



Airport News

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Dyersville Area Aviation

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Early Morning Preflight



As the summer comes to a close, the temperature change and the fog engulfs the rivers, ponds and low lands. When trying to get an early start on a flight, you might have to preflight the plane in the fog and wait for the sun to burn the fog off. Once in the air you will see scenes like this—the Mississippi River valley, a sea of fog with the hill tops around Balltown peeping through.



Fall flying is a pleasure. The air is cool and smooth. The plane flies better and the fall colors are spectacular.



Delhi Lake is still only a river. Word is, they will be starting work on the dam this fall.



Although the colder weather has slowed down the flying, Dyersville still has visitors stopping for lunch, touring or hangar talk.

Jim Tuchscherer and Mike Dudley are from the Independence area and flew to Dyersville in Jim's Champ.

Aviation 101

Things which do you no good in aviation:

Altitude above you.

Runway behind you.

Fuel in the truck.

Half a second ago.

Approach plates in the car.

The airspeed you don't have.

Speed is life, altitude is life insurance. No one has ever collided with the sky.

Harrowing moments of flying



Notice the windshield of Fred's helicopter. Every pilot has heard of having a "bird strike". As Fred was flying along about 70 miles per hour and enjoying the day, all of sudden a bird came out of nowhere and struck the wind screen of his helicopter on the pilot side. The windscreen broke, the bird came in the cockpit and exited out the side door glass. When Fred was asked

how he handled it, he said he had to slow the copter down, gain altitude for safety and head for home. He said there never was a problem of safety but it did bring him back to all his principles of safety training.

Airport Calendars

The 2014 Airport Calendars will be out in November. Anyone wanting one should call Dave Kramer at 875-8590. This years calendar not only features aerial photo of towns around Dyersville but includes the activities and people around the airport.



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