

GA TUESDAY

The Pilot Club

"Texas is a blend of valor and swagger."

DECEMBER 12, 2023



REAL LIFE FLY-IN EVENT

Not a TPC Member?! Click [here](#) to join!



- Recommend airplane: single or twin engine 100-150 kts
- Set the weather as you like. Most use live weather with time set back a few hours.
- Moving map GPS: ForeFlight, FltPlan Go, Garmin Pilot.
- Bring your camera and share your pictures in our Discord.

Suggested add-ons & charts

1. Brownsville sectional chart
2. San Antonio sectional chart

FSX/P3d	X-Plane 11	MSFS 2020	Primary Scenery
	Aransas Co	MF-krkp-aransas-co	

Secondary sceneries and utilities for MSFS

Flight-specific sceneries

- [Texas Gulf Coast Airports Vol.2](#)

General

- [We Love VFR - Region 2](#)

- [Powerlines and Solar Farms](#)
- [Global AI Ship Traffic For MSFS: GAIST Ultra Version 3](#)
- [MSFS Addons Linker](#)
- [Scenery Map from Flightsim](#)

Flight plan

NOT ROUTE, PILOT'S DISCRETION TO KRKP!

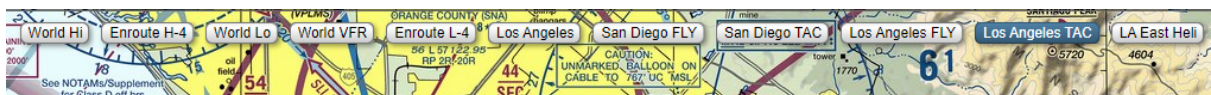
Alternative flight plan

In case the weather doesn't cooperate for a visual flight here is an IFR route you can file with VATSIM. Plan for your altitude to be **5,000 ft.**

PILOT'S DISCRETION TO KRKP!

Use the briefing section to visualize the route in your electronic flight bag (EFB). The challenge of VFR is to not become *Children of the Magenta*. The Flight Ops team wants you to understand the flight plan and special rules with certain airspace; then execute the plan. Use your charts as reference instead of a crutch.

Use the dynamic charts that are made available in [SkyVector](#) to see sectional, TAC, FLY, and other specialized charts for the area.



TEXAS COASTAL BEND FLY-IN

Standard briefing

No route briefing. This is a fly-in event so that means you get to choose whatever starting airport and route you want to fly. We will all meet at the designated airport (see arrival section below).

Time on target

Departure airport is at Pilot discretion to Arkansas County Airport (KRKP). Arrive at the destination airport between 0200z - 0300z.

Weather

As part of the standard briefing, weather conditions should be monitored. Here's a list of reports to consider:

Adverse conditions

Convective

[Convective SIGMETs](#) (WST)

[Convective Watches](#) (WW)

[Graphical AIRMETs](#)

Synopsis

Weather charts

[Surface Analysis](#)

[Daily US Weather Map](#)

Current conditions

[METARs](#)

[NWS RADAR Site](#)

[PIREPS](#)

[SATELLITE](#)

En route forecast

[GFA Tool](#)

[Low Level SIGWX Progs](#)

Destination forecast

[TAFs](#)

Wind and temps aloft (FB)

[By region](#)

Aviation notices

[Special Use Airspace](#)

[NOTAM Search](#)

[Notices to Airmen](#)

ATC delays

[National Airspace System Status](#) (FSS Command Center)

A bit of realism

We aim to interject real world parameters to the VFR flights. Read and understand the procedures prior to flight. Any questions or comments contact the Flight Ops team or the Discord thread for that event.

Texas Coastal Bend Fly-In

The Aransas County Airport invites all walk-in visitors and aviators to the 2nd Annual TX Coastal Bend Fly-In Event on the weekend of December 11th and 12th. Variety of aircraft expected, vendors, 4-H hotdog benefit, Mike's ocean nugget seafood truck, classic cars, and always family friendly. Showcasing the Commemorative Air Force T-6 Texan and U-3 Canoe on Saturday the 11th! Please purchase ride in these beautiful aircraft below:

- Rockport, TX - T-6 Fighter Pilot Experience (1 passenger):
<https://ci.ovationtix.com/36154/production/1064216>
- Rockport, TX - U-3 Light Executive Experience (up to 3 passengers)
<https://ci.ovationtix.com/36154/production/1064217>

ACTS Aviation Flight School is sponsoring EAA Young Eagles Free Flights for children 8 yr - 18 yr as an introduction to aviation. HangarStays will be hosting an open house to their all inclusive Aviation Vacation Rental on the airfield. So please bring your lawn chairs and enjoy the fly-in! \$0.60 Per Gallon Aviation Fuel Discount from current posted price! Pilots are welcome to fly in on Friday 12/10 and depart Sunday 12/12. Nearby hotels/airbnb's are available.

