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Towered Airports? Watch Out!

Grouchy controllers, overzealous FAA snoops, egotistical know-it-alls! That's what you get at towered airports and that's not all.

So you landed,, had a flat tire and ran off the runway. No damage except to your ego. Now what? Expect the controller at XYZ airport (name changed to protect the guilty), to write up and send the report to the local FAA District Office. Next comes the call to you days or weeks later, inquiring about the incident. You will need to give them your information including your last flight review and medical info. Also, when the annual was done on your plane and by whom. You're not done yet! Remember, you're guilty and have to prove your innocence. Anything out of line and you may have a violation. Perhaps you wiped out a runway light when you went off the runway. Expect a complete debriefing and accountability for what you did.

Now listen up to the tower! Heard that before? How about "Get out of my airspace"! (TME tower on YouTube). The wrath of a disgruntled housewife could not be more.

More and more oversight of your flying is going on at towered airports. Mostly, by non-pilots sitting on their keister waiting on some foolish pilot to screw up so he can make his daily report.

Other scenarios that will cause an abusive call by FAA personnel include, exiting the runway too slow, not being quick enough on the acknowledgement of communications, taking the wrong taxiway, failure to read back a very long and detailed clearance, night flying without the required aircraft lighting, landing long, a departure turn without requesting such turn from the tower, holding within the ILS Critical Area or not clearing promptly after landing, even with VFR conditions, and much more. Ouch!

And let's not forget mid-air. Many mid-air collisions happen at towered airports where you would think such a thing could not happen. It actually happens regularly. Many with fatal results.

"I want you to read back every word exactly as I tell you and do not move until you are cleared! Do you understand that (stupid pilot)"? Yep, it's happening every day. Enjoying this? Think it's only for the other guy? Wait and see.

In the meantime, there are plenty of "Non-towered" airports, including lots of private airports that you can fly in and out of without the hassles and that have a customer service approach to communications. They're everywhere! Try an alternative to those disgusting, belligerent wanna-be's. Fly the Friendly Skies! Fly Non-Towered! It's the difference that counts!

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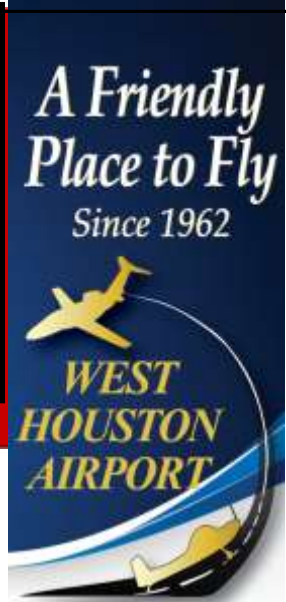
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*With Volume discount

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D.P.E.: Pat Brown



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Instructor: Jesse Gutierrez
D.P.E.: Debbie Rihn-Harvey



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The Airport Terminal now has a Bulletin Board for Patrons to post their flight gear for sale—including headsets, portable GPS's, towbars, etc. Feel free to utilize it!



The West Houston Airport Flight School Instructor Team—always at the ready to mentor our future pilots!!!

West Houston Airport sends it's best wishes to our neighbors to the east and elsewhere that were effected by Hurricane Ida. Christi and Christian Chauvin, along with their baby boy Charlie, were flown to Houston from New Orleans for medical issues during the storm. Aircraft was donated by a good Samaritan!



INVENTORY FOR SALE

2003 CESSNA 172S – LEASEBACK AVAILABLE

1999 BEECH BARON 58

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1974 PIPER PA-140 (enroute)



Photo courtesy of Nora Blias

Dr. Larry Likover, Pilatus IWS Pilot, attends to Airport Manager Woody Lesikar after partial knee replacement. Dr. Likover is a well-known and highly respected orthopedic surgeon performing over 1100 knee surgeries.



Never underestimate the importance of VFR flight following! Don't be like this dearly-departed hawk which flew into the above pictured utility pole array and knocked at power to the airport for 4 hours!! In memoriam of the bird, we salute it for its wise choice of flying at an untowered airport (see cover story on page 1) hence no post-accident tower report nor FAA inquiry expected to be forthcoming.





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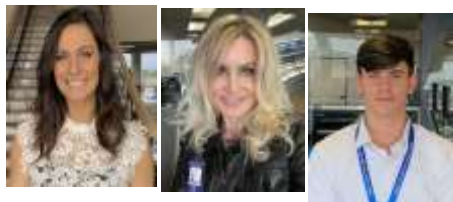
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