

# AIRPORT *FLYER*

The Official Newsletter for

County of Ventura, Department of Airports

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## Director's Message

As 2017 comes to a close, we want to wish all of you Happy Holidays! 2017 has been an exciting year for our Department, in many ways.

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Ventura County was selected to host an AOPA Regional Fly-In at Camarillo Airport. The event was wonderful and we had over 5,000 attendees that arrived in 425 aircraft, and 1,000 cars. Many thanks to all the local volunteers that supported the fly-in!

The Wings Over Camarillo Air Show was great with some new acts, and great attendance. The proceeds from the Air Show will support our local aviation related non-profits, and provide aviation related scholarships!

The 99's hosted the 4th Annual Aviation Career Day at the CAF which was attended by more than 500 middle school and high school kids. What a great way to develop our future aviation workforce and hopefully create real career opportunities for our youth to live and work in Ventura County.

Earlier this year, we were awarded a grant to assist us in funding construction of 41 new storage hangars at the east end of the airport. New infrastructure will be constructed to also support future hangar phases as well as large commercial hangars. This project will assist us in reducing the wait time to occupy a County storage hangar. Which is currently around five years.

## Storm Water Pollution Prevention

With the rainy season in mind, the Department of Airports would like to remind our airport community of the responsibility to prevent pollutants from reaching the ocean waters. Many of our drains located at both airports drain directly to our local beaches via our storm water drain system. Unauthorized discharges can be prevented by practicing the following Best Management Practices:

1. Clean up any oil, fuel or other chemical spills with an approved absorbent. Use drip pans and catchments whenever repair or maintenance procedures may result in oil spills or drips. Deposit used oil filters at one of our hazmat disposal sites. DO NOT DISPOSE IN TRASH CANS. Call Airport Operations for Assistance.



- 2. When washing aircraft, typically a dry wash or pressure wash is the preferred method. Allow wash water to evaporate. Washing of Aircraft should be in an approved area such as the Wash Rack. Camarillo & Oxnard Airports Wash Racks have approved sewer drains to allow for excess water runoff. If you are unable to use the wash rack and must wash on a ramp area be sure to prevent water and solvents from reaching any drains.
- 3. Be sure to pick up litter when possible, if litter or FOD is abundant or located in a restricted area, please contact Airport Operations for assistance.
- 4. REMEMBER NOTHING DOWN THE DRAIN EXCEPT RAIN!

## Camarillo Airport Viewport



In July, the Department of Airports installed a shade structure over the Viewport patio. This is a great addition to the airport that encourages visitors to sit and enjoy the view in comfort away from the hot sun.

Additionally, in partnership with the 99's and the Waypoint Café, the Airport has plans for a grand entrance and ADA-compliant sidewalk to lead visitors to the Viewport.



After years of planning and environmental review, Phase 1 of the planned Northeast Hangar Development project is nearing construction! This first phase includes development of 41 hangars, consisting of 7 box hangars and 34 T-hangars; two ADA-compliant restrooms; and connecting taxilanes and aprons. Utilities, water and sewer infrastructure will also serve later phases of the development. The Airport was fortunate to receive Federal and State grants to help fund this effort. A construction schedule is anticipated to be developed within the next few days..

## **County Hangar Electrical Improvements**

Many thanks to our tenants in the Camarillo's Central Hangar Area for working with us to complete installation of new interior and exterior LED lights. This was part of a larger project to provide our tenants with improved and up to code lights and receptacles. These same improvements are scheduled for the County's West Area Hangars (between the ATCT and Air7) early next year.

## Department of Airports High Flyer



High Flyer of the quarter is Diane Grace. Diane was born in Texas and was transplanted in California as an infant. She was very active in sports during her childhood and adolescence, especially softball. She has worked in many areas involving customer service and management throughout her career, but what she loves the most is playing in the dirt! Diane worked with a local environmental award-winning grower and owned a thriving landscaping business for many years, until presented with the opportunity to work at for the County Airports. She volunteers to help

the elderly whenever she can and also volunteers for America In Bloom, an independent nonprofit organization which promotes community enhancement programs through the use of flowers, plants, and trees

Personnel Update	Administration	Operations	Maintenance
<u>Arrivals</u>	Adriana Calderon Madeline Herrle	Mario Santana Vince DellaRipa Richard Bandy	Diane Grace Luis Barajas Miguel Guillen
<u>Departures</u>	Natalie Carrier Veronica Navarro	Nick Calhoun Eric Childs Keenan Cummings	Jackson Dougherty Marc Zavala

## Events Calendar

Aviation Advisory Commission Meeting First Monday of the month @ 7 p.m.

<u>Airport Authorities Meeting</u> Second Thursday of the month @ 7 p.m.

<u>Airport Director's "Open Door"</u> Thursday 2-4 p.pm

Ventura County 99's Pilot Proficiency Classes www.vc99s.org/classes

## Important Numbers

Camarillo Airport Operations: Cell: 805-947-6803 Office: 805-388-4497 Oxnard Airport Operations: Cell: 805-947-6804 Office: 805-382-3022 Noise Hotline Camarillo 805-947-6803 Noise Hotline Oxnard: 805-947-6804 www.ventura.org/airports National Hotline and AOPA Airport Watch Program I-866-GA-SECURE

#### The Maintenance Corner

You've probably noticed the new "Fire Lane"/driving lane at Camarillo that we restriped a few weeks ago. We recently received a new Graco paint spray machine that has the ability to uniformly lay down reflective beads conforming to the relatively new FAA standards. We now have the ability to lay down and refurbish airfield lines in-house. With this new in-house capability and the training of more of our maintenance staff, you should notice a difference in the way we maintain lines at both CMA and OXR.

#### Camarillo Airport

We are still in the process of beautifying the Camarillo Airport grounds and parking areas. Most of the planters, islands, marquee areas, and street corners have gotten a makeover. We currently have a full maintenance staff working on drought-tolerant landscaping with maximum color. Our next project is occurring along Willis Avenue. Maintenance is still continuing to chip away at the hangar work orders we have left from hangar inspections. We ask that you cooperate as much as possible as we schedule maintenance on your hangars. Lastly, we will be painting the trim on CMA hangars as well as utilizing a re-numbering system for all hangars in the near future.

#### Oxnard Airport

At Oxnard we are diligently continuing the hangar row re-skinning project working on our seventh out of eleven hangars in this row. The end hangar is with the electrical panel work took a little more time but we got it done. With the current staff we have, this project should move much faster and we project it will be finished by June 2018. We have also upgraded the lighting around the terminal and tower parking lots for safety and security.

Lastly, there are several roofing projects in the plan still this fiscal year as well as next. All reported leaking roofs have been repaired as well as some scheduled roof maintenance. Two roofs were completely replaced this past summer as well. Hangar I at CMA is scheduled for replacement this fiscal year.



Driver's Training Reminder

If your gate card is not working, it might be time for your yearly Driver Training.

Please visit our website at *http://www.ventura.org/airports* for information on how to complete this training online.

You can call our office at (805) 388-4273 if you need assistant.

#### Camarillo Airport Authority

<u>Board of Supervisors:</u> Kelly Long John Zaragoza Peter Foy (Alternate)

<u>City Council:</u> Michael Morgan Tony Trembley Kevin Kildee (Alternate)

<u>Public Members:</u> Bill Thomas Mike Hodson (Alternate)

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Aviation Advisory Commission Adriana Van der Graaf Maggie Bird Gary Jacobs Harvey Paskowitz Steve Weiss Bobby Williams Jerry Miller Bruce Hamous James Flickinger

