

DeKalb County Airport

Indiana's Airport of the Year

DeKalb County Board of Aviation

TSA Security Advisory for GA



April 20, 2006

On April 13, 2006, a message posted in Arabic on a web forum explained how to identify private American jets and urged Muslims to destroy all such aircraft:

"Destroy private American aircraft. We call upon all Muslims to follow and identify private civilian American aircrafts in all airports of the world. It is the duty of Muslims to destroy all types of private American aircrafts that are of the types Gulf Stream and Lear Jet and all small jet aircraft usually used by distinguished (people) and businessmen."

The message also advised readers how to identify American aircraft and provided the tail number of a private aircraft allegedly used by the CIA.

TSA reminds general aviation aircraft and airport owners and operators to review the security measures contained in the TSA Information Publication, Security Guidelines for General Aviation Airports (available at http://www.tsa.gov/public/interapp/editorial/editorial_1113.xml), and the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association's Airport Watch Program materials (available at www.aopa.org/airportwatch). In addition, general aviation aircraft and airport owners and operators are encouraged to consider the following:

- . Secure unattended aircraft to prevent unauthorized use.
- . Verify the identification of crew and passengers prior to departure.
- . Verify that baggage and cargo are known to the persons on board.
- . Where identification systems are in place, encourage employees to wear proper identification and challenge persons not wearing proper identification.
- . Direct increased vigilance to unknown pilots and/or clients for aircraft rental or charters - as well as unknown service/delivery personnel.
- . Be alert/aware of and report persons masquerading as pilots, security personnel, emergency medical technicians, or other personnel using uniforms and/or vehicles as methods to gain access to aviation facilities or aircraft.
- . Be alert/aware of and report aircraft with unusual or unauthorized modifications.
- . Be alert/aware of and report persons loitering in the vicinity of aircraft or air operations areas - as well as persons loading unusual or unauthorized payload onto aircraft.
- . Be alert/aware of and report persons who appear to be under stress or the control of other persons.
- . Be alert/aware of and report persons whose identification appears altered or inconsistent.

The theft of any General Aviation aircraft should be immediately reported to the appropriate authorities and the TSA General Aviation Hotline at 866-GASECUR (866-427-3287). In addition, persons should report any suspicious activity immediately to local law enforcement and the TSA General Aviation Hotline.

PropWash

Noise Abatement Reminder

- 1) No turns below 400' AGL or before crossing the fence line.
- 2) If remaining in the pattern, hold all turns to the upwind leg until within 300' of pattern altitude.
- 3) Pattern altitude for single engine reciprocating aircraft is 800', for twins 1000' and for turbines 1500' AGL.
- 4) Helicopter pattern altitude is 500' AGL and a standard Right-Hand pattern. Air taxiing, hovering and practice approaches should be done over paved surfaces.

We all have a responsibility to "fly friendly" keeping our Airport neighbors in mind as we make our way over their homes.

Please also keep in mind that short approaches should be kept to a minimum for training purposes only.

Have a fun, safe, great and groovy flying season!

In The News...

AAI Launches Website

Please visit the new Aviation Association of Indiana (AAI) website. The site is still under construction and design so check back often for updated content. Should you have any comments or suggestions please let us know and we will most certainly pass this information on to AAI. You will find them at www.aviationindiana.org.

Events

Victory Aviation is organizing a Poker Run on Saturday June 10th, 2006 at 8:00 am (rain date Sunday June 11th). Should you be interested please stop by and sign up in the Terminal Lobby or call Victory at 260-927-4040.

The DeKalb County Board of Aviation Commissioners (BOAC) would like to hear your comments, good or bad, regarding the performance of the Airport in general, as well as how well you feel Airport Management and the FBO are performing and thereby meeting your expectations and needs. The BOAC is dedicated to improving the Airport however and wherever possible. Please feel free to e-mail Airport Manager Russ Couchman at rcouchman@co.dekalb.in.us or BOAC Treasurer Brad Stump at BStump@ci.auburn.in.us or you can fax your comments to our FAX number of 260-927-8876. There is also a comment box that is always available in the lobby of the Airport Terminal and you are always welcome at our monthly public meetings as noted below.

Very truly,
The DeKalb County BOAC

Special points of interest: The BOAC meets every third Friday at 12:30 PM. The next meeting however will be May 26,

2006. 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/>

Please send us your ideas of things you would like to see in the newsletter. Any newsletter suggestions or comments can be sent via email to:

rcouchman@co-dekalb-in.us or faxed to 260-927-8876. If you are a DeKalb County Airport Tenant, you may also send your ideas for articles in

with your next payment. We thank you in advance for your articles and ideas.