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President's Column

Milestones — the ballots have gone out. The Powder Puff Derby is finished. Resolutions have been sent to chapters. Renewals are going out.

Thank you for a wonderful year. I have tried to be a conscientious and hard-working president. There have been some problems which were hard to solve, and which perhaps I didn't solve quite to suit everybody.

But I did try — and come what may, I shall continue to be a hard-working and loyal Ninety Nine. To me it is a great organization.

Perhaps we need to change some of our procedures, examine our aims, look far ahead to the future of our Ninety Nines.

Let me know — And believe that your Executive Board, whoever may be on it, will be trying its best to steer you on a straight course.

Meanwhile — in many ways it has been a fun year for me — giving charters to new and eager chapters, attending sectionals and seeing the thoughtful efforts of 99s everywhere to take us ahead; correspondence — nearly 700 letters written by me personally (without secretarial help!) plus all those Joanie did and the ones Loretta Gragg at Headquarters prepared —

Committee work — I have had the finest group of Committee Chairmen ever —

I have enjoyed every copy of chapter news letters which crossed my desk. Some of them are truly superlative. All help to tie us together.

Contacts with international members — fellas, I wish we could each be Prez just once! It's a wonderful experience!

The Powder Puff made its 25th sortie across the skies of our nation and in fact across TWO nations this year — making some 2500 women who have flown the All Woman's Transcontinental Air Race without casualty —

There have been other races in which 99s were predominantly participants — we have flown blood-lifts and mercy-lifts of many kinds, Direct Relief Foundation, medical- and missionary air-lifts — we have helped with Wing Scouts and CAP and FAA —

We have lost some wonderful members who took their last flight one way or another through the year — we have gained new members in this land and abroad —

We have taken more part in national affairs such as the Talent Bank, the Air-Evac activities, speaking and teaching and assisting with Aerospace Education in all its phases —

Individual members have made names for themselves in many areas —

We hope that our older members gaze with pride on the organization they formed so many years ago, that our new members look forward to new triumphs, and women pilots everywhere believe that the Ninety Nines are the finest women in the aviation world — and want to join us.

Thank you again — and stay with the Ninety Nines, helping it to grow and become even greater — and stick with your officers, whether they be re-elected incumbents or demoted from Chief Pilots to Line Boys. We'll still be Ninety Nines and happy about it!



HEADLINES from Hazel

I'm sitting here with mixed emotions as I write this column for the last time. This column that started some three years ago and has, I hope, brought some worthwhile information, some humor, some pathos, and in general the reflections of your Editor. And now as it comes to a close, I am both glad and full of heart. I shall miss the letters from all over the world, many of which, had a special note to me enclosed in the report. I shall miss the advance issue of the News as I am always eager to see how "This issue" looks. I

shall miss the 40 lashes with a wet noodle that I occasionally got from an irate member. I don't think I shall miss the 20th of the month and the attendant pressures. Thanks to all of you who have shared these last three years with me as reporters, officers, members, and readers. I know that the new editor will have the same good cooperation that I have had. Some of you still don't read instructions and still have glorious excuses as to why the report is late or long or whatever. That all goes into this job. I hope I have served you well. I have done my best. There were many things I had hoped to do, some were done, some other goals left to the gal who will take my place. Now on to my last chance to sound off without fear of being censored.

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I invite your attention to the article on PAINT. We have access to free paint for our air marking projects. I trust we will all make good use of it. I also invite your attention to the Safety Bulletin for this month. It is particularly good. I hope this is a feature that will be continued. I think

a gentle reminder each month on some problem area in aviation is very worth while.

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I was asked to advise all of you that the proceeds from the Nebraska Air Race will go to Brenda Griesman Fund. Brenda is a highschool student at Spalling High school. She was sixteen when she was critically injured in an airplane crash which killed the pilot instructor and two of his students. Brenda survives and has been making a valiant struggle ever since the accident in February. The Nebraska Ninety Nines want to help this girl and her parents. Thus the donations of the proceeds from the Air Race. I'm sure that all who participate in the air race will have added incentive to do so. Brenda wherever you are, I wish you well. I'm sure that you are going to be all back in good shape soon.

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Finally, she said exiting with a laugh, I have included the aviation definitions by the 5th graders. I have had many requests for a reprint and this is the best way for all of you to have a copy. Remember keep APT, fly safely, get involved, and we'll see you at convention. This is thirty.

Aviation Education — 5th Grade Style

1. Did you know that the first lady aviator was Kitty Hawk? That Roger Wilco invented the "language of communication"?
2. QUESTION: On his first flight how long was Wilbur Wright in the air? ANSWER: I'm not sure. Five feet something with his shoes on.
3. Euclid thought out how to make geometry help people to fly. He was born in the 300's and died in the 200's. That is another thing he thought out how to do. He thought out how to do it by using B.C.'s.
4. The Wright Brothers made their first flight in 1903. 1903 was really in the 20th century but everybody was behind the times in those days.
5. During the Twenties, people started walking on airplane wings and things like that. I know it is crazy but this was before television or anything so what else was there to do?
6. Floyd Bennet comes from the year 1926. He is a famous aviator few people have ever heard of.
7. Charles Lindberg was the first to fly to Paris. He did it by the airplane method.
8. The navigator figures out the latitude and longitude. The latitude tells him where he is and longitude tells him how long he can stay there.
9. The three main crewmen on a plane are the pilot, navigator and percolator.
10. I know what a sextant is but I had rather not say.
11. A visa is a passport permitting an airplane to leave the country. For round trips you need a visa versa.

