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A NEWSLETTER FOR NORTH LAS VEGAS AIRPORT CUSTOMERS

BURNS' BULLETIN

NORTH LAS VEGAS 2017 OPEN HOUSE - North Las Vegas Airport will be hosting a community Open House event. Aviation buffs seeking a one-of-a-kind family event will find everything in one place Saturday, December 2nd from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Parking and admission are free. Guests will enjoy a stunning array of aircraft, children activities and food from gourmet trucks and much more.

Dozens of airplanes, from vintage models to business jets and helicopters will be on display, including, Civil Air Patrol, and Las Vegas Metro Search and Rescue. If you would like to participate by displaying your aircraft, or by providing information on the services your business provide, please contact Kelly Burns at 702-261-3804 or Kellybu@mccarran.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS -

Several upcoming events (listed below) have the potential to impact operations at all the local airports with increased flights, aircraft service, and ground transportation, so please plan ahead.

- September 16, 2017, Saul "Canelo" Alvarez will fight Gennady Golovkin at the T-Mobile Arena.
- October 10-12, 2017 National Business Aviation Association (NBAA)
- November 1-9 Skydive Fyrosity will host the 2nd FAI World Cup of Wingsuit Flying at Perkins Field (Overton Airport).

STAKEHOLDERS MEETING

The next Stakeholders Meeting will be held September 20, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the Grand Canyon Room. If you have a topic you would like to be discussed, please send me an email at Kellybu@mccarran.com.

REISSUING GATE CARDS -

VGT will be issuing new gate cards starting 1/2/2018. We request that you visit the VGT Administration Office during business hours to obtain your new "blue" gate access card. On April 1, 2018 new card readers will be activated and the current "green" cards will no longer provide access to the airfield. You will need to have an existing signed agreement with the County as a commercial operator, private hangar owner, or shade/tiedown lessee.

All lessees are required to bring in the following documents before your new gate card can be issued.

- Your current green card (so no additional deposit would be required).
- Current copy of your declarations page for your automobile insurance policy.
- Current copy of your DMV automobile registration.
- Current copy of your aircraft insurance.

Current insurance requirements are as follows:

Aircraft Liability Insurance – coverage for injury to persons and property damage, and such other coverage as may be necessary to protect County from such claims and actions by Tenant, either on the Airport or within the Premises. Said insurance shall have limits of not less than One Million (\$1,000,000) Dollars. Clark County must be named additional insured.

EMERGENCY TABLETOP EXERCISE -

VGT is planning an airport emergency tabletop exercise on November 16, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. in the Grand Canyon Room. This year's exercise presents a scenario that will test the ability of local firefighters and other agencies to effectively respond to a major accident. Participants will methodically discuss rescue efforts starting from initial notification until the situation is resolved and the airport has returned to normal operation.

This tabletop exercise will highlight airport communication procedures and the ability of local agencies to provide a coordinated response. It will allow us to assess the adequacy of each agency's response plan as well as the airport's ability to disseminate information to stakeholders and the general public in a timely manner. A post-incident critique will be held to evaluate the effectiveness of the exercise. Interested airport stakeholders are encouraged to attend the exercise.

The Federal Aviation Administration requires airports certified under 14 CFR Part 139 to hold emergency tabletop exercises. The exercises help to ensure that local agencies and airport personnel are able to respond effectively to aircraft incidents and accidents which enhance safety and benefits for all stakeholders.

SECURITY GATES—Do not allow another vehicle to drive through the gate behind you, a practice known as "piggybacking." Remember, you are responsible and liable for anyone you allow in. If the gate does not close completely, please notify Airport Customer Service at 261-3806 during normal business hours or the DOA Airport Control Center at 261-5125 at all other times, and someone will respond.



VGT CONTROLLER TALK

The primary method of controlling the immediate airport environment is visual observation from the airport control tower. Air traffic controllers are responsible for the separation and efficient movement of aircraft and vehicles operating on the taxiways and runways of the airport itself and aircraft in the air near the airport.

The areas of responsibility for tower controllers fall into three general operational disciplines; local control, ground control and flight data/clearance delivery. The following provides a general concept of the delegation of responsibilities within the tower environment.

Ground control is responsible for the airport "movement" areas. This generally includes all taxiways, inactive runways and holding areas. Any aircraft, vehicle or person in these areas is required to have clearance from ground control. This is normally done via VHF/UHF radio. Ground control is vital to the smooth operation of the airport, because this position impacts the sequencing of departure aircraft, affecting the safety and efficiency of the airport's operation.

Local Control (known to pilots as "tower") is responsible for the active runway surfaces. Local control clears aircraft for takeoff or landing, ensuring that prescribed runway separation will exist at all times.

Within the tower, a highly disciplined communications process between air control and ground control is an absolute necessity. Local control must ensure that ground control is aware of any operations that will impact the taxiways. Ground control needs to keep the Local controllers aware of the traffic flow towards their runways in order to maximize runway utilization.

Clearance delivery is the position that issues route clearances to aircraft. These clearances contain details of the route that the aircraft is expected to fly after departure. The primary responsibility of clearance delivery is to ensure that the aircraft have the correct aerodrome information, such as weather and airport conditions, the correct route after departure and time restrictions relating to that flight.

Flight data (which is routinely combined with clearance delivery) is the position that is responsible for ensuring that both controllers and pilots have the most current information: pertinent weather changes, outages, airport ground delays/ground stops, runway closures, etc. Flight data may inform the pilots using a recorded continuous loop on a specific frequency known as the automatic terminal information service (ATIS).

Graham Palmer, VGT ATCT

Aviation Meetings

Grand Canyon Room

Conference Room

- 2nd Monday - CAP - Nellis Sr. Squadron
- 3rd Monday - US Coast Guard Auxiliary
- 4th Monday - CAP - Nellis Sr. Squadron
- 1st Tuesday - EAA Chapter 163
- 2nd Tuesday - 1/4 Scale Assoc - 6:45pm
- 1st Wednesday - Commemorative Air Force
- 2nd Wednesday - Rebel Squadron (In Modular Building)
- 4th Wednesday - Prop - Nuts
- 4th Thursday - FAA FAST TEAM

- 4th Monday - Dust Devils
- 1st Tuesday - CAP
- 2nd Tuesday - LV Eagles
- 3rd Tuesday - 99s - 5:30pm - 7:00pm
- 4th Tuesday - LV Balloon Club
- 3rd Wednesday - Commemorative Air Force

(All meetings are at 7PM unless otherwise noted.)



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