

NEW NONSTOP SERVICE FROM OXNARD TO VEGAS

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Friday, October 5th marked the return of passenger airline service to Ventura County's Oxnard Airport, just over 2 years after United Express Airlines ceased operations due to the turndown in the economy.

MVP Airways arrived mid afternoon with company executives and operating

personnel aboard their 30 passenger SAAB 340 aircraft. They were greeted by an enthusiastic crowd of well wishers at the Oxnard Airport Terminal, which was transformed for the occasion into a full blown casino.

Chamber of Commerce, Visitor & Convention, and Lodging representatives joined elected officials and other interested citizens in welcoming the new airline from Las Vegas. All the guests were encouraged to board and tour the aircraft.

A brief program of introductions was hosted by Todd McNamee, Director of Ventura County Airports, and all speakers expressed their gratitude and enthusiasm for the return of much needed air service to Ventura County.

MVP has started with three flights a week, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday, from Oxnard to Las Vegas. In addition to the air transportation, MVP offers tour packages, including lodging at a variety of casinos in Las Vegas. Also, they are very interested in cooperating with local business and lodging interests to generate in-bound passengers to Ventura County.

MVP's ongoing plans include adding other destinations to their Oxnard service, including Laughlin, Nevada and other regional cities.

Las Vegas McCarran Airport is a major hub and passengers traveling on MVP can easily transfer to access destinations across the country and international flights.

To book a flight please visit www.flymvp.com or call 888 236-7388.

Airport Projects Update

CAMARILLO AIRPORT

Wash Rack Ramp and Infield Improvements by TWY G—In August, the Department of Airports was able to secure grant funds for the reconstruction of the ramp north of the wash rack as well as improvements to the taxiway safety areas between TWYs F & G. The work will be completed in two phases to minimize disruption to Airport users although there will be wingspan restrictions in place during construction. We anticipate construction for the ramp reconstruction to begin the first week of November for the first phase of work; which includes the ramp reconstruction. Once complete, work will begin on the second phase of work for the infield improvements between TW F & TW G. Construction is expected to be complete for all phases of work by February 2013.



OXNARD AIRPORT

Runway and Taxiway Lighting Upgrades— The Airport successfully obtained federal funding to replace the existing airfield lighting with new energy-efficient LEDs. This project will not only reduce energy costs, it will also replace old direct-buried conduits and bring the Airport up to FAA airfield light configuration standards.

The Airport has worked hard to minimize the impact construction will have upon airport users, but recent changes to the Federal regulations which govern construction on Airports severely restricts the work we can accomplish without scheduling some Airport closures. Specifically, the Airport anticipates the following impacts to Airport operations — Four (4) 34 hour full Airport closures, two (2) night time shutdowns (9pm to 7am); and limited Taxiway closures (one TW at a time).

The Airport will notify airport users of anticipated closures and overnight shutdowns by posting information on our website, as well as on the notices posted at each vehicle entry gate. Construction is currently expected to begin mid-November with an estimated completion date of March 2013.



High Flyer of the Quarter

Maria Carrillo, our Fiscal Manager, was selected as the high flyer of the quarter. She has been with the department for over ten years and the County for over 23 years. Maria is detail orientated and highly professional. Two of the three Airports' accounting positions has had personnel turn over but Maria has been able to keep up with her and their responsibilities while training the new employees.

Reminder to come to a complete stop at the stop lines at the Oxnard Airport Terminal apron: Now that MVP Airways is operating out of the terminal and utilizing the apron, it is important that all traffic transiting the terminal apron heed the stop lines to avoid any chance of conflict between MVP Airways' aircraft and vehicles even when no aircraft are in the area. Get in the habit stop, look and listen before proceeding.

Driving on the Airports

General Rules: During Airport Construction be aware that there may be times that the driving lane adjacent to airport construction may be restricted or closed. This may cause you to have to exit the airfield and reenter to avoid construction sites.

Do not drive around barricades or pylons marking construction sites. This may cause you to enter a operational area incurring a Vehicle - Pedestrian Deviations (VPD's) and some unwanted attention.

