



# Bulletin

A NEWSLETTER FOR NORTH LAS VEGAS AIRPORT CUSTOMERS

## BURNS' BULLETIN

### UPCOMING EVENTS

November 1 through 9, 2017 Skydive Fyrosity will host the 2nd FAI World Cup of Wingsuit Flying at Perkins Field (Overton Airport).

### NORTH LAS VEGAS AIRPORT 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 2, 2017, 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 may provide, please contact Kelly Burns at 702-261-3804 or Kellybu@mccarran.com.



**FAA TAXI TEST** - The FAA Taxi Test is a 60-minute video that provides a comprehensive look at runway safety best practices including a review of signs and markings; scenario-based dos and don'ts; and clear explanations of why certain procedures are critical. Visit the site and test your skills at <https://livestream.com/FAASTeamTV/events/2185859>. Your surface safety knowledge and capabilities will markedly improve.

### 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.

### 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.

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

Current insurance requirements are as follows:

Automobile Liability Coverage in the amount of \$250,000/\$500,000 in Bodily Injury and \$250,000 in Property Damage.

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

### MOVEMENT AREA

**ACCESS** – Under Part 139, all personnel with duties requiring access to the movement and safety areas are required to have initial and recurrent training. Only authorized personnel are authorized to drive within the movement area. If you need access to the movement area, please contact Customer Service at 702-261-3803. An Airport employee will be provided to escort you and your aircraft.



### VGT CONTROLLER TALK

Pilots who enjoy winter flying acknowledge that while your preflight might be a shiver-inducing experience, you will likely not face thunderstorms, one of warmer weather's traditional hazards, the report begins. The cold air also provides increased visibility to enhance your flight.

Another positive aspect of winter flying is air density. Cold air is denser, so engines produce more thrust and wings generate more lift causing an airplane to take off shorter and climb faster in the winter.

Winter flying, though, requires some extra caution:

**Don't forget a thorough preflight.** Remember that tires may lose pressure when the temperature drops; all frost or snow need to be removed; and small animals want out of the cold too, so they may have made a home in an engine cowling.

**Avoid fuel contamination.** If an airplane has been flown and parked in a hangar while it is still warm, those half-empty tanks can produce condensation, which can contaminate your aircraft's fuel with water.

**Be careful when preheating your airplane.** The danger here is fire. The process works better when your airplane starts out in a heated hangar. If you are going to preheat your airplane, make sure the heater and cords are in good condition.

**Never fuel the airplane while the heater is in use.** Other common sense suggestions include not leaving your airplane unattended during the preheating process. Take care that the heat ducting is not blowing on flammable parts of the airplane such as upholstery, canvas engine covers, and flexible fuel, oil, and hydraulic lines.

**Protect your deicing equipment.** Visually inspect your deicing boots for cracks and cuts. Some aircraft owners recommend applying a compound such as Age Master No. 1 to the boots to protect the rubber and slow the aging process. In addition, an ice-shedding product such as ICEX will help keep your boots clear of ice accumulation by reducing the ability of ice to stick to the boots.

**Prepare for an emergency situation.** Emergencies happen, even to the most cautious pilot, so be prepared with survival equipment, including a fully charged cellphone and fresh batteries for your flashlight.

**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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