



FLEMING FLYER

FFAA Meeting – Tuesday, October 7, 6:30pm Potluck Dinner, 7:00pm Business Meeting
Program: TBD

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Appointed Positions

Activities

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Airport Manager

Glenn Burke
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2014 Calendar

1st Tuesday each month – FFAA

3rd Tuesday each month – EAA 1229

9/6 Fall CAF Hangar Dance

9/14 Fall Pancake breakfast & Young
Eagles

10/9 Private Pilot Refresher Course
starts (Thursday evenings)

President's Pen

by Mike Bergeson

A Nice Cross Country (Drive)

Each year near the end of September a flight breakfast is held at KYKN. I like going to this event, primarily because my son Jacob lives in Yankton. I called Jake and committed to being at the breakfast. I figured that since I was going to be in South Dakota anyway, I would take a day of vacation and fly to Ft. Pierre to see my folks and catch the flight breakfast on my way home on Sunday.

It always feels good to have a solid plan in place. I got up early on Friday morning and headed to the airport. I was looking forward to a nice leisurely trip. Cooler air in the cabin would feel good and there would be some changing colors of the crops and the trees. An enjoyable day was coming together. And then I called 1-800-WX-BRIEF.....

The winds at 3000 feet were out of the west at about 45 knots! All of the airports along the Minnesota-South Dakota border were IFR and the terminal area forecast wasn't good. Cross country in a Cub with a 45 knot headwind is not my idea of fun. Having to wait out a front for VFR halfway to the destination isn't on my top ten list of fun things to do either.

My solid plan melted away like ice in the summer sun. There was only one option left, I had committed. I hopped in my car and headed west to Ft. Pierre for a couple of days with my folks. Sunday dawned all too soon and I headed toward Yankton to meet Jake and his family at the flight breakfast.

It is one thing to fly for a couple of hours for a free pancake, but I had driven almost 700 miles just to arrive at the flight breakfast! I had 300 miles to drive to get home and I didn't have pilot in command status. I was going to have to pay for a pancake! Just then Jake said, "Hey Dad, let's go to Jo Deans. I'll buy." That was a nice cross country.



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FFAA Meeting Minutes --- September 2, 2014 Meeting

1. Meeting called to order by President Mike Bergeson at 7:00 PM
2. Meeting minutes for last meeting were approved as published in the Fleming Flyer
3. Treasurer report Robyn Shear
 - a. Opening Balance \$2,987.50
 - b. Interest 0.03
 - c. Ending Balance \$2,987.53
 - d. Treasurer report approved
4. Old Business
 - a. Car show at the airport brought in \$1,250. All went well.
 - b. Relay for life went well and donations were good.
5. New Business - None
6. Activities Report
 - a. September 6th Movie night at Ami's hangar.
 - b. September 14th EAA breakfast and Young Eagles.
7. Airport Managers Report Glenn Burke
 - a. Reconstruction approved by City Council.
 - b. Operations Specialist interviewing finishing up this week.
 - c. New PAPI installation taking longer than expected.
 - d. Master Plan going to City Council September 22nd
 - e. Environmental assessment all done unless there are comments.
8. Meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM

Fleming Fly Market

FOR SALE - none

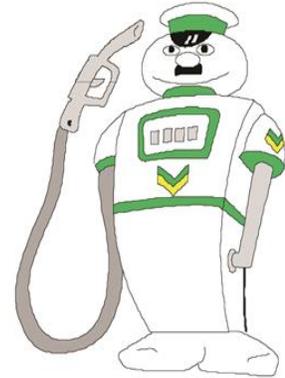
WANTED – none

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Hmmmm, gonna take a long time to fill it that way.....

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Ramp Reconstruction

We are in the third week of the ramp reconstruction and it is going well. The contractor is a little ahead of schedule, even with two days of rain this week. They are planning to start paving the first layer of asphalt the week of October 13.

Not all of the work will be completed this year. Next week we will meet with the contractor and review their progress and decide if other phases can be finished before the cold weather sets in. The contractor has asked the city to allow them to proceed with the reconstruction of the north diagonal taxiway. We are withholding permission, for now, until ramp pavement is down so we can accommodate and park aircraft.

The biggest inconvenience for most pilots will be the loss of self-service fuel. 91 UL auto gas will not be available until the concrete pavement around fuel system is finished. Minnesota Curb and Gutter will begin placing concrete forms early next week, October 6, and we are hoping the fuel area may be open the week of October 13. Phillips 66 lent us fuel truck. Fuel truck service will be available 8 am to 7 pm while the self-service pumps are inaccessible. Call the office [651-554-3350](tel:651-554-3350), or airport cell phone [651-485-7442](tel:651-485-7442) for fuel, or you can stop by the office to schedule the truck.

New Airport Employee

Last month the City Council approved the hiring of Joseph Carney as the airport operations specialist. Joe's first day of work will be Monday, October 13. He will work Tuesday through Saturday beginning his day at 10:30 and ending at 7:00 pm. Joe is retired from the Army and is a recent graduate of Kansas State with his degree in Aviation Management. Stop by the airport office and welcome him to Fleming Field.

Master Plan

The airport's Master Plan received its final review by the City Council. The plan now goes to the MNDOT Office of Aeronautics, Metropolitan Council, and the FAA for final comments. We expect to have them back by mid-November. The Master Plan is the basis for improvements for the next 10 to 20 years at our facility. The business plan received a lot of attention from the City Council. The Council is interested in how fast the airport can repay the \$1.1 million that was borrowed over the past decade.