



Newsletter Anoka County Aviation Association ACAA

March, 2018

Next Meeting: **Monday, March 12, 2018 7:00 PM**
EAA 237 Building, Anoka County Airport.

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Calendar

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| March 12, 2018 (Mon) | 7:00pm | ACAA Meeting EAA Building |
| March 14, 2018 (Wed) | 7:00pm | RAAC Meeting STP Airport |
| April 27-28, 2018 (Fri/Sat) | | Great Minnesota Aviation Gathering Golden Wings |
| May 4, 2018 (Fri) | | Newsletter Deadline Want Ads Due |
| May 14, 2018 (Mon) | 7:00pm | ACAA Meeting EAA Building |
| June 2-3, 2018 (Sat/Sun) | | Discover Aviation Days |

March Meeting

Join us at the March meeting for an update and discussion on what's going on at the airport.

Family, friends, and members of other airport associations are cordially invited. The meeting starts at 7:00 PM on Monday, March 12, at the EAA 237 Hangar on the west side of the field. Doors open around 6:45; refreshments will be provided. Let's have a great turnout. Hope to see you there.

Around the Airport

By Philip Tiedeman, ANE Airport Manager

The majority of my first few days were spent getting a crash course on my new role as the Airport Manager with the Metropolitan Airports Commission: tours, orientation, introductions, expectations, and a whirlwind of other topics.

My first impression of the airport is positive and reassuring. Everyone has been willing to assist me to get me up to speed, show me around, and provide insight as to what activities go on at the airport. I am grateful for the warm welcome that I have received. In addition, as the weather warms up and I get a little more settled in, I plan on stopping at open hangar doors to say hello and finding out a little bit more about this remarkable airport.

One remarkable task that was accomplished was the Super Bowl. It took a team effort to pull off this event and make sure it was a success. I have many thanks to give; to the Tower and their staff, the Lynx FBO and their personnel, the airport's tenants, the MAC maintenance crews and other MAC departments, the police and fire units based at the airport, the various groups offering to help, and others I may not have mentioned that played a role in the outcome. I have never seen such a drive from a collective group of people from various organizations to make an event run this smoothly. Each entity had a different job to do but one mutual goal. Although it was not without its challenges: snow events, deicing, airfield closures, equipment, and others. Through team work, I feel we were able to show what a great asset, personnel, and an aviation community we have.

We also experienced a few more challenging snow events back-to-back recently that have tested our maintenance crews and equipment. Thankfully, they have stepped up and handled the heavy demand. This allowed us to keep that airport as safe and operational as possible. For those needing to depart or arriving into the airport, we appreciate your patience as the snow was cleared.

Thanks again to everyone for the generous hospitality.

If you would like to get in touch with me, I can be reached at Philip.Tiedeman@mspmac.org or [763-717-0001](tel:763-717-0001).

RAAC Report

By John Krack

The spring RAAC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 14, at the new restaurant at the St. Paul Downtown airport. We'll be getting together at 5:30 for dinner at Holman's Table (in the STP Terminal Building), with the meeting to follow at 7:00.

The agenda for the meeting is:

**RELIEVER AIRPORTS ADVISORY COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 2018
7:00 PM**

**METROPOLITAN AIRPORTS COMMISSION
ST. PAUL DOWNTOWN AIRPORT
644 BAYFIELD STREET
ST. PAUL, MN 55107**

AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes and Agenda
2. Issues:
 - A. Introduction of Phil Tiedeman ANE/MIC Airport Manager – Gary Schmidt
 - B. Long-term Comprehensive Plan (LTCP) Update – MAC Staff
 - C. Economic Impact Study Update – Kelly Gerads
 - D. Rates and Charges Review Update – Kelly Gerads
 - E. Super Bowl Recap – MAC Staff
 - F. Discussion on How to Roll-Out the Tenant-to Subtenant Lease Form – All
3. Tenant Concerns/Issues – RAAC Representatives
4. Future Meetings Schedule for 2018 – 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday – June 13, 2018
Wednesday – September 12, 2018
Wednesday, December 12, 2018

- **If you would like to have dinner at Holman's Table Restaurant, a group will meet at 5:30 p.m.**

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RAAC Report

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As usual, if you have any concerns, issues, or suggestions regarding the Reliever Airports, let me, or any of the other RAAC reps, know.