United States Regulations

1. Read [§ 91.113 – Right-of-way rules: Except water operations](#)
2. Read [§ 91.119 – Minimum safe altitudes: General](#)
3. Read [§ 91.127 – Operating on or in the vicinity of an airport in Class E airspace](#)
4. Read [§ 91.129 – Operations in Class D airspace](#)
5. Read [§ 91.130 – Operations in Class C airspace](#)
6. Read [§ 91.133 – Restricted and prohibited areas](#)
7. Read [§ 91.151 – Fuel requirements for flight in VFR conditions](#)
8. Read [§ 91.159 – VFR cruising altitude or flight level](#)
9. Read [§ 91.179 – IFR cruising altitude or flight level](#)
10. Read [§ 91.215 – ATC transponder and altitude reporting equipment and use](#)
11. Read [AIM 7-5-6 – Flights Over Charted U.S. Wildlife Refuges, Parks, and Forest Service Areas](#)

Restricted airspace

- Various Class Echo airspace
- Class Charlie at:
 - Arkansas County Airport
 - Corpus Christi International Airport

Airport information

Take a few minutes to become familiar with the airport, the runway diagrams, etc. Most of the information can be found on Skyvector's site. Each airport links to their respective pages.

Arrival

Name	ICAO	Elevation ¹	Runways	Parking
Arkansas County Airport	KRKP NOTAM	23 ft	14/32, 18/36	North Ramp

Aransas County Airport is in Aransas County five miles north of Rockport, Texas. The FAA's National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems for 2009–2013 categorized it as a general aviation facility.

VATSIM

One of the goals during the flight is to have air traffic control support from real people through the VATSIM network. Register for a free account at vatsim.net and complete the new member orientation in order to join the network.



When filing a flight plan with VATSIM make sure to add the following remarks to help support the club and increase our presence on the network.

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General Aviation Tuesday

The purpose of this event is to get pilot's away from simply inputting waypoints and airports into their navigation system. We try to get you to read the sectional chart by following along with the text briefing. There are a couple of event formats:

1. **Cross-fire** - This format puts pilots on the same path, but each group starts out on the opposite end of the route.
2. **Real world fly-ins** - This format is our attempt to replicate real world events. It's the pilot's choice how they get to the destination.
3. **Point A to Point B** - This format is our normal routing with optional touch-and-goes. We all start around the same place and end up at the same airport.

4. **World tour** - This format is a series of flights where we create multiple legs in order to achieve a flight in a specific region. It follows the A to B format as well.

Additional flights

Every **first Tuesday** of the month we will embark on touring the United States one state at a time. The goal is to visit the capital and/or famous landmarks of each state. Every **third Tuesday** of the month we will kick back and relax with a Caribbean tour. The goal is to make it from Trinidad to Florida.

If you're interested in more general aviation flights the club also hosts a BUSH WEDNESDAY group flight on the **fourth Wednesday** of each month.

Flight Operations Team

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| • VACANT | <i>FRIDAY NIGHT OPS</i> |
| • VACANT | <i>FLIGHT OPS TEAM LEAD</i> |
| • Jude, TPC801 | <i>CHALLENGE FLIGHTS</i> |
| • Lucas, TPC11 | <i>WORLD TOUR</i> |
| • Marc, TPC444 | <i>GENERAL AVIATION</i> |
| • Mike, TPC1079 | <i>DISCOVERY FLIGHT</i> |

For more information about this organization visit thepilotclub.org. There is also good information on the [Standard Operating Procedures](#) page. We also have a very active Discord server.

References

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4. <https://www.thinkaviation.net/notams-decoded/>
5. <http://www.moratech.com/aviation/notam-abbrev.html>
6. <https://www.aviationweather.gov/briefing>
7. <https://www.facebook.com/events/aransas-county-airport/texas-coastal-bend-fly-in-event/425033085753320/>