



SPOKANE FLYER

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Spokane Chapter

Best Practices for AIRFIELD SAFETY

The best practices were developed by FAA staff to help pilots improve safety by giving guidelines that should be followed to keep skills and focus current and vigilant. Remember: over 80% of pilot caused runway incursions occur during taxi to the departure runway....

PRE-FLIGHT PLANNING:

1. Review and understand airfield signage and markings.
2. Review the appropriate airport diagrams. Review any Hot Spots identified on the diagram. Print a copy for use in the cockpit.
3. Review airfield NOTAMS and current ATIS for any taxiway closures, runway closures, construction activity, or other airfield specific risks.
4. Brief any passengers on the importance to minimize discussions, questions, and conversation during taxi (maintain a "sterile cockpit").

TAXI:

1. Have the airport diagram out and available for immediate reference during taxi.
2. Review current ATIS for any taxiway closures, runway closures, construction activity, or other airfield specific risks.
3. During radio transmissions, use correct terminology and proper voice cadence.
4. Copy the taxi clearance and use the airport diagram to review the taxi route to the assigned runway prior to releasing brakes and beginning taxi.
5. Eliminate distractions while taxiing in the operational area.
6. Focus attention and have your "eyes out" of the cockpit when taxiing.
7. Maintain appropriate taxi speed.
8. Be alert to similar call signs operating on the field.
9. STOP aircraft on the taxiway and request ATC clarification if there is confusion regarding aircraft position or ATC taxi clearance.
10. Prior to crossing any runway during taxi, ensure you have a clearance to cross. Visually check to ensure there is no conflicting traffic prior to crossing the runway.
11. If there is any doubt that the runway is clear, reconfirm crossing clearance with ATC.
12. Be aware that hold short lines can be as far as 400' from the runway due to new Precision Obstacle Free Zone (POFZ) requirements.
13. Maintain a "sterile cockpit" when taxiing.

TAKE-OFF:

1. If cleared to "line up and wait", turn on all exterior lights except take-off/landing lights. If you have been holding in position on the runway for more than 90 seconds, or upon seeing a potential conflict, contact the tower.
2. When "cleared for takeoff", turn on all exterior lights, including take-off/landing lights. Note that if you see an aircraft in take-off position on a runway with take-off/landing lights ON, that aircraft has most likely received its take-off clearance and will be departing immediately.
3. When assigned a departure at an intersection versus a full length takeoff, state "intersection departure" at the end of the take-off clearance readback.
4. Conduct "Clearing Turns" to check all areas prior to entering ANY runway.

LANDING:

1. Wait until you have exited the active runway and you are sure of your taxi clearance prior to beginning an after-landing checklist
2. Follow the same TAXI Best Practices above.

REMEMBER: WHEN IN DOUBT, ASK!

UPCOMING CHAPTER MEETINGS & ACTIVITIES:

Fairchild AFB Survival School
"Surviving in the back country"

September Chapter Meeting

Wednesday, September 19th, 6 pm
Longhorn BBQ
2315 N. Argonne (I-90 Exit 287)

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Spokane Airport ATC Team
*"Meet the folks in that tall tower
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October Chapter Meeting

Wednesday, October 17th, 6pm



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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE: TERRY NEWCOMB

This guy comes home and finds a note from his wife on the refrigerator that says, "It's not working, I'm outta here." Confused, he opens the refrigerator door, the light comes on and the beer is cold. He thinks, what is she talking about? August was a tough month at our house; the refrigerator broke down, then our 'built in' six year old microwave went out. For the young married folks that means all new matching appliances, re-do the cupboards, possibly the floors, and of course the living room curtains will have to be changed. Sometimes we go overboard with one small change. My wife wondered what would be the third item to break down. Well, you might have guessed it; we had a rock hit on a recent fly-in and it took a fairly large chunk out of the prop. We are trying to decide if we should replace or repair it; the cost either way is incredible. But you know I'm thinking if we get a new prop, we should probably paint the plane to match, and I would like to take another look at that interior too, and we haven't even talked about changes to the hanger yet, what do you think? By the way, do not forget September 19th at the Longhorn BBQ on Argonne; we have the Fairchild Survival School Leaders speaking to us about surviving in the back country, which you may need if the elections go awry in November. Check out our website at www.wpaflys.org Spokane Chapter.



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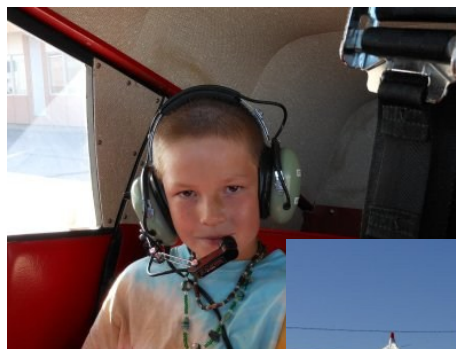
Hutton Settlement Flights

On Saturday, August 11, a group of pilots from the Washington Pilots Association, Spokane Chapter, volunteered their time and planes to transport a group of children from the Hutton Settlement to Cavanaugh Bay on Priest lake. The aircraft used are small 4-6 seat aircraft flown by these pilots for business and personal travel.

Hutton Settlement, located in the Spokane Valley, is a safe, structured environment which provides long-term stability for children from families in chronic need or crisis. For many of the children it was their first time flying in any type of aircraft so there was a mix of apprehension as well as excitement. Chapter President Terry Newcomb remarked that "this is a really important event for the Hutton kids and for our Chapter. Pilots enjoy meeting the kids and giving them a taste of aviation. The children have a great time at the lake and get to see the world with a bird's eye view."

The Washington Pilots Association has provided these flights for the kids for the past several years and this year they were able to take 14 kids, as well as 4 staff members. Once there, the kids got to spend the day in the sunshine and water swimming in the lake and hiking along the shore and just being kids! It was a great adventure for all.

The pilots who volunteered are: Tom Morris, John Chastek/XN Aviation, Marian Heale, Joe Epler, Vern Ziegler/Ziegler Lumber Company, Jeff Sempincznik/Moody Aviation, Leonard Christian, Gary White, John Miller, Mike foster, Jason Speichinger, James Black/FAA, and Norm MacPhee



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Eastside Activities Update

By Tom Morris

Marcia and I attended the Colville Fly-in, in August. We drove in Friday night and had a great BBQ with mostly the local WPA chapter members. There was also a couple, which had driven down from BC that spent the night in the camp area. Dave Garringer was a wonderful host and the WPA chapter did a great job managing the Saturday breakfast crowd. The breakfast was terrific as promised. The weather was great, the attendance was high and the displays were fantastic, which included Addison Pemberton with the Boeing 40, Jeff Hamilton with his AT6, Joe Meridon with his Waco, and Medstar with their PC 12 turboprop. There were Stearmans and homebuilts to look at, and souvenirs to buy. We have a great time and met a lot of new aviation friends. There was also a Wings Event provided, that shed more light on crossing our northern border. Due to a schedule conflict we were unable to attend the Wings over Republic Fly-in, I was told it too was a very well done Fly-in event again this year.

In August, Marcia, Ray Brunner, and myself attended the potluck meeting at Deer Park. Penni and Darold put together a great program, which included Cornell Chuck Stratton who spoke about and had video of flying the Dragon Lady U2 Spy Plane. Cornell Stratton's program gave us insight that few have about the U2 and it's missions. It was very obvious it was not an easy airplane to land, and had some unique flight characteristics. There was a good crowd, many questions followed the presentation. Under the darkness of night, you can rest assured, someone, somewhere, is being looked at.

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