



Operations Update Nov 30, 2017

To: Delta Tenants and Stakeholders:

The Delta Heritage Air Park Operating Committee held its last meeting of 2017 on November 23. Here is a summary of the items discussed.

Major Initiatives for 2017:

As you are aware, the fuel system had been identified as our number one priority project for 2017. DapCom has sourced a new self serve fueling terminal, and after a lot of effort, it is up and running. DAPCOM plans to erect a small cover for the terminal to protect it from weather.

DAPCOM has discussed the possibility of replacing our pumps with newer technology, but decided the cost was prohibitive. In order to keep our pumps going as long as possible, DAPCOM will purchase spare parts and “repair as required” for the time being.

Donations in Memory of Jerry Janes:

Some of the funding for the new terminal came from donations in memory of Jerry Janes, a long term tenant and ardent supporter of Delta Heritage Air Park. Jerry passed away last August and his family suggested that in his memory, friends make donations to the Airpark. DAPCOM has collected more than four thousand dollars from this plan. A plaque will be attached to our terminal and a picture of Jerry placed in the coffee shop in his memory. On behalf of the Air Park, a big THANK YOU to Jerry’s family for such a great idea!

Paving:

The second big project this year was the paving of the area east of Mary’s Place. The Committee felt that the other surface was rough and uneven presenting a hazard to disabled and elderly visitors. We wanted to improve the look and function of that area so the Committee made the decision to resurface it. That was a lot of work, but thanks to Tim Baker who prepared the sub-layer, we were able to finish the project in time to enjoy this fall. Much of the blue clay removed from the site had to be disposed of and that was spread near the threshold of RW25. The threshold now extends almost back to 104 St. We suggest not using it as the surface is rough.

Weight Restrictions:

DAPCOM wishes to remind tenants that we have imposed a weight limit on the new pavement. The new surface has been built on a soft clay sub base material and will crack if overloaded. We ask tenants to limit the use to light duty vehicles only.

So please **NO HEAVY VEHICLES WHATSOEVER !!!** Light pickup trucks, vans and cars only allowed on new blacktop and concrete surfaces.

Parking:

The new pavement is not a parking area. As much as possible, please leave your vehicle in the parking lot so not to restrict traffic through the new area.

Gates:

Please **close the gates** behind you when accessing and leaving the air field. Do not leave your vehicle parked on emergency access roads or on taxiways. If you are away overnight leave your vehicle on a designated parking spot or inside your hangar. Do not park on the field for extended periods.

Vehicles on the Grass:

Please avoid driving or parking on the grass during the winter. Driving on the grass in winter will create large ruts which are hard to repair when the field dries out in the spring. Deep ruts can damage an aircraft if rolled or moved onto them inadvertently.

Wi-Fi Access in the Air Park:

The Wi-Fi system has been upgraded. Sean Walker installed several new access points to improve this service. DAPCOM intends to improve the webcam viewing service in the New Year.

Electricity Consumption:

Electrical usage seems to have returned to normal levels from the recent highs. Thanks to everyone who turned down their heaters and lights. Tenants are reminded to avoid using electrical devices which require large amounts of electricity. If excess electrical load is verified to be present in any of the hangars an electrical surcharge could be added to the monthly hangar rent to offset our increased electrical bill. Please be diligent to avoid excess power consumption.

MoGas:

We do not intend to purchase or sell MOGAS. Sorry for the inconvenience.

Fueling Aircraft:

It is not permissible to handle or store fuel in the hangars at the airpark. Please restrict your fuel handling to areas outside the hangars. Fueling airplanes inside hangars is a contravention of your Contract for Aircraft Parking.

Garbage Bin:

The Metal garbage bin is not intended for disposal of personal household garbage. It is to be used for the disposal of airpark refuse only. The bin will be locked between pickups. To avoid placing "unapproved" items in the bin, tenants are expected to sort their garbage into the recycle containers in the shed beside the garbage box. Once the garbage has been sorted, leave the bag in the shed for Gerard to place in the metal bin.

Please do not leave furniture or appliances for disposal.

Flower Pots:

The flower pots on the patio have been replanted with daffodil bulbs. The annuals from the spring planting have been removed. It may look like there is nothing going on, but in the spring the flowers will blossom. Let's hope the squirrels will not dig them up first.

Metro Vancouver Parks Septic System Work:

Metro is constructing a septic system on the south west corner of the airfield. The work will commence on Wednesday morning and continue for two weeks. There will be 7-10 loads of material and supplies moving along the taxiway in front of Mary's Place to the construction site. Other vehicles will use the parking lot. There should be only minimal disruption to aircraft movement and mostly from hangars H1 and the south side of H2.

The second biannual meeting with Metro Parks will be held on Thursday November 30 at 7:00 PM in the RAA Clubhouse. All tenants and other stakeholders are welcome to attend.

Have a nice Christmas Holiday season.

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