



Newsletter
Anoka County Aviation Association
ACAA

September, 2018

Next Meeting: **Monday, September 10, 2018 5:00 PM (Note earlier time)**
ANE Annual Picnic
 MAC Maintenance Building, Anoka County Airport.

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Calendar

Sept 10, 2018 (Mon)	5:00pm	Annual Airport Picnic MAC Maintenance Building
Sept 12, 2018 (Wed)	7:00pm	RAAC Meeting MAC Office Bldg.
Nov 2, 2018 (Fri)		Newsletter Deadline Want Ads Due
Nov 12, 2018 (Mon)	7:00pm	ACAA Meeting EAA Building
Dec 12, 2018 (Wed)	7:00pm	RAAC Meeting MAC Office Bldg.

September Meeting – ANE Annual Picnic

Our September meeting will be our 10th annual ANE BBQ/Picnic, to be held on **Monday, September 10**, at the **MAC building (next to the Tower) from 5 to 7 PM**.

NOTE LOCATION AND TIME CHANGE!

The event, sponsored by the ACAA and the MAC, is for airport tenants, users, businesses, and their families and friends. This event has grown into a fun gathering for our airport community. Tenants should have received a mailer from MAC announcing this event. (See the announcement on Page 4.)

Hope you can join us.

There will be no ACAA business meeting, and elections will be held at the November meeting.

RAAC Report

By John Krack

The fall RAAC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 12, 7:00 PM at the MAC general office building at 6040 28th Ave. S. in Minneapolis.

The agenda for this meeting is:

RELIEVER AIRPORTS ADVISORY COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY - SEPTEMBER 12, 2018
 7:00 P.M.

METROPOLITAN AIRPORTS COMMISSION
 LINDBERGH ROOM
 6040 - 28TH AVENUE SOUTH
 MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55450

AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes and Agenda
2. Issues:
 - A. Non-Aeronautical Revenue Update — MAC Staff
 - B. Long-Term Comprehensive Plans (LTCP) Update Neil Ralston
 - C. Rates and Charges Review Update — Kelly Gerads
 - D. Airlake Airport Annexation Update — Mike Wilson
 - E. Reliever Airport Ultralight Policy Update — Mike Wilson
3. Tenant Concerns/Issues — RAAC Representatives
4. Future Meetings Schedule for 2018 — 7:00 p.m.
 Wednesday — December 12, 2018

This is a public meeting and anyone is welcome to attend and offer comments/suggestions.

Following is a brief update on the items we've been tracking:

Non-Aeronautical Revenue:

We'll get an update on this at the September RAAC meeting. We have been advised that MAC has identified a parcel outside the fence on the north side of Crystal airport for which they'll be seeking an FAA land release and a developer.

Long Term Comprehensive Plans:

MAC has developed a draft Scope of Work document for the Primary Relievers (ANE, FCM, and STP) that they're reviewing internally, so we should be hearing more on that soon. They've selected a consultant to help them with a major stakeholder outreach and research effort to gather data on current and future needs, and what can be done to make the airports more attractive to operators. They also plan to examine other similar airport systems to see how they manage their GA airports vis-à-vis their major airline airport.

The Crystal Airport Environmental Review kicked off last week with the first meeting of their Airport Community Panel, an advisory board made up of members representing major stakeholder groups, including local officials, airport tenants/users, local citizens, and MAC staff. The review assesses the environmental impacts of the Long Term Comprehensive Plan, and refines the details based on the findings. The ACP members are expected to advise their various constituencies about "what is going on," and provide input to the MAC on behalf of the groups they represent. Later in the process, MAC will hold a public information meeting and a public hearing.

If you'd like to track this process and sign up for email updates, check out

<https://www.metroairports.org/General-Aviation/Crystal-Airport-Environmental-Assessment/Overview.asp>

We'll get a current update at the September RAAC meeting. We'll also get updates on the Rates and Charges review, Airlake airport annexation, and the Reliever Airport Ultralight Policy.

