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## President's Column

How time flies! There are so many things I must take up with you that I beg your indulgence for a long epistle.

First, I want to wish you all a very prosperous and flying filled New Year. Let's make 1970 a Year of enlightenment with APT, involvement, getting informed and finding new members.

Get APT. GARNETT HASTINGS reports that the pins denoting this accomplishment are almost ready and will be available along with plans for competition and recognition on a National basis. Be sure to watch for GARNETT'S column as I feel this is one of the most important items on your Ninety-Nine Agenda for '70.

Get INVOLVED. You individually represent the Women Pilot; of the World. You must assume the responsibility of getting current and staying abreast of the state of the art in our aviation environment. When things happen that could affect the future growth of General Aviation, make your thoughts known. As an example the FAA recently published a Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM) 69-41 which dealt with Positive Control of Air Traffic at Terminal Areas. After reading this NPRM and reviewing the action FAA intended to take, your Executive Board unanimously voted to present an Official View of The Ninety-Nines to the FAA. My letter stating the Ninety-Nine stand is printed in this News. I urge you all to examine this Proposal, make your own decision and let it be known. I believe legislation that is too restrictive will adversely affect Aviation in general. We are all for Air Safety and support any measure that will offer some assurance of protected co-existence for all traffic. A disciplined use of Traffic Corridors is within the scope of possibility with proper electronics. Let's hope that the FAA and the Aviation Industry can come up with a plan which will be more compatible for all users in the near future.

Air pollution is another serious matter we are all living with whether we like it or not. If you inform yourselves on this matter or any other and want to take individual action, this is great. If you feel it should have International response, contact me or anyone on the Executive Staff with your proposal. Please remember TAKE NO ACTION

IN THE NAME OF THE NINETY-NINES, INC. without Executive Board approval. We are incorporated as a non-profit Corp. and this restricts our Corporate actions. The Federal Aviation Administration is always interested in your comments. If you oppose an FAA NPRM try to offer constructive criticism and alternative solutions.

Get INFORMED. With the advent of the computer age, Air Traffic is assuming new dimensions. Enroute Traffic will be controlled via satellite to a very precise degree. Flight plans will be computerized and zero-zero landings will be a fact. Airplanes will be pressurized, super-charged and/or turbine powered in the General Aviation field we are familiar with. The numbers of aircraft will double in the next decade and the number of licensed pilots will more than follow suit. Truly, Air Transportation is an integral part of the World Transportation picture and the necessity to fly more will be a fact of life.

Get MEMBERS. With the present surge in licenses and the comfortable aircraft available, you are going to see more and more new faces at the airport. While at the airport getting APT or maintaining your proficiency, you are going to get to know these new female type pilots and will want to invited them to become Ninety-Nines. Be proud of your Ninety-Nine membership. Learn about our history and the members who made it the great International Organization it is. When you ask a woman pilot to join be sure you impart the esprit de corps you feel and the importance of carrying on this attitude of respect for Flying and The Ninety-Nines. We are in our fortieth year and it would be nice to go over the four thousand mark this year. PAT JETTON is doing a most professional job of recruitment, and I can't tell you how much know-how PAT is putting into this job of Membership Chairman. Assist her whenever and wherever you can. She will be giving you new directions throughout the year.

As I go about this great Country of ours I see such a wealth of talent within the 99's. I WOULD LIKE YOU EACH TO START THINKING NOW ABOUT YOUR SLATE OF OFFICERS FOR THE COMING YEAR. PLEASE THINK OF THE JOB DESCRIPTION WHEN



YOU SELECT YOUR NOMINEES. I WOULD LIKE TO SAY AT THIS POINT THAT I DO NOT WISH TO SEEK NOMINATION FOR THE COMING YEAR. I feel the best interest of The Ninety-Nines will be served by continually introducing new people to the leadership roles. We are off and running, headed in very interesting and rewarding directions. The museum project is one of the most important we have ever embarked on. The Museum Committee has been formed and they are making progress toward forming the only Museum in the World to fully portray Women's part in the History of Flight. I don't know anyone more dedicated to this project at this point in its development than PAGE SHAMEURGER. PAGE has great expertise in the field of research material and seems exceptionally qualified to play a major role in the Museum's future.

We have set out to computerize our headquarters and are putting on modern dress for the growth we know is coming. Under the capable leadership of LOIS FEIGENBAUM our Headquarters allows us to look and act like the going Corporation we are. We have started a great many things that you will be hearing more about in other parts of this News and in the coming months. It is of the utmost importance that you review the duties and responsibilities of the various offices and begin to think of Ninety-Nines with the particular talent needed to handle the various jobs. I am convinced that we have within our organization the talent and vision to do **anything** and no one needs reminding, we have places we should be going. We must revitalize ourselves, renew our enthusiasms and rechart our courses every so often to make progress.

We are gaining new members from foreign countries at a most encouraging rate. We now have at least seven members from Finland who hope to form a Section of their own soon. I know I speak for all when I say WELCOME ABOARD Finland Ninety-Nines.

Through the Israel Tourist Bureau we received an invitation to tour Israel to view the Convention possibilities for the future. I had hoped to go but at the last minute things got a bit complicated and Vice-President BETTY McNABB represented us. I am sure we will hear more of this soon from BETTY.



## HEADLINES from Hazel

To all of you may I wish a Happy Holiday season. I know that the coming year will be filled with more excitement, more challenges, more fun, more friendships, and more involvement in aviation. This is our mission and we have a great bunch of girls to fulfill that mission. I plan to be in upper state New York for the holidays. I am taking the news with me and will work on it up there. You see, ladies, this pesky 20th deadline gives me a hard time also.

Since this will arrive, no doubt, after Christmas, and all the presents will have been exchanged, I think it only fitting to tell you about Christmas that goes on in the Ninety Nines all the time; living presents that will go on and like an amoeba divide and produce even more. I'm speaking now of the great and generous gifts presented by the New York/New Jersey Section after the Convention. It should come as no surprise to any of us when you consider their great Governor, ELLIE McCULLOUGH and those two unfatiguable gals DORIS RENNINGER and JULIE VOM SAAL, the convention chairman, plus all the "Indians" that went together to make it the great success that it was. Here's the story: Way back in 1968, the San Fernando Chapter donated \$500.00 to the New York/New Jersey Section Convention Fund. I'm sure this was more than appreciated. In the same gesture of friendship the New York/New Jersey Section has donated \$500.00 to the New England Section to help with their 1970 convention fund. I trust this is a beginning of a tradition in the 99's. It certainly shows the closeness of all the members regardless of where they live. Incidentally the New York/New Jersey Section also donated \$500.00 to the Amelia Earhart Scholarship Fund. They felt that the monies given in these two areas would benefit all Ninety-Nines. You see, it is indeed, Christmas all year round when you belong to a group such as this. Chalk this up as

another plus for being a member of this organization.

It is with great sadness that we announce in this issue that Bea Steadman will not be seeking reelection to the office as President. She has gotten this organization off and running and many projects underway and has been working unstintingly on behalf of the Ninety-Nines. We have spent our entire allowance on trying to get her to reconsider as well as have many others on the board and nominating committee. She maintains that it is in the best interest of the Ninety Nines to give others a shot at the Presidency and therefore is putting her personal preference aside in deference to what's best for us. I happen to think SHE is best for us, but as of this writing she is adamant. I urge all of you to begin now giving serious consideration to her successor. I understand the treasurer slot is also up for grabs, and please get someone who will raise my allowance. Seriously, now is the time to do some searching to come up with the dynamic, aggressive, dedicated leadership that we have come to accept since "Bea" took the reins and raced off to put the Ninety Nines in a position of respect and admiration by the industry. We now have that respect and with it the responsibility to make meaningful contributions to aviation.

## Coming Events

### North Central Sectional

April 10-11-12  
Detroit, Michigan

### APRIL 20-MAY 11, 1970

South African 99 Air Safari  
April 26th-May 16th, 1970

### MAY 22-23-24, 1970

Illi-Nines Air Derby  
Rockford, Ill.

# WORLD RECORDS

By Virginia Trompson

To complete the picture of world records as published in our Anniversary Issue last month, let us look to see how you should go about making application to attempt a record, world or national.

The Federation Aeronautique Internationale, world authority for the certification of international records, requires that all official attempts be made in accordance with their Sporting Code.

Below is a condensed list of procedures which apply in general to all records.

## 1. Sanction:

- a. Application—Must be applied for and granted by the National Aeronautics Association, Suite 610, Shoreham Bldg., 806 15th St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005.
  - b. Time—Sanction request must be submitted to the Secretary, Contest Board at NAA Hdq. at least 30 days prior to the start of the record attempt.
  - c. Valid—Sanction valid for a period of 90 days.
  - d. Fees—Contestant or his sponsor agrees to pay the record fees.
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Light Aircraft & \$100-\$200 \$125-\$300  
Light Helicopters

Non NAA members' fees range from \$25 to \$50 higher. The price is lowered for additional records on the same flight. U. S. National Records—Sanction & Registration: 75% of International Fees.

## Other Fees & Charges (Main Ones)

1. NAA Officials' Fees (\$50/Man/Day - \$25/Half Day)
2. NAA Officials' Travel, Meals & Lodging.
3. NAA Telephone, Telegraph & Cable Costs.
2. FAI Sporting License:  
Valid one required. Available from NAA. Cost \$5/year.
3. Planning Meeting:  
Place—Decided mutually between contestant and NAA.
4. Documentation:  
The NAA Directing Official coordinates all details of documenting

the record and insures compliance with applicable FAI Rules.

## 5. Performance Requirements:

Performance must better the existing record as follows:

Speed Records	1%
Altitude Records	3%
Distance Records	1%
Duration Records	
(balloons only)	1%
Time-to-Climb Records	3%
Maximum Payload	
Records	500 Kilograms
	(1,100 lbs.)

## 6. Record Groups:

- Group I—Piston Engine Airplanes
- Group II—Turboprop Airplanes
- Group III—Jet Engine Airplanes
- Group IV—Rocket Engine Airplanes

Not applicable to helicopter records or to records for Speed Over Recognized Courses.

## 7. Weight Class Records:

Light airplanes, business airplanes and helicopters are classed according to weight in full take-off configuration in the presence of an official observer.

## 8. Provisional Claims:

If F.A.I. notified, provisional claims good for one week. Improvements on the first attempt within this period acceptable if they better the preceding claim by any margin.

## 9. Certification:

After completion of record attempt, the supporting documentation is compiled and reviewed at NAA Headquarters.

Source: NAA's "Procedures for Aircraft Attempts" NAA's "Fees & Charges for International & National Aerospace Records"

# A 99 Looks At — And Listens To — The FAA

By Betty W. McNabb

Seen any upside down wedding cakes lately? You will, we're afraid. It's the latest effort of the FAA to cut down on airport-proximity mid-air. And it will affect us all.

Years ago the then-CAA innocently and helpfully took unto itself the task of providing guidance and assistance to the Wright Brothers' rapidly growing baby, Aviation. The baby turned into a giant and the CAA, now FAA, found itself having to direct and regulate, not just guide and assist.

The poor FAA sometimes feel that Frankenstein and Pandora's box have nothing on their bag of troubles.

And there is a feeling that general aviation has been assisted lately into an untenable position.

The situation was sparked by recent mid-air collisions and ignited by shock and panic after the Indianapolis Affair. The flames have been fed by irresponsible journalism such as that of JACK ANDERSON in Parade Magazine, which we personally read with hair standing on end, and the recent Huntley-Brinkley presentation over TV, about which we heard.

Faced with screams from the general public and pressure from Congress, the FAA has come up with some aerial geometry which will give the unsophisticated pilot a fit and may contribute ulcers to the more professional types.

Most of the aviation groups descended on Washington in a first-time solid front, all suggesting that a try, at least, be given to climb and descent corridors. Among the groups submitting the corridor-concept were AOPA, ALPA, NPA, 99s, WACOA, and we're sure there were others. But . . . the prospects do not look bright for corridors.

We'll try to pick out the high points in the Docket. If we get a few errors into our interpretation, we will be happy to be corrected. We personally are NOT very good at geometry.

First 22 large hubs will be affected, then 90+ "non-large" hubs, and eventually—all jet carrier-served airports.

Says the document, excerpted by your columnist, "The FAA has developed a plan which will accommodate the increasing number of IFR and VFR operations and reduce, to the extent possible, the risk of mid-air collisions."

## NOTAMS

VAL JOHNSON wants clippings for Scarpbook. No hiding your light under a basket. Keep "Them cards, letters, & news clips coming." Mail to

VAL JOHNSON  
525 S. Main St.  
St. Clair, Missouri 63077



Henceforth parenthetical comments are those of this writer.

You must have an ACT clearance to operate within a designated Terminal Control Area (which may be many miles in diameter.) (This doesn't necessarily mean IFR, it does mean positive control by ATC.)

Aircraft must be equipped with transponders, 2-way radios, VOR or TACAN receivers.

A reported ceiling of 1500 feet must exist in order to operate VFR to and from an airport within the TCA.

VFR transient traffic may operate through the TCA between specified altitudes at locations where ATC has resource capability to handle such traffic. (Better read that one again.)

Notices in AIM, on charts, or both, will specify whether or not VFR traffic may operate through these areas. (You can't go through Miami TCA VFR any time, we think. Hope we're wrong.) If such operation is permissible, notices as to altitudes and hours for such operations will be specified.

"Non-large hubs" will permit VFR traffic at all hours. Other carrier-use airports will have climb corridors.

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That's the essence. We suggest you get APT on your instrument ticket and set up a Transponder piggy bank—and good luck. We'll be puzzling around up there with you.

## SPECIAL REPORT

Juanita Halstead, Alabama Chapter

On Sunday, November 2nd, my husband FOY, and I arrived in Sydney, Australia with no advance notice to anyone. Our trip had been in mind for several months but indefinite until the week before our departure.

A call to an old friend, NANCY WALTON, brought an invitation for lunch with her family at their home. The pleasure of seeing NANCY again was enhanced by meeting her husband CHARLES, son JOHN, daughter TWEEDIE and husband PETER and their darling baby SCOTTY. They are a lovely family and it was a treat to spend the day with them.

We had hoped to be able to rent a small plane and tour the Country. The necessary contacts were made to the right places for getting our license validated and with everyone's help that was accomplished. Then a plane was rented and as anywhere in the world the weather had to be considered. A front was coming in from the South and the next morning the prediction was for several days of bad weather. We then boarded a commercial plane for Brisbane.

A call there, to OLGA TARLING, informed me that OLGA had undergone

major surgery just a few days before, but was improving. However, NANCY had called PEG KELMAN before I reached her, and upon our return from a sightseeing trip, there was a call from PEG. She was very gracious and picked us up the next morning for the airport. Had a nice visit with her and learned that OLGA was still improving.

