



Newsletter

Anoka County Aviation Association

ACAA

November, 2021

Next Meeting: Monday, November 8, 2021 7:00 PM
EAA Chapter 237 Hangar, Anoka County Airport.

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Calendar

Nov 6, 2021 (Sat)	7:30-11am	EAA Pancake Breakfast EAA Building
Nov 8, 2021 (Mon)	7pm	ACAA Meeting EAA Building
Dec 14, 2021 (Tue)	7pm	Winter RAAC Meeting Venue TBD
Dec 27, 2021 (Fri)		Newsletter Deadline Want Ads Due
Jan 10, 2022 (Mon)	7pm	ACAA Meeting (Tentative)

November Meeting – Get Together Again + Officer Elections

Following the great turnout at the September BBQ, we're hoping to see many of you again at the November ACAA meeting. In addition to the usual discussion of "what's going on at the airport," we'll be holding officer elections for the coming year.

Family, friends, and members of other airport associations are cordially invited. The in-person meeting starts at 7:00 PM on Monday, November 8, at the EAA 237 Hangar on the southwest side of the field. Doors open around 6:45; refreshments will be provided. Let's have a great turnout. Hope to see you there.

From the Director's Chair

By Joe Harris, Reliever Airports Director

Dear Anoka County-Blaine Airport Community:

I hope everyone is doing well. MAC continues to invest in our general aviation airports as we come off a hectic construction season, keeping pace with airfield maintenance and safety standards. As most of you know, several taxilanes were reconstructed near the tower at ANE, and MAC hired a contractor to seal cracks on runways and taxiways throughout the Reliever system. LED lights were installed on movement area surfaces at several airports, resulting in fantastic enhancements to guide pilots with rich color while offering a reduction of operating costs and expenses. FAA is wrapping up the final piece of the Crystal airfield modifications with the installation of the 32-PAPIs after a year delay due to number of COVID cases in Hennepin County. I encourage you to fly over Lake Elmo to check out the ultimate new runway layout set to open in late 2022. I promise you won't be disappointed to see the progression – it is impressive.

Our team is preparing for the winter season. I want to emphasize that communication is the key if you need to operate during inclement weather after hours. Trini and the crew, as well as Phil, will do their best to accommodate requests.

I want to acknowledge Barb Mack and Neil Otey as the 2021 recipients of the Outstanding Promotion of ANE. Barb and Neil were recognized at the annual ACAA/MAC BBQ and join a unique group of individuals and organizations that have made an

enormous imprint on aviation, in which I know many past recipients are ACAA members.

Finally, I want to salute all veterans for serving in the proud and honorable tradition of the United States military – Happy Veteran's Day on November 11.

Clear Prop!
Joe Harris

Notes from Phil

By Phil Tiedeman, ANE Airport Manager

Following are two items of interest taken from Phil Tiedeman's October Newsletter:

New Tower Manager

New Tower Manager, Chris Canfield, will begin the onboarding process in early November. While he comes from another Midwest ATC Contract Tower in Worcester, Massachusetts, he feels as though this is coming home for him after living in the area previously and working the Control Tower in Eau Claire, Wisconsin. We look forward to his arrival.

Trash and Recycling Dumpsters

The dumpsters continue to be overfilled with debris and items that do not appear to come from typical hangar use. I want to remind everyone that these dumpsters are there for trash generated on the airport only. Please do not overfill the dumpsters or leave trash and recycling next to the dumpster as this may create FOD on the airfield. Only certain items are accepted for recycling. For information on how to recycle properly, visit this link: <https://www.wm.com/us/en/recycle-right/recycling-101>

If you're not signed up for Phil's newsletters, see below.

RAAC Report

By John Krack, RAAC Chair

The fall Reliever Airports Advisory Council meeting was held at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, September 14 via Microsoft Teams. The winter meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 14, at 7pm. It's not clear whether we'll do this meeting in person or once again via Teams. Once the agenda is set, I'll broadcast the meeting details via email.

This will be a public meeting, open to anyone who cares to join.

