

SAFETY SUMMARY

SUMMER 2023 EDITION

OUTSTATION OPERATIONS

We are more than halfway through the Summer 2023 semester and outstation operations have been running smoothly. Thank you for your cooperation and diligence as we continue to navigate the challenges of operating out of our temporary homes, Tullahoma and Warren County.

RNC

If you are fueling at Warren County, you must be properly checked out to use the self-serve fuel farm, or you need to ask someone for help. We are continuing to see issues with the grounding cable reel.

THA

Glider camp is over (yay!). Parachuting operations continue, so please continue to exercise extreme caution in the vicinity of the airport. As a best practice, please refrain from departing or entering the pattern from the 2 minutes prior to jump call until the last skydiver is on the ground safely. If you have any questions about this, please ask!



SAFETY REPORTING

Since the start of the summer semester, approximately **60 safety reports** have been submitted. The monthly average is **down** by about **40%**. Below are report summaries from the summer semester.

- *DA40 tail strike during soft field takeoff due to failure to lower the nose as airspeed increased on the takeoff roll.*
- *On an IFR cross country, a DA40 crew lost comms while flying the published missed approach at KGLW. The crew was unable to reach Memphis because it was a radio dead zone. They tried to contact other aircraft on frequency but were unable. Before entering IMC, the crew elected to squawk 7600 and return to KGLW, while still in VFR conditions.*
- *A DA40 was squawked for an intermittent attitude indicator and was marked for VFR Day Only. It was dispatched and completed two IFR flights including one that returned close to night time.*
- *A DA40 on final at approximately 200-300 feet AGL noticed a red pickup truck crossing the runway at KTHA.*
- *DA40 started with cowl plugs not removed.*
- *A DA40 crew noticed during preflight that the trim tab on the rudder was bent 90 degrees to the left. It looked as if someone had backed into the rudder or hit the rudder with something to cause the damage. The aircraft was downed for maintenance.*

UPDATES

The Fall semester is right around the corner. Here are some updates you can expect to hear more about at the Fall semester launch:

- *Another WINGS credit drawing for Chick Fil A gift cards!*
- *Instructor and Student Safety Councils will kickoff with VOLLEYBALL!*
- *A new safety reporting form will be released that links to the safety management software.*