Our trip then carried us into the out back country by plane and one leg by bus. Back through Alice Springs, Adelaide and to Melbourne. A call there, to RUTH HODGES resulted in an invitation to have lunch with RUTH, FREIDA THOMPSON, ESTHER MATHERS and several women pilots.

FREIDA picked us up at the hotel and we met RUTH and the other girls at the airport. RUTH carried us up and around the city via 182. It was a beautiful day and RUTH is a good pilot. We then met ESTHER, ANNETTE HISLOP and SHIRLEY SMITH and had a nice visit and lunch together.

These Australian girls are wonderful. I can't say enough to show my admiration and appreciation of them.

I do hope we will have an opportunity to return their hospitality because they all have an invitation to visit our Country, my State, City and home.

Upon arriving back in Sydney we again brought the weather with us. We had another day with NANCY and it flooded all day. Even with the rain, NANCY drove us up the coast and the day was perfect. Stopped off at lunch time for a lunch of fresh seafood at Nancy's Club right on the beach. She is a wonderful person as everyone who knows her can vouch for.

The next morning we departed Australia for New Zealand, Fiji and home.

Wonderful trip!

## A W T A R POWDER PUFF DERBY\*

1970 ROUTE  
JULY 3-7

Airport		Race Start	
Monterey Peninsula Airport			Monterey, California
Fresno Chandler Field			Fresno, California
North Las Vegas Air Terminal			Las Vegas, Nevada
Page Airport			Page, Arizona
Farmington Municipal Airport	(Must Fly By)		Farmington, New Mexico
Johnson Field	(Must Fly By)		Walsenburg, Colorado
	—No Stop—		
Peterson Field	(MUST STOP)		Colorado Springs, Colorado
Hutchinson Municipal Airport			Hutchinson, Kansas
Springfield Municipal Airport			Springfield, Missouri
Dyersburg Municipal Airport	(MUST STOP)		Dyersburg, Tennessee
Bowman Field			Louisville, Kentucky
Morgantown Municipal Airport			Morgantown, West Virginia
3 M Airport	Race Terminus		Bristol, Pennsylvania

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## NOTAMS

REPORTERS:

Please use last name in reports.  
Also remember no color pictures.  
Only black and white. I'm over budget now.

Editor

## MUSEUM NEWS

The Ninety-Nines Museum Accessions Committee, at their first meeting October 18, agreed to accept, with appreciation, the first contribution to the newly established Museum. KATHRYN RILEY, Ninety-Nine of Jacksonville, Florida, offered a group of photographs of early female pilots for display at this unique center of research and inspiration depicting women's contribution to the history of flight. The Committee is composed of the following persons. MRS. HAROLD McNABE, Vice-President of Ninety-Nines is the interim chairman. Those who have agreed to serve as advisors are LOUIS CASEY, Curator of the National Air Museum of the Smithsonian Institution, DEAN KRAKEL, Director of the Cowboy Hall of Fame and formerly Director of the Air Force Academy Museum in Colorado, and GROVER LOENING, who is a living part of the history and advancement of aviation. The working members of the Committee are MRS. OLIVE ANN BEECH, MISS JACQUELINE COCHRAN, MRS. B. ALLISON GILLIES, MRS. JIMMIE KOLP, MRS. BLANCHE NOYES, MRS. HENRY RENNINGER and MISS PAGE SHAMBURGER. MRS. ROBERT STEADMAN, International President of Ninety-Nines, is ex-officio member.

The Accessions Committee is anxious to learn the location and availability of artifacts, pictures and letters which might be displayed in the Museum. Please notify any member of the Committee or contact Ninety-Nines Museum, Will Rogers World Airport, Oklahoma City, Okla. if you have such



Pres. B. Steadman during TV interview announcing the Ninety-Nine Museum.

articles pertaining to the history of women in flight. Due to limited space, please do not ship any artifacts until

requested. Articles will be purchased, accepted on a loan basis or as a permanent donation.

## CONVENTION '70 NEWS

The dawn of the new year is rustling the 99's New England over into the activity of Convention planning. The gals have been flying into airports over the six state area, making exciting plans for fun and sun in the magnificent White Mountains this July. Now is the time to make a big red circle around the 12th through 16th dates on your calendars, for this will be an event you won't want to miss. FRAN PORTER, Treasurer for the Convention, suggests that we select a box from the Christmas left-overs and mark it Convention 70, tape it shut and start filling it with change.

Convention Committee Chairman

from each department, have made several trips to the unique White Mountain Inn known the world over simply as Bretton Woods. The ski trails of Mt. Washington are clearly visible as you stand in front of this impressive structure. Here, twenty-five years ago, the United Nations Monetary and Financial Conference took place and the World Bank and International Monetary Fund were established. These two vital institutions have played roles of international importance in the financial developments of this generation. Bretton Woods, spreading over its own valley, with a full complement of vigorous as well as placid activities, is the perfect

location for a Ninety-Nine Vacation Convention. There are at least three airports within a short distance of the hotel, and PAT MACK, Transportation Chairman, is busy making the necessary arrangements for tie-downs and trips on land to and from the airport and hotel.

One of the fun-filled activities you may look forward to, is a real New England Clambake. This will be an informal affair on the grounds of the hotel, with tender clams and corn, cooked with the real New England flavor and in the old New England manner. Just plain finger-lickin' good. Start saving and think New England in 1970.





Doris Renninger, Executive Board Member Ninety Nines, Chairman "Extrodinair" of the 40th 99 Anniversary Convention, President of WIAA, chats with William M. Allen, Chairman of the Board, Boeing Company just after taking her first ride in the "Big Bird." (Ed. Note: I'm green with envy.)



Score another **FIRST** for the Ninety Nines. Doris Renninger became the **FIRST** Ninety Nine to get a ride in the Boeing 747 after its arrival and **FIRST** landing at Kennedy Airport December 2, 1969. Its first flight from Seattle to JFK took 4 hours and 5 minutes. Gross weight on take-off 300 tons. (Wow!)

## AMELIA EARHART SCHOLARSHIP

**Dr. Dora Dougherty Strother, Chairman**

Your January issue of the 99 News will be arriving about the time that the Sectional Amelia Earhart Scholarship chairman will be at her busiest. By January 15 all applications must be in her hands. She will have selected a committee of judges. This committee may be composed of other 99s or of other persons from her region who are competent to assist her in making the selection. They will screen the applicants. Each section will be permitted a number of candidates based on membership. For each 100 members, or major fraction thereof, the section is permitted one applicant. Those selected will be sent to me as Chairman of your A. E. Board of Trustees. They must reach me no later than February 15. I will then, immediately, send one copy of each application to each of the other members of your A. E. Board. They

will evaluate them and at a Board meeting, which will be held in March, the next screening will be made. These will then be submitted to the Honorary Judges for a final selection.

During this spring meeting the A. E. Board makes a final decision as to the number of scholarships which can be awarded. Since 1964 the Board has been able to award three scholarships each year from the fund. During this time a fourth scholarship has often been made available through the generosity of certain groups. The Michigan Small Race and the North Central Section have been such groups. The fund scholarships have increased from \$700 to the \$1000 offered this year. This has been made possible through the work of the chapter A. E. Chairmen who have raised money for the fund. As

you know, each year the scholarship is made up from two sources of monies. Half comes from the interest on the fund and half from the donations of that particular year. It should be mentioned that for each contribution to the fund, half of it goes into the invested monies of the fund and half goes into the scholarship for that year. Thus, if your chapter contributes \$10 to the A. E. fund, \$5.00 goes into the trust and \$5.00 is applied directly to the scholarships of that year. Each of us, thus, has a direct investment in each of our scholarship winners.

As you read this, the long process of selection of your scholarship winners is just beginning. The results will be made available at the national convention. Your interest, your attention, and your support are always invited.



# COMMITTEE REPORTS

## FLYING ACTIVITIES

Virginia Britt, Chairman

### 1968-1969 Review:

1968-1969 found Ninety-Nines participating in Air Races, free lance charter flights, mercy flights, closed course racing, championships, 2c-lb. flights, Treasure Hunts, Poker Flights, Derbies, European Tour of the FAI, Records, Proficiency Checks and the pursuit of higher ratings.

The Flying Activities Committee concentrated their efforts on the implementation of Project APT, a self-imposed annual proficiency test program designed to assist Ninety-Nines in improvement and maintenance of pilot proficiency. We owe thanks to GARNETT HASTINGS, JOYCE CASE and CAROL WADDELL for seeing this program through to fulfillment.

JUANITA DIESBOURG compiled an interesting report on setting light plane World Records. The report includes procedures, Groups and Classes of Record attempts, Fees and charges. Conclusion—a Record Attempt is not difficult, though it may be expensive. A copy of this report is available to those requesting it.

### 1969-1970 Outlook:

For best world-wide coverage the 1969-1970 International Flying Activities Committee will include the Section Flying Activities Chairmen. Chapters are requested to keep Section Chair-

men current on flying activities so that the Section Chairmen may submit quarterly reports to the International Chairman.

Of the flying events scheduled for 1970, find yours and do your thing(s)—safely, of course! Remember, APT is an annual program—enjoy your flying more!

A new activity in the planning stage is a group fun flight to convention. Watch for news of this!

"Have you seen?":

**FAA Aviation News.** Published monthly by the Office of Information Services, FAA, "in the interest of aviation safety and to acquaint readers with the policies and programs of the agency." Timely and compendious presentations. Available from Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402. \$2.00 per yr.; \$.50 per yr. additional for foreign mailing.

"Follow Me Through" by Robert Blodget, and "On Top" by Richard L. Collins. December 1969 **Flying**.

Yours for happy flying!



## SOUTHWEST SECTION

### ALOHA CHAPTER

Dorothy Read, Reporter

Aloha, and Mele Kalikimaka. We had a wonderful Christmas dinner party, arranged by DOROTHY KELSEY. Aloha Chapter members and their guests enjoyed an excellent talk by ART DAEGLING, a local pilot (Hawaiian Airlines), instructor, FAA examiner, aerobatics and soaring enthusiast. ART talked about the current status of aerobatics in the U.S. He illustrated his talk with snapshots, movies and slides. The movies, mostly of the 1969 Reno Air Show, were especially good. I don't know how many of us are ready to take up aerobatics after ART'S talk (he calls Aerobatics the concert stage of flying and most of us are still working on our scales!), but we all certainly now know a lot more about the sport.

JANE KELLEY, PAT DAVIS, MARGUERITE WOOD, NORMA BELLE-ISLE, and SHIRLEY OTIS recently attended an instructors' clinic. DOROTHY KELSEY has been busy with

Operation Raincheck. No flies on the Aloha fliers! We have all sorts of upgradings going on, both bookwork and additional ratings.

Introducing our newest member, SHIRLEY OTIS. She is a private pilot, working on her commercial. She works at the dispatch desk of a local FEO, and is a part-time ju-jitsu instructor.

Hope the new year sees everyone flying. Remember, 1970 is the year for Aloha entries in the AWTAR.

### BAKERSFIELD CHAPTER

Persis Webster, Reporter

The holidays are a time for getting together with one's friends and relatives. Bakersfield 99's had their annual Christmas party at the home of JOAN PAYNTER. 37 members and friends enjoyed a delicious prime roast dinner and an enjoyable evening was spent by all. PATTY PIPER woke up the next morning, however, with a full blown case of the measles. She and her three children are all victims but should be recovered by Christmas.

JAN CROOKS flew to Davis, California for Thanksgiving dinner with friends. JAN also flew to Porterville along with ROBB WALT of Bakersfield College to attend a district meeting of the Bakersfield Junior College District Aviation Planning-Steering ad hoc committee. The committee is investigating the possibilities of aviation in the college district.

Again this year the Bakersfield chapter has sold fruit cakes. All the cakes have been sold—an excellent way to raise funds.

PERSIS and CUTLER WEBSTER and son, ERIC, flew to Great Falls, Montana in their flying club Cessna 206 for the Thanksgiving Holidays. It was perfect weather for such a trip and lovely scenery.

Happy Holidays to all and Best Wishes for the New Year.

### BAY CITIES CHAPTER

Kathy Marquardt, Reporter

Happy New Year from the Bay Cities Chapter. We have been very busy since I last wrote. By now you must have guessed that our Fowl Dinner is really an annual chicken dinner. It was a bright sunny day and a good time was had by all. Our November meeting was held at Hayward Airport. We were privileged to have a panel of Air Traffic Controllers. With pointers and re-

### SPECIAL NOTICE

The International Nominating Committee makes the following announcements:

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members for us all were: LOU MARTIN, VFR Use of Radar; BEN KENNEDY, Special VFR's; JERRY FONTES, Good Operating Procedures; LAWRENCE RENSHAW, Oakland Flight Service Station. If you haven't heard about flying from a controllers viewpoint, you should try it. It made a very interesting meeting and one of our best attended, with 49½ers invited.

We had our Christmas party at the home of MARGARET and JOHN GERHARDT. Amidst the Christmas cheer, potluck dinner, and gift exchange I was able to get a little of the latest news from everyone. I'm sorry to report that two of our members weren't able to attend due to being in the hospital. We understand that FRAN GRANT and CAROLINE SCHUTT are both coming along fine. We were happy to have ROSE SHARP and JOYCE WELLS, with their husbands, as guests at our Christmas Party. We have invited them to become our newest members. JOYCE has a Private and Instrument rating. She and her husband, HAL, own a Cherokee Arrow. ROSE has her Private and is taking Aerobatics.

Good news to us—LORETTA GABRIELSON will be remaining in the Bay Area. We were afraid that she would be transferring to New York. BARBARA LA POINT took a Sat. trip recently to fly over our now famous Rock Festival. Her comment "What a mess of people". She is boasting these days of losing 34 pounds after joining Weight Watchers. Only three more to go and in only 20 weeks. ADELE LAGARDE is taking advantage of being in between jobs to work on her Commercial rating. SUSAN JELONEK has restricted her flying to the irlines for a convention in Los Angeles.

SUSAN KREN attended the 3-D Instrument Course put on by Beechcraft in San Francisco, recently. As a result, she passed her Instrument Written Exam. While there, SUSAN met and enjoyed comparing notes with KATHLEEN HITCHCOCK, of the Eastern Washington Chapter. JEAN TINSLEY'S Comanche has a new paint job. JEAN calls it Butterscotch Sundae, with white and black striping. MARGARET GERHARDT and her family went to their Lake Tahoe cabin for Thanksgiving. They were joined there by FRAN and GUS GUSTAVSON, from Fallon Chapter. FRAN'S mother was also along for the holiday. Sorry to say our flying weather hasn't been the greatest. Hope to have more flying news for you all next month.

## EL CAJON VALLEY CHAPTER Anna Christensen, Reporter

New Year's Greetings from and have a great year for 1970 — "US".

VI CHAMBERS is our newest instrument rated pilot — Cheers VI, congrats.

