

AIRPORT MEMO

To: Chester County Area Airport Authority (CCAAA) Members

From: Gary L. Hudson, Airport Manager

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Subject: Airport Manager's Quarterly Report (3rd Quarter), 2016

For your review, below is a listing of issues affecting the Chester County/G.O. Carlson Airport (MQS).

JULY

Markings Repainted: On 6/4/16, Chester County/G.O. Carlson Airport's 3-letter identifier and UNICOM frequency information was re-painted on taxiway Alpha by the 99's.

Automated Weather Observation System (AWOS): On 6/9/16, the airport's AWOS was temporarily out of service, due to the battery inside the system's Uninterrupted Power Source, having to be replaced.

Line Service Disruption: On 6/9/16, during the late morning hours, a break in a Comcast line at the West end of the airport, caused a disruption in phone and internet service. These services were restored around 3:00 pm.

United States Department of Agriculture (USDA): On 6/21/16, Mike Whitehill, who is a Forester with the USDA, came to MQS to conduct an inventory and analysis of MQS's forest resources. This type of research is conducted every seven years.

Display Case Repaired: On 6/21/16, the display case located at the East end drive-thru gate was repaired.

Runway Friction Meters: On 6/22/16, both runway friction meters (Vericom VC 3000 and Bomonk AFM2 Mk3) were shipped back to their manufacturer's for calibration. The Vericom VC 3000 was shipped back to the authority on 7/1/16. The Bomonk AFM2 Mk3, is scheduled to arrive back at the airport on 7/8/16.

Wells Decommissioned: On 6/28/16, Richard Keyes (Thomas G. Keys, Inc.) and his staff, came to MQS to officially decommission three water wells. The location of the wells were at Hangar 8, Hangar 9 and the farmhouse on the South side of the airport.

Disabled Aircraft: At approximately 9:25 am on 6/29/16, a tire went flat on an airplane attempting to takeoff on Runway 29. The runway was closed for 8 minutes, while towing equipment was called to remove the airplane. The runway was re-opened at 9:33 am.

North American Sweeper: North American Sweeper is going to feature MQS's Runway Sweeping program in its July, 2016 magazine. This company was formed 1979 and is located in Dayton, OH.

Airport Fence Project: Maintenance personnel are still in the process of installing temporary fencing until the new permanent fencing can be rolled into place and secured.

Tree Removal Project: On 6/30/16, Glatfelter commenced with our Tree Removal Project by cutting down trees just off the airport, on the "Bone" property.

AUGUST

Runway Friction Meter: On July 8th, the Bomonk AFM2 Mk3 runway friction meter was shipped back to MQS, after being calibrated by its manufacturer.

Apron Drive-Thru Gate: On July 21st, this gate had to be repaired after it was discovered that the wrong type of wire had been installed in the gate controller.

Automated Weather Observation System (AWOS): On July 25th, the part of the AWOS that disseminates its information to the internet had to be repaired, after it was discovered that the AWOS information was not being displayed on MQS's website.

Tree removal Project: This project is still ongoing with Glatfelter.

Airport Fence Project: Maintenance personnel are still in the process of installing temporary fencing until the new permanent fencing can be rolled into place and secured.

Off Airport Trees Obstruction Project: I'm still in the process of trying to coordinate dates and times to meet with the property owners, in order to discuss their Easement Agreements.

SEPTEMBER

Terminal Building Doors: On 8/3/16, the North side handicapped terminal building door hinges were lubricated.

Ford Explorer: On 8/4/16, Freon was installed in this vehicle.

Signs Installed: In order to try and prevent people from "piggy-backing" behind one another when driving their vehicles thru the East and West drive-thru gates, on 7/28/16, a sign was installed at each of those gates that reads "**One Vehicle Through Gate At A Time**".

Federal Aviation Administration Documentation (FAA): On 8/11/16, I updated the MQS's FAA Automated Weather Observation System maintenance log book.

National Aviation Day Event: On 8/19/16, MQS hosted its fifth National Aviation Day event. The purpose of the event was to provide members of organizations (boy scouts, girl scouts, ROTC, etc.), the opportunity to earn an Aviation Merit Badge by participating in required events

approved by the Boy Scouts of America. A total of 200 kids came to the event. 160 of them were qualified and were awarded Aviation Merit Badges. The remaining 40 kids that attended the event were not eligible (Cub Scouts) to receive a Merit Badge, because they did not meet the required age.

Runway Light Repaired: On 8/22/16, a light bulb was replaced on the runway in pavement light, which is located on Taxiway Foxtrot.

Runway Light Repaired: On 8/23/16, a light bulb and socket were replaced on the runway in pavement light, which is located on Taxiway Echo.

Light Bulbs Replaced: On 8/23/16, light bulbs were replaced on the: 1) Transient Ramp light pole, 2) Automated Weather Observation System obstruction light and 3) South Apron pole light.

Gate Repaired: On 8/24/16, the Aviation Way Drive-thru gate was reprogrammed and its phone system was tested.

Airport Perimeter Fence Project: The week of 8/29/16, maintenance personnel are in the process of installing 110 ft. of tension wire and fabric on the fence.