Welcome back! We know it’s winter in Naples when temperatures begin to “cool”, the flight tracker heats up and license plates start to change colors. We have been busy preparing for what will likely be a very busy winter while focusing on excellent service and enacting measures to keep you, our employees and the community healthy as we all learn to live with COVID-19. I ask for your patience and understanding as we serve you with a bit less face-to-face contact, but with additional safety precautions:

✈ Face coverings are now required for employees and customers by order of the City of Naples. Complimentary masks are available at Naples Aviation.

✈ Airport facilities are routinely cleaned and sanitized. Hand sanitizer is available for our customers.

✈Courtesy cars are available through Naples Aviation with a 20-gallon minimum fuel purchase to help defray the cost of vehicle sanitization between uses.

✈ Limited walk-in schedule and meetings by appointment are available in the Leasing & Badging Office and with Airport Administration.

✈ Electronic signatures will be used on most lease documents.

✈ Automated payments and credit card authorizations are encouraged.

✈ Special event requests, including pilot group meetings, will be considered on an individual basis with appropriate insurance and precautions.

In addition to these changes, we are pleased to offer lower fuel prices on full-service Jet A and AvGas for our annual tenants.

While this season is sure to look and feel different than in years past, our commitment to excellence in safety and customer service remains unchanged. Please feel free to share your feedback or suggestions for ways that we can enhance your experience with us. You may contact me at (239) 643-0733 or crozansky@flynaples.com. We look forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely,

Christopher A. Rozansky
Executive Director
Holiday Hours

The Naples Airport Authority Administration Offices will be **CLOSED** on January 1st in observance of **New Year’s Day** and January 18th in observance of **Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**.

Naples Aviation will observe regular business hours to provide your FBO services.

Top it Off, Please

On **October 1, 2020** new fuel pricing took effect for Naples Aviation.

- The Jet A discount for the based aircraft of annual tenants was increased by $0.10 per gallon to $1.50 off of the retail price.

- AvGas prices decreased by $0.25 per gallon.

Fuel prices are posted weekly on our website at [https://flynaples.com/](https://flynaples.com/).

One Wingspan Apart

Naples Airport is encouraging customers to practice social distancing by remaining one wingspan apart while in the General Aviation Terminal. Markings have been conveniently placed on the floor in front of the FBO customer service desk at Naples Aviation as reminders. Passengers and guests are now required to wear masks by order of the City of Naples. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Self-Service AvGas Tank

The North Self-service AvGas tank will be out of service through January 2021 while undergoing refurbishment.
Invoices

The Naples Airport Authority has recently implemented a new point of sale software system and it has been brought to our attention that some individuals may have not received invoices and or statements via email. We apologize for any inconvenience that this may have caused. Please check your spam/junk inbox and ensure that AccountsReceivable@FlyNaples.com is on the allowed email list so it will not be filtered into the spam/junk inbox.

Any billing questions please contact Accounts Receivable at (239) 643-0733 or email AccountsReceivable@FlyNaples.com.

All payments by check should be mailed to our secure bank lockbox at:

City of Naples Airport Authority
P.O. Box 24132
Tampa, FL 33623

Ways to Pay

- Cash
- Check
- Automatic Bank Transfer (ACH)
- Credit Card
- Debit Card

For more information on all of your payment options, please call Georgiana Bradbury at (239) 643-0733.

Congratulations Mike Hushek!

Naples Aviation FBO Manager Mike Hushek received the Top 40 Under 40 award from National Business Aviation Association (NBAA). Mike has been a great addition since joining Naples Aviation. Every day he arrives at the airport with enthusiasm and the willingness to help others. He has been instrumental in helping his team learn and grow.

To learn more about Mike and his award visit the NBAA website: https://nbaa.org/professional-development/yopro/40-40/2020-business-aviation-top-40-under-40-award-recipients/mike-hushek/
Administrative Offices

In observance of recommendations related to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Airport Authority’s Badging Office is operating on limited hours and **appointments are highly encouraged**. Administrative offices remain closed. Masks are now required by the City of Naples, when you visit our offices. Customers are encouraged to conduct as much business as possible over the phone and via email.

