

Vol. 34 SCAUWG.ORG Website Report for June 2022

Hello,

The Southern California Airspace Users Working Group (SCAUWG) was charged in 1986 to assist the FAA and local government to make the LA Basin skies safer. Soon, the Los Angeles Special Flight Rules Area was born. Several more airspace navigation chart goals and aviation education projects have enjoyed success! You probably have seen those diamond-shaped Stadium TFR symbols on TAC charts?

Last month SCAUWG.ORG was visited over 3200 times.

May 2022 numbers For *ChartAware*, our exclusive Flight Planning Application published on SCAUWG.ORG were:

Number of visitor sessions: 753
Number of page views: 2120
Number of hits: 4859
Practice area KML file downloads: 24

Because of motivation encountered when Pat Carey and I spoke at a recent Robinson Helicopter seminar sponsored by So Cal Rotors, SCAUWG.ORG contributing editor Mike Carson, professional cartographer, and *ChartAware's* co-creator, has agreed to address a new project.

The goal: develop a Proof of Concept that will take the form of a new overlay. Specifically, an overlay for the LA Helicopter Chart that when downloaded on an iPad with ForeFlight or Garmin Pilot will illustrate Route ID Buttons. When touched they will display a pop-up box with the route segment altitude, and any other pertinent information.

Currently, *ChartAware* is in the final stages of the San Diego Training Area Revision

What began as a local focus, has expanded southward via the help of Randall "Steve" Nelson, San Diego FPM, who aided the development of our *ChartAware* Application which includes San Diego Airspace. Now, *ChartAware San Diego* will soon undergo a very important revision based upon newly researched post-Covid Flight School and stakeholder input, and it will be designed to assist in noise abatement measures. Training Area frequency coverage in San Diego will soon be expanded as well like it is already on the Los Angeles TAC.

Now, SCAUWG.ORG's training area project has been yet further expanded, and via the help of SCAUWG.ORG Contributing Editor and Tucson FAAS Team Rep. Lee Unger, Arizona FSDO's Tina Buskirk, and the AFTW, SCAUWG has arrived in Arizona. SCAUWG is playing a major role in the quest to secure pilot air-to-air safety frequencies, signifying that presently SCAUWG.ORG now serves the entire FAA Western Region, and even beyond because our visitors originate from almost everywhere.

We have published a tremendous amount of Aviation News, Events, and important data that has the potential to enrich the pilot community. Some Highlights include:

- The promotion of Rich Stowell's recent *Learn to Turn* seminar commemorating Santa Paula's CP Aviation's 75th Anniversary – The seminar was a big success.
- The current candidate, and Army vet, for the FAA Administrator position
- Santa Clara Soil Samples that proved not to be toxic contrary to claims made at Reid-Hillview that banned the sale of leaded fuel.
- The FIRIS program
- Aeronautical Charting Minutes from April 2022
- The Oshkosh 2022 Notice (a 32-page safety pdf)
- News about the fight against the Canadian ADS-B mandate requirements
- Aero Club Award Gala honoring Harrison Ford
- The 5G Telecom (pro-safety) delay
- KWHP's 75th Anniversary Celebration

And we are particularly proud to have provided extensive coverage of:

- LA Fleet Week &
- The Summit of the Americas

We want to thank Dennis Lord, Santosh Kumar, and particularly everyone at FAA Mission Support Services for providing the airspace data for us to publish including flight track information, NOTAM information, LTA releases, and anticipated TFR data. All of which we published and helped keep the skies safe.

The INFO WAREHOUSE where aviation education and pertinent airspace data lives now sports Page 5, needed due to the topic's continual size growth.

The INFO WAREHOUSE Pages provide countless education posts and support for *FAA Safety Briefing*. Our PILOT STUFF and AIRSPACE Topics provide FAA Safety Support, our EVENTS Page posts FAA Western Region webinars/seminars, our SHORT TAKES pages offer important commentary, including our proprietary "AMEPilot," and our FLIGHT PLANNING Apps topic presents two original applications, one written by Mike Carson and myself, and one by Mike. Both propel information not easily available elsewhere. Runway Safety has a section originally published with special thanks to Joe Santoro, FAA Runway Safety. VFR Chart Updates penned by Chart Master Candy Robinson analyses everything LA TAC. By the way, if you have not visited the VFR CHART UPDATE pages, take a look, as the descriptions and illustrations are truly enlightening.

Our Top of the Page Banners highlight WSC and SoCal Tracon Information dissemination requests, like LTA's NOTAMs, and Special Event TFRs, as well as Airport and Newsworthy Subjects. We continue to thank these important FAA resources for their support.

Recent website editions include NOTAM clarification by the FAA regarding their function and purpose (found on IW 5) – and a new menu item under PILOT STUFF > Important Pilot References. I added an instructional PowerPoint explaining 91.205 / 91.213 Inoperative Equipment Relief and the equipment needed for various flights (Day, Night, IFR, etc.), plus an explanation of the MEL (Minimum Equipment List).

Honorable Mention: SCAUWG.ORG has taken the opportunity to respond with pro-airport commentary to Congressman Tony Cardenas as well as LA Times Staff reporter Rachel Uranga, and most currently, Flying's Meg Godlewski. SCAUWG.ORG has tried to provide responses to some of the negativity published that recommends closing our airports for various reasons that may be misrepresenting the real reasons that those who propose closure are doing so.

SHORT TAKES, our commentary section memorializes SCAUWG.ORG's responses written in an effort to thwart some of the adversity. We support SMO, VNY, and WHP.

Blazing a path: This past week SCAUWG.ORG sent an email to 25 FAA Team National Administrators from the West Coast to the East Coast. I introduced our website as an example of a product produced by FAA Team promoters, and the progress it has enjoyed. I outlined the growth that has shifted from a locally focused site to a regional format. Overtly, I asked them for their suggestions and referrals to data and/or pertinent websites that our visitors could benefit from. Having included these names on our mailing list will possibly assist in our longer-term goal to help improve aviation safety not just in LA, not just throughout the FAA Western Region, but from coast to coast. Our air-to-air frequency program is one example of what could be fashioned into a nationwide template.

To that, special acknowledgment is also due to all of those that make valuable contributions like Tom Lasser, Guido Fernandez, Wayne Salleng, and the SCAUWG.ORG contributing editors.

Also, a special acknowledgment is due to Meg Godlewski, from Flying Magazine, who wrote a supportive article for KWHP and aviation in general. Meg is a seasoned pilot and flight instructor.

You can [read her KWHP article Here](#). Three cheers for her!

Want to explore more about some of the topics mentioned here, or some of the many more topics published but not mentioned above? Just Click www.scauwg.org

And with that, this has been the official SCAUWG.ORG website report for June 2022