement). To use **WeatherWise** to satisfy this step, simply print out your online course completion certificate at the end of the course to serve as proof of completion. (2) Complete the FAA prescribed flight training: one hour of flight training to include basic airplane control, stalls, turns, and other maneuvers directed toward mastery of the airplane; one hour of flight training to include approaches, takeoffs, and landings, including crosswind, soft field, and short field techniques and one hour of instrument training in an airplane, FAA-approved aircraft simulator, or training device.) The flight-training portion of the FAA WINGS program is documented on a FAA WINGS card (available at the FSDO or www.aopa.org). You must also obtain a logbook endorsement to document the WINGS flight training from the flight instructor who gave you the instruction. (3) Simply mail your completed FAA WINGS card and a copy of your online course completion certificate to your local Flight Standards District Office (FSDO).

The safety seminar and flight training portions for each phase must be completed within a 12-calendar month period. After completing a phase, pilots may begin working on the requirements of the next phase at any time; however, one (1) year must pass between the date of

completion of the previous phase and the date of application for the next phase.

O COME ALL YE PILOTS! HAPPY HOLIDAYS BUFFET: Club pilots, family and friends are all invited to the Long Beach Flying Club & Flight Academy Christmas party on Thursday, December 15th from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM! We'll have all sorts of holiday treats! If you'd like to bring a dish for the potluck, call the club to get on the signup sheet. Come one, come all!

HELEN'S CORNER

Santa Monica Airport is now charging a landing fee of \$4.14 for most general aviation airplanes; the Seminole is higher. You may pay at the Administrative Office located by the restaurant, if you land on Monday thru Thursday between 0730 and 1730 and every other Friday from 0800 and 1700. If you land at other times, there are payment envelopes and a payment box in the lobby. Indicate on the envelope: date, time, N number and "Landing Fee" clearly written. They accept cash or check; no credit cards.

Currency is important for everyone. When you are working on an additional license, don't forget that you periodically need some solo time. Student pilots need to have received dual within the previous 2-weeks before being endorsed for solo flight. Student pilots also must have soloed within the previous 2-weeks before a solo cross-country flight. This is a good guide to use before taking a practical test whether you are a student pilot or working to obtain your IFR license. If you are timid about performing stalls, ask your CFI for some spin training. We have three airplanes we use for spin training and your CFI will be happy to accommodate you.

A Study Guide is necessary before taking your Practical Test (Check ride). All instructors have been notified that their students for 141 will read the "ASA Oral Exam Guide" a minimum of two times before an End of Course evaluation with the Chief Instructor. If you are an instrument student, you should also review the Introduction Section in Jeppesen a minimum of two times. Prior to your appointment with a Designated Pilot Examiner the above material should have been read three to four times. This is good advice for all students.

Late with airplane means you are not in the dispatch office at the end of your reserved time. This does not mean that you are just arriving on the ramp. Tying down an airplane & walking into the office from the west ramp takes approximately 15-minutes, and then the airplane must be refueled. Please be considerate of other pilots & return 15-minutes early. This means that if you are in the practice area start returning 30-minutes before the end of your time. Allow for being extended to the 605 freeway also which seems to be a common occurrence anymore. Please be considerate of your fellow pilots.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

SUTHIWAT SUPINA	PRIVATE	C152	CFI JOEY ROEHRICH
JOHN BERG	PRIVATE	C152	CFI RICHARD GARNETT
DEOVANIS RUIDIAZ	INSTRUMENT	WARRIOR	CFI RICHARD GARNETT
ANDREW BRESINI	INSTRUMENT	WARRIOR	CFI JOEY ROEHRICH
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Congratulations to alumni PATRICK SHORT, who has left Mesa and is now at Air Tran Airway flying as captain in the ERJ EMB 145!

CONGRATS to RICHARD GARNETT, top **CLUB CFI** for November, logging the most hours of dual given in club aircraft! Runner-ups were BRIAN WATERS and HARRY LEICHER!

TOP GUN AWARD goes to JOHN HUTHMAKER, logging the most flight hours in club aircraft in November. Runner-ups were ARJUNA SOMARAINA and DEOVANIS RUIDIAZ!

