

News and Events at the Parlin Field Airport in Newport, New Hampshire

November 2014

What's Better Than Sliced Bread?

A set of spanking new taxiway lights from AvLite! We received two solar powered LED lights (pictured below) back in early November to replace the plastic poles that were wrapped with blue reflective tape marking the mid-field taxiway.



The new AvLite lights brilliantly mark the entrance to the mid-field taxiway from Runway 18-36. The installation of the lights couldn't be any easier. Just pound in the stakes, slide the frangible coupling with the light and base onto the stake and secure with the set screw. And since there is no need to dig a trench or run conduit and wiring, we barely got our hands dirty.



After a summer of battling beavers damming up our culvert and turtles crossing the runway (*albeit without proper clearance from the FAA*), we much appreciate the easy install and great looking lights. The AvLite solar LED taxiway lights are set to come on automatically from dusk to dawn. Once fully charged, the battery will power the lights for 13 days without sunlight. It's time to move if we ever test that 13-day

feature! We'll report back on the durability and functionality of the lights at the end of this winter. Needless to say, we are very excited about the lights and ability to eventually light our entire taxiway in a cost effective and efficient manner.

Another Season Gone By

November 15th marked the official closing of our turf Runway 12-30. The runway saw a lot of use this year and is a favorite for many. The yellow cones marking the edges of the runway have been taken up and the runway closed by NOTAM (Notice to Airmen). The runway is now blanketed with nearly a foot of snow. We look forward to next Spring when the Stearman's, Waco's, and numerous other aircraft, engines purring away at near idle power, pass overhead just before touching down on the grass.

Winter Operations

We would like to remind those folks flying into Parlin Field this winter, to please check NOTAMS and call ahead before departing for Parlin Field after a snowfall. With the recent dumping of nearly a foot of snow and soft ground, we are already seeing two foot high snow banks alongside the runway.

The airport is plowed by the Town of Newport Highway Department and they need to get the town roads and parking areas cleared prior to getting out to the airport. The plow operators have often been plowing for many hours and still manage to get the airport open soon after completing the roadways. Without dedicated airport snow removal equipment, we do our best to accommodate those wishing to visit Parlin Field during the winter.

Upcoming Events

Visit the Parlin Field website for more information on events at:

<http://www.newportnh.net/index.php?nav=228>

Dec 3 Chillin' & Grillin', 1800, Lil' Red Baron

Dec 16 Airport Advisory Board, 1830, Operations Building

Dec 17 Chillin' & Grillin', 1800, Lil' Red Baron

About Parlin Field

The Parlin Field Airport is located about 2 miles north of town at 14 Airport Road. The Airport is owned and operated by the Town of Newport, New Hampshire.

Parlin Field is a community airport that serves the entire Lake Sunapee Region. The airport enjoys support from pilots, tenants, stakeholders, and the community at large. It does not receive Federal funds.

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