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PERRY-HOUSTON COUNTY AIRPORT UPDATE—JUNE 2019



Visitor? Or Infestation?



We didn't know whether to greet the visitor or call our pest control guy when the K-MAX 'copter landed at PXE. The aerial truck can lift 6,000 lbs, which is more than the helicopter's own empty weight! Used primarily for logging and firefighting, the K-1200 was enroute to set high-tension electrical towers.



Special Points of Interest

- K-MAX Visitor to PXE
- Control Tower.
- New Ownership –Perry Air
- Apache Assistance
- New Frequency Coming

A WEEK OF CONTROL

The week of PXE being in a control-towered status brought us some interesting statistics. During the 5 1/2 days of the Reserve personnel controlling the airspace at Perry-Houston County Airport, they logged 532 operations (takeoffs and landings). The last time they were here at PXE in 2018, they logged 331 operations. After examining their data from both years we can surmise quite comfortably that the Perry-Houston County Airport has an excess of 24,000 aircraft operations per year. This compares quite favorably to Middle Georgia Regional's 18,000+ yearly operations.



JUNE SPECIAL DAYS

- 1st—Flip a Coin Day
- 4th—National Cheese Day
- 5th—Hot Air Balloon Day
- 6th—D-Day (WWII)
- 7th—National Doughnut Day
- 12th—Red Rose Day
- 14th—Flag Day 
- 16th—Father's Day
- 18th—International Picnic Day
- 19th—Juneteenth
- National Kissing Day
- 21st—Summer Solstice
- Take Your Dog to Work Day
- 23rd—National Pink Day
- 25th—National Catfish Day
- 28th—Paul Bunyan Day
- 29th—Waffle Iron Day
- 30th—Meteor Day

Continuing to keep PXE in great condition, Airport Manager Jim Marquardt installed a new windsock on the Perry-Houston County Airport apron. Our recently-acquired scissors lift enables us to reach and work at new heights much more safely. Just keep the platform gate closed while at altitude, Jim.



New Frequency Coming to PXE

An application to the FCC is in the works for a frequency change here at the Perry-Houston County Airport. The current frequency, shared with Dublin, Newnan, and others, is often crowded and noisy. The new frequency will be shared only with Hampton, GA, approximately 65 miles away, resulting in less confusion. Ample notice will be posted prior to the eventual change.

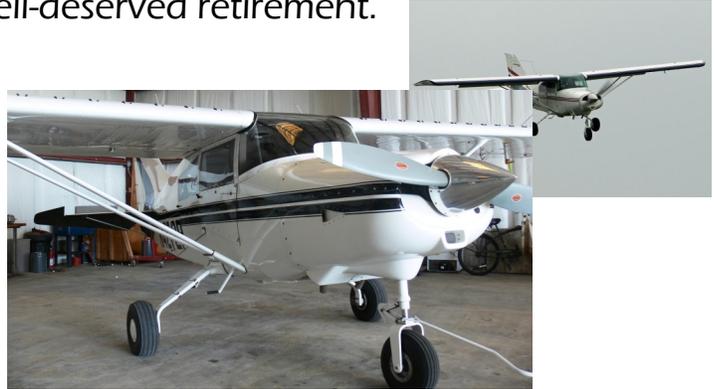


PERRY AIR HAS NEW MANAGEMENT

Perry Air, our airport neighbor and pilot training facility, has a new owner. Alex Zoltak, a long-time customer of Perry-Houston County Airport, and Ashley Zoltak assumed ownership of the school on May 15th. Their goal for the business is to provide affordable, reliable flight training and to promote aviation participation in the area. The PXE staff and board extend our congratulations and wishes for success to Alex and Ashley. We also wish Dale Snyder, the former owner of Perry Air and a great friend of the airport, an enjoyable and well-deserved retirement.



Alex and Ashley Zoltak of Perry Air LLC



Perry Air added a Maule Mx-7T-180 to their training and rental fleet recently. With 180 HP, the 4-place aircraft should be a winner in both flight training and aircraft rental.



APACHE SERVICE CALL

A Boeing AH-64 Apache helicopter made an unscheduled overnight stay at the Perry-Houston County Airport in May. A gearbox malfunction initiated an unscheduled visit and necessitated having replacement parts flown in the next day for on-site repair. Our aircraft tug was put into unusual and strenuous use to tow the 11,390 pound, \$30M aircraft to an overnight stay inside the Perry Air hangar at the north end of the airport. As usual, our airport equipment and management were up to the task. A big 'thank you' to Alex Zoltak and Perry Air for the space to house the 'copter.



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