The View From Here

By John Krack

Minnesota Legislature

This is a “heads-up” at this point, but bills have been introduced in both the MN House and Senate that would effectively prohibit MAC from extending the runway length at any minor category Reliever Airport by more than 150 feet (that’s not a misprint). The bill numbers are:

MN House – HF2759, by Rep. Kathy Lohmer
MN Senate – SF2481, by Senator Karin Housley

The bills can be viewed at:

HF2759:
https://www.revisor.mn.gov/bills/text.php?number=HF2759&version=latest&session=ls90&session_year=2018&session_number=0

SF2481:
https://www.revisor.mn.gov/bills/text.php?number=SF2481&version=latest&session=ls90&session_year=2018&session_number=0

Right now, it’s not clear whether these bills will gain any traction at all, given the really important stuff the Legislature has to deal with in the next three months, but both sponsors are Republicans, and if they have enough influence with the Republican leadership, they might be able to schedule hearings. If so, we need to be prepared to educate our legislators about the short-sightedness of these proposals, and point out the harm they would do by limiting MAC’s ability to manage these airports to meet future needs. No hearings have been scheduled as of this writing, but if hearings are scheduled, we’ll send out an email.

The rationale for these bills, since both sponsors are from the east metro area, appears to be an attempt to scuttle the proposals in MAC’s Long Term Comp Plan for the Lake Elmo airport, but it would also affect plans for Crystal and Airlake, and potentially future plans for all minor-use Relievers. In our opinion, this attempt to hamstring MAC is very misguided since the changes proposed for 21D, MIC, and LVN won’t change the character or types of aircraft that use these airports, and no runway changes are likely to be proposed for ANE or FCM. Further, state law already restricts these airports to a maximum 5000-foot runway length.

What the changes proposed in the LTCPs will do is improve the safety and efficiency at these airports, and make them more attractive to based and transient aircraft, particularly at the upper end of the design class. This in turn attracts businesses that use aircraft in their operations, which supports jobs and other economic benefits in the local communities.

In our ever-more complex society, we elect or appoint bodies to deal with the challenges of issues that cannot be resolved to everyone’s satisfaction. Done right, these bodies develop and evaluate proposals, solicit and evaluate stakeholder input, modify proposals, and ultimately make decisions that provide the most benefit for the community at large. This is exactly what MAC is doing with these Long Term Comp Plans. Inevitably, some people won’t be happy with the result, but we can take some solace in the fact that it’s for the “greater good,” even though some of us might suffer a bit more inconvenience.

I’ve watched the development of the Lake Elmo and Crystal LTCPs, and I can attest that MAC has bent over backwards to engage and level with local officials, the public, and airport users, and they’ve modified these plans several times to address stakeholder suggestions and concerns. Even after the LTCPs are approved (by the MAC Commission, the Met Council, and the

FAA), an extensive environmental review ensues that rehashes things all over again. These plans are based on a professional assessment of current and future needs, consistent with MAC’s charter to manage these airports to support the aviation users and the overall transportation needs of the area. This is not a case of MAC putting things together in a back room, unveiling the plans, and ramming them down people’s throats. It’s a very public process that follows guidelines imposed by the Legislature, the Met Council, and the FAA.

To be sure, the Legislature has statutory oversight over the MAC, but these bills are an attempt to micromanage with a legislative hammer how MAC does its job. Why the 150’ limitation? Why at all MAC Relievers? The fact is that general aviation has changed, and will continue to do so, and 2,800-foot runways (Lake Elmo’s longest) really limit the usability of an airport for modern aircraft. In a built-up area, longer runways provide for better safety and less noise over adjacent neighborhoods. And airport managers must have the flexibility to balance needs and concerns to effectively do their jobs.

We’ll keep you posted as things develop.

Roy Fuhrmann Appointed MAC COO

Congratulations to MAC’s Roy Fuhrmann, who was recently appointed to the position of Chief Operating Officer. Per the MAC announcement: “As chief operating officer, Fuhrman oversees both the Management and Operations and the Planning and Development divisions. In that role he has oversight over several departments responsible for airport planning, construction and operations, as well as of the Airport Police and Fire departments.”