New Lease Forms:

Staff has completed work on the new storage lease forms and presented to the Operations, Finance, and Administration Committee on November 1. The OF&A Committee voted to move it on to the Full Commission for approval on November 15. A copy of the new form, along with a summary of changes from the current form, is available at

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https://metroairports.granicus.com/MetaViewer.php?view_id=1&lip_id=2092&meta_id=74377

MAC is increasing the liability insurance requirements based on the size of the leasehold. If your square footage is less than 5,625, the minimum liability coverage is \$1,000,000 (up from \$500,000). If the square footage is equal to or greater than 5,625, the liability minimum is \$1,000,000 per occurrence, and \$2,000,000 aggregate. Although the premium impact will depend on the insurer, I had one broker tell me that the cost for these increased limits would be minimal. If this sounds like a big jump, keep in mind that this lease is in effect for ten years, and the way our society likes to litigate, these numbers probably aren't unrealistic.

The original draft required subtenants to carry property insurance on the building they were leasing all or part of. We questioned this, and MAC agreed that it made no sense to require subtenant's to insure a landlord's building, and changed the sublease requirement to only cover the subtenant's "insurable interest."

According to MAC, Exhibit C of the storage lease form documents MAC's requirements to be included in a sublease agreement. Although Exhibit C is written in the form of a lease, MAC, citing a legal conflict of interest, (per Kelly Gerads, MAC attorneys have a conflict of interest that prevents them from drafting legal forms for use by its tenants, and thus MAC cannot craft a full form agreement for the tenants), does not offer it as a recommended sublease form, but does include it as an advisory document that could be appropriately modified to become a valid sublease agreement between a tenant and subtenant. Ultimately, the tenant is responsible for the actions of the subtenant, and this document tries to formalize that.

MAC has suggested that an attorney, as a service to the airport community, might be interested in using Exhibit C as a basis for developing a generic sublease agreement that most tenants might be able to use. If anyone is interested in doing this, please let me know.

The main message regarding subtenants is that the tenant is responsible for its subtenant activity, and needs to clearly convey the rules to the subtenant, accept responsibility for any damage caused by the subtenant's non-compliance, and cover potential risks via the sublease agreement.

I also found out that many aircraft liability insurance policies cover damage to someone else's hangar where the aircraft is stored. This might be a good way to meet the subtenant liability requirement. It would be up to the tenant to ensure that the subtenant carries such insurance. Best to consult with the respective insurance agents to ensure that the appropriate coverage is in force.

Also, some good news: As we transition to the new forms, we'll all get new 10-year leases, rather than 5-year renewals of our current leases.

September RAAC Meeting Highlights

The three airport managers gave updates about their respective airports:

Blaine Peterson:

FCM: Tenant construction – RJL, AV8, Jet Linx, Wings Insurance
MAC Construction – Completed TWY D and E edge lighting, doing crack seal

LVN: South Hangar Development – three hangars complete, one nearly complete, one in progress
South Hangar Natural Gas – In, but not connected

Mike Wilson:

STP: Winter Prep – Equipment/Chemicals/Storage
Holman's Table – Sunshades/Expanded Hours
Airfield Painting – Closure/Runways/Curbs/Ramps

MIC: Sign Project
Painting – Closure/No Vehicle Boxes/Roads
Service Road Signs/Runup Markings

Phil Tiedeman:

ANE: 2021 Taxilane Pavement Reconstruction Complete
Tower Manager Retirement
25th Tower Anniversary

21D: Hangar Development – Lake Elmo Aero
2020-2021 Runway 14-32 Replacement
Phase 1 Complete
Phase 2 Planned Substantial Completion Date 9/30
Phase 3 Runway and taxiway paving, and final electrical
Phase 4 Remaining taxiway paving and service road grading and paving
Crack sealing on the north taxiway

Reliever Airport Capital and O&M Projects Update:

Roof Work and Improvements:
21D Maintenance Building
STP Maintenance Building
FCM Building Improvements

Building/Hangar Painting Work:
MIC HFI Hangar
MIC MAC owned building at the Control Tower
MIC East Side Maintenance Building
STP Maintenance Building
21D Maintenance Building
21D Beacon Tower
ANE Marla Brown Hangar

These projects are being completed through a combination of the Capital (\$411,000) and O&M (\$21,000) budgets

Non Aeronautical Development

Eric Johnson, MAC Commercial Development Director, gave an update on current non-aeronautical revenue leasing activities:

LVN: Dick's Sanitation - \$239,000 square feet
Twenty year lease to a truck storage company

MIC: Working with the Shingle Creek Watershed District on a 40 acre lease for a water filtration system

FCM: Negotiating with Eden Prairie for renewal of ballfield lease

ANE: A 74,000 square foot parcel to Class A Leasing

Eric said that MAC is currently booking about \$600,000 in non-aeronautical revenue. It's great to see this initiative finally bearing fruit after many years. This money goes to support the reliever airports.

