



Newsletter

Anoka County Aviation Association

ACAA

Next Meeting: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:00 PM (Note earlier time)

September, 2021

ANE Annual Picnic

MAC Maintenance Building, Anoka County Airport.

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Calendar

Sep 13, 2021 (Mon)	5-7pm	Annual MAC/ACAA Airport Picnic MAC Maintenance Bldg
Sep 14, 2021 (Tue)	7pm	Fall RAAC Meeting via Microsoft Teams
Sep 25, 2021 (Sat)	10am-3pm	Girls in Aviation Day Flying Cloud Airport
Oct 13, 2021 (Wed)	4pm	ABAAC Meeting via Microsoft Teams
Oct 29, 2021 (Fri)		Newsletter Deadline Want Ads Due
Nov 8, 2021 (Mon)	5-7pm	ACAA Meeting EAA Building
Dec 14, 2001 (Tue)	TBD	Winter RAAC Meeting

September Meeting – ANE Annual Picnic

Our September meeting will be our 12th annual ANE BBQ/Picnic, to be held on **Monday, September 13**, at the **MAC building (next to the Tower) from 5 to 7 PM**.

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.

From the Director's Chair

By Joe Harris, Reliever Airports Director

It is very bittersweet for me as Neil Otey, Anoka County – Blaine Airport's tower manager, retired last month. I consider Neil a friend, colleague, and mentor and while he will be dearly missed by airport stakeholders, I want to congratulate him on more than four decades of air traffic service with the FAA and Midwest ATC. I look forward to seeing him flying his airplane at Lake Elmo Airport, and I know he will visit Anoka County-Blaine Airport periodically. Godspeed, Neil.

I am expecting a great turnout for our annual Airport BBQ on Monday, September 13. MAC staff and ACAA members will serve food from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the MAC maintenance building near the tower. It is a casual event, so come as you are. Everyone is welcome, and kids are encouraged to attend. I will be presenting the outstanding promotion of ANE to deserving individuals as well.

Airport operations continue to be strong and I want to recognize Trini, Bill, Loren, and Scott for keeping the airport grounds looking great. In addition, Phil Tiedeman, Airport Manager, has been engaging with tenants on removing items parked off leasehold areas. Frankly, I think the airport has never looked better from both air and land.

As summer comes to an end, I hope everyone is safe and healthy. I love this time of year as September is such a perfect time to fly to be dazzled by Minnesota's rainbow forests of green, amethyst, orange and scarlet.

All the best,
Joe

Notes from Phil

By Phil Tiedeman, ANE Airport Manager

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

Anoka County-Blaine Airport Advisory Commission (ACBAAC)

The Anoka County-Blaine Airport Advisory Commission (ACBAAC) is hosted by the MAC and convenes twice a year to bring together airport stakeholders to discuss issues related to airport development and aircraft operations. The next ACBAAC meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 13, 2021 at 4 p.m. Meeting details can be found here: www.macnoise.com/other-mac-airports/anoka-county-blaine-airport-advisory-commission-acbaac

MAC Maintenance Crew Update

The ANE Maintenance crew would like to remind everyone to remove trash and other items from between hangars. Over time, items can accumulate but these spaces are not meant for storage. Please do your part in keeping the airport clean.

Please ensure your dogs and pets are appropriately leashed. Recently, there have been a few instances where pets have wandered away from their owners. Thankfully they were returned without incident. Make sure you are cleaning up after your pets as well.

Editor's Note: It's important to have airport community members attend the ACBAAC meetings to help answer questions and show the attendees from the local communities that we're serious about being good neighbors. To join the meeting via Microsoft Teams, click on the link above, then click on the "meeting calendar" link to get the link to join.

RAAC Report

By John Krack, RAAC Chair

The fall Reliever Airports Advisory Council meeting is scheduled for 7:00 PM on Tuesday, September 14. Due to the Covid situation, it will once again be held virtually via Microsoft Teams. The meeting agenda and access info are printed below.

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

In preparation for the coming spate of lease renewals over the next two years, MAC is taking the opportunity to update the lease forms. The RAAC team reviewed the first draft, and sent comments. The primary changes are to clean up some wording

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and add provisions required by the FAA, but MAC is also proposing to update insurance requirements for tenants and subtenants. Based on our feedback, they agreed to make some changes to their initial proposal, but we haven't seen details yet.

