

AFTW Meeting Minutes

March 13 2019

- FFZ – covered tiedowns
- IWA – 30R closed for taxiway C construction – Schools are requesting conducting traffic pattern.
 - When denied access to pattern it would be best to formalize actions. Seeing issues of aircraft lingering around the GAP.
 - Will put label on the GAP.
 - Towers south of KIWA are reported recently as being not lit, but they are NOTAMed.
 - Tower professionalism also under stress.
 - Recommend PAUWG and RSAT – collect evidence and present to the manager.
 - LiveATC coming in next 30 days.
- CHD – Ramp construction t
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- SDL – Pilot Controller Forum
- PRC – New terminal on Whiskey ramp coming starting in September. South Ramp has construction watch for the fence line.
 - RSAT – April 11th. Airport Admin Building
- TUS – RSAT April 4th,
 - Pilot/Controller Forum April 3rd at 4pm in Tucson Terminal.
 - ATIS now highlights runway incursion issues.
- GEU – 4 Aircraft in the pattern seems to be the max for the Tower there, then they begin denying service.
- DVT – Luke and Deer Valley use two different Radars with no communication between them- caused issues with handoffs for practice approaches. LUK has sectorized the practice area airspace. Practice approach clearance will come from Deer Valley Tower. Getting an LOA together with TRACON and laying the groundwork for practice approaches.
- SkyRanch – Aircraft doing maneuvers in the pattern – please be respectful of the pattern and the private airport.
- PO8 – USAF Academy Glider – March 17th -29th. 7 Gliders conducting aerobatic activity. See flyer to be posted on AFTW and look for a NOTAM. 719-330-9315 is the supervisor of flying phone number.

- ROCQO needs a formal procedure for the stack forming there. Will have a rough procedure next meeting.
- Gila Bend – Aircraft flying non-published approaches into Gila Bend (Rwy 22). Aircraft joining pattern overflying the field and maneuvering at pattern altitude. Folks making improper pattern and when told the proper pattern the instructor would state, “don’t care.” Aircraft also overfly, rather than join the left downwind with traffic already in the pattern. This issue may stem from Student solo pattern entry. Also, students behind the Estrella Mountains low level cannot be heard by Phoenix (generally below 5500). No regulatory deviation for developing and flying a non-published practice approach in VFR.
- Wickenburg – Traffic conflicts in pattern – please use caution.
- Marana – Parachuters interfering with landing, and helicopter activity conducting stop and go.

Airspace –

- Luke Approach NMAC presentation
 - AF does not have TCAS. Only radar, which are only designed to see threats of fast moving targets.
 - F35 not ads-b equipped.
- RioVerde – getting better with low flying aircraft. Most issues from training aircraft coming from Scottsdale (low flying concerns). Overall though much improved.

Other –

- Check out FAA Youtube on FAASafety.gov (one of the tiles on the home screen).
- If you pass a practical test – you can receive credit for a whole phase of Wings Credit. Presently there is a sweepstakes chance to win \$10,000.
- Deer Valley Airport.com there are some videos on the airport that have been released. Will add a link to them on AFTW.org
- Luke Aux 1 practice approach is on the aftw.org website.
- It was suggested to put AFTW meeting on website (link to FAASafety)
- It was suggested to put POC’s for all the flight schools on the website.
- Get rid of the stigma surrounding go arounds. It is completely acceptable and expected for safety that a pilot will conduct a go around. It is not a sign of weakness or poor piloting, it is the exact opposite.

Next Meeting May 8th.