



FLEMING FLYER

FFAA Meeting – Tuesday July 3, 2012

Potluck @ 6 pm - meeting and program to follow (Mike Aune – History of Wipaire)

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2012 CALENDAR

7/23–29 - Oshkosh

9/8 - CAF Hangar Dance

9/9 - YE & Pancake Breakfast

President's Pen

by Jeff Sheridan

Kaposia Days

As most of you know, Fleming Field held its first annual open house in conjunction with the city-wide celebration known as Kaposia Days. Fleming Field's contributions include a "float" in the Friday evening parade and an all-airport open house on Saturday. The Commemorative Air Force also held events on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. By all accounts, the event was a great success.

On Friday afternoon, we towed Jim Hancock's Cessna 170 on Wipline floats through the streets of South St. Paul in preparation for the parade. I got to sit in the left seat and I will tell you, I have never seen more curious onlookers than those who saw this happening. We parallel parked on 12th at about 4:00 p.m. and waited for the big event to start at 6:30. While we were waiting, the CAF stoked up the grills for their barbecue and warmed up the engines on their vintage motor pool vehicles to carry the parade dignitaries. The weather cooperated and, except for running out of gliders for the kids way too soon, the whole thing went off without a hitch. Thanks to all who helped out on Friday. It was a spectacle that will not soon be forgotten.

On Saturday, the airport open-house was scheduled from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Many aircraft owners showed up early and brought their planes up to the terminal area for display and the airport businesses were open and conducting tours. Things got off to a slow start and everyone seemed to think that a little more advertising should have been done, but by early afternoon, there was a steady stream of residents coming out to see their jewel of an airport in all its glory. Planes were flying and food and drink were flowing steadily until about 4:00. The airport closed twice for an hour-long RC model demonstration.

In all, I'd say the event was a great success for our first year. Those who attended had a great time and we learned a few things that will surely make next year's event even more successful. I want to take this opportunity to thank all of you who brought out your planes and volunteered you time for this fun event. None of it could have happened without you.

Clear skies and tailwinds . . .



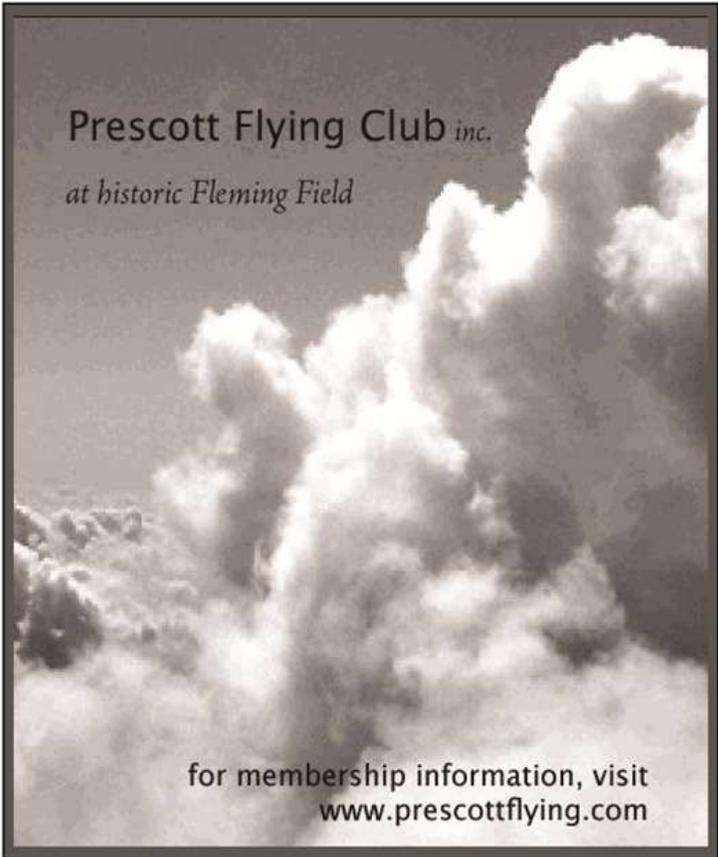
Tech Notes - by Kirk Lindberg

You've probably been hearing about ADS-B, part of the NextGen system that brings you subscription free in-flight weather as part of Flight Information Services (FIS). One such system available is a dash mounted battery operated receiver/transmitter called Stratus that connects wirelessly to your iPad and integrates with Foreflight software. You can check it out at <http://www.foreflight.com/stratus>.

Another option is a system from SkyVision Extreme. In addition to the FIS in-flight weather, they offer Traffic Information Services (TIS). Now available on the iPad and Android devices, you can now have both weather and traffic information via ADS-B. You'll need to purchase some hardware, and install the appropriate antennas, a bit more to it than the Stratus solution. You can check it out at <http://skyvisionxtreme.com/>.

While the ADS-B ground based stations are still being deployed, at least 2/3 of the U.S. is currently covered and is scheduled for completion next year.