Our major concerns are in three areas:

1. The initial draft called for both Tenants and Subtenants to insure "trade fixtures and personal property" at full replacement cost. We see no reason that choosing to self-insure such items should negatively affect MAC, and they have verbally agreed to drop this requirement.
2. The initial draft called for liability insurance minima of \$1M per occurrence and \$2M aggregate. (The current requirement is \$500,000.) We suggested that for smaller buildings, the \$2M would impose additional cost in excess of \$100, and seemed like overkill. MAC has indicated verbally that they would consider a 2-tier system, based on building footprint.
3. The initial draft called for Subtenants to carry the same property and liability coverage as the Tenant, thus requiring the Subtenant to carry the same insurance policy as the Tenant. This makes no sense, for example, for someone storing a C150 in the corner of a Tenant's 40x60 hangar. Again, MAC has indicated that they'll modify this.

Although we don't believe that it's appropriate for MAC to impose drastic insurance requirements on Subtenants, we do recognize that there are risks associated with subleasing that could be catastrophic, and we have asked MAC to provide guidelines on what these risks are, and suggestions to both Tenants and Subtenants for minimizing them.

As this project develops, the proposed lease forms will be made available to the tenant community for comment.

One piece of good news: I'm advised that we'll all get new 10-year leases, rather than 5-year renewals of our current leases.

RELIEVER AIRPORTS ADVISORY COUNCIL

TUESDAY - SEPTEMBER 14, 2021 7:00 P.M.

METROPOLITAN AIRPORTS COMMISSION

Microsoft Teams Meeting

Dial in Toll number: 612-405-6798

Conference ID code: 463 479 56#

PC or Mobile Device Link:

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes and Agenda
2. Topics:
 - A. Reliever Airport Updates — Airport Managers
 - B. Non-Aeronautical Revenue Update — Eric Johnson
 - C. Reliever Financial Update (2nd Quarter) — Kelly Gerads
 - D. Reliever Lease Forms Update — Kelly Gerads
 - E. Director's Report — Joe Harris
3. Tenant Comments/Concerns — RAAC Representatives
4. Future Meetings Schedule for 2021 — 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday — December 14, 2021

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 September RAAC meeting, let me know.

A Message from Lynx FBO

By Bryan Orr, General Manager, Lynx FBO Anoka

It has been a busy summer at ANE and it appears activity is slowly returning to normal levels. We are blessed to be able to support such an active and diverse airport community and thank each of you for your support. Our transient customers continuously comment on how much they love coming to ANE and how surprised they are by the number and types of aircraft based on this airport. They are very impressed by this unique community.

I am proud of the team we have built at Lynx over the past couple years. Every team member understands the value of our customers and the importance of providing excellent service. Additionally, each of us values service to our community, be it through introducing youth to aviation, blood drives to support local hospitals/blood banks, community meetings, or supporting a local food bank to assist those in need; community has value to us all. That said, I am amazed at the work performed by our own ANE E.A.A. Chapter 237. They have provided first time flights to over 100 youth this summer! Their professionalism and selfless service is a testament to the spirit of the Anoka County – Blaine Airport flying community.

In addition to monthly Young Eagle flights, we have had the pleasure of hosting two American Red Cross Blood Drives this summer, which collected 50-pints of blood. In August, Dream Flights/Sports Clips flew a Stearman Model 75 in for a weekend and took four World War II veterans up for flights. Also in August, Cheryl Daml and a host of others held an Aviation Merit Badge workshop for local Boy Scouts at the facility. If you are interested in supporting any of the community services/charities mentioned, please see links below.

E.A.A. Chapter 237: <https://youngeaglesday.org?2481>

American Red Cross:

<https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=Lynx%20FBO>

Hope for the Community (foodbank):

<https://hopeforthecommunity.com/>

Lastly, on September 11, 2021 E.A.A. Chapter 237 will be conducting Young Eagle flights (ages 8-17) out of the FBO facility. Additionally, local War Birds will be gathering at the facility for the official 9/11 Day of Remembrance where they depart ANE to fly over the State Capital and 9/11 Memorials around the State.