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

Reflections on Oshkosh

It's been maybe 7 or 8 years since I attended Airventure and, while the basic event is pretty much the same, much has also changed. I drove down Sunday afternoon with plans to stay in Camp Scholler for 4 or 5 nights. My first impression was how much it's grown in terms of the number of attendees. In the past, I would get registered pretty quickly and go find a campsite. This time, after

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getting there around 6:30PM and waiting in line for 45 minutes or so to get registered (and being told the lines had been long all day), I found that the in-close campsites were full, and finally found a spot near the western boundary, just east of hwy 41. There were quite a few sites there, but by the time I left Friday morning, that area was also pretty well filled up. Campers as far as the eye could see. (EAA used to advertise that “there’s always space in Camp Scholler,” but I don’t see that on their website anymore.) If the event continues to grow, they may have to implement some kind of a reservation system to ensure that people driving hundreds of miles have a place to stay. It’s good to see so many people interested in aviation, but WOW! When will it get to the point where the crowds are so big it’s no longer fun? I should also note that despite the crowds, logistics generally went smoothly, though there were sometimes what seemed to be excessive waits for the bus between the campground and the main event. Things were also complicated by rain Friday and Saturday before the event, and a major storm Wednesday evening/night during the event. Still, it was worth going.

By getting there Sunday evening, I was able to finally watch the film “Nothing By Chance,” based on the Richard Bach book (my favorite Bach story) by the same name. In the book, Bach chronicles an adventure whereby he and two friends, in the summer of 1966, set out to see if they could survive by barnstorming through the upper Midwest, selling rides for \$3 a pop. The film, a re-enactment of the adventure, was made in 1975, but never released. Thankfully, someone dug up an old print and they screened it at the Fly-in Theater. They even had many members of the cast to discuss the film but, unfortunately, not Richard himself.

Aeroshell square is now Boeing Plaza, warbirds were up in the northeast corner of the field, and many of the smaller vendors had moved from the main buildings to smaller buildings or tents, so it took a while to find things again.

There were seemingly hundreds of forums on all sorts of topics, and sometimes it was tough to choose when several interesting ones were offered at the same time. As I’m in the process of trying to re-learn how to fly instruments after 19 years, I was particularly interested in the IFR-related sessions. I attended about 5, and was surprised to note that they were all packed with attendees. I’m not sure whether most were old hands getting more learning or new folks getting interested in IFR given the fantastic new equipment that keeps hitting the market at half-way reasonable prices, but it was encouraging to see the interest.

All in all, it was an exhausting (lots of walking) but pleasant experience, but next time I’ll probably go earlier, take a bike, and maybe volunteer.

In Memoriam – Dick Schoen

It is with sadness that we report the passing, on July 7 at age 89, of Dick Schoen. Dick was active in the ACAA in its early days, and was also active in the American Wings Aviation Museum. Our condolences to Dick’s family. To further complicate an already difficult situation for Dick’s heirs, his hangar burned down several weeks after his death. As of 2 weeks ago, I was advised that the building was deemed to be too unstable for fire investigators to get in to determine the cause.

EAA at the State Fair

I was pleasantly surprised to see that EAA had a significant presence at the MN State Fair. They brought a big trailer in from HQ, with a couple of Redbird flight simulators, eight or ten pairs of virtual reality goggles showing full-motion, 360-degree footage from Airventure 2018 that made you feel like you were right there, and projects for the kids such as “build a model airplane.” The exhibit appeared to be very popular with the adults as well as the kids, and hopefully piqued a few folks’ interest in aviation.

The VR goggles were impressive. I’m looking forward to a flight simulator based on VR technology.