WX-BRIEF?

Got a reminder/note from a friend and I've also checked it out regarding Lockheed Martin taking over the flight service stations and how it affects us here in SoCal.

Have you noticed that when you call 1-800-WX-BRIEF that you often get Prescott FSS instead of Hawthorne FSS? I talked with a briefer tonight and she said she was the only one there, so when you call and the line is busy you will be routed to Prescott.

Prescott doesn't have the same recordings for So Cal weather that Hawthorne does, and they're not as familiar yet with the So Cal weather. If you use the tape recordings a lot, call 1-866-879-8252 to get directly into Hawthorne FSS, for the recordings and a briefer.

Hawthorne FSS and Riverside FSS are being phased out and will close in April 2006. Hate to see them go! Hopefully in April, Prescott will have separate recordings for So Cal weather. - Jackie

QUIZ: TRUE OR FALSE?

The two conditions necessary for the formation of in-flight structural ice are the presence of visible moisture and a temperature at the collecting surface that is at or below freezing. If you answered "true" you are correct. The two conditions necessary for the formation of in-flight structural ice are the presence of visible moisture and a temperature at or below freezing at the point where the moisture strikes the aircraft.

- a. Aerodynamic cooling can lower the temperature of an airfoil to zero degrees Celsius even though the ambient temperature is above freezing. Therefore, the outside air temperature gauge in the cockpit may not be an accurate predictor of icing.
- b. Ice is extremely difficult to forecast accurately, so a forecast that does not include icing should not be relied upon when atmospheric conditions of cold temperatures and high humidity exist.

PIREPS provide the best information about the presence of ice on a real-time basis. In-flight structural icing affects aircraft performance negatively in four ways:

- Ice, especially clear ice, can change the shape of an airfoil, thereby reducing lift.
- Ice of any type increases the weight of the aircraft.
- Ice on aircraft surfaces increases drag.
- Ice on the propeller blades reduces blade efficiency, thereby reducing

NOTAM: Club pilots wishing to write safety articles for our monthly newsletters would be greatly appreciated! Many thanks to HELEN CRANZ, HANK SMITH and JACKIE FORSTING for the help with this newsletter!

NOTAM: FLIGHT TRAINING FINANCING OPTION NOW AVAILABLE Check out www.pilotfinancing.com or pick up a Pilot Financing application at the club. Interest rates are currently 13.95%.

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NOTAM: LONG BEACH AIRPORT ASSOCIATION NEEDS YOU! LBAA applications are available at the club. We need your support -- all LBAA membership fees go to printing costs of the quarterly newsletter and protecting General Aviation rights at Long Beach Airport. Long Beach Airport Association dues donations are TAX DEDUCTIBLE so sign up today!!!

CHRISTMAS GIFT IDEA -- give the gift of flight -- a Long Beach Flying Club gift certificate fits perfectly in that holiday stocking! If the stocking is big enough, a LBFC logo baseball cap, visor or mug will also be great for the pilot in your family. Come by and checkout our LBFC logo shirts - polo shirts, sweatshirts and tee-shirts, along with a host of aviation books, charts, aviation-themed Christmas tree ornaments, clocks ... you name it!

MANY THANKS to REED NOVISOFF all the other pilots that helped make Operation Christmas Child such a success!

LOANER CD AVAILABLE: Check out the "UPS AND DOWNS OF TAKEOFF AND LANDINGS" by the AOPA Air Safety Foundation. Topics include short and soft field operations, crosswind operations, climbout performance, night operations, POH performance specifications, and how density altitude can leave your aircraft breathless. Run time: 65 minutes.

HELICOPTER VFR CHART now available in the pilot supply shop. See how the other half lives - plus greater documentation on the ground references in the LA basin.