Reliever Airport Financials

Kelly Gerads gave an update on reliever airport activity-based fees – Commercial Percentage Fees, Fuel Flowage, and Landing Fees. Things took a hit during the pandemic, but have been roaring back. Corporate activity (landing fees and Jet-A sales were way down, but piston fuel sales did pretty well. Overall, Kelly's summary was:

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- 2019 was economically a strong year and spilled into Jan/Feb 2020
- Covid crushed that trend beginning in March and through April 2020
- Recovery on the Relievers began in May 2020 and continued until the 2nd wave of Covid, with similar trends now that we expect a 3rd wave

Lease Forms

Kelly next updated the group on the lease form project.

Director's Report

Joe Harris gave a summary of August airport operations from 2019-2021. Operations at all airports exceeded the previous two years, ANE and FCM by wide margins.

Finally, Joe Harris concluded his remarks by saying that his department is "laser focused" on the following priorities:

- Safety is Top Priority – Winter Operation Preparations and RSATs
- Business Administration – Lease Form Revisions | Hangar Development | O&M Expenses/Revenues
- Communication and Outreach – Airport Newsletter | Virtual Luncheons | Events
- Construction and Planning – DRAFT 2022 CIP | \$7,300,000
- Collaborative Partnerships
 - Commercial Operator Services – Bullish on GA Future
 - Community and Airport Working Groups – LEEAC
 - Property and Facility Maintenance Standards
 - ATC, Fire, USDA, Holman's Table, CBP, AOPA

If you have Reliever Airport questions or concerns, please contact Phil Tiedeman.

If you have anything that you'd like me to bring up at the December RAAC meeting, let me know.

The View From Here

By John Krack

Happy Anniversary, ANE Tower

It seems like only yesterday (figuratively speaking), but October 1, 2021 marked the 25th anniversary of the opening of the Anoka tower. Ed McKinley, a former Area manager at MSP, was the first tower chief. Waldo Anderson made the first takeoff under tower control, and Bruce Buckner made the first landing. The new era had begun.

How we got there was interesting. As traffic continued to increase and pilots were using different pattern procedures, it became apparent that we needed better control of the traffic flow. The airport was actually a pretty scary place on weekends and nice summer evenings. When asked for a tower, the FAA dragged their feet, claiming we didn't have enough operations (the standards for which, as I recall, they weren't shy about raising from time to time). MAC agreed to construct and equip a building, but would not take on the operational liability. So, through a concerted lobbying effort, MAC, MnDOT, and the airport users were able to convince our congressional delegation (notably Senator Wellstone) to include in a legislative package a mandate to the FAA to staff the tower. The FAA decided to go the Contract Tower route, which has worked out wonderfully, and the rest, as they say, is history.

Some expressed concerns at the time that a tower would invite more and more larger aircraft and push the "little guys" out, but thankfully that hasn't happened. Anoka has one of the most eclectic mixes of aircraft in the state, if not the country. It's a great

airport to be associated with. Thank you to MAC, MnDOT, the ANE community, the FAA, and Midwest Air Traffic Control for making it all happen.

In Memoriam – Ellen Weibel

It is with sadness that we report the recent passing, following a long illness, of Glenn Weibel's wife Ellen. Glenn is the former chair and current vice chair of the RAAC, the RAAC rep for STP, and has been involved with the reliever airport system, both as a pilot and an airports advocate, for years. We extend our condolences to Glenn and his family, and hope that he will continue to work with us to improve our airport system.

EAA Resumes Monthly Pancake Breakfasts

Following a hiatus of around a year and a half due to COVID, EAA Chapter 237 is restarting their ever-popular pancake breakfasts.

The following is from Kevin Sislo, EAA Chapter 237 president:

EAA Chapter 237 - Breakfast Social

Saturday, November 6th, 2021, 7:30 am to 11:00 am

We will be having a delicious *BREAKFAST SOCIAL*.. pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, fruit juice and coffee. It's all you can eat!

Adults - \$7.00

PIC's and Kids Under 12 Eat Free!

Whether you drive in or fly in, we hope that you will join us for a great breakfast. Pilots in command who fly in eat free!

EAA Chapter 237 Hangar
Anoka County-Blaine Airport (KANE)
8820 Airport Rd NE (Find us on Google Maps)

We are expecting a large turnout of hungry pancake eaters! If you are a chapter member please volunteer to help out. Please Sign Up Here. Your help will be greatly appreciated!!!