“Revitalizing” Crystal Airport

As some of you are no doubt aware, Crystal airport activity has been on a decline in recent years for a number of reasons. I met with several MAC staff members and John Grosen, the Crystal RAAC rep several weeks ago to kick around ideas on how to bring Crystal back to some semblance of its former self. MAC is doing a few things to make the airport more attractive, including extending the main runway by almost 500 feet, petitioning the FAA for an instrument approach to runway 14/32 (which probably won’t happen until the extension is done in 2020), and attempting to get 24 hour fuel service. The airport has a lot of advantages. With its location close to Minneapolis and its proximity to a future light rail line, it would be a natural for pilots to land at Crystal, take the train to attend a sporting event or do business in downtown Minneapolis, and reverse the process to go home.

In my opinion, Crystal is in an excellent position to be promoted as a training destination. With a control tower, good runways, close-in location, and not a lot of large aircraft operations, and with Boeing’s projection that we’ll need over 600,000 pilots worldwide in the next 20 years, there’s a tremendous opportunity. I’ve heard anecdotally that interest in flight training is booming, (I’m told that Thunderbird is at max capacity, and my CFII is quite busy), so it sounds like the market is there. What we need are instructors and airplanes and someone to organize it all. Perhaps outside interest in flight training could be kindled by offering low cost ground school or aviation orientation classes through local community education programs. (Get ‘em hooked in the classroom, and offer them a path to flight training.) Perhaps aircraft could be made available by encouraging aircraft owners who don’t fly much to lease their aircraft to a flight school to bring in some extra money and keep their aircraft flying. As students come through the program, encourage them to become flight instructors to teach the next batch of students. Anyway, a few thoughts. The interest in STEM programs at the K-12 level, and the interest in aviation as demonstrated by the EAA exhibit at the State Fair and the crowds at Oshkosh are very encouraging, but where do we go next?

Flight Line Gifts Extends 15% Discount to ACAA Members

Craig Schiller, owner of Flight Line Gifts, has extended his 15% discount offer to ACAA members with the coupon on Page 3. See the coupon for details. Thanks, Craig.

Girls in Aviation Needs Volunteers for September 22 Event

John Grosen, the MIC RAAC rep, advises that the Girls in Aviation organization is looking for volunteers for their Girls in Aviation Day event on Saturday, September 22 at Flying Cloud airport. This free event is open to children of all ages, and their parents, to learn more about the exciting world of aviation. They’ll have display aircraft, interactive activities, and representatives from Minnesota aerospace companies. You can volunteer, and bring along your kids and grandkids to experience our love of aviation. Or just show up and enjoy the event.

Check out their website at

<http://www.starsofthenorth.org/girls-in-aviation-day.html>

Learning Jet Seeking Volunteers to Help Teach

The Learning Jet project at STP, operated by the Minnesota Association of Women in Aviation, is seeking volunteers to help teach aviation-related classes to students in their program. If interested, contact mnawaviation@gmail.com.

For more information on the Learning Jet, check out

www.mnawa.org

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.

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July Meeting Minutes

Following the pre-meeting BBQ, which was well attended, the meeting was called to order on Monday, July 9 at 1905 by President Michael Lawrence.

The May minutes as published in the July Newsletter were approved by voice vote.

Treasurer Mike Miller gave the Treasurer's Report. As of the end of June, account balances were:

Checking:	\$1,299.72
Savings:	4,915.62
Total:	\$6,215.34

The Treasurer's Report was approved by voice vote.

Hangar inspections are proceeding as announced earlier.

John Krack noted that MAC is reviewing reliever airport funding in light of tenant concerns about built-in cost escalators and the large cost of future capital improvements. Michael Lawrence suggested that we keep a close eye on administrative costs.

It was moved, seconded, and passed by voice vote to donate \$200 to the EAA in appreciation for the use of their building.

The meeting was adjourned, time not recorded.

Respectfully submitted by John Krack, Secretary, ACAA.

