

DeKalb County Airport



Indiana's Airport of the Year

DeKalb County Board of Aviation

DME is Online...

- If you haven't noticed yet, **GWB** now has a functioning DME on the ILS RWY 27 approach. Knowing exactly how far out you are should add a level of comfort to IMC approaches and added safety margins as well. The DME has actually been onsite and installed for well over a year but due to chart publication deadlines and other technical hurdles we are just now making it available to the flying public.

AWOS Now Available Nationally

- In addition, you will notice that the **GWB** AWOS data pops up when you are looking at aviation weather sites such as <http://adds.aviationweather.noaa.gov/> or any number of other sites, and this data is available to briefers, and through your GPS capable systems while enroute. This allows all pilots to make the best decisions about local **GWB** weather from the pre-flight planning stages to last minute enroute stages thereby increasing safety and/or comfort levels prior to attempting the approach. This also lets pilots planning a flight to the local area know that we are here and that we have substantial capability that they otherwise may have overlooked. This new capability requires a satellite uplink to the National Airspace Data Interchange Network (NADIN) and was necessary to keep our alternate minimums in place should the AWOS go down. In essence, it is a method for the Feds to monitor our system and to notify pilots if there is an issue locally with the added benefit of broadcasting beyond our local area.

Celebrating Solo Flight:

Chris Cron 1st Solo 2/28/08, Alex Wetli 1st solo 3/12/08, Shaun Purk 1st solo 3/26/08,
Rachel Hurraw 1st solo 3/29/08, Jim Dincoff 1st solo 4/3/08

PropWash

In The News...

Hoosier Air Museum News: The Hoosier Air Museum can be reached at 260-927-0443

- ⇒ The museum opened March 16 and is staffed Monday thru Saturday 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM Sunday 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM. Please stop by and say howdy.
- ⇒ Membership Meetings: 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00 pm. Featuring a guest speaker. Meetings are always open to the public. Visitors welcome.
- ⇒ "Dan's Fish and Tenderloin" of Huntington will replace the "Ed Fox Fish Fry" for our Friday, May 16 from 4 to 7:30 pm Fundraiser event. Ed Fox has simply discontinued his business and Dan is excellent so please come out and see us.

VAA Chapter 37 News: VAA Chapter 37 can be reached at 260-437-7702

- ⇒ Bring your youngsters out to the Airport on May 3rd from 10-2 for the EAA Young Eagles Flight Rally. As always this is a free event where aviators are born!
- ⇒ There will be a model airplane fly-in sponsored by Chapter 37 and Century Aviation on May 10th from 6-10 PM. The event will be held in the main Terminal Hangar and the event is open to the public. Don't miss this exciting event!
- ⇒ Chapter 37 has also arranged for the EAA's B17, the Aluminum Overcast, to Visit DeKalb County Airport on September 1st - 3rd, 2008. To learn more about this wonderful aircraft and even book a flight, please visit <http://www.b17.org/>.
- ⇒ September 13, 14 - International Stinson Fly-In / Pancake Breakfast / Young Eagles

Century Aviation News: Century Aviation can be reached at 260-927-1845

- ⇒ Please join us for the Aviators Roundtable. We'll meet this month on the 14th (May 14, 2008) at 6:30 pm in the Terminal (instead of the first Wednesday of the month). This month's discussion will be issues related to VFR Flight Plans and may include the timely topic of TFR's. The Roundtable is open to anyone! Meetings are open discussion and last about 1-1.5 hours. We hope you can join us!

Special points of interest: The BOAC meets every third Friday at 1:00 PM. The next meeting however will be May 16, 2008. To obtain a copy of the last BOAC meeting minutes email your request to: rcouchman@co-dekalb-in.us or visit <http://www.dekalbcountyairport.com/>

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