FNL PILOT ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER.

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12/19/2012

1. RUNWAY 15/33 NOTAM: Closed at night: 12/20-12/21 from 8 PM -> 6 PM for runway work!

From Larry Mack: "We will close RWY 15/33 at night on 12/20/12 and/or 12/21/12, from 8pm (0300 GMT) until 6am (1300 GMT) to install 5 pavement sensors. A NOTAM has been issued. Thanks" Larry Mack **FNL Operations Manager** 970-962-2853 970-203-5382 (C)

(ALWAYS CHECK NOTAMS FOR EVERY FLIGHT...Ed)

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2. **JET CENTER HOLIDAY HOURS!**

Christmas hours: Christmas Eve, Dec 24th: Open 0600 - Closing at 1800 (6 PM) Christmas Day, Dec 25th: **Closed.** (Call out \$100/hour, minimum 1 hour).

December 26th: Open 0700 – 2200 (10 PM)

New Year's Eve, Dec 31th: Open 0600 - Closing at 1900 (7 PM)

New Year's Day, Jan 1st: Open 0700 – 2200 (10 PM)

- 3. JET CENTER 100LL DISCOUNTS: (100LL Fuel discounts will change starting Jan 2, 2013).
 - There is a \$0.25/gallon 100LL discount for being a current MEMBER of the FNL Pilot Assoc.
 - There is a Jet Center "Bronze" discount of **\$0.25/gallon** by paying the Jet Center \$35/year.
 - Change: Our FNL Pilot Association members can COMBINE both of these to obtain a **\$0.50/gallon** 100LL discount after buying a "Bronze" program membership at Jet Center!
 - There is also a Jet Center "Silver" discount of \$0.50/gallon by paying the Jet Center \$125/year.
 - The Silver discount \$0.50/gallon cannot be combined with either of the above discounts.

I'm sure you'll agree that these Membership & Jet Center program discounts are significant. Thanks to Deb Montgomery (e-Mail: manager@fnljetcenter.com, Phone (970) 667-2574) for making this combination possible for our members! Stop by the Jet Center office to make it so for 2013. Enjoy!

- 4. JET CENTER 2013 BUSINESS HOURS! (24/7 Service stating Jan 2nd, 2013)
 - The Jet Center will be open for business 24 hours a day starting January 2nd, 2013.
 - Thus FNL Jet Center service will be much more convenient for everyone who needs to (or likes to) arrive/depart and refuel at Oh-Dark-Thirty and earlier! Enjoy!

5. FNL Pilot Association ANNUAL (Election) MEETING: January 19th, 10 AM, FNL Modular Bldg.

Please plan on coming...beside important Officer and Board ELECTIONS, we plan to interactively discuss **our future**, **FNL's future** (Airport Manager report), and of course <u>lunch will be provided</u>. Hope to see *you* there!

6. Your Hangar Location at KFNL: (Do you know your KFNL Hangar Address on the field??)

Hangar address consistency has been implemented at FNL. I've had people explain the ramifications to me—especially the difference between hangar "Legal Description and Address".

- 1. <u>Legal Description</u>: Whatever! (It is what it is for existing hangars—may it ever remain on paper, in a file somewhere).
- 2. <u>Location at KFNL</u>: **NNNN Grumman**, (Cessna or Beechcraft, etc.) with **UNIT N** if applicable. Consistent, Visible! (Use for all practical purposes: for example, when ordering fuel, a service, or to plow out your hangar—amazing).

Newly constructed hangars can (and should) use the new GIS-based addresses for Legal Description as well as Physical Location (that's the case for the Fort-Love Hangar Association).

Determining your Hangar Location (Address) is a **good first step!** Here's the short version...

(Look at the sign on the side of your hangar building...It will state your Building Address and a range of Unit numbers if applicable. Numbers are Odd if north or east, and Even if south or west.

Use your new Address in all correspondence from now on and you will be compliant with the wishes of the City Fathers, the Fire Department, and the Jet Center fuel truck driver.

<u>Pass this on</u>...especially to your renters!

7. FNL Pilot Association Pilot Refresher Course summary: Mtg was held Thursday, Nov 29nd

Electronic Aviation Aids (for PREFLIGHT, IN-FLIGHT, and IN-COCKPIT:

- Presented and <u>demoed</u> some electronic gadget capabilities and their support programs. **ForeFlight** on an **iPad**, **Garmin portable GPS** (with **XM weather**), talked about **Wing-X**, **Smart Phone Apps** (many aviation Apps work best i-OS, but have some features also on 'Droids).
- There were about 35 people in attendance—some came at 6 PM for supper. The group was augmented by several people who don't normally attend these meetings, several from Greeley.
- We had a spirited discussion with many attendees offering their view of favorite in-cockpit APPS (ie: **Wing-X** and **SkyQ**). I sent each attendee an e-mail copy of my presentation with URLs.

8. Montrose receives additional Approach Control capability: (WAM Phase II on 12/3/12).

Montrose (KMTJ) received WAM (Wide Area Multilateration) Monday 12/3/12, as part of **PHASE II** of the overall Blended Airspace program in Colorado. This is an extension of Yampa Valley's service, in place 4 years now. WAM "area control" is now being extended to several additional Mountain Airports providing ATC "approach control" in regions that are <u>below Radar Coverage</u>.

WAM uses aircraft Transponder returns, triggered by Mode S-like senders scattered throughout the mountains, and triangulated by receivers. The resulting "location" (data block) is presented on the controller's scope as if it came from radar thus allowing denser traffic spacing in mountainous areas.

There is an excellent description of WAM capability in the article (link) below. Colorado and Alaska are the only states to integrate this new technology so far. It's been very successful to date.

http://www.denverpost.com/business/ci 22118099/montrose-regional-airport-is-one-first-nation-new

9. FAA Safety Briefing: http://www.faa.gov/news/safety_briefing/ now in E-Reader formatted Files.

A new version of this magazine is now available as an option for viewing on e-reader devices.

The new files provide text-wrap and formatting according to e-reader device settings and allow bookmarking and highlighting (which you can't do in the standard .pdf version).

- o For a Kindle reader, save the **.mobi file** to your computer and then to your reader folder.
- For an Apple i-OS device, save and drop the .epub file into iTunes (or click the online link and open using the iBooks app).
- o For an Android device, click the online link use a third-party e-reader app to open the file.

The Nov/Dec issue of *FAA Safety Briefing* was the launch edition of these new formats. Send feedback to SafetyBriefing@faa.gov or tweet @FAASafetyBrief. (*The FAA tweets??...Ed*)

Regards,

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