HOLIDAY AND WINTER OFFICE HOURS

Hours Open	Date	Holiday
8:30 AM to 2 PM	Saturday, December 24, 2005	Christmas Eve
Closed	Sunday, December 25, 2005	Christmas Day
8:30 AM to 2 PM	Saturday, December 31, 2005	New Year's Eve
Closed	Sunday, January 1, 2006	New Year's Day

Calendar

December 15: COME TO THE CLUB CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY BUFFET -- 1:00 here at LBFC

December 17: SMO DC3 EVENT from 12:30 PM TO 6:30 PM, See Below, or www.santamoniacdc3.com.

January 25: The Long Beach Flying Club and the Long Beach **Airport Association** General Membership Meeting will be held at the AirFlite facility on Taxiway Bravo at the end of Wardlow Road. A buffet will be served beginning at 6:30 PM with the program beginning at 7:00 PM. Everybody is welcome to attend -- we hope to see you there -- sandwiches, fruit and dessert will be served! This meeting will count toward CFI credit for January.

SMO DC3 EVENT

December 17, 2005 - It's a Groundbreaking Ceremony and USO style Holiday Party at Santa Monica Airport! Hearken back to the nostalgic era of the 1940's...Big band music...waiters in era garb...Bogie and Bacall... Glenn Miller... and the unveiling of The Spirit of Santa Monica DC-3. Help commemorate the day, December 17, 1935, that the first DC3 took flight from what is now Santa Monica Airport and the aviation world was changed. Enjoy music, hor d' oeuvres, WWII planes, a 40's military camp and vintage jeeps and tanks. Celebrity guests include famed actor Cliff Robertson. The groundbreaking for The Spirit of Santa Monica DC-3 Monument Park, seventy years later, to the day, will reflect the admiration, respect and regard that thousands of people today still feel for this venerated plane.

Register: www.santamoniacdc3.com/reservations.

Admission \$50 suggested donation. The Museum of Flying is a 501 c (3) non-profit organization.

- 12:30 PM Vintage military area opens
- 1:30 PM DC-3 Fly-ins
- 2:00 PM Groundbreaking Ceremony & DC-3 formation fly over
- 2:45 PM Take a Sentimental Journey to Barker Hanger
- 3:00 PM The Party begins! The unveiling of the Spirit of Santa Monica
- 3:30 PM Sunset DC-3 flight Auction and Raffle - Climb aboard!
- 3:45 PM The Sounds of Glenn Miller
- 4:45 PM The Sunset DC-3 flight returns and the ceremony begins!
- 5:00~6:30 PM Music and dancing complete a Day to Remember!

NEW & REJOINED CLUB PILOTS	BIRTHDAYS
Aldolfo Flores	Joel Asmussen
Matthew Hein	Alan Baker
Dana Grindle-Blazer	Marvin Ballard
Dave Janko	Eduardo Burga
Jason Lee	Vincent Calderon
Efrain Gonzalez	Jess Cortez
Dawn Lewis	Williams Espino
Krystina Lewis	Tracey Ferguson
Roland Born	Paul Fox
Ryan Miller	Jermy Frew
Erich Fitscher	Tony Goetz
Andrew Bernardo	David Grupenhagen
Dave Grupenhagen	Jean Gurnee
Stewart Colyer	Charles Hicks
Mary Lou Johnson	Mary Johnson
Graeme Kimmel	Edmond Jonckheere
Henry Jenkins	Danny Lee
Todd Muscat	John Legge
	Krystina Lewis
	William MacDonald
	Andy Markarian
	Tomas Martinez
	Steven Michaels
	Dave Moore
	Jim Partin
	Leo Powell
	Ed Ratledge
	Ji Hoon Ryu
	Janet Schwartz
	Maxim Senin

<i>Seosamh Somers Matthew Van Gundy Charlie Zabinski</i>
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There are three ways to obtain the gift of flight:

1. Stop by and pick up a gift certificate during our office hours (8:30 am to 4:30 pm daily). You can purchase accessories to go with the gift certificate such as a visor, aviation mug or LBFC logo shirt.
2. We can send you a preprinted gift certificate for any denomination you wish -- just give us a call! We'll charge your credit card and get the gift certificate in the next out-going mail.
3. We can email you a gift certificate. Send us or call us with a credit card number to activate it for any denomination you wish. You will be given a Gift Certificate number to fill in at the bottom of your printout.

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