



SEPTEMBER AIRPORT BIDDING ASSISTANCE SCHEDULE AND TIPS

Sept 14, 2010

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12 – Tuesday	9:30 – 3:30
13 – Wednesday	9:30 – 3:30
14 – Thursday	9:30 – 3:30
15 – Friday	9:30 – 3:30

The Blocking Committee is currently focusing on training members in 3 particular areas: Navigating on line pairings and searches; default bid improvement; and understanding your reasons reports. The drive is on partially due to the pending uncertainty of our printed bid packages and Christmas bidding being just around the corner. There is also a lot happening at the moment as we welcome our new hires to the base; therefore, your Committee encourages you to get an early start on any assistance you may require in these areas.

UPDATE ON BID PACKAGES

For September there will be printed bid packages available in the crew room. If you come in to see us though, we can help you to navigate through the pairings and the revisions on line.

DEFAULT BIDS AND PAIRING SEARCHES

Every once in a while it's a good idea to review your default bid and revise bidlines which rarely produce an awarded pairing. We are seeing many instances of reasons reports which have several requests on one bidline only to have the reasons report state: "No Pairings available". This means that your bidline was too specific and there are no pairings available that match everything you have requested. As a general rule, if you are putting a lot of information on one line, it is wise to do a pairing search first to see if the pairing exists. Once you use the pairing search function, you will never bid without it!

REASONS REPORTS

For pairings which you were not awarded, generally there are a series of answers given which explain the rational. The reasons reports are a great tool for your reference if you know how to interpret them. By coming in to see us, we can go over a few months block awards and better explain the reasons. By doing so you will learn to generate improved future bids so don't wait until November's rush. Come on in early!

Kim Hansinger

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