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2021 Initiatives and Updates

Kyle Lewis

- **Great Lakes Region Government Affairs and Airport Advocacy**
- **Based in Ohio – 143**
- **Team of DC Staff and 6 other Regional Managers**
- **Mix of Regulatory, Legislative, Airport Advocacy and Membership Outreach**



General Aviation During Covid

Onset of Pandemic – Slump

May 2020 Thru Now – AMAZING!

Sales and Values – UP & UP

Operations at Highest in Recent History

KFCM Beat MSP in Ops for Months!



AOPA National Programs

- AOPA High School STEM Curriculum
 - 450+ High Schools Enrolled
 - Over 8,500 Students
- AOPA Flight Training Scholarships
 - High School & Advanced Ratings
- AOPA Foundation
 - Air Safety Institute



AOPA HIGH SCHOOL STEM CURRICULUM

"There I was..." Electrical failure in a Beech 18

[LISTEN TO PODCAST](#)

Storms are coming: learn how to avoid the dangers

[WATCH WEBINAR](#)

"There I was..." Forced landing in a field

[LISTEN TO PODCAST](#)

AIR SAFETY INSTITUTE

MOA/SUA Real Time!



Pleased to champion with Senator Jim Inhofe and others, to have language included in the NDAA statute that requires the FAA and DOD to develop a system that will push real-time status of SUA and MOA directly into the cockpit – much like TFRs are done

A MITRE Corporation report says it will save aviation up to \$100 million annually in fuel burn and would significantly reduce carbon emissions – all while ensuring that our military can continue to train effectively!



Aviation Insurance

- Premiums on the Rise
- Age Restrictions
- Market Realities



Define the Business of Insurance

Broker vs. Carrier

- Insurance Broker – Represents the consumer in the search for insurance needs.
- Insurance Carrier / Provider – Financial resource behind the coverage provided in the policy.

Lots of Brokers – Not many Providers in the Aviation Market

- Number of providers has shrunk in recent years



Premiums

- How much you pay for the policy
- Insurance premiums did hit a low in recent years
- Currently in a “market correction”
- “Large Loss” events — Tornados (3 w/in 6 months), Other Natural Disasters, airline major loss

Boeing 737 MAX and other large losses have put providers with limited cash on hand – premium hikes are making up for that

Age Restrictions?

Yes – 70 years old and type of aircraft being covered

Priced Out

Other restrictions – have another pilot on board

Mitigating a risk group?

Medical Certification – Evidence of risk?

Show us the data

Stats show most frequent payouts occur with pilots in the 50-60-year-old range



Costs and Reality

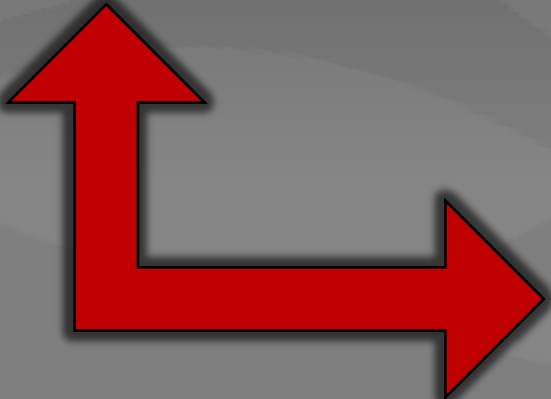
**What
are the
Costliest
Insurance
Claims?**



