

TailWind Times

BITS AND PIECES *from the President* Dr. David Kolbaba

The date for this year's **Annual Picnic** has been approved and will be **Saturday, September 17, 2022**. Moving forward, we have chosen the 3rd Saturday of every September for all yearly picnics.

Chuck Tolleson is in charge of this year's picnic. If you have "picnic experience", team up with Chuck and lend a hand. Contact him to add your ideas or thoughts to the mix, H12.

Volunteers always welcome . . .

If you have a passion, special talent or just simply want to be helpful with anything around the airport, contact anyone of our Board members at **lacoa82is@gmail.com**.

We are currently in the process of designating positions that will be made public and will be frequently updated; a work in progress. Be a part of making the *The Landings* a place we can all be proud of!



"SYNOPSIS OF THE MOST RECENT BOARD MEETING"

Our Board of Directors met on Tuesday, the 12th of July, 2022

• **The Board** discussed the status of the land acquisition. The subcommittee met on July 14th and negotiations continue. We hope to have a final resolution soon. • Newly married, **Matt Metelak** shared the status of the bathroom renovation project. Thank you, Matt and his team of friends for a great job! . . . and women are rooting you on! • **Discussion** about LACOA duties, tasking and management of work to be done at *The Landings*. Board member supervision and responsibility to head teams doing the required

work to make the airport life here as good as we can make it was suggested. Work continues toward this end. • **By-laws** improvements, modifications and updating is on-going and we're making good progress. • **The Board** discussed permission of non-N numbered flying equipment at *The Landings*. The board reiterated that ultra-light aircraft, drones and powered parachutes are not currently permitted at the airport. RC models must be flown cautiously away from aircraft and only over area North of the LACOA runway.



Deadly 'Close-to-Home' Incident over the July 4th weekend

The Landings was used as a rescue site after midnight for one of the injured in this tragic accident that took place near our airport.

Safety first! The importance of being aware of the risks of ATV's, golf carts, etc. See story below.

The Courier News

Huntley Man Killed, Woman Injured After ATV Hits Mailbox, Tree: Police

HUNTLEY, IL — Jul. 5—A man was killed and a woman critically injured Monday when the ATV they were riding struck a mailbox and a tree outside Huntley, the Kane County Sheriff's Department said.

Sheriff's deputies were called to an area in the 18N800 block of Ridgely Boulevard in unincorporated Rutland Township about 12:45 a.m. on a report that two off-road vehicle riders had been injured.

The driver of the Polaris ATV, 24-year-old Elpidio Marcelo of the 41W400 block of Powers Road in Huntley, was taken to an area hospital, where he was pronounced dead, a news release said. His 21-year-old passenger, a woman from Kenosha, Wisconsin, remains hospitalized with life-threatening injuries.

Investigators do not know why the vehicle, which was traveling north on Ridgely Boulevard, left the roadway and struck the mailbox and tree, the release said. Neither victim was wearing a helmet.

The incident remains under investigation. It's not known whether alcohol or drugs played a role, the release said.

COUNTDOWN! EXTENDED 8/12!

PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

"Get Your Selfie On"

WIN a \$60
gift certificate to
Jameson's at DelWebb!



Here are the requirements:

Take a high-quality photo that you can use as a phone or desktop photo.

1. You have to be in the photo.
2. Need to be in-flight.
3. *The Landings* airport in view.

* Of course, safety is key; use the radio and clear the air space for your award-winning photo!

Deadline Extended to August 12.

Email your photo to David Kolbaba at
drdavid@healthquestradio.com

Great Photos Coming In! Join the Competition!

FUEL PRICES



Avgas Current price now at \$5.96, and looks like it will be going up, as indicated by what we are seeing nationally.



Car gas - current price: \$5.56 per gallon.

We need every owner's e-mail address.



If you know someone that may not be on our list, or if your email address changes, please contact us at lacoa82is@gmail.com.

Paper versions of our *Tailwind Times* Newsletter are posted in each of our bathrooms and near the fuel pump area, under the awning, next to the fuel control box. Feel free to share it with any of our hangar renters, etc.

Previous copies of our newsletters are available upon request.

TREASURER'S CORNER

by Brian Egan (11F)

Hello again! Summer is progressing along nicely here at *The Landings* with lots of flying activity! **As you all should be aware of by now, you are no longer receiving a paper quarterly billing statement from LACOA in the mail.** That's right, we've gone to email statements and you can expect your statement to arrive in your inbox about 2 weeks prior to the due date. This gives you ample time to make or schedule your payment.

You can easily download or print the PDF statement from the email. **If you haven't received your most recent July 1 statement, please send me an email with your updated email address to receive your billing statement at our email: lacoa82is@gmail.com.**

That being said, a reminder that our dues are technically due on the first day of the quarter (ie: October 1). Although our statements have a 30 day grace period on them, your prompt payment is appreciated. Some of you have noticed that the most recent statements were sent out on June 16th, and show a grace period extending 30 days to July 16th. This was done by design when switching to paperless billing to improve the efficiency of dues collection. You receive the statements 2 weeks ahead of the due date with plenty of time to pay.