When You Bring Visitors or Contractors to the Airport: From time to time you may have the occasion to require work on your leasehold, be it a private hangar or one of the Fixed Base Operator's facilities. There are certain requirements that must be met prior to allowing a contractor, or even an individual, access to the Airport. The contractor, or individual having access to the Airport facilities must have insurance in the amounts prescribed by our Board of Supervisors approved rent and fee schedule, available at our offices or on our website (<http://portal.countyofventura.org/portal/page/portal/airports/Document%20Library/20120619101516.pdf>). **Additionally, they must be continually escorted if they require access to the airfield side of the fence.** If you allow them on the airfield unescorted you assume the responsibility of their actions and jeopardize your airfield access. **For a contractor to solicit their services on the airport, they must have an Activity Permit issued by the Department of Airports.** If you require additional information on this subject, please contact the Airports Manager, Jorge Rubio, at (805) 388-4246.



No Tailgating Through Airport Gates: This includes the card wave, the driver of the vehicle in front of you can't tell what type of card is being waved and it defeats the tracking system built into the gate card system. When entering and exiting through vehicle gates, wait until the gate has closed behind you to avoid tailgaters. Don't lend your card to anyone, if you do then you are responsible for the actions of the individual you are sponsoring and this can effect your airport access privileges. Everyone driving on the air-

port must attend training and sign the Drivers Handbook. Also, it is a violation of the Ordinance! Remember that you and your fellow airport tenants have a significant investment in your airplanes and hangars, help us help you protect that invest-

Need to report an urgent matter?

Camarillo Airport Operations:
Cell: 805-947-6803
Office: 805-388-4497
www.ventura.org/airports
National Hotline and

Oxnard Airport Operations:
Cell: 805-947-6804
Office: 805-382-3022
24-Hour Noise Hotline
805-388-4202

AOPA Airport Watch Program
1-866-GA-SECURE

Camarillo Airport Authority

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John Zaragoza,
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Don Waunch,
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Airport Personnel Arrivals

Administration:

Will Gambon
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Veronica Navarro

Operations

Justin Julian
Sean Moran

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Angel Guerra
Guadalupe Silvar

Operations:

Bill Ristevski
Daniel Ayd

The Maintenance Corner:

Maintenance efforts at Oxnard and Camarillo Airports remain very active. The dry summer season reduced our mowing cycle but weed control efforts increased. A major effort was made to eliminate gaps along the perimeter fence line. This effort's goal is to reduce the number of small animals on the airfield. V-gate signs, card readers and guard post were repaired and painted at both airports. Major activity will soon take place to prepare the drainage system before the rainy season.

Camarillo: The airport wash rack and other site features, in the area of the wash rack, were painted. Grounds improvements was accomplished with additional work planned for the rainy season, which will help establish new plantings. A cluster of county hangars were painted in the east end near the "Alert Barns". Maintenance issues were accomplished prior to painting. Concrete pavement cracks were filled on the ramp North of H-3 (Sheriff's Hangar). Also all airfield rest rooms interiors received major work. Tree trimming along Willis and Skyway was also completed this summer.

Oxnard: A county hangar group near Gate V-5 will be painted this Fall along with maintenance repairs to be accomplished prior to painting. The mid-field rest room is undergoing a facelift with replacement of some of the fixtures. Landscape improvements in front of the terminal are complete. Terminal baggage claim and passenger boarding area received a major makeover. All signage around terminal and fence line was replaced. LED area lights replaced existing in the east half of county hangar complex. The west half will be completed next fiscal year. The concrete ramp in front of terminal was crack sealed.

Events Calendar

Aviation Advisory Commission Meeting

First Monday of the month @ 7 p.m.

Airport Authorities Meeting

Second Thursday of the month @ 7 p.m.

Airport Director's "open door"

Thursdays 2-4 p.m.

Ventura County 99's Pilot Proficiency Classes.

For more info go to:www.vc99s.org/classes