



Grass Roots Flyer

March 2020



Airport Manager Report:

The 2nd Annual Private Pilot Ground School is off and running with 11 students. Last year's inaugural class went very well with several of those 8 students achieving pilot ratings during last summer/fall. With an increased number of students in this year's class, this year's flying schedule should be very busy again.



Speaking of the flying schedule, the change-over to our new software, ***Hold Short***, has been going very well. We're continuing to tweak it as we go to make sure the bugs are worked out for spring flying.

Congratulations to Lanny Freng on achieving Private Pilot status on February 27th. Lanny and CFI Mason Lindenfelser struggled with bad weather conditions and forced cancellations, but got the job done. Lanny is pictured at right with Designated Pilot Examiner Catherine Plasschaert.



For the duration of our spring thaw happening, we have moved our C-150 and PA-12 to my hangar at Fleming Field (SGS) to accommodate our renters and students. Please allow the instructors the courtesy of 24 hour notice for the logistics of their day.



A year ago on March 1st we were dealing with 7 feet of frost, this year "only" 3 feet. That said, the spring sun warmth and wind will help dry things out. We have been NOTAM closed for the last two weeks, please check them ahead of your flight or give us a call to check conditions. Simply said, the runways will open for powered traffic when they are ready. It is very likely that glider operations will be delayed a bit beyond the powered aircraft due to the foot print with the smaller

tires on the surface. Please be patient. Remember that March came in like a Lamb!

We've had a lot of new activity on our Face Book page which is great. With posting twice a week, we're reaching out to over 1500 people and are getting multiple new followers weekly. Our new Instagram activity will be up and running soon.

A heartfelt thank you to those of you following my wife's health and reaching out to her. Kirsty was transitioned into Hospice care on March 1st. We're doing in-home Hospice at her brother's home in Bloomington so she can be close to her five brothers and family. She is open to calls, cards and visitors. You can contact me for the address.

If you have any comments or questions, please feel free to contact me.

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