So come on out, bring the family, and eat hearty.

Snow Removal

MAC will plow snow to 3-5 feet from your hangar so as to avoid inadvertent damage to your building. Each airport has different priorities based on traffic mix. **If you need special consideration (such as an early-morning flight), call the ANE maintenance crew at 612-919-5065, or after hours at 612-726-5111.**

Airport Newsletters

If you haven't signed up yet, you're missing a great opportunity to keep informed about airport goings-on. MAC is now publishing monthly newsletters via email for all reliever airports. You can subscribe to any or all of the airports at:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=1ix-XXRbvyke8xWve1Hi6snKWxTjrTBBaQMB-5uYkXhNUOThTTF12STk2QlhCSkZQZiCWVJSWExMUi4u>

You can also try the following QR code:



The newsletters are written by the respective airport managers, and are sent to your email. They're a great way for MAC to communicate timely information on airport activities. Sign up and get on the distribution list. The newsletters are not being archived (yet) so you won't see the past ones, but you'll be set up for future editions.

Get on the list. Keep informed.

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The View From Here

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Elections in November

Elections are coming up in November, and we're out to elect a President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Not that the current officers aren't doing a great job, but we've all been doing this for a number of years, and it would be nice to bring in some new ideas and enthusiasm. The duties of these offices are:

President: Conduct General meetings every two months. Act as the primary contact person and spokesperson for the ACAA.

Vice President: Fill in for the President when unable to attend meetings. No other specific activities.

Secretary: Record minutes of the General meetings and forward to the Newsletter editor. Maintain Association records. Act as the primary correspondence person for the Association.

Treasurer: Keep the Association books, pay bills, deposit checks.

Volunteers for all offices are invited and encouraged. The time commitment is not great - A meeting every two months, with a little preparation beforehand, and other activities and meetings that come up from time to time. Beyond that, it's whatever you want to put into it. We *are* effective as an organization, but we can always use new blood, with new ideas, energy, and skills, to continue what we've started. And there are lots of interesting challenges ahead: Lease policy, Airport funding, the future direction of the Airport, and relations with the surrounding communities to name a few. We can influence any or all of these if we put our minds to it.

So give it some thought. Step up and get involved. Volunteer for an office and help make a difference. Contact any officer (listed inside the back page), or show up at the meeting, to throw your hat in the ring.

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Looking to Buy/Sell/Rent Hangar Space?

Check out the hangar space clearinghouse on the MAC website:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScE5S3eyAwO20p1wv4nbWY0bVIMxPtI-lyLze5oBA3N6gbWGA/viewform> or

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScE5S3eyAwO20p1wv4nbWY0bVIMxPtI-lyLze5oBA3N6gbWGA/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1>.

Depending on which browser you use, you may have an easier time opening the alternate link. Or, you can click this QR code.



If you're working from a hard copy, here's how to get to the site without having to enter the above string of gobbledygook:

1. In a browser, Google **MAC Hangar Portal**
2. Click on **Prospective Tenants | Metropolitan Airports Commission**
3. Click on the link under **Reliever Airports Hangar Listings**.
4. Scroll to the bottom of the page and click the **Next** button

NOTE: The website includes a "Hangar Wanted" category. You can use this also if you're looking for rental space.

September Meeting Minutes

Due to the BBQ/picnic, no business meeting was held in September.

The picnic was very well attended, and the Reliever Airport staff did a great job of preparing and serving the food. Congratulations to Barb Mack and Neil Otev for their awards recognizing their service to the airport community, and for the special recognition of Don Rosacker for his service to the airport over many years.

Respectfully submitted by John Krack, Secretary, ACAA.

WANT ADS

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TBD

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2021 Dates: Canceled for 2021

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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.

Or:

Pay via **PayPal** to treasureracaa@gmail.com. Or send an email to us at aneairport@gmail.com and let us know. We will send you an invoice with a link to enter your credit card information for payment.

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES REQUESTED

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(h) 763-786-5876
Email: av8r00@gmail.com

Articles may be typewritten, handwritten or on disk in Microsoft Word format or text file. See the calendar on page 1 for next newsletter deadline.

Newsletter Want-AD Service

As a benefit to members, a free want-ad service is available. Rules are:

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.

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____ Renewal

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Type of Aircraft? _____

Hangar Owner? _____

Hangar Street and #? _____

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Do you have any special interests, such as:

Aircraft Restoration? _____

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Other? _____

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