



Deer Valley Pilots Association

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DVPA

Electronic Newsletter



DVPA News

Membership Picnic attendance record set, over 230 people attended 2007 event. Twenty new members joined, 274 renewed memberships. The event, sponsored by Complete Aviation Fuel Systems, Sibran Properties, and Air Petro Corporation, featured several speakers, Dan Olsen on DVT self-fuel, Jeanne Witwer FAA, aircraft displays, avionics systems display by Advantage Avionics, Dr. Crinian, AME, to answer medical questions, book signing with Sergei Sikorsky, door prizes and more.

Navajo Christmas Airlift, excellent weather prevailed for the Airlift. Twenty five aircraft packed full of clothes, toys, food, made the trip this 23rd consecutive year. DVPA members participated in this Blue Sky Flyers event. The Navajo people expressed their appreciation for the donations providing the pilots and passengers a warm welcome during the reception and gathering at RQE airport.

Holiday Treats, in the spirit of the Christmas season, we asked members to join in the support of this holiday project. Directors, members and wives, prepared trays of baked goods. Nine trays were prepared, decorated and delivered to DVT Airport Administration/Operations staffs, FAA Control Tower, Pan Am and others.

General Membership Meeting will be held February 21. Director positions are open. Nominations are being collected and will be voted on by the membership. Contact any director now if you are interested in serving on the Board. Plan now to attend this all important meeting.

News Around the Airport

Self-Serve Fuel, though it doesn't look like anything is happening since no soil has been broken, Dan Olsen, Sibran Properties has been quite busy preparing for opening day. All city contractual issues are resolved,



News Around the Airport, cont.

contract is signed. An address has been assigned to the location, this was holding up utilities work. Due to utilities and a large storm water drain at the location, quite a bit of redesign was needed to the layout and drainage plan plus a shift of the site 100' to the East. Tank and other major components will be ordered in early January. Dan expects paving work to occur in late February in conjunction with other pavement work being done. He has hired 2 individuals in Phoenix to be the on-site maintainers of the fuel system. Still targeting 2nd half of April for a grand opening.

South Ramp Reconstruction, project initiated to divert drainage from hangars and improve apron pavement. Work includes reconstruction of apron, replacement of surface features and electrical improvements. Phase 1 is currently underway, Phase 2 work tentatively to begin January 30 expected to complete March 3. Phase 2 schedule subject to change depending on progress of current Phase 1 construction. Phase 2, be prepared for relocation prior to actual listed start date. Once construction begins, no access will be permitted to that area until work is completed. Tenants in covered area must temporarily relocate to designated open tie down during construction. Those in a hangar have option to remain in their hangar or relocate. See map/schedule on DVPA web site. Questions posed by some tenants regarding potential rent credit. The City will evaluate timing of each phase of the project and decide after the completion of the entire project as to any possible rate adjustments. For additional info please contact Wendy Swanson at 602-273-2159.

Hangar Inspections, Cleanup Days commenced Wednesday, December 12. Three 40-yard dumpsters are positioned in convenient areas for your use to dispose of non-hazardous waste material. Inspections will begin at DVT on Wednesday, January 9, 2008.

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Hgr Insp. cont. The inspection teams will include two airport staff members, strive for fairness and be governed by: PHX Fire Code, the Aircraft Storage Permit and General Aviation Handbook. This newly revised handbook was provided to you in October 2007. Additional copies available at DVT Operations. Best tools to use to insure compliance are the "New GA Handbook and Guidelines" and your "Aircraft Storage Permit". Handbook and storage permit are on DVPA web site. Electrical modifications will be looked at closely. **Be certain the aircraft in your hangar is the one on record at administration.**

Runway 7R/25L mill/overlay project. After engineering review, this project will not take place as it is not necessary to increase pavement strengths to accommodate larger aircraft. DVT is in process of evaluating maintenance needs for runway and all taxiways. Planning on doing a microseal on these areas in the late spring or early summer.

Minimum Standards, move to formal approval process in February through the Phoenix Aviation Advisory Board and City Council for the fee adoption. The final draft is available for download at the web site www.deervalleyairport.com.

Corporate Hangar Area, the 20-acre unimproved RFP is on the street. The 2-acre parcels RFP for limited commercial activity (Charter/Management/Sublease) is expected out in January.

Hangar Wait List, a 2.9 year wait, up 0.2yr, 264 on list, for small hangars; for large, 6.2 years, up 1yr from last report, 153 on list. No covered tie-downs available.

Aircraft Registration, ADOT online renewal for 2008, easy and secure! Your renewal is just a click away at www.servicearizona.com. Click on EZ Aircraft Renewal, follow prompts – pay by credit card, your renewal and decal will arrive in the mail.

News From the Tower

DVT is expecting to have a substantial increase in larger corporate twins and jets Superbowl weekend; if you don't need to fly that weekend, probably good idea to stand down. DVT ATCT anticipates some extended operating hours on Saturday before the Superbowl and Sunday of the game. Unless ATCT receives an indication the preceding Friday night is going to be busy, they probably won't extend hours that night. SDL and GEU will have extended hours, watch for NOTAMS/TFR's and be particularly diligent if flying that weekend outside our normal hours.



Airport Safety and Security

NO tailgating thru ramp access gates! In or out, wait for gate to close completely. You are responsible for actions of anyone you allow onto the field.

Superbowl weekend plans in place to accommodate the customers coming to the event. Tenants will see increased security, including additional PD presence and TSA representatives on the field. Thursday thru Sunday gates 1 & 2 will be closed; on south side you must use gates 3 & 4. Any unusual activity during that week when we are extremely busy or anytime, report immediately to DVT Ops, 623-869-0975.

Mark your Calendar

Jan. 18 - 20, Beechcraft Pilot Proficiency Program (BPPP) hosted by Cutter Aviation, DVT. BPPP is the most effective model-specific pilot training available. Initial and recurrent courses designed especially for pilots of Beechcraft aircraft. Details at www.bppp.org.

Feb. 21, DVPA General Membership Mtg, nomination and election of Directors. Four director positions open, if interested in serving, contact any director.

Other News Items . . .

- DVPA Hospitality Hangar January 19th. Plans in the works, details to be announced.
- Access control project phase II, north side parking completed.
- Patio fence expansion now complete.
- DVPA shirts (\$15) ball caps (\$10) on sale at mtgs/events or contact any Director.
- Stuff for sale, post on website classifieds page. FREE for members.
- Web site address www.dvtpilot.com.

Monthly meetings held on 3rd Thursday of the month at 7pm at PanAm Flight School Bldg