

WFC Flyer

Williamson-Sodus Airport, new hangar, November 2004
(photo courtesy of Wes Summerville)

Important Dates:

General Meeting
October 13, 2016
7:00 pm, Clubhouse

Board Meeting
November 3, 2016
7:00 pm, Clubhouse

General Meeting
November 10, 2016
7:00 pm, Clubhouse

Welcome to the Club!

In September, we welcomed our newest member:

Grant Sackel

Williamson Flying Club

October 2016

From the President's Desk by Steve Murray

Airport noise has become an increasing issue with airports like ours. It is the direct result of poor or nonexistent planning for compatible land use. Reducing airport noise complaints and improving relationships with airport neighbors requires pilots and all airport users to do their part. AOPA has several articles on this problem and suggests that by "flying friendly" we will be able to avoid onerous local legislation and rule making.

There are many things that you can do as a pilot to reduce your noise footprint. These include:

- Being aware of noise-sensitive areas, especially residential

communities near airports

- Avoid flying low, especially at high power settings, over sensitive areas



- Avoid high rpm settings in the pattern
- On takeoff, climb at best angle of climb until you cross the airport threshold and then switch to best rate of climb
- Make a straight-ahead climb to 1000ft before making any turns

- If you want to practice night landings, please do them before most people's quiet hours which you should consider to start around 10:00 PM

Flying friendly does not mean flying in an unsafe manner, but it does ask that you consider your noise footprint and how it might affect other. Not every person loves plane noise, as strange as that might seem, so all I ask is that the next time you fly think about flying friendly.

Williamson Flying Club

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Cool Places To Fly by Chris Houston

Destination:

Arnold Palmer Regional Airport (KLBE), Latrobe, PA

Distance:

205 nautical miles

Why It's Cool:

Arnold Palmer Regional Airport is located in Latrobe, PA southeast of Pittsburgh. Latrobe is famously the home turf of golfing legend Arnold Palmer. Palmer grew up near the field, learned to fly there, and became such a tremendous advocate for general aviation that his hometown airport now proudly carries his name.

KLBE is a towered field in Class Delta airspace that boasts a 8222 foot long runway 05-23.

On exiting the runway at midfield on taxiway Delta, a ramp to the right was filled with private turbine aircraft. A ramp of transient piston aircraft was directly ahead. To the left was the commercial ramp. There are two FBOs on the field, L.J. Aviation and Vee Neal, but Vee Neal is the only one of the two that caters to piston aircraft. By all appearances, this is a very healthy mixed use airport. Though commercial traffic had been waning over the years, Spirit airlines is

now operating an increasing number of flights out of Latrobe and has boosted passenger traffic nearly fifty-fold over the last five years.

Our destination was [DeNunzio's Italian Chop-house and Sinatra Bar](#) in the commercial terminal. DeNunzio's occupies the second floor of the back half of the terminal with a great view of the commercial ramp. The A-frame structure with its bank of windows across the back is evocative of an alpine lodge with crystal chandeliers hanging somewhat incongruously from a timber ceiling. As we entered, a cover of Crowded House's "Don't Dream It's Over" was playing...appropriately sung in Italian.

We arrived during Sunday [brunch](#). Of the three restaurants operated under the DeNunzio's banner, the airport restaurant is the only one to feature brunch. A full spread of breakfast fare, including a custom omelet station, occupied one end of the room. Lunch entrees lined a long table across the back of the dining area complete with a roast beef carving station and salad bar. A made-to-

order pasta bar and a generously provisioned dessert table rounded out the brunch options.

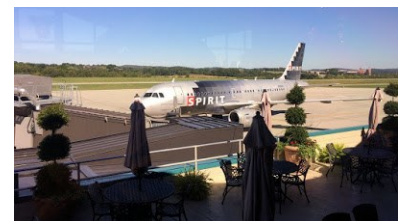
The food was excellent, the view was outstanding, and the staff were friendly and attentive. As my daughter and I contemplated the dessert table, the pasta chef kindly spent ten minutes in the kitchen researching the allergy information on the cheese-cake my daughter was salivating over.

I have visited many \$100 hamburger destinations over the years; DeNunzio's was one of the best airport meals I've ever had. It made for a terrific stop on our way to [Luray Caverns Airport in Luray, VA](#) for a visit to one of the most spectacularly decorated caverns in the nation.

Sadly, coincidentally, our first visit to Arnold Palmer Regional on September 25 occurred on the very same day as the passing of its namesake.

Tips:

- Piston aircraft should expect to park at Vee Neal. We were not charged any fees.
- 100LL is \$4.99/gal
- There is a substantial ridge immediately east of LBE. Don't be surprised if you cannot reach Johnstown Departure until clearing it.



Do you have a great destination or trip to share? Let us know about it by sending an email to:

Newsletter@williamsonflyingclub.com

Congratulations!



1st Solo! 10/10/16



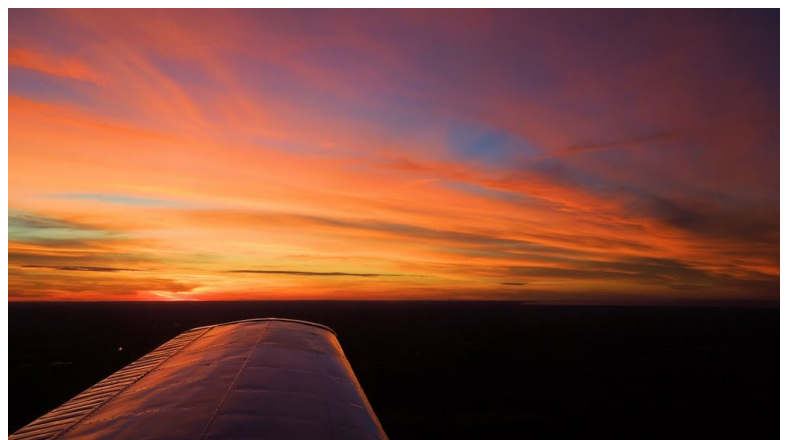
Upcoming Events

15 October 2016	WFC luncheon, noon, WFC clubhouse. RSVP by the club event calendar Menu: Chili dogs, tuna mac salad, chips, apple crisp, cider.
12 November 2016	WFC luncheon, noon, WFC clubhouse. Planned menu will feature Tony Alesci's famous deep-fried turkey!
03 December 2016	WFC Christmas Banquet Carey Lake Banquet Room 6:00—9:00 pm RSVP via club event calendar

Congratulations to:

- Lee Shippers (top), who passed his private pilot check ride on 27 September 2016
- Eric Alexander (middle), who soloed in N9855W on 10 October 2016
- Ian Fair (bottom), the WFC's newest private pilot as of 10 October 2016

Congratulations and well done to all!



"Sunset over Williamson-Sodus Airport"

Photographed by Chris Houston on 25 September 2016 while descending to KSDC