I'll be checking out all the latest gadgetry at Oshkosh and will give a report on anything interesting that I find.



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Fleming Field Aviation Association Meeting Minutes for 6-5-2012

1. Meeting called to order by President Jeff Sheridan at 7:00 PM
2. Minutes for the previous meeting were approved as published in the Fleming Flyer.
3. Treasurer report Robyn Shear

Beginning Balance	\$3698.85	
Credits	174.07	Dues and Ads
Debit	43.50	Angel Flight
Ending Balance	\$ 3829.42	
4. Activities Report Greg Bauer
 - A. EAA Chapter1229 Breakfast served over 700 people
 - B. Fleming Field Flyin, June 2nd and 3rd ,3 times bigger than last year. 26 airplanes and about 100 people. Next year planning for one day.
 - C. CAF dance brought in around 900 people.
 - D. Girls and wings also had a good turn out.
 - E. ARRL (Ham Radio) set up a special event station out side the terminal honoring the battle of Midway and Richard Fleming. (Metal of Honor winner) They made over 600 contacts around the country.
5. Airport Managers Report Glenn Burke
 - A. The FAA is coming up with a new airport funding formula based on airport activity and other things. This should help get us more funding.
 - B. Airport Advisory Commission got 21 applicants. The City Council is having a meet and great for the applicants on the 11th of June at 6:30 at city hall. They will decide the following Monday.
 - C. Environmental Study. North end tennis courts, community gardens and some parking will go away to make room for the airport clearway.
 - D. Pavement got changed to crack sealing only and no seal coating.
 - E. Thunder storm damaged several things. AWAS, Gate opener, and Localizer electronics.
 - F. Hangar inspection 65% complete.
6. Old Business

Koposia Days, need volunteers for Friday night parade and Saturday open house. (10 AM to 5 PM)
7. New Business

None
8. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM

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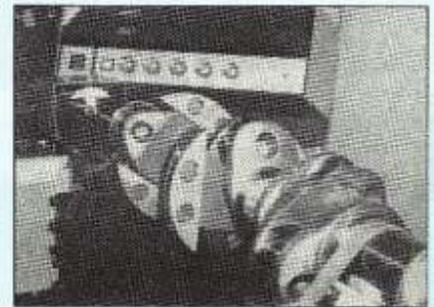
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Airport Manager's Corner
July 2012

Airport Advisory Commission

The City Council picked the nine representatives for the Airport Advisory Commission this past month; they are Paul Adams (MN CAP), Glenn Frank (CAF), Chris Gardner (Sierra Hotel Aero), Rey Hurdt (Tenants Assoc.), Joel Ludwigson (Hangar Owner), Steve Reckinger (IGH Resident), Mike Schoen (Tenants Assoc.), Jason Wik (SSP Resident), Charlie Wiplinger (Wipaire). The AAB will have its first meeting in early July.

Hangar Inspections

We are nearing the finish line for the 2012 Hagar inspections. This year many hangar owners learned that there has to be 30 inches of clear space and can be nothing stored under the electrical panel.

Pavement Preservation Projects

Bids were opened on June 11th for the crack sealing the runway pavement. We were very surprised and happy with the prices and will be able to do the parallel taxiway too. The low bidder is Fahrner Asphalt Company. Fahrner has worked at Fleming Field on one other project. We do not have a construction schedule, but it will require the closing of the airport

Environmental Assessment

We have had more meetings with the FAA about the Environmental Assessment (EA) and there has been some positive movement on some issues. The FAA will let the current fence between the park and the airport stay in place. That means that the airport will not have to replace (buy) land for the park. We will have to replace the lost parking spaces.

We have also had some clarification on what the FAA on the four homes in the Runway Protection Zone (RPZ). Two home only the front yards are in the RPZ, the FAA will allow the home to stay but the airport will have to buy and easement to the ground to exclude trees or additions. The RPZ goes through two homes. Those two homes, according the FAA will need to be removed.

The City will have to look at several sites to relocate the Community Garden and choose the best location. We are required to look at a site on the airport, although it is unlikely it would be chosen. I expect that the current garden will be used again in 2013 and the new site will be used in 2014.

Airport Events

Thank you to all who participated or helped with the airport event this month. The Fleming Fly-In and the Airport Open House were well attended. Thanks to Jim Hancock for putting his aircraft in the parade and for those who did a parade fly over. I have heard positive comments from the community on the airport's involvement in the City's Kaposia Days Celebration.

Storm Damage

The June 19th storm damaged several roofs at the airport. The insurance adjustor visited the airport and it looks like we will be getting significant repairs to Hangar 6-8 roofs and more modest repairs to the Terminal Building and Hangars 2, 3, 4 and 5 roofs. Lightning strikes damaged the credit card readers at the fuel system. The Jet fuel reader is close to being fully repaired.

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