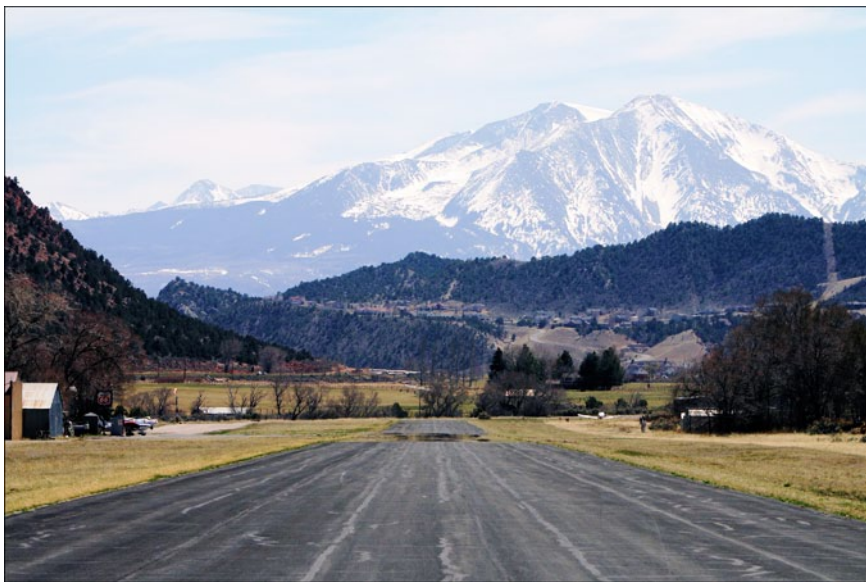


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President's Message

CPA President Mark Brown

Fire

A fire that is burning where it should not be is a very frightening thing. Colorado and most of the western part of the country are prone to have dry spells in the warm weather months that provide fuel for fires. Forest fires are started by humans, either by accident or intentional, or by Mother Nature via lightning strikes.

The mountains attract many people either to live or to recreate. In any case, the cost is enormous if people or homes are in the path of the fire. It seems that Colorado has had more than it's share of forest fires in the recent past. As I write this article there are two large fires burning in Colorado and when they will be contained is uncertain. Over two hundred homes have been destroyed and people have lost their lives.

Pilots who fly the fire fighting tankers have a very dangerous job. As you know some have given the ultimate sacrifice in the effort to save homes and wildlife. It takes a special type person to do that job and I commend them. Personally, I believe that taxpayer money should be used to fund the building and maintaining a fleet of specifically designed aircraft just for fire fighting. Training and paying the pilots should also be part of the package.

I know, some say that we should just let Mother Nature take its course and let it burn. I bet those who live in the mountains would say otherwise.

When we plan flights, we should always check the latest TFR's because most of them in the western part of the country are for fire fighting efforts. So, take care and avoid those areas.

Fly safe,
Mark Brown

"Dance like the photo isn't tagged, love like you've never been unfriended & tweet like nobody is following." ~Will Ferrell

On piloting an airplane:

More than anything else the sensation is one of perfect peace mingled with an excitement that strains every nerve to the utmost, if you can conceive of such a combination. ~ Wilbur Wright

THE COMANDANTE'S GIFT

By Frank Gallo

Colorado Pilots Association

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Joe McGowan Jr.

“Number 2 oil pressure is down to 40 psi, and the oil temperature is above the red line. It’s up to 195 degrees. We’re going to trash the engine if we don’t shut it down.” That was Marc DiAngelo talking to his co-pilot as they tried to keep a crippled C-47 in the air long enough to get out of enemy Sandinista territory and get back to their base. It was just one of many harrowing experiences the Americans experienced as they tried to help the Contra forces in the 80s.

Caution: If you intend to read this book, be sure you are ready to stay up late. This book is difficult to put down.

The spy intrigues, the many dangers faced by those battling the Communist Sandinistas, the gun battles, the harrowing aircraft flights all keep the reader glued to the last page where a little romance steps in.

“Amor y dar son lo que dan valor a la vida.” (Love and giving are what makes life worth living.) Those were the words from Comandante Adriana to Ohio-born DiAngelo, an expert pilot who gave up making good money flying for airlines in the U.S. and chose to fly risky missions helping the Contras in Nicaragua.

