

The WFC Flyer



October 15, 9:00AM, [Recognizing and Coping with Aircraft System Malfunctions](#), Mike Bjerga at Williamson Flying Club, Registration Required
October 18, 8&10:00PM, [Developing and Using Effective Checklists in ...](#), Gene Benson at Bright Spot, In Hilton NY, Registration not required.

Important Dates

General Meeting

October 13, 2011
7:00 PM Clubhouse

Board Meeting

November 3, 2011
7:00 PM Clubhouse

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From the President

The month of October brings about change in our club and at our airport.

Fall is upon us and the seasonal change is in full swing. Take advantage of the flying when conditions allow.

The search for a replacement Piper 140 continues

Jake DeGroot provided the Board of Directors with an overview of 140s that he's reviewed to date. His review did include two aircraft from our field. As I had stated last month, prior to placing the Cessna 150 on the open market, it was unanimously agreed upon by the Board to offer the sale of 62U to club members at an attractive price.

Change to the Airport Manager Position Description

What was originally stated as 30 hours per week within the Airport Manager Announcement released at the end of September was changed to; the airport manager shall spend at least 20 hours per week at the WFC Airport but will not be paid for more than 20 hours per week. The decision to make this change came about after a review of the proposed duties of the airport manager by the Board of Directors.

As stated in the Airport Manager Announcement, the Buildings and Grounds Committee Coordinator position is a post appointed by the President and will be handled after the selection process of the Airport Manager is resolved.

A call for volunteers

With the guidance from the Airport Manager and the Buildings and Grounds Coordinator acting as a catalyst (both to be announced later this month), many tasks around the airport call for the contributions of the many hands of volunteers to get things done. With many volunteers it becomes easier to achieve the tasks at hand. As many of you are well aware, some of those tasks include, mowing, plowing snow, building maintenance, electrical work, brush cutting, etc.

Two years ago, President Joe Ebert called out to the membership and stated that: "Over the last several years, the responsibility for doing this work has been falling onto the shoulders of fewer and fewer club members for longer periods of time." He then extended an invitation to all members to consider getting more involved in the day-to-day operations of the airport. I as your current President would like to reiterate this call to all members to get involved with maintenance operations around the airport.

Secretary's Note

It won't be long until lease renewal is upon all of the tenants in WFC's tie downs, open hangars and closed hangars. There will be a few revisions for the 2012 lease. These changes will accompany the new leases that will be sent in November.

We continue to have a waiting list for closed hangars. There are plenty of tie downs and open hangars available. We will be reaching out to nonmembers to lease these open spots – any member interested is asked to contact Bob Cournoyer soon. The updated waiting list is posted on the bulletin board and available on the web site.

ASTHMA

This is an inflammatory disease of the airways. It can be caused by an allergic component, infection as the result of the release of various factors (leukotriens, prostaglandins, etc). About 4% of Americans have this disease.

There are several types of asthma, lets talk about a few of them.

1. exercise induced asthma: after about 5-10 minutes of exercise the patient will start to cough, wheeze or feel shortness of breath.
2. cold induced asthma: brought on by exposure to cold
3. occupational asthma: triggered by exposure to various workplace substances. This can occur after an initial exposure or it may take years to develop.
4. cardiac asthma: results from congestive heart failure
5. drug induced: NSAIDS (motrin, aleve, etc), beta blockers, histamine, etc.

Symptoms: wheezing, cough, chest tightness and shortness of breath. These may occur as just one or two symptoms or all of them at the same time.

Treatment: if there is an allergic cause avoidance is the best treatment.

exercise induced asthma can be treated with an inhaler prior to exercise

In general asthma is treated with various inhalers. For more severe forms of asthma there are more powerful medications including steroids.

The FAA and Asthma: if the symptoms are mild or seasonal, your AME can issue your medical certificate.

If your symptoms are frequent or severe, your application will have to be deferred to the FAA for Special Issuance. You will need to submit a letter from your treating physician as to the history of your illness, name and dosage of medications and any side effects (or lack of such).

You will also need pulmonary function tests.

For the past 15 years Lance Merritt has carried out the duties of the Buildings and Grounds Committee Coordinator and for the past 4 years he has performed the additional task of Airport Manager. Lance has performed these duties and all of the other associated duties in an exemplary fashion.

Thank you Lance, for your dedication and a job well done.