Charting and Airport Diagrams

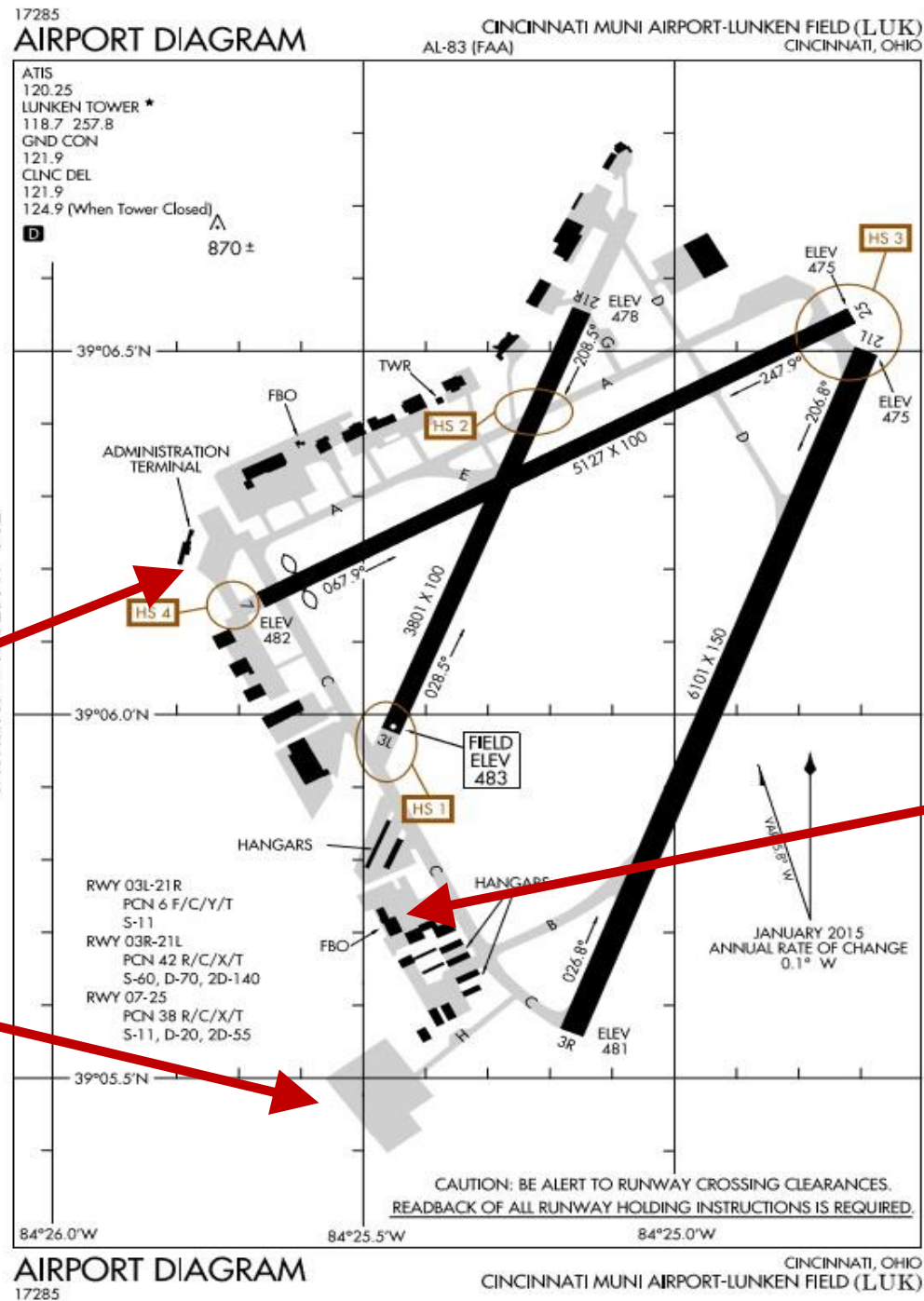
Examples of General Aviation Parking Labels

FBO	General Aviation	Ramp Office General Aviation Terminal
FBO Facilities Transient Parking	General Aviation Apron	Terminal/FBO
FBO General Aviation Ramp	General Aviation Parking	Tiedown
FBO Hangar	General Aviation Ramp	Tie-Down Apron
FBO Ramp	General Aviation Terminal	Transient Aircraft Parking
FBO/Transient Parking Overnight	General Aviation Terminal/FBO	Transient GA Parking/FBO
G.A. Apron	Itinerant Parking	Transient Parking
GA Apron	Main Apron	Transient Parking Short Term (Singles)
GA Parking	Parking and Tie-Down Apron	Transient Tiedowns
GA Terminal and Parking	Ramp	



- **GA Transient Ramp** – An apron where itinerant general aviation operators can park their aircraft without FBO services and subject to terms and conditions.
- **FBO Ramp** – Ramp controlled by a commercial FBO entity OR sponsor if municipal run FBO (*inherent associated fees*)
- **GA Tenant Parking** – Parking area for based aircraft (subject to leased tie down or hangars)

