

## Vol 4. December/ January 2019 Website Report

*I delayed sending this report a bit due to the shutdown, and the number of federal employees on the mailing list.*

I am proud to announce that during the month of November SCAUWG.ORG hosted 3182 visitors and the total sessions on the site numbered 4100, and today I am even prouder, as I can announce now, that per IONOS SiteAnalytics **during the month of December, SCAUWG.ORG had 4407 visitors and we hosted 5802 visitor sessions!**

The world's search engine robots searched our site 6604 times during the month.

The most common browsers used to log on are still Safari mobile 1,879 32.39%, Chrome 926 15.96% Firefox 390 6.72% and IE 357 6.15%.

Are you up to date and maintain expert status regarding IFR Chart Symbols? 10 tuff ones have been published via our top of the page slide program.

Our HOTNEWS SCROLL LINE has the link to the story & video detailing the SPACE X Launch that carried the new Air Force GPS Satellite toward the heavens. And, current ELT news; what kind of ELT can no longer be manufactured?

Drones have made headline status... The Gatwick fiasco and also the probable drone strike landing of a 737 in Tijuana with a damaged radome are both noted.

Perhaps the most important featured story: FAA AFFECTED by the partial Federal Shutdown. Close to 800,000 Federal workers have been affected as well as uncountable contract workers; not to mention you and me, as important safety services go on vacation; equipment was not going to be repaired, human factors became stretched, and the risk for distraction and aviation accidents increased. Also affected was the FAASTeam program. No one was available to approve and post safety seminars and webinars.

Helicopter pilots did an outstanding job during the recent fires. We link to a Woolsey Fire helicopter rescue mission that brought trapped victims and their dogs to safety. The video illustrates well the concerns that heli pilots have when trying to make off field land in mountainous, smoky, fire ridden terrain.

NATCA issued a statement about the shutdown; we linked to it. And they issued a video as well, which we also featured. We continued to cover NATCA activity, as well as that of ALPA, HAI, NATA, and our other supporting members like AOPA that also issued statements.

Flight Following versus Filing a VFR Flight Plan. Does the Flight Plan provide enough safety coverage for you? The ASK ATC / NATCA / AOPA feature we highlight explains why Flight Following serves a pilot better.

Aircraft Category operational confusion resulted in an AutoLand Runway Excursion. We linked to the story and the video so that pilots in the future might not fall prey to the same misunderstanding.

Hawthorne Airport Most Recent Pilot Guide for Noise Abatement has been made available under AIRPORT DATA / So Cal Airports. Also posted was the most recent Airport Noise Fact Sheet and the complete timeline of events that have spirited the effort to obtain optimum noise control efficiency.

A special thanks to Guido Fernandez for the information we posted about the current noise procedures at Hawthorne.

The NTAP IS CHANGING in February. We have linked to the story. The PHPA WILL BE HONORING THE FIRE AND ENG Folks who worked so honorably suppressing the horrendous recent danger. We have the tribute details.

The Horizontal HOT NEWS Scroll Line has coverage of ADS-B eliminating RVSM approval, Catalina Improvements, and Space X, etc.

The **HOT SPOT and Dangerous Flight Route** Seminar inspired by SCAUWG, and designed to popularize the group's work, was on the road again in December delivering the SCAUWG message to the folks in Van Nuys at the Van Nuys Flyaway, adjacent to KVNY.

The seminar was scheduled at John Wayne Airport January 8, and it drew lines waiting to get in to the standing room only airport administration building room. It was a capacity audience... and so the momentum continues. The next upcoming date was at the Apple Valley Airport Terminal Bldg. on February 9 but was postponed because of the shutdown. Santa Monica has been scheduled for March.

Thank you to all! This has been the Website report for December/January.

The February meeting will be held on the 12<sup>th</sup>, and will reveal the January web visits numbers!

With regards,

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