In an effort to provide the best service possible, the following are still available:

- Administrative staff (239) 643-0733 or via email
- Leasing and Tenant Services – Leasing@FlyNaples.com
- Payments & Invoicing – AccountsReceivable@FlyNaples.com
- ID Badging – Badging@FlyNaples.com
- Airport Security – Security@FlyNaples.com

The Leasing and Badging Office Has Moved

In order to better serve our customers and tenants, the Leasing and Badging Office has moved into a new suite in the Airport Office Building (AOB). The new suite is located to the left of the previous office, closer to the airfield. This new space is larger and will better allow our staff to safely address the needs of our tenants.

The Leasing Office has also added additional staff to help ensure continued exceptional service, during even the busiest times of year.

Safety 1st Clean Certification

National Air Transportation Association (NATA) provides standardized training and support for aviation professionals through its Safety 1st Program. Safety 1st Clean represents industry best practices and general guidance on facility cleaning, disinfecting and facility operations. The NAA is proud to have received this certification from NATA.

The airport takes the health and safety of our customers and employees seriously. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the standard of cleaning must be performed to CDC guidelines to reduce the spread of contagious diseases.
City of Naples Mask Resolution

At their December 21, 2020 Emergency Meeting, the Naples City Council approved a mask Resolution for the City of Naples. This Resolution requires masks to be worn in public buildings throughout the city and outdoors when social distancing of at least 6 feet is not possible. The Naples Airport lies within the boundaries of the City and is now mandated to require facial coverings for anyone entering a building on airport property. This requirement does not apply to children under two, those who require accommodation under the Americans with Disabilities Act or anyone actively eating or drinking. To read the Resolution or to get more information, please visit the City of Naples website.

Trash Talk

Please do not dispose any large, bulk items in and around the airport trash containers. Convenient disposal of furniture, computers, copy machines and other large items is available adjacent to the airport at the Naples Recycling Center located at 2640 Corporate Flight Drive. The facility is open Monday through Saturday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Please call (239) 252-7575 for more information.

We’re Hiring!

Do you know someone who may be interested in working at the Naples Airport? New job opportunities are posted on our website. Please visit our online Career Center at https://flynaples.com/naacareercenter/.
The NAA Custodial Team was recognized as our 2020 Employees of the Year. They play a major role in our COVID-19 response and have focused their efforts on high traffic areas and potentially contaminated surfaces in order to limit the potential spread of the virus to our customers and staff. They also came in after hours to do a full deep clean on the air traffic control tower after two possible exposures. Their focus has been providing a safe facility for our employees, tenants and customers and the custodial team has gone above and beyond in their efforts.

Communications & Community Outreach

The NAA is excited to announce the hiring of our new Community Outreach and Communications Manager, Zac Burch. Zac joins the NAA after serving as the Communications Manager for Florida Department of Transportation District 1 since 2012. He will be focusing on working with the community during the Part 150 Noise Study as well as keeping our tenants and customers informed of news, events and issues at the Airport. You can contact Zac at zburch@flynaples.com or 239-643-0733.
Recently, the Naples Airport began its RED Friday program to honor our deployed soldiers, sailors, Marines and airmen. RED stands for Remember Everyone Deployed and is our way of honoring those currently serving away from home and standing in solidarity with their families. Employees were given a red polo with the RED logo on it and are asked to wear them on Fridays. Operations staff that wear high-visibility uniforms were also given the option of wearing a red baseball hat with the logo so that they are able to participate as well. This issue is especially important to the Naples Airport given the number of our staff that have served or have family members currently serving overseas.

Noise Compatibility Committee Openings

The Noise Compatibility Committee (NCC) is made up of local residents and volunteers who serve four-year terms and donate their time and expertise to help maintain a high quality of life in Naples.