Charting Example KLUK Cincinnati Lunken



Unmarked Public Transient
GA Ramp Space

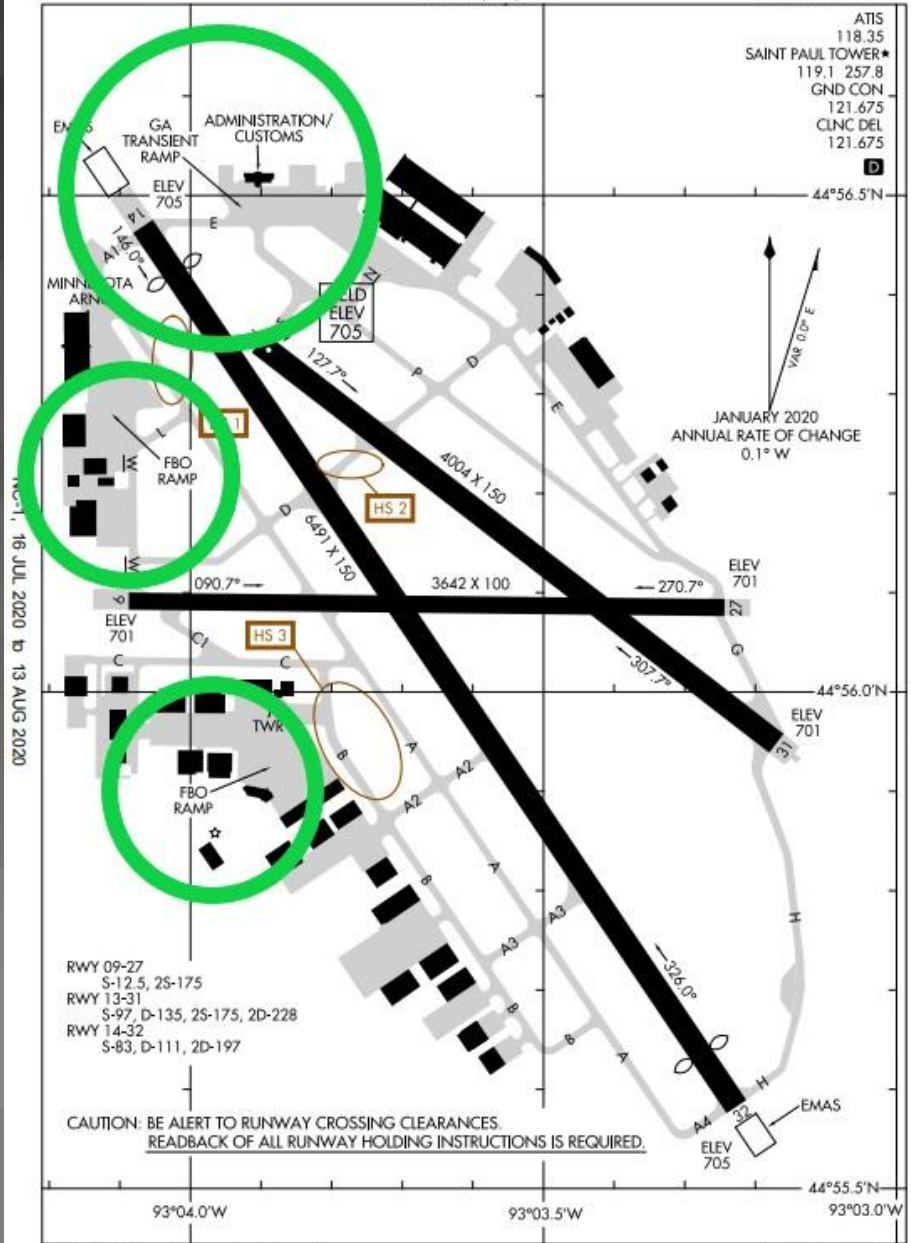
NO ID!
A 2nd FBO With Self Serve
Fuel

Incorrect ID
Labeled "FBO"
No Transient Services Offered





20142 AIRPORT DIAGRAM ST PAUL DOWNTOWN HOLMAN FLD (STP) ST PAUL, MINNESOTA



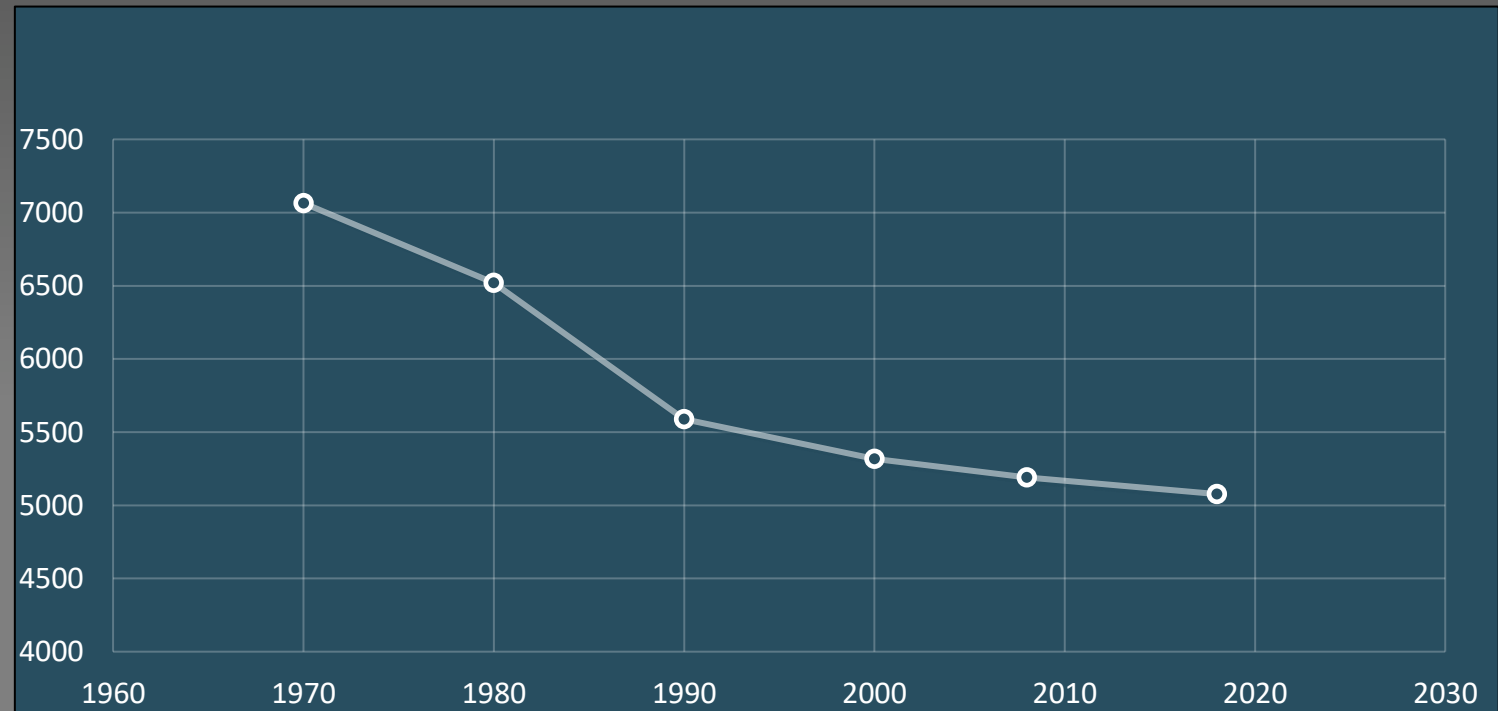
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Sobering Statistics

- Public Use Airports in Decline
- 7000 Community Airports in the Early 1970s
- Today Just Over 5000



Airport Issues

- Noise complaints
- Urban Sprawl
- Zoning
- Political pressure
- Obstructions
- Public “Perceptions”



Airport Support Network

- Launched in 1997 amid battle to save Meigs Field
- Works proactively to ensure public airports are valued by the communities they serve.
- ASN Network – 1800 Strong & Growing



Airport Support Network

- **Active Recruiting**
 - *Appointed over 500 since 2019*
 - *New Website – Mobile Ready*
- **New Resources in 2020**
 - *Training and Webinars*



Regional Airport Issues

- *Airport Rules / Regs*
- *Leases / Rates & Charges*
- *Compatible Land Use*
- *Potential Airport Closures*

The screenshot shows a news article from The Detroit News. The headline is "Detroit city airport plan would clear neighborhood, close runway". The author is Christine Ferretti, and the article was published on August 19, 2019, and updated on October 3, 2019. The article features a photograph of a white private jet on a tarmac with a ground crew member in a high-visibility vest. To the right of the photo is a social media sharing section with icons for Facebook, Twitter, Google+, and LinkedIn, along with a "Fullscreen" button. Below the photo is a sub-headline: "Study projects future of Detroit's Coleman A. Young Airport" and a short summary of the article's content.

Regional Legislative

Ohio : Transportation Budget, Tall Structure Reform

Ohio : Derelict and Abandoned Aircraft

Indiana : State Budget – Increase in Funding

South Dakota : \$4 Million in Funding

South Dakota : KRAP Infrastructure \$\$\$





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