

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

June 2017

#### **NORDO**

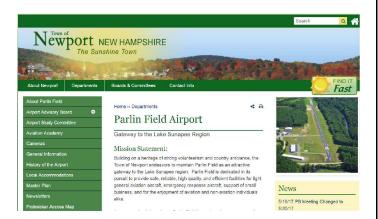
To those familiar with the litany of aviation jargon, NORDO means an aircraft with no radio and no means of communicating. Although we have been NORDO as far as the newsletter, rest assured we are thriving here at Parlin Field! We have grown stronger as an airport over the last year, strengthening community partnerships and building new ones. Already behind us for 2017 is our annual Candy Drop and the annual Airport Open House. As you read the articles below, please keep in mind that these activities can't happen without our dedicated crew of airport bums, the best of the best. We are forever grateful for them, and our host community of Newport, NH. We hope that you enjoy this first edition of the 2017 newsletters.

#### **New Website and Webcams**

The Town of Newport has updated the town website! Along with that initiative we have updated several of our Parlin Field pages. You can now find more information on accessing the airport, events, and current weather conditions by clicking on the link below.

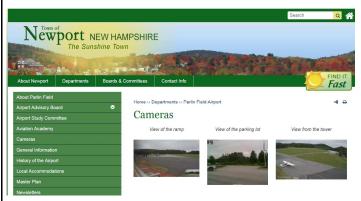
## https://www.newportnh.gov/parlin-field-airport

The link will bring you to our new home page where you'll be able to click the links on the menu bar to the left to access a variety of features.



We have added several cameras which allow users to

monitor weather conditions and ramp activity at any time of day.



We hope you will visit the new website and find the information useful. Please keep in mind that several pages are in the process of being updated including the Unmanned Aerial Vehicle and Aviation Academy pages.

## **Runway Crack Sealing**

We made good use of the few and far between good weather days to organize several of our dedicated volunteers to perform some much needed runway crack sealing. This is a necessary function to fill the ever-widening cracks that form in the runway/taxiway /apron pavement. The goal is to seal the cracks to eliminate moisture from penetrating into the subbase.



## Flagpole Makeover

One of our most recent and valuable partnerships is with the Newport High School and Sugar River Valley Technical Center. The SRVTC is host to a group of extremely bright and talented kids seeking careers in vocations such as horticulture and forestry. These students spent two days transforming our unsightly flag pole area into a well landscaped showpiece. Thank you to the Horticulture and Forestry program students for a job well done and something we can be proud of! Please support them if you happen to see a local Future Farmers of America fundraiser!



Before



During



After

## **Open House**

This year marked our 17<sup>th</sup> annual Airport Open House. The local Boy Scouts started the day off with a great pancake breakfast!



Our Parlin Field Aviation Career Education materials were on-hand to sign kids up for the 2017 program which will take place August 7-11. The Newport Historical Society presented folks with the opportunity to stop and learn about local history and/or purchase a gift to support the mission of the Historical Society.



Folks arriving by aircraft were greeted with a smile! They were given our newest promotional material to take back to their home airports to encourage visitors to come to Newport and get out into town and visit local businesses.



Our pilots gave 42 local kids rides as part of the ever popular Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) Young Eagle program



There was an ample amount of fun, camaraderie and storytelling among fellow aviators and visitors!



## **Open Season – Turf Runway**



The cones are placed and the grass is green! This Spring NHDOT Bureau of Aeronautics surveyed our turf runway and marked out the location for the placement of runway cones in order to provide adequate safety areas. The official FAA publication will now have the turf runway (Runway 12-30) listed as 60' x 2,000'. The runway cones will actually be placed at 80' wide to allow for manueverability and will

be noted as such. The threshold for Runway 12 will be displaced by 240' to allow for adequate safety area. We will be purchasing additional cones to mark the displaced threhsold as well as to replace some damaged cones (someone may have whacked a couple with the new mower © - oops!)

## **Airport Playground Build Started**

Another exciting development at Parlin is the beginnings of an airport playground. The playground will be built on a piece of unsightly ground adjacent to the dirt access road that is no longer in use. The playground will be funded by donations from transient and local pilots over the last several years. It will include a runway, several airplane rides (the start of one is pictured below), an Air Traffic Control climbing tower with a slide and sandbox, as well as several benches. We hope to have the bulk of the work completed by the fall. Additional donations will gladly be accepted!



Poker Anyone?



# June 1 through September 30

We have joined up with the Not Your Ordinary Poker Run flying event. This is a way to get folks out flying to airports throughout New England while having fun and providing an opportunity to win prizes. If you are flying into Parlin, you can get your card at Edmonds Aircraft Service Monday-Saturday from 0900-1800. The prize for Parlin Field is a Parlin hat, t-shirt and

Sunday brunch buffet for two at the Old Courthouse Restaurant in downtown Newport, NH.

## **Upcoming Events**

Visit the Parlin Field website for more information on events at: <a href="https://www.newportnh.gov/parlin-field-airport">https://www.newportnh.gov/parlin-field-airport</a>

**June 21'2017 – Chillin' & Grillin'.** Join us for fun, food and spirits. Every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month. 1800 at the Recycled Pilots hangar.

**June 20, 2017 – Airport Advisory Board.** 1830, Airport Operations building.

August 7-11, 2017 – ACE Academy



## **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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