The View From Here

By John Krack

Neil Otey

We're disappointed that our tower chief for the last five years is leaving us, but we're happy for Neil as he embarks on the next stage of his life's journey. Neil has been a tremendous asset to our airport, and we wish him well in his future endeavors.

Congratulations, Neil.

Capital Improvement Plans

I browsed through the preliminary draft Capital Improvement Plan to be presented to the Planning, Development, and Environment Committee in September, and noted three interesting ANE-related items:

2022 - \$200,000 to demolish the old Anoka Technical College building next to the Tower (currently owned by MAC) to make the space available for a potential future lease.

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2024 - \$1,500,000 for a West Perimeter Road, connecting Lynx FBO with the rest of the airport for ground operations.

2025 – \$1,000,000 for Building Area Development – Xylite St. Relocation

Although these projects are preliminary at this point, it's great to see that they're on MAC's near-to-mid-term radar. We hope the funding becomes available and they can move forward as planned.

You can review the entire proposal at:

https://metroairports.granicus.com/MetaViewer.php?view_id=1&event_id=41169&meta_id=72170

The third item has been on and off the table for years, but with the growing demand and resultant shortage of hangar space, it's time to bring it back. US Senator Jim Inhofe (R-OK) has introduced S.2459, the so-called HANGARS Act, to appropriate \$1B to jump-start hangar improvements at GA airports across the country. If this bill is ultimately passed, we would hope that MAC would apply for a grant, and hopefully be able to move up the timetable by a year or two.

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-XXrbyke8xWve1Hi6snKWxTjTBBAqMB-5uYkXhNUOThTTFI2STk2QlhCSkZQOZiCWVJSWExMUj4u>

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.

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.

September 11, 2001

As we memorialize the tragic events of twenty years ago, I think the note by Vivian Starr in the November, 2011 ACAA Newsletter is pertinent. 9/11 impacted all of our lives, but, because of the mechanism used, especially affected those of us in the aviation community. Here's what Vivian had to say:

Our September ACAA meeting was held just a few hours before disaster struck our nation. The concept of our country being attacked with the loss of so many thousands of people left all of us stunned. Then GA was grounded for weeks as the FAA and NSC struggled to understand where risks were. Fortunately, we had AOPA & EAA rise to the challenge of lobbying to get us back in the air. Our FBOs verged on bankruptcy before flight was restored. Crop dusters and warbird hobbyists were scrutinized for terrorist potential. Many of our concerns the evening of the 10th are now irrelevant. We had ideas about how MAC should develop and improve our airport! Now the budget for those improvements is on hold. As we face the challenges ahead, a strong aviation community must continue to work to protect our right to fly. So come to the November ACAA meeting and share your love of flying with your friends!

Girls in Aviation Day

(From Blaine Peterson's FCM September Newsletter)

After going virtual in 2020, Stars of the North Girls in Aviation Day is returning to Flying Cloud Airport on Saturday, September 25. The event will take place from 10 a.m.–3 p.m. and will offer speakers, exhibitors, educational activities, demonstrations, and static displays. The MAC will be participating at the event with an interactive booth featuring a Paint the Plow activity where attendees can contribute to a mural on one of FCM's snowplow blades.

Admission to the event is free, but registration is required. To register, fill out the [online form](#) on the Stars of the North website. More [information about the event](#) is also available on the site.

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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.

July Meeting Minutes

The July meeting was held in person on Monday, July 12 at the EAA building, and was called to order at 1939 by President Michael Lawrence. A BBQ and social hour was held before the meeting to celebrate the ACAA's 31st anniversary.

Attendance was very disappointing. We had planned for around 40 people, and maybe a dozen showed up.

Phil Tiedeman reported that west side taxilane construction is in progress, and that the 3M Open golf tournament was scheduled for July 19-25. There would be no TFR. The Goodyear Blimp will be in town, based at the south end of the airport.

Letters have gone out to hangar owners needing to do repairs prior to lease renewal.

Operations are picking up.

Treasurer's Report:

Checking:	\$1,320.63
Savings:	4,918.79
Total:	\$6,239.42

The meeting was adjourned at 1959.