Capital Improvement Plans

Preliminary Capital Improvement Plans for infrastructure projects from 2019 through 2025 were presented to the Planning, Development and Environment Committee on September 4. You can review the full report at:

http://metroairports.granicus.com/MetaViewer.php?view_id=1&vent_id=40435&meta_id=42746

I've summarized the plans for ANE below. The long-term projects are shown on the next page, and the 2019 plans are detailed as follows:

86 – Anoka County - Blaine

ANE Alleyways Pavement Reconstruction \$750,000

This is an ongoing program to reconstruct aircraft operational areas (runways, taxiways, aprons) through bituminous overlays, seal coats, or in some instances, reconstruction, to restore the surfaces to a smooth, even condition and improve overall operating conditions. This project includes rehabilitation of alleyways in the West Building Area.

ANE Obstructions Removal \$100,000

This project will address identification and removal of obstructions to the runway approach surfaces.

ANE South Service Road & East Landside Road Pavement Reconstruction \$1,000,000

This is an ongoing effort to rehabilitate airport pavements through bituminous overlays, seal coats, or in some instances, reconstruction, to restore the surfaces to a smooth, even condition and improve overall operating conditions. This project includes the rehabilitation of the airport service road connecting the east and west building areas.

ANE Underground Storage Tank Replacement \$100,000

This project will replace aging underground storage tanks that are owned and maintained by the. The tanks were installed in 1991 and have a life expectancy of 25-30 years.

Late-Breaking Announcement from Vivian Starr:

ATTENTION: TOOL, EQUIPMENT AND MISC. SALE

Dear Friends at Anoka:

Many of you probably know that Bud Bourquin at 2555 E. Nevada passed away late last year. Bud operated Mid-States Helicopters and was one of the first to build his hangar on the east side. The hangar is under contract and his Sikorsky H-19 is going to Oklahoma to fly again. On **September 8th, this Saturday, from 8:00-5:00**, his wife Lorna is having a tool, equipment, and miscellaneous sale. Help make this a success; most items are not priced, but she will take reasonable offers. Sorry, no baby clothes.

Sale location on East New Mexico.

68 International diesel tanker fuel truck, stored inside, runs great, new batteries, fluids: \$7,500.00
2003 1 ton Chevy van, runs great, \$3,300.00 recently spent on repairs. \$6,000.00

Pettibone fork lift, racking, scaffolding, etc.

Sincerely,

Lorna Bourquin 651-746-9427

WANT ADS

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

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ANE Proposed Capital Projects Through 2025 (Preliminary)

Year	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
ANE Long Term Comprehensive Plan Projects							
86 - Anoka County - Blaine							
ANE AGIS and ALP			\$300,000				
ANE Building Area Development - Xylite St. Relocation						\$1,000,000	
ANE Maintenance/Facility Upgrade Projects							
86 - Anoka County - Blaine							
ANE Air Traffic Control Tower Equipment Upgrades		\$100,000					
ANE Alleyways Pavement Reconstruction	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$750,000				
ANE Electrical Vault Improvements						\$750,000	
ANE LED Edge Lighting Upgrade		\$800,000		\$1,700,000			
ANE MAC Building Improvements				\$700,000			
ANE Obstructions Removal	\$100,000						
ANE South Service Road & East Landside Road Pavement Reconstruction	\$1,000,000						
ANE Underground Fuel Storage Tank Replacement	\$100,000						
ANE West Perimeter Road					\$700,000		

Annual Airport Picnic

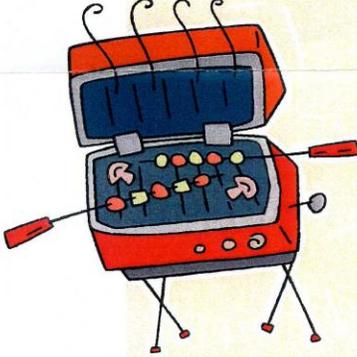
Join us for a barbecue

Monday - September 10, 2018
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Awards at 5:45 pm

**Anoka County/Blaine Airport
MAC Equipment Building /
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Discover Aviation Days

2019 Dates: June 1 – 2, 2019

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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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(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.

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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.

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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Hangar Street and #? _____

Pilot? _____

FBO? _____

Do you have any special interests, such as:

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Other? _____

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