1. Upcoming Events

✈️ **Airport Advisory Committee Meeting**
May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 8:00am North Hangars @ 167 Airport Road Suite C. More info is posted on the City’s website www.sanfordmaine.org.

✈️ **STEM Aviation Camp is set to take flight this summer**
Would you like to fly in a flight simulator? Learn about air traffic control at Pease Airport? Fly remote control airplanes and drones?

Those are just a few things middle-school-age children will get the opportunity to do if they register for STEM Aviation Camp this summer. The camp will make its debut July 16-20, as the newest of the opportunities offered by the MWV School to Career Summer Camps this year. Read the Conway Daily Sun article by clicking here

✈️ **Sanford Airport Fly-In!**
Sanford Seacoast Regional Airport will host a fly-in, carshow, motorcycle display, and Touch A Truck on Saturday, June 9. This event is the largest of the activities that occur at Sanford Airport this year. We are celebrating the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the City of Sanford and this is one of the many events that will be taking place around the City throughout the year.

This year’s Open House will begin with a pancake breakfast from 8:30 AM to 10:30 AM in Southern Maine Aviation’s big blue hangar on the West Ramp. Activities will include a parachute demonstration, model airplane flying by Ray and Robin’s Hobby Shop, music, food vendors, kids activities, raffles, fire demonstrations, a static display of the Collings Foundation Corsair and many other aircraft, and scenic helicopter rides.

If you like amazing airplanes, automobiles, motorcycles, and a fun-filled day of events, head to Sanford Airport and look for the signs taking you down Gatehouse Road. Gates for the show will open at 8:30 and close at 2pm. Sanford Cadets will assist with vehicle parking and Civil Air Patrol will assist with aircraft parking. Admission is free, with a donation suggested for parking to benefit the Sanford Cadets. Currently there is no rain date for the event – Rain or Shine!
Airport Fly In +
Open House

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phone at 207-324-8695.
2. **Sanford's 250th!**
The City of Sanford and the Sanford/Springvale Chamber of Commerce have joined forces to celebrate the City of Sanford's 250th Anniversary of Incorporation. Throughout 2018 we will have special events to commemorate this special occasion. Find the City of Sanford on Facebook or at [www.sanfordmaine.org](http://www.sanfordmaine.org) in the events calendar for more throughout the year! Also, check us out on Instagram @cityofsanfordmaine. Share your photos with #sanfordmaine250.

3. **Cockpit Café Renovation!**
The Café will be getting a facelift at the end of May! We are so excited to freshen up the space for our restaurant. The renovation will include a brand new HVAC system, new flooring, fresh paint, new ceiling, and all new LED light fixtures. The space will be much more efficient and overhead costs will be reduced. The Café will be closed while work is being performed. The closure is set for May 29\(^{th}\) – June 5\(^{th}\) and will reopen in time for the Fly In on the 8\(^{th}\). We apologize in advance for any inconvenience the temporary closure may cause, but look forward to the grand reopening!
4. Life Flight of Maine – Celebrating one Year at SFM!

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A young man with extensive facial injuries in Limerick. A 65-year-old woman with severe asthma at Southern Maine Medical Center—Goodall Campus. A man from New Hampshire with serious injuries after a motorcycle accident in Acton. A baby girl at Wentworth-Douglas with a dangerous respiratory infection. A retired gentleman suffering from a head injury in Cornish.

These are just a few of the patients LifeFlight of Maine has helped from its new base of operations in Sanford, which marked its one year anniversary on March 20. With a helicopter and critical care team permanently stationed in Sanford 24-hours-a-day, LifeFlight has been able to help a growing number of patients who need a higher level of emergency care.

LifeFlight was started nearly 20 years ago when Eastern Maine Healthcare and Central Maine Healthcare opened bases in Bangor and Lewiston. In recent years, changes in the healthcare landscape and shifts in the state’s population have resulted in a growing number of calls for help. LifeFlight answered that need with the addition of an airplane at our Bangor base in 2015, and then with the purchase of a third helicopter and the creation of the Sanford base last year.

Since opening last March, the helicopter stationed at the Sanford base has transported patients more than 15,000 miles. One third of the transports completed by the Sanford team were for patients with traumatic injuries, while about 15% were for cardiac emergencies.

LifeFlight works closely with many southern Maine fire departments and ambulance services to transport patients to trauma centers when every minute counts. The helicopter and flight crew have also served as a critical link to the smaller community hospitals in southern Maine. Previously, transfers to larger specialty centers in Portland or Boston took hours by ground ambulance, but are now done in a fraction of the time with the helicopter. For example, the one-hour drive from Goodall to Portland can now be completed in about 12 minutes. That means patients get the care they need faster, giving them a better chance at survival and recovery.

That’s just what happened in the case of New Hampshire resident Dana Seaboyer. Critically injured and bleeding badly after a motorcycle accident in Acton, the flight crew gave Dana the blood he needed and got him to specialists at Maine Medical Center. Today, he’s back home and looking forward to getting back on his bike.
5. On the Ballot: Airport Snow Removal
   Equipment Building
On June 12th the ballot will contain a question asking Sanford’s citizens to approve a bond that will help pay for the Airport’s new 7,262 square foot building which will house equipment, supplies, and personnel for the operations, maintenance and administration of our airport. The project also includes a new security gate and about 2,800 linear feet of new security fencing that will follow the airport’s property line on the west side of the airfield. The airport is owned and operated by the City of Sanford and is a department of the City much like the Department of Public Works, the Parks Department, or other Departments. With the construction of the solar development this year the Airport Department will become financially self-sufficient as an enterprise fund and will no longer rely on the annual $150,000 - $200,000 it received from taxation to operate in the past.

This development has been in the works for almost five years. We delayed moving forward to make sure that the project was financially feasible – one of the most exciting things about it is that the bond will be paid off without impacting Sanford’s taxation. The total cost is approximately $3.6 million; over $1 million will be obtained through grants and the sale of airport property and the rest will be part of the bond. All of that money will stay local because the project will be built by TPD Construction and Rubb Building Systems, Sanford based businesses.

The building, fencing, and associated pavement for parking and airport access are crucial for the continued effective operation, maintenance and administration of the airfield. The need is the result of a growing, successful airport with the most based aircraft and some of the highest numbers for annual take offs and landings every year in Maine. Right now all of our equipment sits outside year round, the existing shop is tiny and very inefficient, and I rent my office, which is an unnecessary cost.

Not only is the field an economic engine for the City, creating jobs and contributing to the tax base, it is a great benefit for the entire southern Maine region in the event of emergencies such as the recent brush fire. Without SFM the forestry helicopter that was so important to halting the spread of the 314+ acre fire would have had to travel to Portsmouth or Portland for refueling, taking time and valuable payload away from the effort. The Airport also is valuable to the community with its many events each year which benefit charities and expose people of every age to the joy of aviation and potential it brings.

We thank you for your continued support!

Your airport manager,