Mark battled the malfunctioning engine while attempting to parachute badly needed supplies to Contra commandos. One time he tries to land on a dirt strip only to find the Sandinistas have bulldozed a death-dealing trench across the middle of the field.

Even when Marc takes time off to enjoy a day swimming in azure colored water lapping at a white sand beach, he can’t enjoy himself totally after being reminded jaguars and other beasts inhabit the very nearby jungle.

Flights over enemy territory were always enough to raise the blood pressure. Then there were extreme situations such as the radio call: “Firebird Two, Firebird Two. Heads up. We show a missile launch.” That can mean certain death to the pilot of a single-engine Maule.

And what had been planned for Cuban dictator Fidel Castro’s visit to Managua? After his capture by Sandinistas, including a young woman packing an AK-47, Marc is tied up and being hauled in the back of an

army-style truck to headquarters for what is bound to be brutal interrogation.

Suddenly, American-led Contras lead an attack which frees Marc. His ordeal in getting back to his secure home base is hair-raising. It is the “gift” from Comandante Adriana that gets him to home base unscathed.

After all of these ordeals, will Marc be content to operate the one airplane flight service he wants to operate in Central America? And will there be a special young woman alongside him?

FAA Website Improvements

The FAA has completely revamped its instrument procedures website. Although some minor kinks exist it generally works quite well. If you sign up as a registered user (optional) you can elect to be kept updated by email for airports of interest to you. Attached is a very brief tutorial in PDF format.

https://www.faa.gov/air_traffic/flight_info/aeronav/procedures/application/

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Chart Review Trivia

[Ed Note: Sent to me by a friendly instrument student]

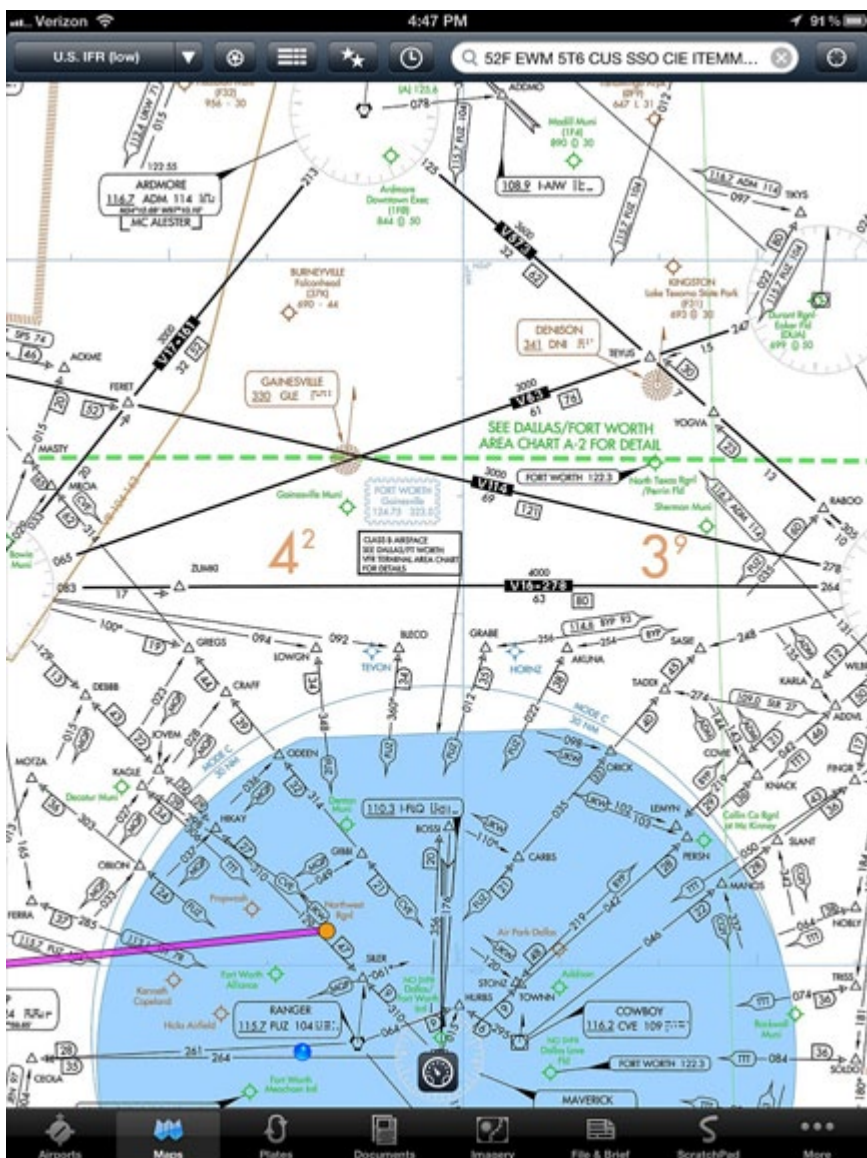
You probably already know that the cities listed in BLACK ink on the L-chart coverage grid on the front of a Low-Altitude Enroute chart indicate busy cities for which an "A-chart" is available.

