



Safety Committee Formed

On April 3, 2009 Wiley Post Administration held the first meeting of our newly formed Safety Committee. Members include representatives from the OKC Department of Airports, FBOs, flight schools, Wiley Post Tower, and the FAA. The committee's goal is to improve the safety and security of our airports by working as a team to identify and address potential problems. Some of the items discussed were airport traffic counts, incidents/accidents on the airfield, information on upcoming FFAST Team seminars, events being hosted on the airport, and construction updates. The committee meets the first Wednesday of each month and we feel that it is a great asset to the OKC airport system.

Operations Notes

Kristy Reed – GA Airport Operations Officer

Who can keep up with all of the construction going on! Staff would like to remind all of you that summer is the time of year for construction projects. Both airports are flying orange and white-checked flags. Please remember to ALWAYS check NOTAMs. Also, the maintenance crews are working hard to keep the grass mowed at both airports. Please stay alert and be aware of your environment when you are operating on either field. As always, if you need assistance please don't hesitate to contact me at 789-4061.

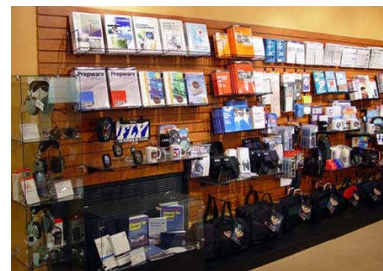
Spotlight On: Oklahoma Aviation

Congratulations go out to Oklahoma Aviation! The end of May they became an FAA Part 141 Approved Flight School. A Part 141 School must follow a very structured curriculum that has the approval of the local FAA Standards Office. The advantage to part 141 training is because of the structure, the FAA allows for a reduction in some of the hour requirements for various Certificates and Ratings. Thus reducing overall cost to the student. In addition, because Oklahoma Aviation is approved under Part 141 and the VA, they can now accept VA funding!



Oklahoma Aviation uses Cessna's Computer Based Instruction materials for their ground school and has a qualified, professional staff. They have a fleet of 5 aircraft: 2-Cessna 172R, and 3-Cessna 172SP (one of which is a 2008 model with AC and the Garmin G-1000 system!). They offer flight training for pilots seeking their single-engine private, or commercial certificate as well as the instrument rating. In addition, they offer \$89 Discovery Flights so for those of you that are AOPA "Project Pilot" mentors this might be an excellent option for you to usher in those prospective pilots.

They also have a well-stocked pilot supply shop. Carrying everything from headsets, and approach plates to aviation gifts. Stop by next time you are in need of supplies they will be glad to help you out.



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Construction Updates:

Wiley Post Construction:

Dirt, dirt, and more dirt!



Taxiway A-8 Infrastructure:

TJ Campbell is to be commended on their outstanding performance on the construction of the new hangar development area. The north end of the airport looks completely different. The infrastructure is coming along nicely. Phase I is expected to be completed by early fall.

Airport Management is taking names of parties interested in possible leasing hangar sites as well as developing covenants for the new development area.

For information please contact the General Aviation Manager at (405) 789-4061

Terminal Renovation Project:

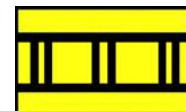
The terminal renovation is nearly completed and the Airport Management and staff would like to thank all of our tenants, especially those of you based in the terminal, for your patience during the construction process. We are awaiting the arrival of the new terminal furniture and a few other small jobs to complete the project. We anticipate completion by the end of August. Please come by and take a look at your newly renovated terminal.



Automated Airfield Lighting System:

Libra Electric has entered into a contract with the Oklahoma City Airport Trust to install a new automated airfield lighting system as well as lighted hold short and distance remaining signs on runway 17L/35R. The automated lighting portion of the project

will be funded through a \$600,000 stimulus project grant while the signage portion of the project will be funded by state grant. The project will break ground shortly and it will require the temporary closures of various taxiways and eventually the primary runway. We will make every effort to make the closures as minimum as possible for our airport users. Thank you in advance for your patience with us during procession as we endeavor to improve your airport and remember to check your NOTAMs.



ILS 35R:

The installation of the new ILS for Runway 35R is still moving forward. All of the equipment has been purchased and the environmental assessment has been completed and is being reviewed by the FAA. In addition, we are eagerly we are awaiting the completion of the Joint Participation Agreement with the FAA. Construction should begin soon.

C.E. Page Construction:

The reconstruction of Taxiway A-4 is scheduled to begin the first part of August. Nash construction has entered into a contract with Oklahoma City Airport Trust to provide the construction services for the project. The project will be completed in three phases and will begin with the construction of temporary taxilane extensions so our airport users and tenants will have access to the runways from the hangar area during construction.

Phase II is the reconstruction of Taxiway A-4 (taildraggers rejoice!) and construction of the new north/south taxilane on the east side of blocks 7 and 8.