The nine-member committee meets regularly to review the Airport Noise Abatement Program and make recommendations to airport staff and the Airport Authority. Currently the NCC has three members whose terms are expiring on March 31st, 2021 representing three specific groups: active pilots, residents northeast of the airport and residents southwest of the airport. For more information or to apply please visit www.flynaples.com/ncc-about
The Naples City Council appointed **Richard “Rick” Ruppert** to the City of Naples Airport Authority Board of Commissioners. The board is comprised of five citizen volunteers who are appointed to four-year terms to govern the Airport Authority. Mr. Ruppert replaces outgoing Commissioner Ted Brousseau.

Ruppert retired with over 40 years of executive experience at several corporations, including Jet Aviation; The Walt Disney Company; and most recently at Ulta Beauty as Vice-President of Merchandise and Private Label Products. He is a five-year resident of Naples who previously served as the Gulf Shore Association of Condominiums as liaison to the NAA.

Mr. Ruppert joins Chair Michael Lenhard, Vice-Chair Kerry C. Dustin, Donna M. Messer and James Rideoutte as Commissioners on the NAA Board.

Naples Airport Authority meetings are held monthly at Naples City Hall; they are open to the public and available for online viewing through the city’s website. For the meeting schedule, please visit [www.FlyNaples.com](http://www.FlyNaples.com).

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The Naples Airport Authority’s **Noise Compatibility Committee (NCC)** re-elected **Cliff Holland as Chair** and **Chris Auron as Vice-Chair** for 2021. Retired after 37 years of employment with Johnson & Johnson, Holland served as Corporate Vice-President, responsible for worldwide government affairs and policy organization. He has been a Naples resident since 2014 and is serving his second term in the city-at-large position on the NCC.

A Naples resident since 2011, Auron is a senior software engineer and project manager at Prognos, a healthcare artificial intelligence company based in New York. He served in the United States Air Force for 10 years and later in the Arizona Army National Guard. Appointed to the NCC in March 2019, he represents the geographic area northwest of the airport.

The NCC is comprised of nine citizens and volunteers who help monitor the impact of aircraft noise and makes recommendations about noise-mitigation procedures for consideration by the City of Naples Airport Authority Board of Commissioners. The members serve as volunteer representatives of the Collier County Commission, Naples City Council, general aviation pilots and six geographic areas surrounding the airport. For more information please visit [www.flynaples.com](http://www.flynaples.com).
Project Updates

Noise Study Update
Updates on the ongoing airport Part 150 Noise Study can be found online at www.flynaples.com. To provide your input, please submit comments and be on the lookout for future public workshops.

ARFF Ribbon Cutting
On December 10th, the NAA, along with the City of Naples Fire Department and the City of Naples, held a ribbon cutting for the new Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting Station (ARFF).

The new ARFF station is a state-of-the-art facility that replaces the airport’s original fire station that was built in 1989. The $5.8 million facility, jointly funded by the Naples Airport Authority and the Florida Department of Transportation, was built to the highest standards and specifications of the fire service with special attention paid to airfield response requirements.

The facility was built to withstand a Category 5 hurricane to ensure continuity of service, as well as serve as an emergency operations center to assist with Collier County response efforts.

ATCT Upgrade
The Naples Air Traffic Control Tower and its staff have supported APF users for the past 25 years and the building has not been renovated in that time. Today, the limited amount of space in the cab, offices and lower rooms make for a challenging work environment for the controllers and manager. To make better use of the existing space, plans are being developed to renovate and modernize the facility.

Master Plan
The Master Plan update for Naples Airport was submitted to the FAA and airport staff are in the process of responding to the Agency’s comments. For more information on the master planning process and to view the Master Plan documents, please visit our website at https://flynaples.com/master-plan-documents/.
NAA Reports Steady Operations at Naples Airport with Contract Air Traffic Control Tower

The Naples Airport Authority has reported that the Naples Airport air traffic control tower continues to deliver safe, reliable service to incoming and outgoing aircraft throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. As a federally obligated public facility, the Naples Airport has remained open under the direction of the Federal Aviation Administration.

While the Naples Airport air traffic control tower is owned and maintained by the NAA, the FAA contracts with Robinson Aviation (RVA) to employ FAA-certified air traffic controllers to staff the tower daily, from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. There are more than 250 FAA contract towers in 46 states.