I know in the past with the paper statements, they have not always arrived before the first day of the quarter and often times after the first day. So, this may take a little getting used to, but rest assured the late fee is still not applied until 30 days after the grace period. (However, don't be that person that I have to track down!)

The payment link in your emailed *QuickBooks* invoice for ACH payments and *Zelle* are the two easier ways to pay! A reminder, The LACOA *Zelle* account is our email address, lacoa82is@gmail.com and if you are paying via *Zelle*, please put your **Hangar Number or invoice number** in the notes. For those that want the

payment automatically deducted from their account on the invoice due date, that can be setup in the same *QuickBooks* payment link ("Review and Pay") from the invoice email. You do, however, need to have or create an *Intuit* account for that. If you use *TurboTax* or *QuickBooks* already, then you already have an *Intuit* account!

Summer is closing fast, so let's see everyone get out there and fly! Thank you for your patience as we embrace technological advances.



MAKE SURE YOUR EMAIL IS UP-TO-DATE WITH US!

NEXT BOARD MEETING: ~ Location TBA ~
Tuesday, September 13th, 7:00 pm

All Board of Directors meetings convene bimonthly, on the second Tuesday of the month, at 7:00 pm*

The last Board meeting of the year:
November 8th

**Annual Meeting - December TBA -
(Board of Directors Election/Re-election
and Budget Review)**

SPECIAL THANKS!

Matt Metelak and his team of friends for a great job on the bathroom renovation project.

Thanks for being conscientious in taking care of our airport!

Apologies if we missed anyone!



The Landings Fly-In - August 13th!

by Brian Egan - 11F

Reminder: *The Landings* Fly-In is coming up August 13th!

This is an event put on privately by myself, Chuck Tolleson, and a few others and all are welcome and encouraged to come out for a day of flying fun!

Flying competitions start at 2 pm (pilots meeting at 1 pm!). We will again be doing a "flour bombing" contest and "spot landing" competition!

We do a huge shrimp boil at about 5:30 pm with other food (pulled pork sandwiches and sides) as well. The food cost is going to be \$8-10 per person and it's ALL YOU CAN EAT! Adult beverages will be available for \$2 each! (Can't beat that!)

There will also be a Kona ice truck from 4-6pm (Cash and CC accepted). So, please come and enjoy our airport and some spectacular flying!



3rd Annual Landings Fly In

The Landings-82IS, Huntley, IL

SPONSORED BY The Landings Cookout crew

SATURDAY August 13th, 2022

Competitions begin 2pm; Pilot briefing 1pm

AIRPLANE RIDES - SPOT LANDING COMPETITION - FLOUR BOMBING -
ALL YOU CAN EAT SHRIMP BOIL - BURGERS, HOT DOGS ECT TOO!

Competition sign up - Questions
TEXT 615-278-6309



From left to right: Brian Egan - Treasurer, David Kolbaba - President and Chuck Tolleson, AKA Veteran Picnic Coordinator

LACOA RESPONSIBILITY and OPERATIONAL DUTIES

The following Committees have been officially formed to help organize efforts and efficiency at *The Landings*. This is a work in-progress.

These new committees are as follows:

1. SAFETY

- a. Flight Safety
- b. Safety Equipment (Fuel Spillage, Goggles, Earmuffs)
- c. Safety signage
- d. Runway incursions

2. FUEL SYSTEM

- a. Dispensing system maintenance
- b. Cards issue and Termination
- c. Fuel Orders
- d. Inspections

3. EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE

- a. Mower routine maintenance
 - (1) Spring Tuneup
 - (2) Blades replacement
 - (3) Lubrication Scheduling and Record
- b. Mower Repairs
- c. Trimmer Line
- d. Trimmer 2-stroke fuel
- e. Wind Sock replacement
- f. Weed prevention for wind socks

4. LIGHTING

- a. Runway/Taxiway lighting
- b. Re-set runway and taxiway light posts
- c. PAPI
- d. Ramp lighting
- e. Main wind sock
- f. Shed and office lighting

5. LEGAL

- a. Land ownership records (accounts)
- b. Rimlands acquisition
- c. Attorney retainer
- d. Arrears accounts
- e. Taxes
- f. Insurance
- g. Assessments billing

6. TIE DOWN MANAGEMENT

- a. Billing records and enforcement
- b. Tie down maintenance (anchors and rope)
- c. Weed prevention

7. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

- a. Billing and Book keeping
- b. Cameras system maintenance
- c. Email Roster for notices to accounts
- d. Website
- e. Secretarial records

8. SOCIAL

- a. Annual Picnic
- b. Periodic casual get-togethers
- c. Neighborhood relations, walkers and pets

2022 BOARD MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

President	David Kolbaba
Vice-President	Marc Mills
Treasurer	Brian Egan
Secretary	Dave Stokes
Director	Ken Fletcher
Director	Cory Linnane
Director	Dale Medendorp
Director	Matt Metelak
Director	Geoff Weck

**Welcome ...
new owners and renters!**

Your feedback is welcome!

WANTED: Letters to the editors for posting.

Please forward any ideas you may have to add to *TailWind Times*, as well as questions or requests to:

drdavid@healthquestradio.com

Coming soon! Look for "**LACOA EXTRA**" in your email box . . . a monthly version of our newsletter to keep you up to date with happenings at *The Landings*!