

# AIRPORT MEMO

To: Chester County/G.O. Carlson Airport (MQS) Tenants  
From: Gary L. Hudson, Airport Manager  
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Subject: Airport Manager's Quarterly Report (4<sup>th</sup> Quarter), 2017

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

## **OCTOBER** (hot topics)

**NSTI Career Fair:** On 8/1/17, I and four other speakers gave presentations about our individual careers, to students involved with the National Summer Transportation Institute (NSTI) program at Cheyney University. At the conclusion of the presentations, a panel discussion was conducted.  
**Note: This information should have been included in the September Hot Topics.**

**Northwest Basin:** On 8/1/17, vegetation ("cat tails") was cleared at MQS's Northwest Basin.  
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**Apron Drive-thru Gate:** On 9/15/17, the keypad was disassembled, cleaned and put back in service.

**Threat Detection Kit:** On 9/19/17, representatives from Raytheon came to MQS, to use the South Apron location as a demonstration site for their "Threat Detection Kit" (TDK) product. The TDK is a portable quick deploy early threat indicator system.

**Terminal Building:** On 9/21/17, a representative from Brubaker came to the airport to perform a Service Call (added Freon, adjusted fan belt and checked system) on one of the terminal building Heating, Ventilation and Air-Conditioning units.

**DVRPC Meeting:** On 9/21/17, I attended the quarterly Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC) meeting. The meeting was held at Heritage Field Airport in Pottstown, PA.

**South Apron:** In preparation for the MU-2 Fly-In (9/29/17 – 10/1/17), the South Apron was been cleaned (bird feces) and ropes were been installed at most of the aircraft tie-down spots.

**Runway 11-29:** On 9/22/17, weeds growing in the pavement cracks, were cut and removed from the runway

**Airport Perimeter Fence Project:** This project is still ongoing.

**NOVEMBER** (hot topics)

**American Association of Foresters:** On 9/27/17, the American Association of Foresters came to MQS to view the Logging operation conducted by Glatfelter in 2016. The Logging operation took place on the Bone Property. **This information should have been included in the October Hot Topics.**

**Porter Property:** On 9/27/17, the Surveyor put in points to verify the Porter property line. **This information should have been included in the October Hot Topics.**

**Automated Weather Observation System (AWOS):** On 9/28/17, Stanwyck Avionics came to MQS to perform their Annual AWOS Check. **Note: This information should have been included in the October Hot Topics.**

**Mitsubishi MU-2 Fly-In:** From 9/29/17 – 10/1/17, one of the MQS Corporate tenants hosted a Mitsubishi MU-2 Aircraft Fly-In. This was an event for MU-2 pilots and consisted of Workshops and a festivity, both of which, were held in the tenant's corporate hangar. **Note: This information should have been included in the October Hot Topics.**

**Coatesville Rotary Club:** On 10/12/17, Al Koenig and I gave a presentation to the Coatesville Rotary Club at the Coatesville Country Club. The purpose of the presentation was to familiarize the Rotarians with MQS and to update them on completed and pending airport projects.

**Scrap Metal Removed:** On 10/13/17, the scrap metal that accumulated and was stacked in the location on the opposite side of the maintenance garage was transported to a company called Metal Fab Recycling. The company paid the Authority \$97.45 for the metal.

**Drone Operation:** On 10/13/17, for safety reasons, I made it a point to monitor the operations of a person that was flying a drone near MQS. The person was conducting this operation for the purpose of surveying a property that is located on Red Road, which is south of MQS and beneath the Downwind Leg for Runway 11.

**Vehicle Removed From Parking Lot:** On 10/18/17, an unsecured vehicle with a trailer that had been parked in the Terminal Building parking lot since 10/5/17 was removed, per my authority, from MQS by a local towing company. **(See October 17, 2017 Incident Report)**

**Light Bulbs Replaced:** On 10/24/17, light bulbs were replaced at the airport kiosk and in the Authority Conference Room.

**Ford Explorer:** On 10/24/17, the battery was replaced on this vehicle.

**Light Bulbs Replaced:** On 10/25/17, light bulbs were replaced on the north and south side of Runway 11-29.

**Parking Lot Light Repaired:** On 10/25/17, the “Short Term” Terminal Parking Lot light was repaired (fixed the electrical connection to the light pole).

**Sewer Lift Station:** On 10/25/17, M & S Service Company came to MQS and did a preventative inspection on the sewer lift station.

**Airport Perimeter Fence Project:** This project is still ongoing.

## **DECEMBER** (hot topics)

**Equipment Sold:** On 10/28/17, the authority sold an unused piece of equipment (lathe machine) for \$500.00 to a local merchant.

**Airfield Signs Repaired:** On 11/3/17, light bulbs were replaced in the Taxiway Alpha and Echo Directional Signs and a circuit board was replaced in the Taxiway Gulf Directional Sign.

**Trees Cut Down:** On 11/7/17, trees on airport property which had large overhanging branches along Rt. 30, were cut down and removed for safety reasons. The trees were also cut in order to create a path for the new airport perimeter fencing that will be installed in that area.

**Camera Installed:** On 11/13/17, a video camera was installed in the terminal building “Common” Area. On 11/20/17, a video recorder was connected the camera.

**Motion Sensor Installed:** On 11/14/17 and 11/15/17, a Motion Sensor was installed in the terminal building Women’s and Men’s Bathrooms. The Bathroom lights and fan will now be activated when someone enters the room. Consequently, this device will save the Authority some money on its monthly electrical utility bill.

**Explorer Repaired:** On 11/14/17, a new Sway Bar was replaced on the Authority’s Ford Explorer v. That repair was done “in house”.

**Dodge Pick-up Truck Repaired:** On 11/16/17, a Heating Core was replaced in the Dodge Pick-up Truck.

**Snow Plan Meeting:** On 11/16/17, Doug and I conducted our annual “Airport Corporate Snow Plan Review Meeting”.

**Snow Stakes Installed:** In preparation for the winter season, on 11/17/17, snow stakes were installed adjacent to all the runway and taxiway lights.

**Barbed Wire Installed:** On 11/17/17, barbed wire was installed at the section of airport perimeter fencing, which connects the east side of the Aviation Way drive-thru gate.

**Pavement Cleaned:** On 11/21/17, the three pervious pavements (barn road, South Apron vehicle parking lot road and parking lot) on the south side of the airport, were cleaned.

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