The successor to Roy as Vice President of Management and Operations has not yet been announced.

Roy replaces Dennis Probst, who recently took a position as Vice President of Development for the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority.

Thanks to Denny for his long service to the MAC, and best wishes as he takes on new challenges in San Diego (where at least he doesn’t have to deal with winter.)

Discover Aviation Days is Back

Having been canceled last year due to a conflict with an airshow in Duluth, Craig Schiller reports that Discover Aviation Days is back on the schedule for June 2-3, 2018. This is a very popular family event that includes a Pancake Breakfast, Lunch and other food vendors; Warbird, Homebuilt, and Vintage Aircraft Displays; Golden Wings Museum tours; Kids’ activities; an Educational Tent; Airplane/Helicopter rides; and exhibitors.

Admission is free, but a parking donation is requested.

Check out their updated website at www.discoveraviationdays.org or call 763-568-6072 for more information.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED. Sign up on the website or call the above number.

The Fifth Annual Great Minnesota Aviation Gathering (GMAG) is Set For April 27-28 at Golden Wings

I’ve attended the last four GMAG events, and once again we’re fortunate to have the fifth at our home airport. This is truly a premier aviation event, and it keeps getting better each year. Interesting seminars fill the days (sometimes it’s hard to choose which overlapping ones to attend) along with a variety of vendors of aviation products and the opportunity to hobnob with our fellow pilots. It’s a great way to get the juices flowing as we anticipate the upcoming (comfortable) flying season.

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The View From Here

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The event is held at the Golden Wings Museum from 9-9 on Friday and 9-4 on Saturday. See the Minnesota Pilots Association website at www.mnpilots.org for more information.

Newsletter Input Solicited

I'd like to bring more variety to the content, so if you have any interesting stories, experiences, or tips to share, please send them along.

Hangar Door Maintenance

Several of you have asked in recent months about someone that repairs hangar doors. Don Meier from Great River Energy sent me the following:

We had our normal door service company retire/close.

It took us 18 months to find this new company. Great work. Only downfall is that they are located in Burlington, WI.

HERBIE'S HANGAR DOOR

Service and Supply
W273 Kearney Rd.
Burlington, WI 53105
(262) 853-7572
Joe Schafer

Anyone is welcome to coordinate with us (Great River Energy) for annual door checkups. We will cover Herbie's Hangar Door travel expenses regardless as we are about to put them on a regular schedule for service.

We just had them install new cables on our 60' bi-fold in November. They are able to service most any door. Our next estimated door maintenance schedule is June 2018.

Thank you

Don Meier
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[\(763\) 445-5000](tel:7634455000) / [\(612\) 865-8638](tel:6128658638)

Thanks, Don, for the lead, and for your generous offer to help us piggyback on Herbie's visits to you.

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January Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 1904 by President Michael Lawrence.

Special Guests: Joe Harris, Kelly Gerads, Phil Tiedeman, Robert Dockry From MAC, and Neil Otey, ANE tower chief.

Joe Harris introduced Phil Tiedeman, the new manager for Anoka and Crystal airports. Phil gave a brief summary of his background:

His previous position was airport manager at South St. Paul (Fleming) airport. Prior to that, he was at Brookings, SD, and before that he was the operations manager at Midland, TX airport, where he witnessed the arrival of the last flight of George W. Bush as president in Air Force 1. He holds a commercial pilot certificate with multi-engine and instrument ratings, and lives in Woodbury.

Joe Harris and Neil Otey then talked about preparations for the Super Bowl.

They expect lots of traffic. For MAC, things start the Wednesday before the game. There will be some restrictions, but everyone who needs to get out can do so at all times.

Starting at 0800 Wednesday 1/31, the only entry will be through the main gate on the west side of the field, and the code must be entered to open the gate. The east gate will be used by Lynx FBO.

There will be a Prior Permission Required (PPR) reservation system in effect from Wednesday, 1/31 through the following Tuesday. Lynx will handle the reservations.

VFR operations are expected to be normal through Thursday, depending on traffic. Pattern traffic is expected to be normal until the tower gets busy. However, don't expect flight following or practice approaches from ATC.

The tower will maintain normal hours through Saturday, and will be open continuously from 0700 Sunday until 2100 Monday.