A recent audit released by the Department of Transportation Inspector General noted that FAA contract towers constitute an “essential part” of the National Airspace System because they manage approximately 28% of the nation’s air traffic control operations, are more cost-effective than comparable FAA towers and have similar safety records.

“In my experience working with RVA both at Naples Airport and previous airports since 2003, I can attest to the continued outstanding level of safety, professionalism and customer service they provide at the Naples Airport,” said Chris Rozansky, NAA Executive Director. “They have implemented procedures to ensure the health and safety of the controllers and continue to provide dedicated service.”

Although COVID-19 has presented new challenges for air traffic facilities nationwide, RVA has kept service uninterrupted as air traffic levels have spiked after an April lull during the statewide “Safer at Home” executive order.

“Since June, we’ve observed increased charter activity in comparison to last year and we have depended greatly on RVA maintaining regular operating hours and service,” said Rozansky. “We are very grateful for the dedication of the fantastic air traffic controllers during this challenging time.”
Drones

The FAA has introduced the new UAS Data Exchange LAANC. LAANC is the Low Altitude Authorization and Notification Capability, a collaboration between the FAA and private industry that directly supports unmanned aircraft system (UAS), integration into the national airspace system.

LAANC provides:

✈️ Drone pilots with access to controlled airspace at or below 400 feet.
✈️ Awareness of where pilots can and cannot fly.
✈️ Air Traffic Professionals with visibility into where and when drones are operating.

Through the UAS Data Exchange, the Capability facilitates the sharing of airspace data between the FAA and companies approved by the FAA to provide LAANC services.

LAANC provides airspace authorizations only. Pilots must still check NOTAMs, weather conditions, and abide by all airspace restrictions.

For more information: https://www.faa.gov/uas/programs_partnerships/data_exchange/

Blind Spots

While driving or taxiing on the ramp to and from your hangar, please use extra caution coming around the corner of a hangar row. One particular area of concern is the 1600 hangars near runway 32 where there is a potential blind spot at the end. Please slow down and use caution when navigating around the hangars.

Garmin

The FAA conducted a safety risk assessment to evaluate the Garmin Halo Autoland system, currently fitted to Piper M600/SLS, Cirrus Vision Jet and TBM 940 aircraft, and determined there is a risk of a surface collision due to the limited number of units in service and the system selecting a runway that may be closed. Garmin is working on adding safety features in the future.
Looking for Hangar Space?

Naples Airport Authority hangars are completely full and have a waitlist. If you are interested in getting on the waitlist please visit our website: https://flynaples.com/hangar-leasing/.

Subleasing opportunities may also be available, from the following:

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NAA BOARD MEETINGS
3rd Thursday of every month, except July.
City of Naples Council Chambers at 8:30 a.m.
735 8th Street South
Watch live: https://www.naplesgov.com/citymanager/page/naples-tv

NOISE COMPATIBILITY COMMITTEE
The NCC meetings are held at the
Airport Office Building
2nd Floor Conference Room at 9:00 a.m.
The next NCC Meeting is scheduled for:
January 28, 2021

EAA CHAPTER 1067
1st Wednesday of every month
6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
2190 Clipper Way
Joan Zaleski, President (630) 877-7879
Email: eaa1067@gmail.com
Website: https://1067.eaachapter.org/

NAPLES PILOTS ASSOCIATION
Meetings will resume in October 2021
Ryan Allen, President (239) 289-5550
Email: president@naplespilots.com

CIVIL AIR PATROL
Cadets- Mondays at 6:30 p.m.
Seniors- Tuesdays 7:00 p.m.
Civil Air Patrol Hangar
Senior Squadron Commander: Judy Repka, Maj CAP
jrepka@flwg.us (239) 293-8300
Cadet Commander: 1st Lt. Annie Katz (239) 877-3579
Website: http://gofloridawing.org/fl023/

Did You Know?
The airport has an observation deck located at the south end of the airport off of North Road. There is a play area, picnic tables and a radio to monitor aircraft communications.