November Fly-in went to Miramar instead of Palomar, due to unsatisfactory weather, where participants had an opportunity to see radar operations, weather devices and the tower. Enjoying the tour and lunch in the Officer's Club with Group III CAP, were: ANN BLEDSOE, DOTTIE CAMPBELL, VI CHAMBERS, CAROLINE COULTHARD, ISABELLE McCRAE, VELA GWIN, CHUCK TAYLOR.

In December several members flew to Ramona to observe the method of timing. S.D. Chapter participated too—Everyone brought a picnic lunch—Informative, as well as fun.

CAROLINE made her first flight into Baja, Calif. — Nothing halfway about Lynn — Went all the way to Cabo San Lucas — Gorgeous Weather — Beautiful country. LYNN commutes in her 172 when duties as a dental hygienist beckons her to Eagle Mtn. two days a week.

FREDA and FRED BREISE are back from a grand flying vacation to Great Falls, Mont. via Spokane — Good hunting and as always enjoying USA's beautiful country.

HARRIET and HOWARD ALLEN with family toured Scandinavia & Great Britain. Question not settled is whether the 50 minute trip on the flying rubber raft—on a cushion of air over water betwixt France and England can be considered passenger time, or is the operator a boat master rather than a flying pilot.

KYUNG D. KIM, Seoul, Korea, regretfully reports that the plane secured for her proved too costly and she has sold it to the Korean gov't. LEAH LIERSCH visited KYUNG during LEAH'S recent 5 week trip which took her on 9 airlines thru Japan, Malaysia, Cambodia, Taiwan, Thailand, Singapore, Hong Kong, and . . .

DOTTIE & DICK CAMPBELL added 57 hours via Texas and Indiana during vacation and added 9 trips into Baja California for the Flying Samaritans.

Highlight of the holiday social party was LEA HANLON'S announcement of her engagement to WESLEY BECHT. Easter time was mentioned . . . But a

"or before" echoed.

Donation to the C.A.P. was the project instead of exchanging gifts at the potluck dinner. DORIS and FRANK RITCHEY were hosts.

ANN BLEDSOE welcomed the New Year in Madrid — Will see Nairobi, Jakarta and Bali before returning home.

Credits due MARGE BROWN for her newly local announcements.

## ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER Virginia Flanary, Reporter

The other night we actually observed an airliner having to cancel at the holding line and need an airport car to come out and lead them back to the terminal . . . the fog densed in so thick and fast. A lot of us have been kept on the ground but others are taking advantage. THON GRIFFITH never answers her phone but we're told by whoever has been left holding down the fort that she's out finishing up her rating with actual I.F.R. instead of hood-time. SYLVIA PAOLI is working hard at it also.

Because of the weather the All-men's Palomar Air Race was rescheduled for Nov. 22. Just one hour before takeoff the fifteen contestants were given the route . . . Palomar to Needles to Giant Rock to Palomar. They used Derby handicaps. The reason it's mentioned here is the winner was RICHARD CULP. It was his first race and he did it in self-defense. He says he's going to retire undefeated and that's more than Mara will ever be able to say.

Speaking of MARA . . . I guess we have to . . . she reports she's "bursting". She will be the pilot of a corporation Navajo. This is the type of flying that has always appealed to her and she's planning for "lots of across the country flying" and "all the things that go with a steady job . . . (money every Friday.)"

Our pencils have been kept busy refiguring our gross weights. On top of our Thanksgiving loads yet . . . we have been eating . . . in dual . . . and in formation! Sharing Mexican food Nov. 23, at Oceano, were the families of MARIE CAWYER, PORTIA CORNEL, MARGARET LAWSON, MARION MARIOT and MARY SEBELIUS from the San Gabriel Chapter, and VIRGINIA FLANERY and ZONA THOMPSON with their respective plane loans from Orange County. Later seen, sporting a unique blue and white sweatshirt and headed for Pismo Beach, was MARGARET MEAD and friends.

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Our December 5th together was a party at MARGARET and BILL BURCH'S Red Coach Inn in La Habra. The highlight of the evening came when 49½ BERT shouted (in his demure way) "That's my wife!" as JOYCE NASH was called up front to receive a sort of "good-fellow" award. We weighted her down with a heavy silver and copper 99 slave bracelet and a gigantic scroll to thank her for the many loads she has taken upon her shoulders to keep our chapter going. Thanks again JOYCE! Thanks also to the BURCH'S for their hospitality, the Inn was ideal for a group our size and the Buffet worth lining up twice for. Some remained and sang until the wee hours, celebrating the Christmas season . . . and the Burch's new 206!

MITZI RINEHART joined the Flanary's at the Brackett Air Fair to munch roast beef and pastrami sandwiches while watching the galloping and gulping antics of the drunk act and the aerobatic demonstrations. All was good. So much for the gourmet section of this report.

We haven't had many go arounds this month. JANICE WALLACE seems to be turning into a Mexican . . . Ensenada style. MADINE CARPENTER has a thing about islands. After returning from Hawaii she flew the HARRY DENTS to Catalina. MR. DENT is an advisor for MR. NIXON and promises to say a few good words about the 99's in the right places. We may get PAT NIXON to finish her flying lessons yet. The flight was MRS. DENT'S first. First flights are always fun. IRENE GREGG managed one for her sister and brother-in-law.

JANA KOERSELMAN has now passed her Instructor's written. If you look south you'll see BILLIE NESSELRoad practicing aerobatics . . . and to the north . . . doing some sly maneuvers . . . BONNIE KEIFER.

**ATTENTION . . . Chapters close to us.** We'd like to be closer yet. If you're planning a fly-in and planning somewhere that is also feasible for us, would you drop us a card? (ME . . . FLANARY) and let us know. We can't guarantee a turnout . . . but you can never tell. Also . . . don't forget the picture hunt Jan. 24. Check with MARA.

#### **PALOMAR CHAPTER**

**Esther Whitt, Reporter**

Our Men's Air Race, Nov. 22, was an enjoyable success. RICHARD CULP of Santa Ana logged the best time to

win the 401 mile air race which started and finished at Palomar Airport. CULP flew the same Cherokee 140 aircraft in which MARA CULP won the 1969 Powder Puff Derby—a good husband and wife team!

In second place was BRAD PEARSON of Escondido and his co-pilot, MARK CLARK of Vista. They flew a Cherokee 180. Third place went to BILL TEMPLE, pilot, and DR. DONALD LANNING, co-pilot, both of Fallbrook, in a Cessna 172. Fourth place went to KENNETH DEERING of Santee in his Cherokee 140 which BERNIECE DEERING flew in the Powder Puff Derby.

Fourteen planes competed in the affair, which is scheduled to become an annual affair. NELL CONNOLLY was chairman of the affair.

Our December meeting was a dinner party for our husbands and guests, with an exchange of humorous gifts. Each member also contributed 25c and two cans of food toward the Zonta Christmas basket for a needy family.

IVY and KEN WALTERS were here from Minot, where he is stationed at the Air Base. It was nice to see them again.

CAROLYNN TERRY has moved to Coos Bay, Oregon, where her husband TED has opened his dental office. Our loss is an Oregon chapter's gain. We miss her — she was one of our good workers. TED is working on his commercial license, and CAROLYNN goes along.

Our next meeting will be Jan. 10 at Hemet, and our next Fly-In is for brunch at Giant Rock, on Jan. 25.

#### **PHOENIX CHAPTER**

**Becky Beaudoin, Reporter**

Kachina Doll and Roadrunner, add these two most important words to your vocabulary because you will be seeing more of them in the years to come. These are the names of the Phoenix Air Races, held annually the first weekend in November. The second annual was a wonderful success with contestants from as far away as Chicago. In the morning the Kachina Doll ladies race and an antique race was run, in the afternoon came the Roadrunner men's race. Aggie Liljegren won the Kachina Doll race in her Aircoupe. Wayne Powell, Bev's spouse, with Travis Jones copiloting their Cessna won the Roadrunner race. Melba Beard and Juanita Newell won the antique division in Melba's 1928 bird biplane even though Melba's watch stopped enroute and Juanita's map blew out.

In Ft. Worth, Ruth Reinhold recently received the Tiny Broadwick award for "promotion and encouragement of women throughout the world to participate in aeronautics". This all happened at their National OX-5 Convention held in Fort Worth.

Betty Smith and Charlotte Graham, Mary Lou Brown & Bev Powell, Betty Wixon and Ruby Sheldon, Becky Beaudoin and Sue Powell are the eight girls who recently spent an enjoyable week-end competing in the Pacific Air Race from San Diego to Tucson.

Mary and George Vial had their entire family home for the holidays. They converged on them from Tucson, Colorado and Montana.

Bruni Bradley has new wings in the form of a Cessna 210 and passed her ATR written. She taught at the Pueblo and San Diego AOPA clinics.

Nancy Eppard has recently received her instrument rating, and is busily furnishing her new house in Scottsdale. Marge and Doug Hinkle flew to Ohio and came back through the state of Michigan. Missed seeing the Michigan Small Race by one hour.

Nancy Thatcher became Mrs. Cliff Crase on Dec. 27 at her parents' home in Sarasota, Florida.

Ruby Sheldon has received her private helicopter rating and recently went to Minneapolis to lecture on holding patterns.

Millie Miller and Nancy Eppard have had different views of the world since recently taking aerobatics lessons.

#### **REDWOOD EMPIRE CHAPTER**

**Nina Rookaird, Reporter**

December has been an eventful month for the Redwood Empire Chapter. Our Twentieth Anniversary meeting will be a treasured memory for our members and visitors. ANNA BRENNER, a charter member and our first chairman, was a wonderful hostess. A luncheon at the Redwood Ice Arena (of Peanut's fame), Santa Rosa, California, preceded our meeting. ANNA had planned such a nice party — decorations, commemorative information booklets, and gifts. It was an honor for me to participate as the Twentieth Anniversary Chairman, in such a ceremony. Almost all of our members attended plus those who have a close relationship with our Chapter.

We were sorry GERALDINE MICKELSEN, (Governor when we were chartered), and ALBERTA NICHOLSON, (present Governor), could not attend;



but their notes became part of our enjoyable meeting.

Our Woman Pilot of the Year Award was presented to MYRTLE WRIGHT. While the committee made the decision, one could see by the congratulations MYRTLE was receiving, that the honor was a unanimous choice of our members, too.

Members attending were: ANNA BRENNER, HAZEL BERTAGNA, PHYLLIS CANTRELL, JANET MEYER, LOUIS MONTERO plus daughter, NINA ROOKAIRD and DICK, BETTE SMITH, PAT STOUFFER, ANITA WOREL and JACK, MYRTLE WRIGHT, MARGARETHA HINMAN and her husband, RAYE JEAN NORTON and her husband and sister.

Visitors were: RUTH RUECKERT and FRED, OLIVE AGRON, NANCY WALLIS, MARTHA LUNDY, and NEL-LIE PARKER (a charter member of the Chapter).

With so much going on, it was rather difficult to find out where people were flying, but a few snatches of conversation overheard indicated most of it has been fairly close to home with such "peculiar" weather plaguing us.

It was lucky that we had been able to fly to Fresno for our November meeting. Those attending were: PAT STOUFFER, MYRTLE WRIGHT, BETTE SMITH, OLIVE AGRON, JANET MEYER, LOUISE RAMSEY, NINA ROOKAIRD and 49½'er Dick.

Isn't flying fun?!!

#### RENO AREA CHAPTER

Jo Cromwell, Reporter

The annual Christmas party was held at CATHY GREY'S home in Reno on December 6. Everyone had a wonderful time, the food was just great. My kids had the flu, so I had to stay home, FRAN and GUS were exhausted from moving all day so they didn't go either, but nearly everyone else did including some new prospective members.

STAN and ELAINE BROWN are the proud owners of a Mark 12 radio which has been installed in their 175. ELAINE has started on an instrument rating.

STAN has announced his retirement from the Chairmanship of the board of directors for the National Air Races. He will still be on the board, but in a less ulcer producing capacity.

LOIS and DAVE WILLIAMS flew to Las Vegas recently for a weekend of fun and frolic.

FRAN and GUS GUSTAVSON moved to a brand new apartment last week. Very nice.



Redwood Empire Chapter members at the Twentieth Anniversary Party. Left to right, Back: RAYE JEAN NORTON, MYRTLE WRIGHT, BETTE SMITH, PAT STOUFFER, HAZEL BERTAGNA, MARGARETHA HINMAN. Front: PHYLLIS CANTRELL, NINA ROOKAIRD (Chairman), ANNA BRENNER (Chairman 1949), ANITA WOREL, LOUISE MONTERO.



Redwood Empire Chapter Woman Pilot of the Year Award. Left to right: PHYLLIS CANTRELL, MYRTLE WRIGHT, ANITA WOREL.

The Cromwells finally got the 170 back in the air again after a long stay in the hangar for a major operation. It loves its new parts, really performs.

THOSE SWEET LOVELY GIRLS IN MY CHAPTER NOMINATED ME TO APPLY FOR THE AMELIA EARHART SCHOLARSHIP FOR INSTRUMENT RATING AND CFI.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to everyone from all of us. And don't forget to Fly Fly Fly. Stay current!

DON'T PROCRASTINATE —  
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#### SACRAMENTO VALLEY CHAPTER

Audrey E. Snovel, Reporter

At least ten of the gals in our chapter have been walking around with their heads in the clouds this past month—5280 feet in the clouds, that is. Sacramento participated in its first Air Marking and was a smashing success. California Dept. of Aeronautics recently reopened Blue Canyon Airport with new pavement and extended length, and extended the invitation to our chapter to paint it. REEN WILSON of the Dept. flew in with the State's 210 with LORRAINE HERY and MAXINE NORTHART as passengers to dot the layouts. The State provided the paint and rollers, and down on our knees the rest of us went and turned out "Blue Canyon, Elev. 5280, Length 3300", plus the magnetic headings, in a little over three hours. Our hosts for the day were STUART and JACKIE WELLS, the owners of the Nyack Lodge on Hwy. 80, who not only chipped in their own time to help, but also treated all of us to lunch at the Lodge. They have invited all pilots to fly in, buzz the Lodge, and they'll come pick you up. Unicom will eventually be installed. Flying in for the Marking, besides LORRAINE and MAXINE, were SHIRLEY LEHR, husband ERNIE, and son STEVE in her club's 172; EDITH RIECKS, husband JERRY, and MARIE MORGAN in the Rieck's Bonanza; ELISE and EUD SMITH in their Piper Pacer; and AUDREY SNOVEL in her club's Cessna 140. Driving up were Sac Valley Chairman THELMA CULL and husband NIEL; Flying Activities Chairman DEE OLSEN and JIM (DEE coordinated the whole thing); and VIJA BERRY and sons VIKTOR and ERIK.

