



**AIRPORT MANAGER'S REPORT
OCTOBER 2019**



ERIE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT



AIRPORT FEES

LAND LEASE AND TIE DOWNS

Airport staff has invoiced and collected tie-down and land lease fees.



AIRFIELD SNOW REMOVAL

Plowing operations have started early this year due to a significant snowfall in late October.

All necessary NOTAMs were issued.

Thanks to our remarkable snow removal equipment which is housed in our newly constructed, heated, Snow Removal Equipment Building, the snow removal was done very efficiently!

NOISE COMPLAINTS

Airport Management did not receive any noise complaints during the month of October





AIRPORT INSPECTIONS

Airport staff performed daily and weekly inspections of the airport. These inspections include but may not be limited to:

- Ensure all NOTAMs are current
- Check for FOD (foreign object debris). Remove as needed
- Inspect condition of the runway surface, and markings
- Inspect condition of the taxiway and connector surfaces and markings and Performing routine maintenance as needed
- Inspect performance of runway and taxiway lighting and signs and performing routine maintenance as needed
- Inspect performance of navigational lighting performing routine maintenance as needed
- Inspect condition of the ramp areas
- Ensure tied down aircraft are secure
- Inspect all airport equipment and vehicles and performing routine maintenance as needed.
- Inspect all airport wind socks for wear. Replace as needed
- Inspect segmented circle. Perform maintenance as needed





FUEL ISLAND INSPECTIONS

Airport staff continues to perform daily, weekly and monthly inspections of the fuel island. These inspections include but may not be limited to:

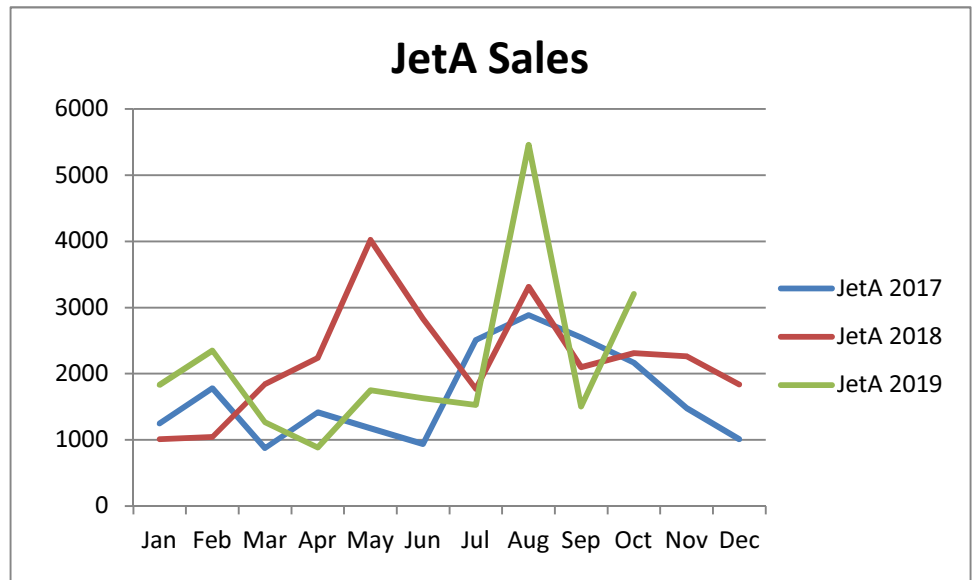
- Physical inspection of tank exteriors, including fitting, valves, connections etc, for leaks
- Verify security of ladders
- Inspect tanks opening to ensure proper seal
- Inspect overfill prevention equipment and spill bucket
- Inspect tanks for contamination by water
- Inspect the area around the tanks for signs of leakage
- Verify fuel levels and alert Airport Management if fuel needs to be purchased
- Sump fuel tanks to check for contamination





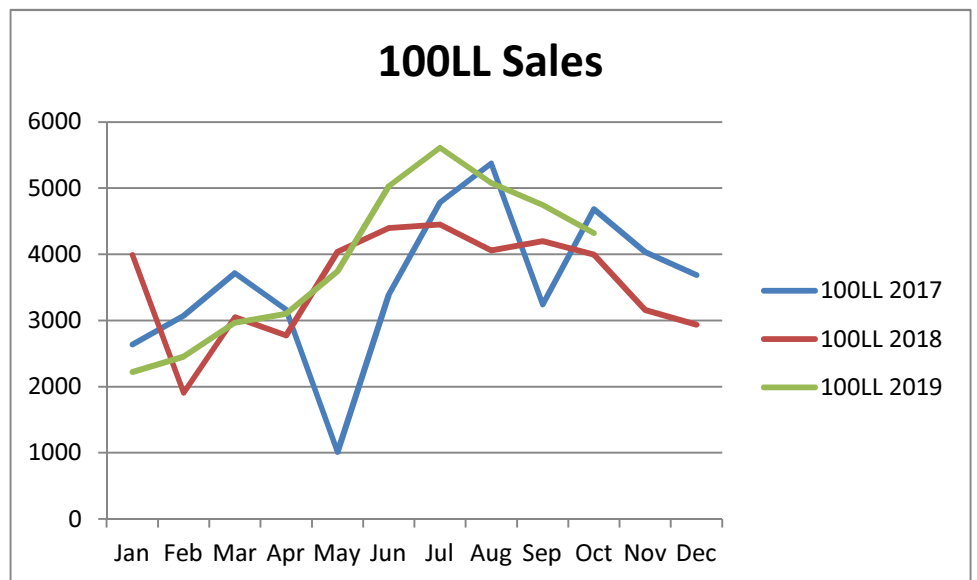
FUEL SALES – JETA

Month	JetA
Jan	1833
Feb	2348
Mar	1265
Apr	885
May	1752
Jun	1627
Jul	1529
Aug	5462
Sep	1503
Oct	3205



FUEL SALES – 100LL

Month	100LL
Jan	2219
Feb	2452
Mar	2967
Apr	3102
May	3744
Jun	5032
Jul	5613
Aug	5081
Sept	4744
Oct	4322





THE ERIE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT IS AN “UN-CONTROLLED AIRPORT”

The Erie Municipal Airport /S an “uncontrolled airport” although we here at the airport prefer the term **“non-towered”**.

A non-towered Airport is just that – an airport without an air traffic control tower. The majority of airports in the United States are non-towered airport. According to Wikipedia, there are close to 20,000 non-towered airports in the US compared to around 500 airports with towers.

You may wonder how that works out. All airports have a radio frequency assigned to them. Some airports that do not have control towers utilize a UNICOM frequency. UNICOM stands for Universal Integrated Communications.

Sounds complicated, but it’s not. UNICOM is utilized at some non-towered airports and at some towered airports when the air traffic control tower is closed.

Pilots used a CTAF - Common traffic advisory frequency – to communicate with other pilots to announce their intention as well as their position in relation to the airport. The CTAF at the Erie Municipal Airport is 123.0.

The UNICOM at the Erie Municipal Airport is operated by Vector Air Management as part of the FBO Management. During business hours, pilots can contact airport staff regarding such things as airport condition, fueling options and where to park.

There is also an AWOS frequency – an Automated Weather Observation System – that allows pilots to get information about the airport prior to taking off or arriving at the airport. The AWOS frequency at Erie is 133.825.

The AWOS contains weather information such as temperature, dew point, wind direction and speed as well as NOTAM (Notices to Airmen) information.

So, while being an “un-controlled airport” sounds unsafe, it is just as safe as an airport that has a control tower!

