

1. Upcoming Events

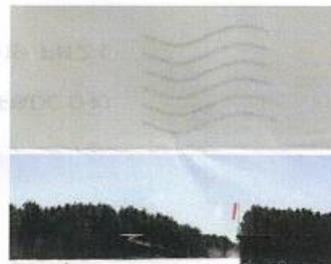
- **Airport Advisory Committee Meeting**
March 14th, 2019 at 8:00am at our new airport administration and maintenance building!! 9 Presidential Lane, Sanford.
More info is posted on the City's website www.sanfordmaine.org.
The meeting schedule is available online and at my office if you'd like to drop by.

9th Annual
BOWMAN FIELD SKI-PLANE FLY-IN
Saturday, February 9, 2019



Bowman Field (B10) 40 River Road
Livermore Falls, Maine

Come join the Bowman Field Flying Club for our Annual Ski-Plane Fly-In. This event is a potluck put on by the club members, so come and enjoy our assortment of chilies, chowders, desserts and other homemade goodies. Join us from 10am-2pm for some good ol' airport camaraderie!



Questions: 207-897-5104
kas1@myfairpoint.net



SOUTHERN MAINE AVIATION, LLC
HOSTS A FAAST TEAM SAFETY SEMINAR

"GA PILOT JEOPARDY"

A Jeopardy-style game that will
test and refresh your aviation
safety knowledge and practices.

Saturday February 16, 2019

10:00am -12:00pm

Southern Maine Aviation Show Hanger

@KSFM Sanford Seacoast Regional Airport

Show off your chili creations or another hot dish with the crowd! The Five Alarm cook-off will be held immediately afterwards. \$7 donation will go to York Community Action Corp to support thier home heating funds for Maine Families in need.



AUDITION ANNOUNCEMENT: "SANFORD ON STAGE" TALENT SHOWCASE

The Sanford 250th Anniversary planning team, in partnership with the Sanford Performing Arts Center, is seeking Sanford's best talent for "Sanford On Stage," a curated showcase of local talent. The showcase, to be held on Saturday, March 9 at 7:00pm, will serve as the capstone event to a year-long celebration of Sanford's 250th Anniversary.

Participation in the event will be by invitation following auditions on Sunday, February 24. The planning team is looking for acts of all kinds to be on the bill... from bands and singers, to comedians, dancers, and entertainers. Those wishing to secure a timed audition slot should send an e-mail to sanfordonstage@gmail.com. Be sure to describe your talent, and include contact information. In lieu of a live audition, established artists may also send a video link of a previous performance.

"We know our community is loaded with talent and it's time for them to step into the spotlight!" Said Allison Rogers, chair of the Sanford's 250th Anniversary Committee. "This is a great synergistic partnership between the committee and the Sanford Performing Arts Center as we celebrate our city's past and look forward to our bright future."

For more information, e-mail sanfordonstage@gmail.com.



2. Southern Maine Aviation has a new website!

Check out the new and improved <http://www.flyingsma.com/>.

3. New Café Coming Soon!!

I am so pleased to announce that we are working on reviewing a proposal and entering into a lease agreement with a new restaurant. I can't say much at this point, but it is something to be excited about! Tentative opening date is early April after some renovations take place in the kitchen area. More to come!

4. History of Sanford

I had a link shared with me a little ways back and thought I would pass it along to anyone who is interested in the history of Sanford. Check it out by clicking [HERE](#). It's the Maine Encyclopedia and the Airport's Naval Station Building is featured further down the page.

5. Under Construction: Airport Snow Removal Equipment Building

It's almost done!! We are scheduled to start moving in the first week of March. Our new mailing address is 9 Presidential Lane, Sanford, Maine 04073. I will be getting a new office phone number, but I haven't been told what that will be yet. I'll be sure to send out new contact information as soon as I know.



The crew and I are so excited to start this next chapter of work at the airport. No more crawling under equipment when its 3

degrees out to grease everything before a storm. No more sun and wind beating on everything left outside. No more moving aside giant piles of papers in my office to find a place to sit on bizarre mismatched furniture (although I do kind of like the bizarre furniture bit). We will be having an open house at some point in spring for any and all to attend.

6. FAA Supplemental Funding Opportunity

That *one billion* dollars of discretionary funding is still sitting out there. SFM, being a regional airport, was eligible to apply for some of this funding and did so in the fall. We worked hard to get a multi-phased project submitted to repave some pretty vast pavement areas on the west side. Phase 1 will include a complete rehabilitation and remarking of Taxiway C and the associated aprons. Phase 2 will include rehab, marking, signage and lighting of Taxiway H. Regular funding for airport projects is funded at 95% between FAA and MDOT; this program would be funded at 100%!! We are talk about multi-million dollar paving projects so saving that 5% would make a huge difference. FAA should announce recipients soon.

7. FAA Reports Successful ADS-B Rebate Relaunch

The FAA reports that its rebates are quickly being claimed by general aviation owners equipping their aircraft with Automatic Dependent Surveillance – Broadcast avionics. A month after the FAA relaunched its \$500 rebate program, 1,438 rebates have been taken from a total of 9,792 available through October 11, 2019, as long as supplies last. Thirty to

forty rebates are claimed on an average day. The FAA relaunched the program to encourage owners of fixed-wing, single-engine piston aircraft to equip with ADS-B Out avionics, which will be required in certain, controlled airspace beginning January 1, 2020, which is less than 14 months from now.

Aircraft owners need to follow five steps to receive the \$500 rebate:

1. Purchase the equipment and schedule its installation.
2. Obtain a Rebate Reservation Code by reserving a position online.
3. Have the equipment installed.
4. Conduct the required equipment performance validation and get an Incentive Code.
5. Claim the \$500 rebate online using the Rebate Reservation Code and Incentive Code.

As with the earlier rebate program, the relaunched rebate program is available only to those who have not yet equipped their aircraft. In addition to the ADS-B Rebate reservation portal, the FAA's Equip ADS-B website lists FAA-certified ADS-B equipment and features an equipage database searchable by aircraft type and model.



I know I haven't sent a newsletter in several months. I dig in every morning and before I know it the whole day has gone by. Someone said Happy New Year to me at the beginning of 2018 and I recall saying "Happy New Year! The only thing better than 2018 is going to be 2019!"

It's true.

So much of the work, the planning, the endless documents, the number crunching, negotiations, and legwork from the last 5+ years is bearing fruit. We have a new six unit hangar coming to the east side of the airport; a new restaurant hitting the field; a brand new facility to house all the staff and operations of Life Flight on the west side; a fully permitted, record-setting solar development mobilizing, and a new state-of-the-art building for airfield maintenance and operations. And that's just what exists right at this moment. Much more on the horizon as I revisit the airport's Business Plan, check off completed objectives, sharpen those in progress, and lay out new items to strive for. We welcome new tenants and users, appreciate all those who are and have been with us, and look forward to all the things we will be able to accomplish together.

I may be biased, but I am of the opinion that you can't beat SFM. And we're still getting better.
Your airport manager,

Allen
SFM