

# Skywriting



**April 2022**

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## Recent Flight Time

	<u>March '22</u>	<u>Annual</u>
N32204	27.7	Apr 2021
N8114F	10.3	May 2021
N4RB	9.2	Nov 2021
<b>Total:</b>	<b>47.2</b>	

We are at 30 pilots as of April 1st

## **Spring Plane Wash**

**May 21, 2022, 9:00 am**

**Rain Date**

**May 28, 2022**



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### Plane Captains

Warrior N32204 – Richard Husson  
Archer N8114F – Gary Knapp  
Bonanza N4RB—Charlie Typinski

### Flight Instructors

Tim Leinbach CFII & Mo Hyder CFII

## Please Note The Plane Wash Change

At the April 12th meeting the plane wash was discussed. It was decided to **start washing airplanes at 9 am** since many show up that early anyway. It was moved to 11 am a few years ago to encourage people to attend. It was felt the morning chill was keeping people away.

Other changes are with the specific tasks the “early bird” group would be doing.

## Big Changes to 5-23

Please check page 3 for major changes to runway 5/23 due to the airport constructing the planned alterations .

## Price at the Pump

The price at the self serve pump is \$4.50 per gallon.

## Aviation Air Conditioning

A propeller is just a big fan blade in front of the plane to keep the pilot cool in the air.



When it stops, you can actually see the pilot start sweating!

Hovering is for pilots who love to fly,  
but have no place to go,

## No April Fool's Joke

April 1, 1954 - The United States Air Force Academy is established. President Dwight D. Eisenhower signs the legislation authorizing the Academy. The temporary location was at Lowery Air Force Base near Denver, Colorado. In 1958, buildings were completed at Colorado Springs, Colorado, its permanent location. The United States Air Force was separated from the Army Air Corps in 1947.



## New Fuel Samplers Acquired

Just for your information, I replaced all of the Fuel Samplers in the planes. The current ones were either broke and leaking fuel, or the screens were bad. So you'll know what they look like view the picture above. Thanks and Blue Skies from your Chief Flight Instructor, **Tim Leinbach CFII**

## (Nineteen Years Ago This Was News)

### Airplane Security

Anybody watching the news Sunday, January 05, 2003 knows about the idiot who hijacked/stole a small motor glider from an airport near Frankfurt, Germany, and created panic in the city until he landed at Frankfurt International Airport.

The electronic media had all kinds of experts on board who were discussing how bad GA security is, and how that will have to change. O-boy! Here we go again!

It goes without saying that you are a key person in the security of our aircraft. If you think it can't happen here, you are severely naïve. Aircraft should be locked whenever left on the ramp. Gate protocol must be followed. Think about all the ways you can contribute to a more secure situation. It affects our freedom to fly.

You can also join AOPA (Aircraft Owners & Pilots Assn.). AOPA has done an outstanding job of defending our right to fly, helping our governments with realistic security measures, and educating the public about GA. All you have to do is donate one hour of flying: \$45 per year.....to join AOPA. It also gets you the best aviation magazine subscription available anywhere. Don't put it off....do it!

## Carbon Monoxide (CO) Detector Update

If you've been in one of our 3 aircraft lately you'll notice the Club has purchased electronic carbon monoxide (CO) detectors for them. These are very sensitive detectors, and that brings up an issue we've discovered with the Warrior and Archer. During the takeoff initial climb, and other enroute climbs it's possible to get the nose of the Pipers high enough that some exhaust CO can get into the cockpit. While the OSHA standard for CO is 50 ppm time rated over 8 hours, our detectors will show a red light at 9 ppm, and an audible alarm at 25 ppm. In each case there will also be a digital readout, so you can see what the situation is. The solution is to either ignore the alarm or turn the detector off. Those solutions aren't the best, but at least you should know the score.



## **Runway 5-23 Construction Information April 11, 2022**

**From Brad Gantt, MAA**

The airport will begin a major runway construction project next week. The project will shorten Runway 5/23 to approximately 3,500' and eliminate the triple runway intersection.

The new runway threshold for Runway 23 will be just south of the Runway 9/27 safety area. There will be no physical pavement connection between 5/23 and 9/27. A new Taxiway P2 connector will be constructed to provide a taxiway to the approach end of 23.

Runway 5/23 will be closed Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 7am local time and is expected to reopen by November 30<sup>th</sup>. Several taxiways will also be closed at this time and will remain closed for the duration of the project. Taxiway K2 and D will remain closed until the runway reopens.

Attached is an airfield diagram that depicts the first phase of closures. For this first phase taxiways P and G will be the two routes for GA traffic to the south side.

The project will also include connecting Taxiway A and H creating a full length

parallel taxiway for 9/27. The taxiway will be "Alpha" full length and the west end will no longer be "Hotel." The current jog around the runway 5/23 approach will be eliminated.

To accomplish the shortening we need to remove all the pavement for 5/23 in the midfield area and all of the pavement north of 9/27. This requires nightly airport closures for 30 days. We expect that these nightly closures will begin on Monday, May 9<sup>th</sup>. These closures will be 10:30 pm to 5:30 am local time. No runways will be open during these closures.

Both runway 9/27 and 13/31 will also have separate 30 day closures this summer. During these times only one runway will be available.

Watch your e-mail for construction diagrams of the upcoming phases. Keep a close watch on NOTAMs for changes as all dates are tentative based upon the contractor's progress. Taxi routes to the GA areas will change multiple times during this project. Review the current NOTAMs before taxi.

Maps will be posted in the GA planning room / restroom area and on the park sign next to the GA gate to the t-hangars.

### **Aviation Terms**

**Dead Reckoning**—You reckon correctly, or you are!

**Destination**—Geographical location 30 minutes beyond the pilot's bladder saturation point.

**Engine Failure**—A condition that occurs when all fuel tanks mysteriously become filled with low-octane air.

**Glide Distance**—Half the distance from an airplane to the nearest emergency landing field.

**Hobbs Meter**—An instrument which creates an emergency situation should it fail during dual instruction. (Fortunately, FCC uses tach hours.)

**IFR**—A method of flying by needle and horoscope.

**Parasitic Drag**—A pilot who bums a ride and complains about the service.

**Useful Load**—Volumetric capacity of the aircraft, disregarding weight.

**Yankee**—Any pilot who has to ask New Orleans tower to "Say again."