The Ladybugs took to wing again, taking advantage of the magnificent weather over the Sierras at this time of year. Flying to Reno for lunch with AUDREY SNOVEL in her club's new Skyhawk were MIRIAM BURCHAM, DEE OLSEN, and VIRGINIA TOWNSEND. A note of warning to pilots filing flight plans while on climbout over some of the most forbidding real estate in the Sierras—try not to let your passengers hear Reno radio ask, "Do you have a crash locator beacon on board?" This can ruin your whole afternoon!

The newest rating attained is by one of our newest members, MARIE MORGAN. She is now eligible to fight our one mile visibilities K H.

The best "vacation of the month" has been attained by ocean-going





**Sacramento Valley Chapter Airmarking Blue Canyon Airport.**

FLORENCE BREEN who is now on her way with Jack to Tahiti, Australia, Pago Pago and Honolulu.

Our November meeting was enjoyed by the girls and their 49½ers and guests, as EVELYN CHRISTIAN, WILMA BOLAND, and ELISE SMITH presented a program of slides taken at the Reno Air Races. As mentioned in our last report, these three gals are the wives of DALLAS CHRISTIAN, BILL BOLAND, and BUD SMITH, all Reno winners.

Announcement was made at this meeting that AUDREY SNOVEL had placed 8th and VIJA BERRY 10th in the Woman Pilot of the Year contest for the Southwest Section. Both of these gals are Private Pilots and fly just because they love it.

CLAIRE WOLLAM and DONNA E. MARTIN co-hostessed our Xmas Party at a popular local restaurant. Highlight of the evening was the opening of the novelty gifts we all exchanged—girl for girl and boy for boy. LORRAINE HERY, for one, had a wicked grin as this reporter, who is single and very pure, unwrapped an unmentionable. Just wait until April 1st!

#### **SAN FERNANDO VALLEY CHAPTER** **Rochelle Jensen, Reporter**

Happy Holidays! The San Fernando Valley Ninety-Nines really got into the spirit of things during our Christmas bash December 13th at the home of ED and SHIRLEY CLARK. Some of those observed wearing party faces were RAY & AUDREY SCHUTTE, DON & FLORA HUTCHINSON, JIM & PAT HALLETT, ROBERT & PAULINE FLEMING, ED & LOLA RICCI, DENVER & JEANNE DAY, VALLETA FRIEDMAN, MARGARET WARD, PAT & LORELIE CANGIANO, GARTH & HARRIET BAIR, DON & LIZ DINAN, LYLE & ROCHELLE JENSEN, GENE & SHIRLEY THOM, BILL & BEV HARRIS, DALE & ESTHER FLECK, NORMAN & MARGE MARONG, CLINTON & BEV WOODWARD, PHILIP & BRED A CREESE and, TED & ANNETTE SEYDEL. Those I talked to agreed it was the best Christmas party yet!

Our regular meeting was held December 1st at Skytrails restaurant, and how the stories flew! BONNIE HADLEY is back after two glorious months

in Africa on safari. JAN DRYFUS and FLORANCE STANTON each told of their trips to Mexico, and PAT CANNON filled us in on her trips to Florida and Mexico in the Duke. The rest of us settled for mostly local flights.

We regret losing CAROLYN FORD WILCOX to Aloha Chapter, but send our Best Wishes on her marriage and move to Honolulu.

Congratulations to new member MARGARTE MARSH who received her pin and official welcome from Vice-chairman MICKEY DUGDALE at our last meeting, three cheers for VALLETA FREIDMAN for soloing her second student this month, and especially good wishes to ARTHUR & HELEN SCHLEFSTEIN, proud parents of a new baby girl.

Our last Fly-in of 1969 was held at California Valley December 4th. Sharing the fun and gift exchange were PAT HALLETT, FLORA HUTCHINSON, MARGARET WARD, FLORENCE STANTON, JAN DREYFUS, ELLEN TRINDLE, RODG RODGERS, ROCHELLE JENSEN, and guest MAURICE JENSEN.

December 20th was the date chosen for delivery of our yearly "love offering" of cookies to the Van Nuys and Burbank towers. Each 99 baked and contributed a dozen cookies for this purpose. PAULINE FLEMING, ROCHELLE JENSEN, HELEN SCHLEFSTEIN, and HELENE KASS were chosen to deliver the goodies to VNY, while BEV HARRIS, JEANNE DAY and BEV WOODWARD were Santa to Burbank. Happy munching fellows!

We anticipate an enthusiastic turnout for our January 28th Fly-in. We will land at Lompoc, tour Vandenberg Air Force Base and lunch at the Officers Club. That should be a day to remember!

That's all this month. Happy Holidays everyone, and Happy New Year's Flying!

#### **SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CHAPTER** **Marion Marriott, Reporter**

The December Air Fair at Bracket Airport in Pomona was a huge success. The five organizations, Pomona Valley Pilots Association, Civil Air Patrol, LAVERN ROTARY, LAVERN KIWANIS, and our 99's worked diligently. The San Gabriel Chapter managed a food booth and frantically tried to keep the hungry spectators supplied with hot dogs, cokes, coffee, and donuts. Many a hurried dash was made to the main



supply kitchen for more food. Needless to say, service was slower during the performance of the many talented pilots, BOB HOOVER and his Aero Commander Shrike, ART SCHOLL and SKIP VOLK and their Chipmonks, a navy fly-by, to name a few.

The 99's tried another new fund raising venture as well as the Air Fair. Tickets were sold on a chance to win 10 free flying lessons—the lessons could apply to any single engine rating. During our Christmas combination meeting and party, the members and their guests breathlessly waited for GARY HEINER to pull the lucky winner—PAUL HEGG. ROSE ANN FORD, our super saleslady who sold the winning ticket, rushed out of the meeting to notify PAUL. PAUL, a 6'7" non-flyer will have to shrink to fit that Cessna 150 trainer.

A beautiful flight was missed by those who were unable to make the November fly-in. Again, the weatherman smiled on PORTIA CORNELL and gave her one of our southland's rare clear and smogless days. MARGARET and DAVID LAWSON, MARGARET'S MOTHER and CHILDREN flew to Oceano Airport (Pismo Beach) in their Volkswagen in 3½ hours and 8 gallons. MARION and BOB MARRIOTT flew in their 210 in 50 minutes and 15 gallons. MARIE CAWYER won the free lunch. Husband EARL cheered our lucky winner. Also enjoying the fly-in and lunch at CARL'S were PORTIA and GARY CORNELL, MARY and BUD SEBELIUS, MARGARET and BILL GAMBLE, and one family from the Orange County Section, VIRGINIA FLANARY and husband, TREVIS and their children EVELYN and CINDY.

Fly-in chairman PORTIA CORNELL has planned a fun fly-in for January to Giant Rock. Everyone save that third Sunday and cross your fingers for another CAVU day.

MARIE and EARL CAWYER are pouring over maps for a months trip to Panama via the Bahamas. MARGARET GAMBLE is busy Bonanza shopping. PAT INWOOD was having trouble keeping track of her hot dog buns. VIRGINIA WEGENER has passed her written ATR. Good for you GINNY! VIRGINIA WEGENER'S Powder Puff co-pilot CAROL is now the proud mother of a baby girl.

from we 99's of the San Joaquin Valley Chapter—We do hope your holidays were the best ever. Santa left many a fine gift around this area even before Xmas . . . Unfortunately not many were for people and most of them were for the airplanes. You girls know how it is "let's forget about getting gifts for each other, honey, and get a transponder, or a d.m.e. or a new nav. com." This has happened to me for the last three years. Finally we did get a complete set of the newest equipment for our little 'Robin Red Top' and this year we were going to give each other Xmas gifts. Then, a great business deal came up on a newer model of the Skymaster, a Turbo Charged 337 . . . sooooo . . . another three years of Xmas gifts this time for our new 'Rudolph' (the red nose reindeer) — but, I'm not complaining—on the contrary—just stating the facts.

SHIRLEY MILLER also received a new bird just prior to Xmas. It is a new '210'. Happy flying SHIRLEY and GARY. Both are bubbling with joy on acquiring this new 'baby'.—At this point in life it's the only kind of baby most of us want to acquire.

Sitting around awaiting our December meeting, we started talking about this and that fact of flying. All of us came to the conclusion that we are just great in the air, but, something happens to us when we hit the ground. One was telling of the taxiing problem of putting her prop through a ladder, another of smashing a wing tip on a poor little Volkswagen, worst part of it, it was her Volkswagen, still another of getting a good running start on pushing her plane to its hangar and being just a little off course and getting 'hangar rash' on its wing. In my case, trying to push a Skymaster by myself is possible but . . . man! do I get in trouble . . . It is my fate to get it all lined up (we have a foot on each side to spare, and a three inch clearance at the back of the wings) give a mighty heave, push and it starts rolling downhill toward its happy home, but alas, when it comes to the grating that separates the asphalt from the hangar, there, it decides is a lovely place for

its wheels to be tenderly cradled. I huff and I puff, and I all but do myself in. Then I get out our small tractor and pull the plane out again for its second run. Again and again, over, and over, I do it. Each time stopping in the cradle. Finally I decide, as darkness descends, to push it in with the tow-bar attached to the tractor, all is just great until the tow-bar bends up like a hump on a camel's back, oh well that's O.K. I've another tow-bar, this one without a trailer hitch, so again I try, this time bracing the handle of the tow-bar against the ball (trailer hitch) and put the tractor in gear—crunch!—the bar slipped off the ball and went through the front of the tractor. Needless to say I was pretty frustrated, then—I saw three 'lovely' men and ran down the taxi way begging for help. After all this, guess what my husband's first loving words were. Well, you're nearly right . . . We now have moved our plane to San Carlos and rented (twice the price) a very large hangar. \$\$\$ Merry Xmas. We all want to know if there is some 'Anti-collision' device to buy our airplanes for next Xmas, one that takes care of ground mishaps.

Our weather was not cooperative to the girls in the Valley, ground fog made it impossible for them to fly out to our December Shopping meeting in Palo Alto. There arrived, by car, enough for a meeting. THELMA HANSEN, RENEE NEALON and DOROTHY McALLISTER (who arranged for our meeting place and scouted for a good place for lunch) were on hand to greet our Chairman, HELEN McGEE, who lives above the fog at 2100 feet and was the only one to fly-in. She had a guest, BARBARA BERGSTROM, who is going to buckle down and learn to fly when HELEN McGEE gets her Instructors Rating.

DOTTIE'S mother, MRS. FARMER attended our meeting and luncheon. JEAN MURRAY'S sister, DORLEECE STUTSMAN was also there. SHIRLEY MILLER was there ready for her duties as Sec. Treas. MARIE McDOWELL arrived later with two guests.

We had 11 women fly to luncheon at the 'Nut Tree' in November. MARIE McDOWELL, SHIRLEY MILLER, JEAN MURRAY, HELEN McGEE and her two guests, SHIRLEY MILLER, LAVERNE GUDGEL (No. 9 in Women of the Year) and her mother and a guest, CHARLOTTE RYAN and her mother-in-law. I was 'Booped' about not being there because I guess I sug-

**SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CHAPTER**  
Thelma Hansen, Reporter

First things first—Happy New Year

## **Fun-A-Plenty in Seventy Ninety-Nines Convention**

Bretton Woods, N.H.

**July 12-15**



gested the place (me and my big mouth) but, our new 'Rudolph' had just arrived and my 49½ had me study the manuel—not flying.

Looking back over the year of 1969—didn't we have fun? We certainly hope you did.

#### **SANTA CLARA VALLEY CHAPTER**

**Bonnie Seymour, Reporter**

Alaska Chapter and Santa Clara Valley Chapter have joined forces to complete a project that neither of them really knew anything about! Only public spirited, good natured 99's could manage to get themselves so involved, so quickly, without even trying. It's a long and confusing story, so suffice it to say that "somehow" (??) the SCV gals got the request to help supply and deliver tooth brushes and toothpaste for a VISTA project at St. Michael's Village, Alaska. The timing was right because our chapter has been trying to do something for the Indians (but, Southwestern type) for some time. So when the request came, and one unwitting member offered to deliver the supplies as far as Anchorage — well — we bit. In a flash, with more persuasion than money, the 50 toothbrushes and 50 tubes of toothpaste were headed for Anchorage a mere 36 hours later. The Dental Hygiene Company, of San Jose, California donated all the toothbrushes, and Gemco Department Store, of Redwood City, California sold the toothpaste to us at cost. The Anchorage gals had no idea what they were getting into when they accepted the cartons. After much good natured laughing and some searching on the sectional for the final destination of project "brush-in", it was discovered that St. Michael's Village is a long way from Anchorage. Our hats are off to our friends in Alaska who will make the final delivery to complete our joint project.

One thing you can say for the Alaska 99's is that they are really a friendly group of women. CATHY KIPPENHAM hosted an impromptu meeting complete with refreshments and entertainment to welcome this reporter to Alaska. All of the gals chatted about their flying and the various stages of transition their planes were in. Flying in Alaska is certainly different than it is "outside." Alaska members, MARION ZAEGAL, MARGARET WAGNON, RUTH HURST, PAT McGEE, ANNE WILEUR, BLANCHE KRAGER, KAREN TIEDE, and STEPHANY DEDRICK talked about some pretty unusual

landing fields and runways. They also talked about taking off their floats and putting on their skis. Sounds like we outsiders would have a little transition to make from our VOR to VOR, glide slope, hard surfaced, lighted runways, to a frozen lake, or dry river bed! A special treat this reporter enjoyed while visiting in Anchorage was the aerial view from Stephany Dedrick's twin Bonanza.

**SPRING SECTIONAL** — April 24, 25, and 26, 1970 — SAN JOSE. We hope you know the way to San Jose because our plans are really gathering momentum now. We already have two exciting events planned for those of you lucky enough to attend the Sectional. If you haven't been to Santa Clara Valley in the Spring, you simply must plan to come. Everything is sooooo beautiful then. From the air you can see blossoms like great billows of clouds nestled against the lush green hillsides. There will be much to see and do on the ground too. Easter comes early next year so you can wear your Easter outfit a second time when you attend the Sectional here in San Jose.

Member CHARLENE TAYLOR opened her lovely Los Altos home to us for our annual chapter Christmas party. The party was an elegant event; beautiful decorations, pretty 99's in their gala holiday clothes, handsome 49½'ers, good food, music and funny gifts (Somebody got an "electric potato mash-er"??) Seventy happy people say Thank you and Merry Christmas, CHARLENE TAYLOR.

#### **SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY CHAPTER**

**Wanda Strassburg, Reporter**

On January 17, as NEWS goes to press, the San Luis Obispo County Chapter of the 99's will be formally chartered.

Plans are confirmed for the appearance of our distinguished speaker, COL. ARTHUR GOEBEL, winner of the \$25,000.00 San Francisco to Honolulu DOLE Race of 1929, and also winner of the first Transcontinental Race LAX to N.Y.

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WANDA EWING, who will be honored as our first Chairman, has things well in hand. There will be much news and pictures for the next issue.