Phase III will consist of removal of temporary taxilane extensions, fence reconstruction and clean up.

A pre-construction meeting will be held on August 3 at 10:00 a.m. at Mid-Continent Airmotive on C.E. Page Airport. We look forward to seeing you there.

NBAA Member Martha King Outlines Concerns Over TSA's

'LASP' Submitted by: Steve Hadley, NBAA, Regional Rep.

Washington, DC, July 15, 2009 - If the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) overlays the security regime for large airlines onto small aircraft, thousands of small and mid-size businesses would be stifled, with no tangible security benefit. That was the message delivered today to congressional lawmakers by Martha King, co-owner of King Schools, Inc., on behalf of her business and 8,000 other Member Companies with the National Business Aviation Association (NBAA). Page 3

Airport Photo

Anyone interested in sharing a new, old, or just interesting photo should submit your photo via email to kristy.reed@okc.gov by November 1, 2006.



*Aerial View of the new hangar area off Taxiway A-8 at PWA
Courtesy of Hal Harris – AirOne Flight Academy*

31st Annual Okie Derby:

The OKIE DERBY, sponsored by the Oklahoma Chapter 99s, is the world's longest running proficiency air rally. It is not only fun for pilots, but tests their piloting skill and their knowledge of the capabilities of the airplane they fly. August 14th & 15th, 2009 will be the 31st Annual OKIE DERBY.

This competition is open to all licensed pilots flying standard general aviation airplanes; each crew consist of a pilot and a navigator, the latter need not be a licensed pilot but must be at least 16.

The course (not to exceed 225 statute miles) is not revealed until a mandatory pilot briefing the evening prior to the rally. The entrants determine the amount of time it will take them to fly the course and the amount of fuel they will burn estimated to 0.1 gallon. This information is submitted the evening before the race.

Scores are determined by matching the actual performance in time and gasoline consumption against the time and fuel estimates.

Competitors enter from Texas, Kansas, Arkansas and Florida as well as all over Oklahoma. Collegiate teams provide keen competition to both veteran and first time racers.

King offered her assessment in testimony before a hearing held by a House security panel to discuss the TSA's controversial Large Aircraft Security Program (LASP).

"Since the events of 9/11, the general aviation community has been very proactive in developing and implementing a large number of workable and effective security measures. What general aviation operators seek, and America needs, are measures that do not represent a needless sacrifice in liberty without benefit to society," King testified.



"I believe general aviation security would be best enhanced by having the TSA establish a rulemaking committee to address the questions and concerns raised by industry and the public on the LASP," King said.

"This type of forum - often used by the FAA and other government agencies - has proven benefits. The freedom of movement of private citizens has always been one of our great American ideals," she concluded. We are confident that we can ensure security without sacrificing that ideal."

NBAA President and CEO Ed Bolen thanked King for her testimony, which provided a voice for the thousands of companies that could be drastically and negatively impacted by the TSA's proposed LASP.

For more on King's testimony and information on NBAA's advocacy efforts regarding LASP, visit www.nbaa.org/lasp. Contacts: Dan Hubbard, (202) 783-9360, dhubbard@nbaa.org Patrick Dunne, (202) 783-9263, pdunne@nbaa.org.

Oklahoma Pilot's Association:

The September 3 meeting of the Oklahoma Pilot's Association will be held in it's usual location – the C.E. Page Building on our very own Wiley Post Airport. The guest speaker this month is Brandon Chambers. He is a Meteorologist for KSBI-TV. He is currently a student at AirOne Flight Academy and is seeking his Private Pilot Rating.

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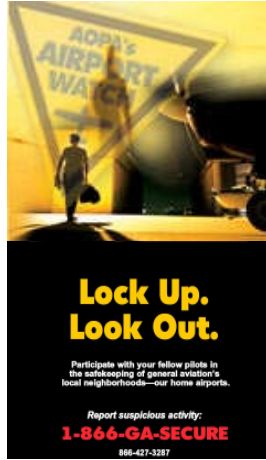
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One of OPAs most popular fly aways is coming up! Join them on September 12th at Gaston's White River Resort but make your reservations soon because this one fills up FAST!!! To sign up call or e-mail Danny Davis (990-5201 abadavis@sbcglobal.net), Bill Pappadopoulos (417-7876) or Roger Walton (219-5149 rwxact@yahoo.com)

Upcoming Events:

- OPA Meeting – August 6th
- OPA Fly Away Lake Murray – August 8th
- Okie Derby – August 15th
- FAA Airport Safety Seminar – August 29th
- OPA Meeting – September 3rd
- OPA Fly Away Gaston's – September 12th
- Challenge Air – September 26th

TO LIST YOUR UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE NEXT NEWSLETTER
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