

Tuesday, June 12, 2018: SCAPA Dinner Meeting: "Flying VFR in Los Angeles"

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FLYING VFR IN LOS ANGELES AIRSPACE (by way of a Gyrocopter!)

If you have considered flying yourself to Los Angeles, you may have felt a bit intimidated when you first looked over the Los Angeles Sectional and TAC charts. What is the best way to navigate through this airspace?

Flying IFR is easy because you are cleared along a specific route, but VFR navigation is much more of a challenge. Awareness of airspace and VFR routes are mandatory. Paul Hollingworth recently did it in a gyrocopter. No IFR clearance there.

Paul will discuss and analyze the airways, overlapping airspace and suggested VFR flyways that make up the Los Angeles terminal area. He will discuss various ways you can safely and confidently arrive at your destination. This type of ground briefing is a must for anyone planning to make a trip into the Los Angeles area.

About our speaker:

Paul Hollingworth learned to fly in 1993 on fixed-wing aircraft, but switched to weight-shift trikes and flew them for 10 years. He discovered gyros in 2015 and started learning about them. The key was realizing how gyros could offer the benefits of low and slow open-cockpit flying, but with the added benefits of immunity to turbulence and the safety of short landing rolls.

You will often find Paul and his yellow gyro, based in hangar G5, at E16.

Join us for this monthly meeting of the South County Airport Pilots Association. We gather at 5:30 pm, serve dinner at 6:00 pm (\$15 members, \$20 non-members), hold a brief business meeting at 6:45 pm, and begin this speaker presentation at 7:00 pm.