What I didn't notice before today is that the Low Altitude Enroute charts DO NOT SHOW THE AIRPORT IDENTIFIER for any airport inside the Area Chart details. Look at this snippet from L-17 (next page) ; airports to the north of the dashed green line have the airport identifier, altitude, lighting and runway length info. Airports to the south of the dashed green line, [SEE DALLAS/FT WORTH AERA CHART...] in the DFW metroplex area, don't even have the ID of the airport. Granted, not much of an issue with Foreflight (touch the airport, get the detail) or most GPS units (search by airport or city name), but I still found it to be an interesting trivia detail... better found on the ground than in the air! How'd I miss that before?

During my study for the Instrument I learned that (A) on the Low Enroute chart

means they have an ATIS and the frequency is next to 'em. That will be forever stuck in my head. Those ones in the green dashes remove all that useful stuff too.

Chart legends are fun to poke through to remind yourself of everything depicted from time to time.





Tanker 45 after a drop on the Waldo Canyon fire returning to KPUB courtesy Jim Cooley, Colorado Aviation Photography

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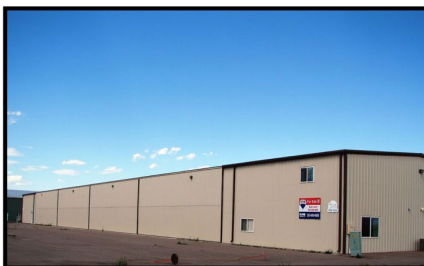
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Photography by Mike Straka**



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CPA corporate member Rotors & Fixed for Charity brought their Big Yellow School Bus, an inflatable helicopter and inflatable high-wing. If we fill them with helium, think they'll fly?



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August 17 - 19, 2012

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Reminder - Gunnison Cattlemen's Day FlyIn

July 13-15 Gunnison County Airport

Registration Deadline: June 15

Raft trip to dinner, Morrow Point Black Canyon boat tour, Pro Rodeo, Crested Butte shopping and more. Details & Registration form on the CPA website.

Marble Flyin

We are planning to have the Marble event at its classic time of year, on the weekend following Labor Day (September 8-10, 2012).

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Always check the CPA website for any changes to the Calendar

** Indicates New or Updated event*

CPA FlyIns

July 13 - 15	KGUC	Gunnison, CO
August 3 - 5	KCDC	Cedar City, UT
August 17 - 19	KSHR	Sheridan, WY
Sept. 1 - 3	KCOD	Cody, WY
Sept. 21 - 22	KGJT	Grand Junction (Blue Angels)
Sept. 28 - 30	KLRU	Las Cruces, NM (White Sands)
Oct. 5 - 6	KOMN	Trinity Site, NM
Nov. 2 - 4	KSGU	Zion National Park

CPA and Other Events

Jul 4	KLXV	Leadville 4th of July Cookout
Jul 7	KGNB	Granby 10th Anniversary
Jul 14	KALS	San Luis Valley Flyin & Airshow
Jul 23-29	KOSH	Airventure 2012 (EAA)
Jul 28	KEIK	4th Annual Spirit of Flight Day
Aug 18	KBJC	CPA Mtn Flyin/High Elevation Ground School
Aug 18	KFTG	8th Annual Classic Aircraft & Car Show
Aug 24-26	KBJC	Rocky Mtn Regional Flying
Sep 1-2	KSBS	Wild West Air Fest
Sep 6-8	KMVN	4th Annual Midwest LSA Expo
* Sep 8	KFNL	Mile High Air Derby
Oct 6	KEIK	Oktoberfest Flyin
Oct 11-13	KPSP	AOPA Summit
Nov 10	KBJC	CPA Annual Membership Meeting
Dec 9	PHGC	CPA Holiday Dinner, Park Hill Golf Course

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