Our December meeting held at the Madonna Inn in San Luis was attended by 17 of our 19 members and, as 99's do world-wide, we create a flurry wherever we go, as witnessed by the arrival of HAZEL JOHNSON in her new hot-pink Bell B-1 helicopter in the parking lot of the Inn.

EMILY CLETSOWAY was roundly congratulated for the achievement of her commercial rating in her Cessna 210 TC.

Our Bird Biographies this month tell of MARCI BARNET, our newly-installed Vice-chairman and CRISS MOULIN, Sec'y.

MARCI began flying after her husband, three sons and daughter began nagging at her to take up golf "or something".

MARCI soloed in San Luis in January, 1966, was licensed in a 172 in June of that year and promptly flew the PPD as co-pilot in the Seattle to Clearwater race. She considers that the most "learning aviation experience". She now has her Commercial rating, about 300 hours and has flown the PPD twice as co-pilot and once as pilot.

Husband BOB is a former P-47 (Thunderjug) pilot and happily endorses MARCI'S flitting about in the air. Her ambitions are to continue to be active and to achieve her Ground Instructor Ratings.

CRISS MOULIN came to San Luis Obispo to attend Cal Poly as a Home Economics Major. She learned to fly through the Poly Mustang club . . . performed her first solo cross country to her parents home in Clear Lake, California, some 250 miles north. Licensed in 1968 she then flew the Pacific Air Race San Diego to Phoenix and was proud to be on a team coming in 14th.

CRISS'S marriage this summer to Roger brought about her career as one-half of the team of Coastal Airlines, the local fixed-base operation. She finds her time occupied as dispatcher, bookkeeper, manager, etc. Her ambition in flying is to obtain subsequent ratings in a proper sequence to continue her proficiency . . . and to fly the Derby this year.

MARCI BARNET and CRISS MOULIN . . . two more of the vital members of the San Luis Obispo County Ninety-Nines.





An SOS from the Navy has succeeded in providing lone flier Sheila Scott with an eleventh hour replacement for the lucky naval cap ribbon taken by a souvenir hunter.

The Warwickshire firm of Oakey and Cox, at Bedworth, near Nuneaton, who make cap ribbons for the Navy, were out of stock of ribbons for HMS Nubian, which has Sheila as an honorary member of its ship's company. But, in response to the Navy's appeal, the firm tracked down a ribbon from a collector's set and sent it off to reach Sheila today, the day the race starts.

As superstitious as most fliers and sailors, Sheila had come to look on the Nubian ribbon as a mascot. It was presented to her at a party on board the frigate to celebrate her Transatlantic Air Race success earlier this year and went with her on her African record breaking tour.

Now, as the Navy's unofficial representative in the race, she is delighted to have a Nubian ribbon once more, to bring her luck in her challenge to the crewed aircraft competing. Sheila will be taking off at lunchtime Dec. 18, 1969 in the handicappers' staggered start.

HMS Nubian herself is East of Suez at present, and is standing by to make contact and urge on their flying crew member. If the Navy had failed to get a cap ribbon to Sheila in time, they and BUA, who are also helping in her bid, were all set to get one to her en route.

## EAST CANADIAN SECTION

### FIRST CANADIAN CHAPTER

Wendy Smith, Reporter

The past three weeks have staged three different get togethers for our chapter. On November 23 we went

through the control facilities of Toronto International Airport. To those of us to whom the trip was a first, the number of people required to guide us safely around Toronto air space was somewhat staggering. The subdued lighting and tense atmosphere of the control room must certainly constitute a difficult working environment. My favorite part of the trip was the climb to the control tower, where both radar blips and the reality of planes landing and taking off are visible.

December 2 we had an "information and get acquainted" evening at ELAINE MAGEE'S home in Toronto. The veteran 99's gave the new and prospective members information on the background and the organization of the 99's; and, of course, we had many flying tales and adventures from the "new blood" in the group. Our chapter has grown from 36 in September to a current 49! A rather unique aspect of the new membership is that five of the married ones have husbands who do not fly. Here are short biographies on a few of the new and prospective members.

CHRIS BROWNELL is a CPA stewardess who trained in Winnipeg and is now married to a commercial pilot. She has had her own pilots license since August.

GERDA FRIBERG is a former fashion designer, who now concentrates on interior design projects for her husband's construction business. GERDA recently bought a Cherokee Arrow and has logged 260 hours in the two years which she has been flying out of Butonville.

CHICO MURAKAMI is certainly our most avidly flying new member, as she seems to migrate around the world in quest of ever better flying opportunities. CHICO was born in Japan, started flying in France until the expense became too great, and then migrated to Cartierville, Quebec where she completed her private license. When night flying became too congested, she moved to Toronto where she has just completed her commercial license.

DINI PETTI is our only Whirly Bird and commercial pilot. She brightens

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up mornings doing the traffic reports for one of the local radio stations.

December 13 ANN MacLEAN arranged a delightful Hawaiian Christmas party that was held at HEATHER SIFTON'S spacious and comfortable home in Gormley. With wahines in their colourful muumuus and kanes in aloha shirts, orchids, leis, Hawaiian music, and a beautiful pool and greenery setting, the atmosphere had an authentic tropical flavour. After cocktails, a pineapple chicken dinner and lots of hangar flying, a few of the more adventure-some individuals ventured into the pool. All in all the evening was a delightful wind up to the year's activities.

I now have a full report on the McDonalds Mexican ventures. JEAN and her 49½er, David, flew RGY, their Cessna 185 from Toronto to Houston - Veracruz - Mexico City - Morelia - Zihautanejo - Guadalajara - Puerta Vallarta - Zapopau Santillo - Monterrey and home. JEAN says that Guadalajara is the place to meet people. This year they saw MARIE KEMPLE, vice-chairman of the Fresno Valley Chapter. The KEMPLES, like the MacDONALDS, have a "thing" about Mexico and keep returning each autumn. The streetcars of Veracruz are still an exciting way to see life in that city — one of them is our favorite. Nothing compares with the swimming at Zihvatanejo. Puerta Vallarta will soon have new docks, shipping terminal, and a new airport terminal in service. JEAN has decided that she likes flying over the mountains, whether ragged, jagged, or round topped, more than skirting them in a car.

JEAN MacDONALD also reports that all the section officers and chapter chairmen were able to attend a "keep in touch" meeting December 3 in Oakville, in spite of the fact that it took PEGGY BEEMAN and LORNA DEBLICQUY seven hours to come from Ottawa because of snow and car troubles.

### ALBERTA CHAPTER Anola Laing, Reporter

Fun and frolics is the only way to describe our Christmas party. Twenty one 99ers together with their 49½ers enjoyed the hospitality of President JEAN BLENKENSOP and her husband PETER at their home in Calgary, December 13. Highlight of the evening was a raffle for \$200 cash—the last ticket drawn won the jackpot. There were also small prizes for the first, 25th, 50th, and 75th tickets drawn. All the loot was





"L.R." Alberta 99s, RITA SINCLAIR, TRUDI ARMSTRONG, ELEANOR BAILEY, and ROSELLA BJORNSEN in Frontier Night costumes at the Alberta Aviation Council's Annual Meeting in Banff, Alta. November 15. The girls were telling Northwest Flyer reporter, BETTY WADSWORTH about their plans to host the PPD start in 1971. ELEANOR BAILEY is the Vice-Governor of the Western Canadian Section and ROSELLA BJORNSEN is its treasurer. The Convention passed resolutions asking for reinstatement of Canadian Customs Services at smaller airports; the inclusion of Aero medical subjects in pilot training courses; and for assistance from the National Research Council on cable marking installations for high voltage power lines.

won by friends and husbands of 99ers.

Was glad to see MORAG MacKINNON at the Christmas party. Since she moved to B.C. she's been unable to attend the meetings. We really must have one meeting in B.C. just for Morag and Margaret.

MARGARET MEREDITH, another B.C. member from Gibson recently flew their 172 CF-RKC some 2,500 miles down the Oregon coast. Accompanying Meg were her husband Tim and daughter Barb.

GINA JORDON, CALGARY, had left

Chinook School of Aviation as instructor and is now among the unemployed. For one as highly qualified as GINA, I know it won't be for long.

Our President JEAN, 49½ER PETER, and their son MARK are heading south in their Debonair right after Christmas. Also leaving the province will be RON and ELAINE WRIGHT, Lacombe, Your Reporter and husband GORDON. We're flying ourselves and hope to get to Florida—maybe even the Bahamas.

Next meeting will be January 10th at Red Deer. So until next month—from north of the 49th—Safe Flying.

#### MAPLE LEAF CHAPTER

Jacqueline Frampton, Reporter

May 1970 bring many hours of fun and flying with all the best wishes for a happy New Year to 99's everywhere, from the Maple Leaf Chapter.

December was our Christmas Party and presented 99's and 49½ers with an opportunity for some real fun and relaxation. Congratulations go to BERTHA SNELGROVE for a lovely evening.

Even with all the Christmas Activity Dec. has been a thinking and planning month. January will see us meeting in Chatham for lunch and a dinner speaker. February, the plans are for a joint meeting of The First Canadian Chapter and the Maple Leaf Chapter. Ninety-Nines and families will be invited to a Search and Rescue Seminar in Toronto with lectures and films under the direction of The Canadian Armed Forces, on Sunday the 15th of Feb. Maple Leaf Chapter is already planning ahead for the Spring Section Meeting to be held in London, Ontario, May 23. So mark that date and keep it open for an interesting day and a chance to meet 99's from all the East Canada Section.

For flying fun, don't forget the Angel Derby, starting in Toronto May 1st, and the 99's Poker Derby June 7th. There will be more about these events later.

Don't forget, get your A.P.T. forms and get A.P.T. and for the Canadian girls even though some of the items don't apply to our licenses, you can still certify that you satisfactorily meet Canadian standards by using the forms as a guideline.

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## LONG ISLAND CHAPTER Marilyn P. Hibner, Reporter

"Clear!" . . . was the only warning given to the restaurant, FONTANA DI TREVI, as the Long Island Chapter members descended upon the premises for their annual festivities and celebration of the holiday season. Food and libations were in abundance, with an "all you can eat" rule prevailing throughout the evening. Continuous dancing helped to settle the various meal courses, making room for the next, and the next, and the . . .

It appears our members are still bogged down from the "wine, dine and dance" routine of December 6th, as no one has any startling "behind-the-stick" news to report. In fact, it seems that only husbands survived the event. SHERRY O'KEEFE'S 49½ER, JACK, made Co-Pilot with American Airlines; and RUTH DOBRESKU'S 49½ER, CHARLES, is in Captain's School with TWA. All present at the party were delighted to see THELMA BAKER back on her feet and "kicking" after a recent operation.

The word for 1970 is 'INC.' Yes, we're proud to say that, as of December 16th, 1969, we are and forever more will be known as "The Ninety-Nines of Long Island, Inc."

In the true spirit of the holiday season, a contribution in the name of our Chapter was sent to Sky Ranch for Boys, which is under the conscientious direction of FATHER DON MURRAY. Located in South Dakota, this ranch and FATHER MURRAY are devoted entirely to reclaiming the lives of troubled boys (numbering approximately sixty at present). Father Murray has made the airplane the key to his unique and highly successful program. The "success" rate of Sky Ranch for Boys is an astounding 90%. It is our Chapter's hope that our contribution will help to sustain and perhaps increase this high rate of success.

Our Chapter's message to all of you this month can be found running across the middle of our puzzle feature for this issue. Sorry, we can't come right out and say it . . . we'd rather you brush up a bit on your aeronautical terms!

## "PLANE PUZZLING?"

— By Marilyn P. Hibner



### Across:

2. Aircraft control surfaces
6. Warm or Cold \_\_\_\_\_
7. Type of chart (abbrev.)
11. Electrical system term (abbrev.)
13. Aircraft control surface
15. "—, so that's a spin!" (exclam.)
16. Electronic navigation aid (abbrev.)
18. Load factor designation
19. Electronic navigation aid (abbrev.)
23. Part of electrical system (abbrev.)
25. Any member of the Ninety-Nines
26. Necessary for engine to function
29. \_\_\_\_\_ range
30. Controls movement of aircraft in control areas (abbrev.)
31. The stick is used to \_\_\_\_\_ the aircraft
35. Type of speed (abbrev.)
36. Specific time designation (abbrev.)
37. Greenwich Mean Time (abbrev.)
38. Necessary force for flight
39. Necessary for electrical system to operate (abbrev.)

### Down:

1. Omni indicator reading
3. Specific time designation (abbrev.)
2. Straight and \_\_\_\_\_ flight
4. \_\_\_\_\_ course
5. Directional compass heading

6. Aircraft control surface
8. \_\_\_\_\_ icing
9. Reduces ground speed
10. Authoritative body (abbrev.)
12. Creates thrust
14. Radio frequency (abbrev.)
16. Absence of air
17. Term related to engine (abbrev.)
19. \_\_\_\_\_ mechanic (abbrev.)
20. Directional compass heading
21. Result of rudder movement
22. Directional compass heading
24. Do it when you're cleared for take-off
26. Weather hazard
27. Power plant (abbrev.)
28. Check \_\_\_\_\_
30. \_\_\_\_\_ mass
32. Trim \_\_\_\_\_
33. Anticipated time designation (abbrev.)
34. Seasonal local time designation (abbrev.)

(Answers Next Month)

## GREATER NEW YORK CHAPTER March V. Hoke, Reporter

The annual Yule-tide Party of the Chapter was held at DR. BOB and HELENA POTTER'S beautiful Victor-



ian home in Englewood, New Jersey. It was an old-fashioned Christmas atmosphere in the true sense of the word. All the Christmas gifts brought by the members for the Children of Bellevue Hospital were set on the piano and made a perfectly delightful scene. BOB POTTER completed the festivities by showing photographs of airplanes, airports and cities, all of which he had visited. A contest was conducted to guess the planes, cities and airports — Keep this entertaining game in mind for any future parties. It is a lot of fun. Many thanks to both Helena and Bob, and, of course, their adorable children. It was a great party and a wonderful time was had by all.

Welcome new members — DAIL DELLA FERA — DAIL has recently earned her private pilot's license. She flies out of Caldwell Wright Airport and is the mother of three children. JUNE KANNEY also has a private pilot's license and flies out of Teterboro Airport.

Congratulations to BETTY PATTON — Understand she is making tremendous progress with her aviation orientation course at Dwight Morrow High School. Recently she took ten students on an actual orientation flight. CATHY BROOKS is working diligently with Civil Air Patrol members and periodically takes members of that organization on their first flights. We are very proud of the work these gals are doing to further aviation among our youths. Keep up the good work gals.

Latest news on the Powder Puff Derby — KAY BRICK, MARION ANDREWS, and BERBERE EVANS visited local Chapters in Bristol and Lancaster, Pa. to inform the gals about the forthcoming terminus at the 3 - M Airport in Bristol, Penn. If you are interested in helping with arrangements, please contact either MERLE CHALOW STARER, Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter Chairman or YVETTE HORTMAN, Terminus Chairman. I am sure they will be delighted to hear from you.