Respectfully submitted by John Krack, Secretary, ACAA.

WANT ADS

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From the Archives

By John Krack

The following is a column by Dick McKenney from the May, 2011 Newsletter

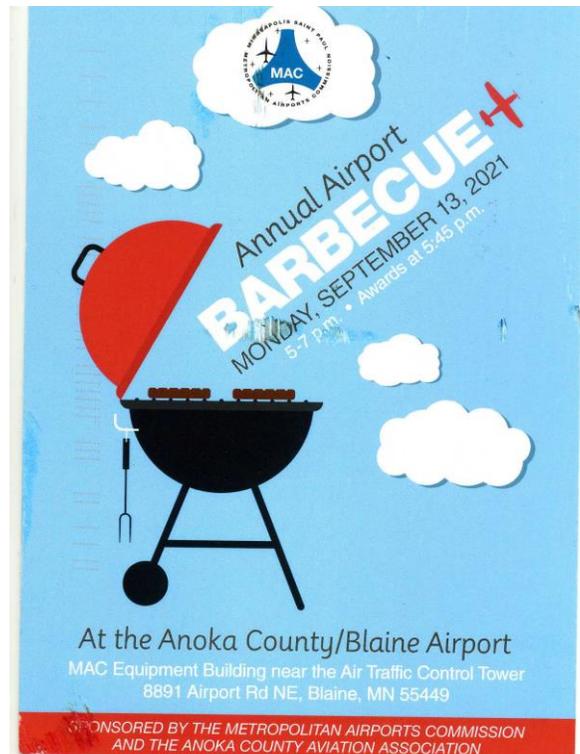
The Hangar Door

By Dick McKenney

We all know that aviation is about flying, airplanes, education, safety, regulation, design, engineering, construction, etc. We sometimes forget that it is also about people and their part in the whole aviation culture. Since my earliest recollection I was fascinated by airplanes and flying them. I flew with long time friends, rented airplanes, and socialized with people who liked aviation. I read about the EAA in the Wall Street Journal and joined the national EAA so I could go to their fly-in at Rockford, Ill. I later joined a local chapter because I wanted to build an airplane. But I always felt somewhat like an outsider to the flying community.

When I bought my first aircraft, I rented a hangar at ANE. Five years later, I bought a hangar at Anoka County Airport. It was the smartest thing I ever did (other than getting married). It gives you a place to go instead of the local bar. When you have a hangar you become one of the aviation community. On a Friday afternoon or Saturday morning, you can open up the big door, put your aircraft on the pad in front and people come by and stop at your hangar. They may be locals, may be sightseers, they may just want to look at your airplane. Whoever they are, they are interested in aviation and want to talk. I have met and know many people I would never have talked to without the hangar.

Just recently, I was getting ready to go practice some landings when an elderly gentleman drove up and wanted to go flying with me if we could do some wingovers. OK, I said. After my turn he wanted to try some. Great; I knew this guy could fly the Citabria when he did his clearing turns. After some wingovers and a couple of barrel rolls, we landed and I asked him where he learned to do such smooth maneuvers. Turns out Marv was a Navy Corsair pilot from WWII carrier operations. Over the years I have found the Navy-trained pilots are the best. My first instructor was one and I was in a partnership with a pilot who had instructed for the Navy. Marv and I plan to do some more flying together. He also said he was glad to know the EAA was bringing young people into flying through Young Eagles and other educational programs. You just never know who will blow in if you leave your hangar door open.



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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.

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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.

Anoka County Aviation Association

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ANOKA COUNTY AVIATION ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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____ Renewal

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\$15 - 1 Year \$27 - 2 years \$35 - 3 years

(Please check desired membership term)

To: John Krack
7629 Lakeside Rd. NE
Fridley, MN 55432

Your renewal date is shown on your mailing label.

Do you have any special concerns or issues you would like to communicate?

To help us keep current with our members' interests, please fill out this survey.

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Type of Aircraft? _____

Hangar Owner? _____

Hangar Street and #? _____

Pilot? _____

FBO? _____

Do you have any special interests, such as:

Aircraft Restoration? _____

Homebuilding? _____

Recreational Flying? _____

Other? _____

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