We can watch ANE-only inbound traffic across the country on the Internet.

A TFR around the stadium will be in effect from about 90 minutes before kickoff until an hour after the game. VFR will be prohibited.

Pilots are cautioned to review any extended length taxi precautions for their aircraft as there may be taxi delays during busy periods.

Neil Otey said that both the Spring Lake Park Fire Department and the Blaine Police Department have visited the tower.

The meeting adjourned following the Super Bowl discussion.

Respectfully submitted by John Krack, Secretary, ACAA.

WANT ADS

For Sale:

Vertical speed indicator. Aerosonic Corp. TSO part. 0-6000ft/min. 3 1/8in. panel hole. From Rockwell surplus stock. Never in an aircraft panel. \$25.00

Craig
[651-426-4751](tel:651-426-4751)

For Sale: Brand New Appareo Stratus 2S ADS-B Receiver

WiFi interface to iPad running ForeFlight Mobile.

Provides in-flight traffic, weather, moving map navigation, attitude indicator backup, current IFR/VFR charts and more with a ForeFlight subscription @ \$99/year.

Also interfaces to the Stratus ADSB-Out ESG transponder's GPS antenna and power supply.

Never powered up. After purchase, I decided to do ADS-B differently.

Sporty's sells for \$899 + \$10 shipping. Also includes optional \$13 dash mount.

More details: <http://www.sportys.com/pilotshop/stratus-2s-ads-b-receiver-for-ipad.html>

\$850. Contact John Krack @ 763-786-5876 or av8r00@gmail.com

HANGAR FOR SALE

8 - Stall T-hangar on Oregon and Pennsylvania.
32' x 180' (5,760 sq. ft.); open inside with sliding
40' door openings; new roof and tin ceiling and end side
walls. \$175,000. Call Bob at 239-227-4407.



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or email gruys@aircraft-marine.com
website: www.aircraft-marine.com



Every in-store purchase at [Flight Line Gifts](http://www.FlightLineGifts.com) gives you a chance to win. After your purchase, simply fill out the registration form to be submitted in the drawing which will be held on Saturday March 31st at 1:00pm. **Enter as often as you wish!** One form to be given with each completed in-store purchase (*one entry per person per day*). Must be 18 years old to enter this drawing. The winner will receive a helicopter ride for two along with a professionally recorded video of the flight.

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Discover Aviation Days

2018 Dates: June 2 – 3, 2018

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ANOKA COUNTY AVIATION ASSOCIATION

The ACAA is an association of hangar owners, hangar renters, FBO owners, pilots, flight instructors, commercial operators, and anyone else with an interest in the future direction of the Anoka County Airport. Our mission is to actively promote a variety of interests and activities relating to the Anoka County Airport operation including:

- Safety
- Airport improvements
- Hangar use, lease contracts, and building/fire codes
- Relations with MAC, MnDOT, and adjoining communities
- Business and commercial interests
- Recreational Aviation
- Any other areas of interest to the membership

To get results, we need your support.

To join, either:

Attend the next meeting at the EAA Building, just north of the Golden Wings Museum facility. See the calendar on page 1 for the date and time of the next meeting.

Or:

Fill out the membership form on the back page, and send it with \$15 for one year, \$27 for two years or \$35 for three years to the address indicated on the form.

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES REQUESTED

Please send newsletter articles to:

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1. Ads must be received by the date indicated in the calendar notes to be guaranteed to appear in the next newsletter.
2. Anyone or any business may submit an ad.
3. There is no charge for paid-up members.
4. Graphical images are OK if in a standard computer image file format (.gif, .jpg, .bmp, etc.). Hard-copy images are also acceptable.
5. Send ads to the Snail Mail or Email address shown above.
6. Want Ads will run for 3 issues, unless canceled early or renewed to run longer.

Email List

Vivian Starr maintains an extensive email list of people interested in what's happening in the Minnesota aviation community. She keeps us up to date with timely reports on MAC meetings, and other activity of interest. In fact, many of the articles in this Newsletter were originally distributed via email. If you're not on the list and want to be, send your email address to Vivian at DVStarr@aol.com.

Anoka County Aviation Association

7629 Lakeside Rd. NE

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ANOKA COUNTY AVIATION ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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Recreational Flying? _____

Other? _____

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