HELEN EGAN, SELMA CRONAN, ANGELA KOVACS and JUNE KANNEY represented our Chapter at a recent meeting of the Teterboro Tower Controllers and Area Pilots. A forum type meeting was set up to discuss problems on both sides.

The WIAA held its annual Christmas party at the Wing Club on December

19th — Our Chapter was well represented.

Good luck JULIE VOM SAAL — hear you're flying around in your new Cessna 206. JULIE also has been vacationing in St. Croix.

Heard Around — Ramapo Valley Airport will stay open. Great news!!!! EETTY LOU HUBIN opened a new insurance office in Northern New Jersey. The New York Chapter has two experienced CFI Instructors to check out 99 members. Let's keep current gals!!!!!!



### EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER

Ginny Merrion, Reporter

Our November meeting was held at Hill Aviation facilities, Lancaster Airport, with so many in attendance that there were not enough chairs. I won't attempt to list the names of those present but as near as I can determine there were thirteen members of our chapter, ten members from other chapters including Garden State, Central Pennsylvania, Washington, Maryland, and New York.

There were also thirteen prospective members or ex-members who, we hope, will return to the fold. The reason for this tremendous turnout, I am sure, was the discussion to be held concerning the 1970 Powder Puff Derby Terminus at 3M Airport and our designation as the host chapter. KAY BRICK was present to pass out some information on S.O.P. with promises of more to follow. We had the assurance of the other chapters of their assistance whenever needed, for which we are very grateful. There was insufficient time to cover all the points of interest as is often the case and we were late for lunch as it was.

A bus from Conestoga Tours took us to the Willow Valley Restaurant for a delicious Pennsylvania Dutch luncheon and then drove us out into the country to visit an authentic Amish Homestead. ANN KLEIN made all the arrangements for us but then was unable to attend the meeting due to hospitalization. We hear she is recovering nicely, tho.

On November 20th ANNE SHIELDS was the honored guest and speaker at

the Lancaster County Aero Club on the occasion of their annual "Salute to Women in Aviation." She spoke on the origin and activities of the 99's, the P.P.P. and the Amelia Earhart Scholarship. She also showed the Amelia Earhart film. The entire program was thoroughly enjoyed by all. ANNE took KATE MACARIO as her guest and JOE and I dropped in after dinner for the meeting. We met a number of women pilots who are not members of 99's and some who were active at one time. Several of them accepted our invitation to attend our meeting the following Saturday at the airport.

Congratulations are in order to ANN KLEIN for achieving her ATR and to LIBEY DUVAL for her commercial rating. Congratulations, also, to HELENE BUTLER, one of our prospective members who has attended several meetings, on obtaining her Private.

Our December meeting was the Annual Christmas Dinner held at the Covered Wagon Inn in Stratford. This was a lovely affair in the capable hands of EDIE BULLITT. There were thirty-eight present and I am sure all had a wonderful time.

I understand MERLE and BOB STARER spent the Thanksgiving Weekend in Bermuda via their Cessna 401. Also, ALICE MEISENHEIMER has been ferrying some planes east from Kansas for LOUISE SACCHI.

Guess that's all the news for now. See you next month.

### VIRGINIA CHAPTER Toby Lehman, Reporter

With all the good weather we have been having lately, we have been trying not to let any go to waste. ANDY and MARY WHITE flew down to Atlanta to the Southern Medical Conference. LOUIS and TOBY flew to Indianapolis for Thanksgiving. JEAN HARRIS checked out in a J-3 Cub in a hayfield on Coolwater Farms. JEAN has been working for Hargrove Insurance Company since Northfield Airport closed. FRAN VAN STAVERN has been elected as secretary of the Richmond area Air Force Association.

Every year just before Christmas our Division of Aeronautics along with the Civil Air Patrol sponsor Operation Snow Ball. A group of entertainers are flown to each state mental institution to put on a Christmas party. FRAN and EARL VAN STAVERN flew shuttle service carrying film back to Richmond for the local TV stations. FRAN





Our December meeting held at Holiday Aero, Byrd Field, Sandston, Virginia. Exchanging Christmas presents. Left to Right: Doris Phillips, Mary White, Virginia Riley, Marion Helms, Jean Harris, Fran Van Stavern, Toby Lehman.

and EARL are both members of the Civil Air Patrol.

The Virginia Chapter wishes for you and yours peace on earth and a prosperous New Year.

#### WASHINGTON, D.C. CHAPTER Jacqueline Vierling, Reporter

This past month has indeed been a pleasant one. VIRGINIA THOMPSON hosted our chapter meeting on November 19th. Prior to the business meeting, VIRGINIA had a delicious buffet for "early birds". It was well worth braving the violent rain storm which hit the Washington area that evening. Although some members were delayed by the storm, attendance was good and spirits were high. LILLIAN CHESNES and EVELYN MAHLE had just received their instructor's rating thanks to the excellent training provided by VELTA BENN, chief instructor at Prince Georges Airport. Our chairman, JACKIE SCOTT, appointed HAZEL DWIGGINS to head a committee to draft a current version of the chapter by-laws. CLEO SHERBOW, who spearheaded the drive to revise the by-laws, was also appointed to the committee. BEA WILDER was named head of the Amelia Earhart scholarship committee. MARYANN JESSUP, vice chairman, discussed the status of the pending legislation restrictive to general aviation; the effect of our section members fly-in to Dulles Airport to dramatize the situation and their discussions with various legislators concerning the proposals had not yet been determined.

On Thursday, December 11th, the chapter held its annual Christmas party at the American Newspaper Women's Club. The evening began with a superb Wassail Bowl prepared by MARYANN JESSUP. As a way of promoting introductions, we were all given a sheet to have filled with signatures of those present. DORIS WHITE was one of the first to get all the necessary signatures. After a buffet dinner, everyone gathered for a "humorous" gift exchange organized by HAZEL DWIGGINS. Each person deposited a wrapped gift by the tree and then was given a number. As each number was called, the person who had the number chose a gift from the pile and opened it. Then he or she could either keep the gift or exchange it for any of the gifts already opened. HEDY JAFFE held the record for having her gift exchanged — I counted five times! MITZI KELLER took polaroid photographs of the events which provided many laughs. She even managed to catch her husband, GIL, bending over to choose his gift. One of the favorite gifts was a bottle of pineapple wine which BLANCHE NOYES tried unsuccessfully to keep. The last I saw of the wine bottle, it was cornered by MAUREEN LOCKE'S guest WARREN. There were other games and door prizes, and a good time was had by all.

CONNIE MARSH has begun plans for her second annual closed-course PYLON RACE sponsored by our chapter of the Ninety-Nines. The race, to be held at the Warrenton-Faquier Airport in Virginia on May 17th, will be sanctioned by the NAA. The entrance fee will be approximately \$10 for contestants but there will be no general admittance fee. A bull roast will be held so there should be quite a feast. Mark the date on your calendar and tell your friends.

That's all till next month — happy flying!

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#### ALABAMA CHAPTER Sylvia S. Derrick, Reporter

In spite of overcast skies quite a few brave souls made it to Bennie Peters home in Selma for the annual Christmas party—most by that "other" mode of transportation. A lot of 49½ers were also present as they are particularly invited for the December meeting.

Everyone was all a-chatter about the Spring Sectional Meeting to be held in Huntsville April 10, 11, and 12. Activities are planned around the GEORGE C. MARSHALL Space Flight Center there, and the new Space Museum will be open by then. The Skycenter is planning to have the red carpet out. 'Y'all come, ya hear?'

MANNIE RUSSELL from Monroeville was introduced as a brand new member. Another new member, SUNNY TURNER, volunteered the services of her attorney-husband at a previous meeting, and he now has the Alabama Chapter incorporated—all official like.

Ninety-Niners LAVINIA SPILMAN, SYLVIA DERRICK, PENNY COUCH, and LOIS BATES participated in December in the fly-out sponsored by the Huntsville Flying Petticoats to Sewanee, Tennessee. The door prize was an hour's instruction in aerobatics by BILL KERSCHNER.

#### CAROLINAS CHAPTER PS, Reporter

Carolinas Chapter members have been as busy as Santa's elves this December. One potentially great trip was frustrated by horrid weather—the other was more than successful.

For that first one, LOUISE SMITH, BUZZ TAYLOR, EVIE HYMAN, and your reporter packed and, with joy, dug out cold charts for a trip to Florida. Indeed, yes, we were going to play with Florida Spaceport at their Treasure Hunt. We even had a New York/New Jersey passenger, SELMA CRO-NAN. Those intrepid Tarheels with baby-sitter problems, got 'em—those with dogs, boarded them—and we waited. The reporter's Bonanza sat poised for take-off from Sunday—LOUISE SMITH'S telephone bill must make the national debt look small—her





President Bea Steadman presenting Charter to Chairman Nita Melvin. Charter is dated Dec. 17, 1969. Charter was presented at the same spot and only a few blocks from Kill Devil Hills. How's that for tying the old with the new?



President Bea Steadman presenting a replica of the Wright Bros. "Bird" on the occasion of this historic charter on a historic site.

V-tail sat in Greensboro. Oh, how we tried! But, THOR simply was not willing to let us be sun-burned. Would you believe—fog, rain, thunderstorms, and even a "rapidly dropping barometer?" And, guess, what, it ended in tornadoes and a postponement for all—to January 14th.

Believe us, Spaceport—we're planning to try again, but we aren't gonna tell Thor about it!

(Side-light to that no-trip—baby-sitter equipped EVIE HYMAN and BUZZ TAYLOR decided NOT to go on back home and did go visit another Carolinas member, NITA HUDMAN—by car—and finished up their Christmas shopping.)

And, then the other trip—we went—BEBE RAGAZ, LOUISE SMITH, EVIE HYMAN, and PS—to Kitty Hawk for the Anniversary of Flight but mainly

the presentation of the new chapter charter to the Kitty Hawk Chapter, our baby sister. Now, this one turned out better than good. We had the boss there, herself B STEADMAN, to make the presentation—and Baron-ing in, Tennessee's chapter chairman, BEE REID and LADY McREYNOLDS. The presentation was most impressive—PRESIDENT STEADMAN, as the first lady to sit at the head table for the First Flight luncheon, gave a tad-bit of history of the 99s and presented the charter to Kitty Hawk chairman NITA MELVIN. Her chapter members donated Kitty Hawk's first airplane to her, too—a wonderful model of the Wright Flyer. Six of Kitty Hawk Chapter's seven charter members were on hand for the presentation. One of those, ESTHER ZELNICK, even flew in all the way from Xenia, Ohio! Kitty Hawk has two new members already since organizing, and both of them were on hand. This is sure to be a smash of a chapter, and we of the Carolinas are mighty proud of them.

Fact is, chairman MELVIN had commented that they had zero funds in their treasury, of course—but, MICHELE EVANS took care of that. During that luncheon, she sold all 20 AE covers that LOUISE SMITH had on hand. So, Kitty Hawk is starting out with \$10—on their very first day of true activity.

Despite the roster data, please note that the Kitty Hawk Chapter charter is truly dated December 17, 1969—exactly 66 years after the Wright brothers first flew a controllable aircraft—and presented at the same spot only a few blocks from the famed Kill Devil Hills.

Next on our agenda—a chapter meeting with an insurance man; incorporation should be completed by 1 January; and a joint-meeting with our little sister likely in January; and, quietly please—Spaceport's Treasure Hunt.

Since we're late on saying cool yule to you-all, all members of the Carolinas Chapter would like to take this precious space to wish each and every 99 all good things with weather that's heavenly in seventy. (Ed. note—I hate morning too—Re your letter, I'm snow-bound in Walkill, N.Y. But will get to you asap. Ed. Note—Someone left a coat at North Central Section—Is it yores?)

#### SUNCOAST CHAPTER

Dotty Birdsong, Reporter

The Florida Suncoast Chapter regular monthly meeting was called in St.



Petersburg at the Yacht Club December 10th after the Spaceport Treasure Hunt in Orlando was cancelled because of weather. Chairman ETHEL GIBSON presided over a most important meeting of issues of chapter insurance, boundaries of the three Florida chapters and our up coming chapter project. This meeting was held aboard a beautiful yacht belonging to MR. SCOTT PRESTON. Some of the girls became seasick, including me, and somewhat shortened the meeting. Our one visitor was MRS. ANN WRIGHT of Washington, D.C. and sister of 49½er LT. COL. HENRY VAN KESTEREN.

An important news item was our own GINNY VAN KESTEREN being crowned the 1970 Florida Flying Queen. Not too long ago she earned her instrument rating and has just passed her commercial written. FLORENCE BEAMON is now checked out in the family Skymaster. DOTTY BIRDSONG won the Grasshopper spot landing contest at Boca Raton in November and received her seaplane rating for Christmas.

Our next meeting will be a combined Flying Farmer-Ninety-Nine overnight January 10th and 11th at the new Birdsong Tampa Downs Airport twelve miles north of Tampa just off I-75. BOB and MARION AUBURN will present their filming "Flying the Spanish Main" at the University of South Florida Theatre and sponsored by Beech Aircraft. A full week-end is planned for all attending. The Orlando Treasure Hunt is scheduled for January 14th with a ten o'clock flyin time. Planes arriving after eleven will be disqualified. All women pilots are invited to fly but each plane must have at least one other girl who does not have to be a pilot. Rain date has been set for January 21st. JUANITA DIERSEBOURG was married in December. OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY GOES OUT TO CAROLYN KENNEDY AND HER FAMILY OF PARROTT, GEORGIA FOR THE LOSS OF HUSBAND, HOWARD. JUST HAD A CALL THAT CAROLYN'S TWENTY-SEVEN YEAR OLD DAUGHTER ALSO PASSED AWAY TODAY.

#### MEMPHIS CHAPTER

Netta Holden, Reporter

Turkey time is over and Christmas is just around the corner. Although this time of year is quite busy for our ladybirds a few did manage to get in a little flying.

Over the Thanksgiving holidays,

GLADYS and GEORGE ESTES visited relatives in Walnut, Mississippi.

MARTHA and FRANK TOBEY flew their Debonair to Heber Springs, Arkansas for lunch.

HILDA SAVAGE and MARGE SCHULTZ flew to Little Rock, Arkansas in Hilda's Mooney.

NETTA and DOUG HOLDEN flew 34 Tango to Baton Rouge, Louisiana to spend Thanksgiving with the Senior Holdens. It was a beautiful clear night flight.

GENNY COOK has been flying locally in a Cherokee 180.

JUNE PENTECOST flew her Cessna to Dyersburg, Tennessee. June says she tries to fly at least once a week.

SYLVIA and BILL LUCAS spent the Thanksgiving holidays with their parents in Foley, Alabama. They will also be there for Christmas.

ROSEMARY WILLIAMS was real lonesome when the rest of the Williams went skiing in Colorado. ROSEMARY had hurt her foot at the time.

VIRGINIA and EVERETT PROCTOR's son, RICK, received his private license in November. VIRGINIA says she is letting 01 Romero rest over the holidays.

POLLY and HOWARD DUNCAN went to Bull Shoals over the holidays and are planning to do some Texas coast traveling in their new trailer.

HILDA SAVAGE had a new transponder put in 44W. She and ROSEMARY WILLIAMS spent an afternoon waxing and polishing her Mooney at Hi-Air. They had quite a few requests for wax jobs from other plane owners.

My 49½ER DOUG flew 34 Tango to New York City. DOUG had quite some experiences with ice and snow. Flying back with him from Chattanooga, Tennessee, I had my first experience with icing. All I can say is mountains and icing aren't my "cup of tea".

Bye for now and may the New Year bring happy-flying to one and all.

#### TENNESSEE CHAPTER

Ruth W. Thomas, Reporter

Merry Christmas from the Tennessee 99s.

Our December meeting was a festive

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affair—BEE REID, Chairman, prepared a tasty luncheon topped off with a cherry cake. We ate, chatted and held our business meeting in the General Aviation Lounge of the Chattanooga airport.

Present were: LADY McREYNOLDS, MARIE HURLEY, JO CHANDLER, DONNA BOWERS and RUTH THOMAS from Knoxville; SARAH DUKE, BEE REID, IRENE FLEWELLEN and student pilot RACHEL PRUITT from Chattanooga. The meeting was held on the raindate and kept CHARLOTTE PARISH and EDNA BROYLES from attending. They had last minute Christmas and Santa Claus shopping to do.

On the agenda were such items as: defining our chapter boundaries, determining how to contribute our share to the cost of the Southeast Section bulletin, appointing new chairmen AND discussing future plans—as far in the future as 1974.

LURA ODLAND was not able to meet with us on the raindate. She had to substitute for one of her teachers. DR. ODLAND, Dean of the Home Economics College at the University of Tennessee was recently granted an honorary Doctor of Science degree from the University of Rhode Island—the first one made to a home economist. In mid-November LURA took part in the White House Conference on Food, Nutrition and Health.

BEE REID, LADY McREYNOLDS and EVELYN JOHNSON are flying the coast to help celebrate the anniversary of powered flight and to witness the chartering of the Kitty Hawk Chapter of 99s—that's December the 17th.

The following appointments have been made: Flying Activities Chairman—MARILYN AYERS, Oak Ridge; Membership Chairman — EVELYN JOHNSON, Morristown; APT Chairman—LADY McREYNOLDS, Knoxville.

The January meeting in Tri-Cities has been changed to the second Saturday with a raindate the third Saturday. BETTY WICKER and KAY SANDERS won't be back from vacations in time for the regularly scheduled date.

SARAH DUKE attended the CAP National Board Meeting in New Orleans in November. Sarah was CAP Project Officer. Gen. Ward Reilly, last year's recipient of our Annual Award, was reelected chairman of the CAP Board.

DOT JONES returned from Florida in time for the December meeting. DOT is planning to move to Florida. She is a licensed Interior Decorator



and plans to work in the Miami area.

BEE REID attended the Beech Annual Sales Spectacle in Atlanta the first of December.

IRENE FLEWELLEN is working full time at the Dallas Bay Sky Park. She will take off for lunch any time you fly in.

For a wedding present BEVERLY COFRANCISCO was given a tract of land to develop into a shopping area. Hubby will do the building (he is a contractor) and Beverly will be the manager.

JUDY BARTON COX is teaching baton twirling four afternoons each week. One of her classes took part in the Santa Claus parade in Maryville. The youngest member, a four-year old, strutted and twirled the entire route—about a mile and a half.

HISTORY NOTE: The first Tennessee 99 to be elected a Section officer was PEARL BROCK. PEARL served as Sec.-Treas. in 1942-43.

NEW MEMBER: HARRIET SMITH, Oak Ridge, Tennessee.



#### ALL-OHIO CHAPTER Judy LaRue, Reporter

Well, for our annual Christmas party this year, the weatherman blessed us with rain instead of snow—rain, rain and more rain!! I don't believe we had one fly-in, but the attendance was great.

Those who did not attend missed a delicious buffet which was topped off with cherry cobbler. ANNE ESSEL-BURNE and MARILYN MILLER did a great job in hostessing an absolutely wonderful party, and many thanks from all who attended for the goody bags. They contained items which can be put to very good use.

ROSALIE BRACHT has more coffee mugs for sale from the All-Ohio Chapter. The set of four make a real nice gift.

Congratulations to JOAN MACE who received her multi-engine rating.

Can't wait to see everyone in Cleveland at our next meeting and hear about who went where over the holidays. So ya'll be there!

Until next month, happy landings!

Greater Kansas City Chapter 99s have designed the gummed stamp to help promote interest in the AWTAR as well as women in aviation.

By using these stamps you, too, will be supporting the Powder Puff Derby.

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#### GREATER KANSAS CITY CHAPTER

Our Christmas dinner-dance at the Hotel Bellerive, December 12th, featured fine food, danceable music and great companionship. MARY ANN NOAH and her committee did a fine job, including beautiful table decorations featuring wrought iron lanterns, red candles and Christmas greenery. The occasion was made even more festive by the announcement that COLENE GORDON and DALE DRUMMOND are to be married in February!

Verbal flowers to JOANN REINDL and RUTH STAFFORD. They delivered very inspirational talks on women in aviation to about 100 persons, mostly senior girls of Wray County, Missouri. The event took place November 3rd, Monday, at Richmond, Missouri. They also got a plug in for the Ninety-Nines.

BONNIE FERGUSON has to be Kansas City's Ninety-Nine of the month. She has just received her Instrument Rating. In less than two years, BONNIE has received her Private Pilot License, her Commercial License, her Flight Instructor rating, and her Instrument rating! Since February 1969 when she started instructing, she has logged about 500 hours and has signed off for check rides thirteen private students and three commercial students. At the present time she is instructing about fifty students, some in cooperation with two other instructors, including young men from Wentworth Academy. Bonnie, we are proud of you!

#### GREATER ST. LOUIS CHAPTER Fannie Jennings, Reporter

Hi there! It sure is hard to get ready for Christmas after spending a week in the Bahamas. SHAFERS, JENNINGS and BITZERS (friends from Collinsville) spent the week of Nov. 23 island hopping in the Bahams in a Cherokee Six. We spent three days in the very

relaxing atmosphere of Hopetown, then to Nassau and Freeport for some "Fun and games." The islands are beautiful and the weather a delightful change. Sure was a let-down to come back to our 30 degree temperature.

Despite the snow and threatened road conditions, we had a good turn out for our Nov. meeting at ERMA MANZO'S. MR. TEMPLETON from the FSS in St. Louis was our guest of the evening, discussing the proposed TV weather programming on Channel 9. Because of the tremendous increase in flying activities (and it's anticipated to almost double by 1979), it is becoming increasingly difficult to handle all the weather briefings by phone. He is talking with all the aviation groups in the area trying to determine what type of weather information we would want if and when these programs go on the air. They are hoping for a trial run sometime early next year. MARY LOWE is in charge of coordinating our ideas so that we may give him suggestions on what we think is the minimum amount of information needed in such a program.

AMY LAWS and SUE MATHEIS have completed their Aero Study Program with "flying colors." Of course, we didn't expect anything less.

ERMA MANZO and her husband were in New Orleans the end of October on "business." I personally think that New Orleans is a great place for a business trip.

BETTY BOARD and NORMA BRAUCH are attending classes at Meramec Jr. College to learn to be AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLERS. (You know those 'guys' you were absolutely terrified of when you were a student pilot.) Both of them say this is harder than instrument ground or anything else they have encountered in flying. EUT—the girls are leading the class.



youngest girl. The Pot of Gold was full too.

MARY KITCHENS is going to spend January 8 with the Wichita Falls Chapter; she will show the movie "The Little People". If the weather is good, LOU ELLEN FOSTER'S HUSBAND, LEWIS, will do the round trip flying honors.

PEG and JIM ONG have flown south for a few days in the sun down in Old Mexico.

RICK and JANIE KING are going to spend Christmas in Iowa with JANIE'S parents. I certainly hope a blizzard doesn't just happen to be there at that time.

PAT CLARK now has half of an Ercoupe to go with her whole Bonanza.

HAZEL McKENDRICK was off to Washington to attend the Corson Committee hearings as representative of National Association of Air Traffic Specialists and then she went on to meet MIKE in New York City where they will go to Wallkill State Prison to visit her brother-in-law for Christmas. She says he's the Warden. Wonder why she packed that file!

There is much rumbling underfoot that PAT JETTON may be deciding to take on another job in Ninety-Nines. She is doing a great job on membership and all who have had a chance to see her operate know what a great Governor she was for our section. Watch this column for future developments.

May the New Year bring you C A V U in all you attempt to do.

#### **EL PASO CHAPTER**

**Lois Hailey, Reporter**

Flying excitement has been a little short this season. Bad weather spoiled two planned poker runs, so the next try at the poker run will be in January.

BETTY ROGERS and RUBY TATMAN did have a thrilling airline tour to Australia, New Zealand, and the Fijis. In Sidney they met with two 99's, MARIE RICHARDSON and RONETTE WILLIAMS, and in Melbourne they met FRED THOMPSON. Due to the pre-arranged flight schedule they could not take advantage of a fly-in to an Australian sheep camp. That would have been great fun. Nevertheless they were thrilled with all, and we hope they will show us pics and tell us more about it.

We had a wonderful Christmas party at the home of MARY FRAN and HANK SEIDL on Dec. 6. MARY FRAN had everything beautifully set to bring

us right into the Christmas season. Present were JEAN BYARS, WANDA CREAMER, PHYLLIS MCCARTHY, JOHN and EMMA UDOVICH, JACKY and BO FAGIN, DORIS SHREVE and "SHREVE", NORMA McREYNOLDS, MARY FRAN and HANK SEIDL, RUTH and CHARLIE DEERMAN, MARY and NOEL OLMSTEAD, NORMA KUDIESY, LOIS HAILEY, HESTER and KAY OAKES and son KEN.

WANDA GARSON is now settled in Florida. Her address is 2100 Howel Branch Rd., Apt. 25C, Maitland, Fla. 32751, Ph. 305-671-4614.

BARBARA BOOKER is our new 66, and RAMONA DUNCAN just received her license. RUTH DEERMAN has made an addition to her collection of tickets, and now has her Instrument Ground Instructor.

#### **KANSAS CHAPTER**

**Charlotte Russell, Reporter**

On a beautiful but windy November 22nd forty-three enthusiastic pilots attended a combined Kansas, Oklahoma, and Topeka meeting in Wellington, Kansas. Among the women present were nine guests. There were four Ninety-Nines Charter Members present: HELEN SIMMONS, HAZEL GUY, MARY VAN SCYOC of the Kansas Chapter and BRONETA EVANS of the Oklahoma Chapter, a past International President. Also present were SUSIE SEWELL, presently on the International Executive Board and NEMA MASONHALL who is in charge of the South Central Sectional History. After coffee MR. JOHN HOWARD, the Wellington AI showed an excellent film on Wake Turbulence prepared by the FAA. With this briefing in mind everyone set out to physically or mentally participate in the contests of the day. The results of a rousing competition showed the winners of the bomb drop to be: 1st place CHARLOTTE PARKER and PHYLLIS OSBORN in a Cherokee 140; 2nd place went to JAN MILLION and DELORES PASIERB in a Cessna 172. The victors in the spot landing contest were: 1st place MARY AIKINS and LOIS KREBS in a Cessna 150 Aerobat with 2nd place going to LORENE RENTFROW and IDA SCHLITTER in a Bonanza. Other contestants were CONNIE JONES and NEMA MASONHALL in a Mooney and NORMA TURNER and MARY DEPEW in a Cherokee Arrow. Six trophy cups were awarded to the winning pilots and their bombardiers. Altogether this was a very successful meeting.

HAZEL GUY has been appointed by the executive board as Secretary of the Kansas Chapter of the 99's, succeeding OLIVE KEMPER whose resignation has been accepted.

PAT McEWEN and husband OWEN flew Pat's Bonanza to Los Angeles for a meeting of the International Arabian Horse Association of which OWEN is the Vice-President. While in L.A. they got together with SUZANNE BEECH WARNER, former Kansas 99, and husband TOM who flew the McEWENS to San Diego in their new Beech Duke. PAT spent a day with THON GRIFFITH of the Orange County 99's Chapter.

On Saturday night December 6th the Kansas 99's and their husbands got together at the lovely home of PAT and OWEN McEWEN in Wichita for a festive Christmas party. Each couple brought some sort of white elephant to be auctioned off by C. A. COFER, a professional auctioneer and 49½'er of our BETTY COFER. Although C. A. usually auctions off horses, he rose to the occasion and situation and the grand total of the bidding was \$85.50. This money has been put in a savings account as the beginnings of a special fund for our up and coming 99's International Convention in Wichita in 1971. With the enthusiasm and support shown at the party, we all have great hopes for a great year in 1970!

#### **OMAHA AREA CHAPTER**

**Georgiann Rynearson, Reporter**

Twenty seven 99s, 66s and their husbands ushered in the holiday season on Sunday, December 7, with a Christmas party in connection with our regular meeting at the home of MARGARET and GUENTER SOBECK. First was a pot luck dinner with turkey and all the trimmings. Not only can 99s fly, but they can really cook, too.

After dinner, the members secluded themselves for a business meeting, while the men did some hangar flying. Our main topics of discussion were getting new members and working up a money-making project. Several items have been suggested for possible sale and we are trying to narrow down to one to submit to the board for approval.

A change has been made in our committee chairmen. EDNA FERRELL decided that one can do only so much and had to resign as chairman of the aerospace education committee. MARGARET SOBECK has consented to take over from Edna.



We were pleased to have ROSEMARIE BURKETT, currently of the Shreveport Chapter, but originally one of our members, back with us. While her husband is in Vietnam, ROSEMARIE will be here in Omaha. We hope he will again be stationed at Offutt Air Force Base so that ROSEMARIE can stay with us. She is an asset to any chapter she joins.

After the business was all taken care of, there came more fun, as a mock casino was set up. At the close of the evening, "white elephant" gift packages were purchased by bid with the poker chips each person had accumulated. There were many surprises when the boxes were opened.

HELEN EHRLICH reports that the L16 which her husband, JOHN, and BUB PURDY, Nebraska Chapter 49½ER, are converting to an "almost Citabria" is almost ready to go. HELEN and MARTHA PURDY seem to be just as anxious as the men to get this plane in the air. Are you girls going to give us all a ride?

Believe it or not, but we finally had two nice week-ends in November. Taking advantage of that were VERDAYNE and DICK MENZE, BETTY and BOB JARVIS and family and ROSEMARY and MAX BLOCK and family. They all flew out to BETTY JARVIS'S brother's ranch near Broken Bow the week-end after Thanksgiving.

The next meeting will be on January 12 with BARBARA KREJCI and JANICE KNEIFL as co-hostesses.

Hope everyone has had a merry holiday and is well on his way to a happy year.

#### PIKES PEAK CHAPTER

Janie Oesch, Reporter

Forty people attended our tour to Cheyenne Mountain including 5 girls from the Spanish Peak chapter and their Chairman, GERTRUDE HOWARD; BEBE BARRETT and her 49½ from the Oklahoma chapter; BUNNY SCHMIDT, DONNA JONES and her 49½ from the Colorado chapter. MARION HEIN was chairman of this tour.

DOROTHY MYER, LINDA WATSON and JO ANN SHIPLEY, cardinaled to Pueblo Muni for the Spanish Peak fly-in luncheon. PAULINE MEIGHEN and RHEA ALLISON 4 wheeled it.

Along with her other trophies RHEA ALLISON is displaying the head of a 5-point buck that she shot on the 1st day of our hunting season near Fairplay, Colorado.

DOROTHY MYERS soloed it down



Pictured above are the Pikes Peak Chapter, Spanish Peaks Chapter, and Colorado Chapter, 99's and 49½ers, who toured the North American Air Defense Command Headquarters in Cheyenne Mountain at Colorado Springs, Colorado, on November 5, 1969.

to OKC last month in a Cardinal.

Plans are progressing to air mark Limon, Colorado airport.

This year's Christmas party was a covered dish dinner at Dorothy Myer's home. Instead of exchanging gifts an equal monetary contribution sweetened our treasury.

When she isn't selling or flying tow planes at the Black Forest Gliderport, RHEA ALLISON with PAULINE MEIGHEN and her 49½er, are spending their free time snagging salmon at Granby Lake.

This reporter received her Commercial licenses recently.

Happy Soaring.

#### TIP OF TEXAS CHAPTER

Catharina Blehn, Reporter

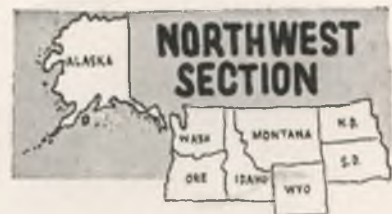
On Dec. 1, we had a very interesting evening. PAULINE arranged to have MR. WHITE from the Corpus Christi NASA tracking station to come to the airport and show us the film of Apollo 11 landing on the moon. Also shown were movies about Density Altitude and Instrument Flight. We had a very good attendance and everyone was well pleased.

We sewed scarves again at our last Dec. 6 meeting. ARDATH is selling them faster in McAllen than we can make them.

SONJA will be a 99 member before long.

ELAINE NEEDHAM, our member

at large, will be spending the Christmas holidays in Corpus Christi, and has planned to do some air markings with PAULINE.



#### ALASKA CHAPTER

Catherine Kippenhan, Reporter

This newsletter will have to be written before the Alaska Chapter holds its annual Christmas party. But we feel safe in saying that it will be a huge success. In years past this social affair has been held in local restaurants. This year Chairman BLANCHE KRAGER has offered her home for the evening of December 20th. Each 99 and 49½er will contribute some portion of the food and beverages. A pre-dinner social hour will be held at the Kippenhan's. If our Chapter gets any larger we will have to rent a barn next year!

This reporter received a surprise telephone call the morning of December 1st from Santa Clara Valley Chapter member BONNIE SEYMOUR. BONNIE had accompanied her husband to Alaska for a brief stay. I managed to





Alaska Chapter Chairman Blanche Krager (left) receives toothbrushes and toothpaste from Bonnie Seymour, Santa Clara Valley Chapter member. This gift is intended for the villagers at St. Michael, Alaska. See Alaska News for details.



The Alaska Chapter entertains Bonnie Seymour, Santa Clara Valley Chapter. Left to right: Cathy Kippenhan, Ruth Hurst, Marion Zaegel, Bonnie Seymour, Blanche Krager, Anne Wilbur, Margaret Wagnon; front, Pat McGee, Karen Tiede. Photo taken by Stephany Dedrick.

round up several of our girls and we entertained BONNIE that evening. In attendance were BLANCHE KRAGER, RUTH HURST, MARION ZAEGEL, ANNE WILBUR, MARGARET WAGNON, PAT MCGEE, STEPHANY DEDRICK, myself and prospective member KAREN TIEDE. In an attempt to show BONNIE a little bit of Alaska

not seen by all visitors, we showed slides of a polar bear hunt and a whale kill. BONNIE presented the Alaska Chapter with 50 tubes of toothpaste and 50 brushes, which the Santa Clara Valley Chapter was donating to the village of St. Michael. The Alaska Chapter will take care of seeing that this generous gift reaches the VISTA

representative in St. Michael. BONNIE and her husband were looking at land 125 miles north of Anchorage in the Talkeetna area. We unanimously decided that BONNIE would make a terrific Alaskan and look forward to seeing her again soon.

On the Flying Front, MARILYNN GRIFFIN has gone Outside to Nevada for several weeks to get her CFI and RUTH O'BUCK is studying for her ATR. The rest of us are *thinking snow*. Anchorage, so far, has had the 3rd lightest snowfall since 1916. The skiers are reminiscing about last year's runs and the snowmobilers have the longest faces in town.

JIM and LIZ FELLABAUM (formerly of the El Paso Chapter) have recently moved into their brand new home on the outskirts of Anchorage. LIZ generously provided refreshments for our November meeting at the FAA building. The coffee and cookies were so delicious that there is a movement afoot to make LIZ *permanent coffee maker* (there's a moral in that somewhere).

MARION and BILL ZAEGEL are busy in Washington, D.C. the week of December 8th. We certainly hope they return in time for the Christmas party.

At the January meeting we will be back to business with the finalizing of plans for our early Spring AOPA pinch-hitter course.

Happy New Year to all from the Alaska Chapter.

#### EASTERN IDAHO CHAPTER

Diane Jex, Reporter

'Tis the season to be jolly again, and this reporter hasn't done much toward gathering news. There have been too many other things to do this month.

In November several members flew to Jackpot, Nevada for our meeting. They were LOIS BAUER, PAT DUKICH, PAT CHASE, ONITA HOFF, CAROLYN RIZZIE and DARLENE SCHIERS. Guests were LORETTA FLETCHER and MICKEY DUKICH. Plans were made for the Christmas party and the coming 1970 Section meeting was discussed.

GLEN and DIANE JEX flew to Salt Lake to spend a week-end away from work. Their hangar was finally completed. This has taken a whole summer, but at last their Colt will be covered before snow flies.

On December 7, most of our members, with husbands or escorts,



descended upon DARLENE SCHIERS' home in Pocatello. Everyone brought something for dinner and the aroma of roasting turkey was mouth watering. There were 26 people there, almost all were pilots, and everyone had a very good time.

It was difficult to find out all the recent news, but this much did help for our report. FRENCE and KEN CUNNINGTON have been doing a bit of flying around the country—Palm Springs and Great Falls were two places mentioned.

ONITA HOFF has been taking advantage of the good weather, too. She recently made a trip to Mountain Home to visit her daughter-in-law and granddaughter.

We have another new member, GLENNA LINDERMAN. Her husband, BOB, is a flight instructor in Idaho Falls.

ELAINE and CLARK PARTRIDGE are very happy parents of a baby girl named ELIZABETH. She is four weeks old now.

PAT and MICKEY DUKICH are baby-sitting with a French Poodle puppy. They will be spending Christmas with friends in San Francisco and the puppy is a gift for their host.

The January meeting will be in Blackfoot on the 17th. Hostess will be DIANE JEX.

#### **EASTERN WASHINGTON CHAPTER** **Irene Anrode, Reporter**

"Wonderful time had by all", was the only way to describe our annual November meeting at CARL & MINNIE BOYD'S. Present for the delicious food and delightful hangar flying were MILLY & SHERL SHINN, LEONA & BOB HEBERLING, LYGIE & CORNIE HAGAN, TERRI BECKER, HARRY & RENIE ANRODE and guests HELEN & BOB SHANEWISSE. HELEN, by the way, was still in the "to-be-convinced" stage last Christmas. Now she has her private and is rapidly picking up dual toward both instrument and commercial ratings! The "bug" really bites! !

Not present was our chairman, ALBERTA ANDERSON. She and 49½er ROD were busy having quite an adventure for themselves. Flying in a beautifully equipped Cessna 320B belonging to the GORDON SMITH'S they took a two week tour of Miami and on to Eluthera Island in the Bahamas. ALBERTA reports very good accommo-



**IRENE ANRODE, LYGIE HAGAN, MARY LYMAN (Western Washington) and FERN LAKE give an assist at the Instrument Flight Instructor Clinic held in Spokane, Washington.**

dations and an excellent golf course at the Cotton Bay Club — for those of you planning vacation trips to the islands.

One story of ALBERTA'S I believe should be shared. Since they were leaving Florida the same day as the Apollo takeoff was scheduled, they planned their departure to coincide. The weather was poor, but since both men were instrument rated, and the plane was a turbo with de-icing equipment, it was decided to file for VFR on top at 22,000 and hold for picture taking. Things went fine to 18,000, when suddenly ALBERTA reports "the plane felt like a windowpane hit by a garden hose". Instantly they were covered with a heavy sheet of ice! ROD scrambled to contact ATC as GORDON started a diving 180. As they descended, the ice disappeared.

Icing conditions, as we all know, are nothing to fool with. Nor can heavy icing be predicted. Frankly ALBERTA, we're very glad to have you back!

Congratulations to LYGIE HAGAN on obtaining her multi-engine rating and to MYRA HETTINGER on obtaining her instrument rating. Also congratulations to IRENE ANRODE on racking up high point total for this year's Northwest Section Achievement Award. The trophy was not hers, however, since it cannot be awarded to the same person two years in succession.

Here's hoping 1970 will find you all "flying high"! !

#### **GREATER SEATTLE CHAPTER** **Mary Ellen Palmer, Reporter**

We are rearranging our meeting dates so that the news will be more current, but for now, we still have some pretty elderly news to report. Our November meeting was held at Spanaway, Wash. Their welcome was most congenial complete with rounding up a photographer from the Northwest Flyer to take our picture. There were nine members and five guests present for a total of about eight airplanes. As far as I know, we all flew in.

HELEN DURHAM had great tales to tell about her moose hunting trip to Alaska in October. She was sorry she missed contacting the Anchorage girls, but a three and a half hour delay in Homer, Alaska with a broken fuel pump on the Electra meant she had to dash through Anchorage. She got her moose though and arrived home to find her Skylane torn apart for an annual. So she flew her 49½er's Aeronca Champ to the November meeting.

BETTY KRAMER recently passed her instrument written. Now on to the check-ride.

LUELLA BURROWS and family flew to Gold Beach, Oregon to try the Rogue River trip only to discover it wasn't running. But a good time



was had by all at the Oregon Dunes on the way home.

On December 12, this reporter attended the December meeting of the Washington State Aeronautics Commission and found it absolutely fascinating. Here is a bit of the mighty democratic process that wants to hear from the general aviation public. The attention they give is heady stuff. Up for discussion was the possibilities of legislation making Downed Aircraft Rescue Transmitters (DARTs) mandatory for all aircraft operating in Washington state.

Our annual Christmas party was held at ILOVENE POTTER'S home December 13 with the Western Washington Chapter, from whence most of us came. It was attended by good friends too numerous to mention and was a huge success.

ILOVENE plans to ferry a new Yankee home from Cleveland, Ohio in mid-January—no radio. The airplane had a service ceiling of 11,000 ft. Should be a very interesting flight.

The Palmers leave December 17 in a Cessna 206 to spend Christmas with relatives in Lexington, Kentucky.

#### IDAHO CHAPTER

Eula Logsdon, Reporter

The Idaho Chapter's November meeting was held at Boise Aviation with FLORENCE WATKINS and KATIE BURKE serving as co-hostesses. The business meeting was followed by luncheon at the Boise Air Terminal and then everyone went back to Boise Aviation to see how sharp we were on pre-flighting a "bugged" airplane. Don't know who the champion "debugger" was but heard some of the girls caught 18 of the 20 faults. Something like this will help keep us on our toes. This was a guest meeting and in attendance were FLORENCE WATKINS with her guest and daughter JANET who is a student pilot, KATIE BURKE, FRAN BROWN, ELOISE STOVER, HILDA ELLIOTT, HELEN HIGBY, LYN CLARK, BETTY HUBLER with her guest DOROTHY FENDER, a private pilot from Caldwell, JACQUE BATT, GENE NORA JESSEN, EULA LOGSDON, and JOY LOU WAITE who flew in from Jerome with guest HELEN COOKE.

Our December meeting will be held Saturday, December 20th, with JACQUE BATT in Wilder. This is a Christmas party for all members and



Idaho Chapter Charter Members who attended 15th Anniversary Party in November in Boise. L. to R. Claire Justad, Eula Logsdon, Fran Brown, Laura Conner.

49½ers and is a sort of pot luck affair, with JACQUE furnishing the turkey and trimmings, and the rest of us helping out on incidentals.

We were all sorry to hear that our Vice-Chairman, SHIRLEY CHANEY has resigned. SHIRLEY reports she is so involved with their new cabin, which she and BUZZ are building themselves at Pistol Creek in the back country, and other commitments that her time just will not stretch. We are all sorry to lose her and hope next year she can find time to rejoin us. In the meantime, EULA LOGSDON has been appointed by the Executive Committee to fill the unexpired term.

Not much flying weather these days. However GENE NORA and BOB JESSEN have taken a couple trips to Cabin Creek in the Primitive Area, and also spent Thanksgiving there. KATIE BURKE is still busy flying for Boise Aviation.

#### MONTANA CHAPTER

Elsie Johnson, Reporter

LAULETTE HANSEN of Great Falls recently returned from an extended trip which took her to Russia to visit

her daughter, LAULETTE, JR. who is an exchange student at Leningrad. LAULETTE, JR., is a former Montana 99 member. LAULETTE SR. flew by Northwest Orient Airlines to New York, then by another airline to Copenhagen, changed again and on to Leningrad where she spent a week visiting and sightseeing. On return she flew to Amsterdam, then to Dublin, Ireland where she toured the southern part of Ireland and then to New York and home; all this in three weeks.

MARY STEVENSON of Missoula is instructing University of Montana ROTC students for one of the base operators at Johnson-Bell Field.

MAVIS LORENZ of Missoula, an excellent hunter, got an elk again this year.

CAPTAIN LIVINGSTON of Malmstrom Air Force Base gave a good, informative talk on survival at our last 99 meeting in Great Falls, on December 6. Much interesting and useful information was heard by the 21 members and four guests who attended the luncheon meeting. PEARL MAGILL, the new chairman appointed the race chairman for next year's state race. More on that at a later date.



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