12. The North Star is, as a "mattery" fact, almost straight north. This is quite a coincidents.
13. Our Mother Earth has small poles and a large equator because of the tremendous speed as she hurdles through the space. Since we are along for the ride, we too tend to be flat at our poles and round at our equators.
14. Some people can tell what time it is by looking at the sun but I have never been able to make out the numbers.
15. So far planes have only been able to fly in circles of no more than 360 degrees. This could be the next big breakthrough in air travel.

APRIL IN PARIS

JULIE VOM SAAL

NY/NJ SECTION-GOV.

Fabulous is the word for Paris and the red carpet that was rolled out for me by the new French Section Governor MARIE JOSEPH de BEAUREGARD and four of their seven charter members. They drove me and my family to Le Bourget Airport where two of their planes were patiently parked, then up and away for a beautiful flight over the Normandy countryside to the coast of Le Havre. Then to the famous Aero-Club de France where we were wine and dined. Lucky me to represent the 99's so I chose this time to present their Governor and members present with the Charter and a letter of welcome from International President BETTY McNABB. As if this was not enough, later that evening NICOLE PERCEVAL—Pilote Professionnel D'Avion, Aerial Photographer with such ratings as: 5300 hours, Glider, Aerobit, Parachutist (97 free falls), flight instructor and flite examiner—and DANIELLE DECURE, ATR-ASME-AMEL, Glider, flight instructor with over 1000 hours in Mystere 20 jet Falcon—how about that for being qualified? Now back to the red carpet. NICOLE gave us a car tour of Paris by night to see the historic buildings and fountains lighted.

Do I like Paris? You can bet your propeller I do.

South African Section

YVONNE VAN DEN DOOL, Reporter

INITIATION OF 243/4RS

Candidates must raise their left hand and cross their fingers. This initiation was done en mass.

I promise not to nag my mother, or demand her attention unnecessarily. I promise to help with the housework, to help wash the dishes and assist with any cooking, so as to give my mother more time to fly.

I promise to do my homework and not to expect my mother to help me. I promise not to interrupt when my mother is studying for a licence or a rating, and never to tell anyone if she gets us lost. If the landing is rough, I must say that the wind is very gusty today.

The Jimmie Kolp Memorial Award

JIMMIE HUDSON KOLP was a gracious and thoughtful lady with a never-ending interest in people from all walks of life. She believed in the Ninety-Nines—its purpose and ideals—and was willing to work very hard to further its cause. Although she was the recipient of many awards, she sought no special recognition for her efforts. To her it was a privilege to serve the Ninety-Nines and general aviation.

JIMMIE KOLP was a person with a positive outlook. She was always full of encouragement for others and admired anyone with a competitive spirit even though they might not be winners. She was a vibrant, sensitive woman—full of charm, grace, and modesty—who was admired and respected by her fellow pilots.

JIMMIE held a Commercial License numbered 10038 and had owned her own airplane and airport since 1929. She had well over 5000 solo hours.

She was a member of the 99's since 1930 and was the National Treasurer, the Newsletter Editor, Chairman of the Fact Finding Committee, a Trustee of the Amelia Earhart Fund and the Treasurer and Permanent Member of the 99 Museum Board. In 1950, she received the 99 Trophy for Contributing the Most to Aviation.

JIMMIE was a member of the First Womens Advisory Committee on Aviation, May 1964. In 1942, she became the first woman commissioned in Civil Air Patrol in Texas and flew courier service out of San Antonio. She was the first woman President of the Texas Private Fliers; a member of the Veteran Pilots Association and Silver Wings; Secretary-Treasurer of the OX-5 Club when it was started in Texas



JIMMIE KOLP AWARD

and received the OX-5 Award in 1968; a member of the Texas Aeronautics Commission; NAA Regional Director; a member of the Sportsman Pilots; and a member of the Wichita Falls Aviation Board.

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The first Jimmie Kolp Memorial Award will be presented at the Fall Section Convention to be held in Wichita Falls, Texas October 1, 2, and 3, 1971 and only members of the South Central Section will be eligible. Eligibility will be open to all members (providing approval of this award is given by the International Organization) regardless of geographic location beginning in 1972.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE JIMMIE KOLP MEMORIAL AWARD

The name of any Active Ninety-Nine who has been a member in good standing for a minimum of two years* and who typifies Jimmie Kolp's ideals and devotion to aviation, may be nominated by any Active Ninety-Nine in good standing who knows of such a person in her local chapter. The nominee's name will be given to her Chapter Chairman who will call for a vote of approval and recommendation of the nominee by the Chapter membership. Upon approval, the nominee's name and all other pertinent information, along with a narrative explaining her qualifications, will be submitted on the nomination blank provided by the Wichita Falls Chapter.

The nominee should be selected not only on the basis of awards received and/or accomplishments in the field of aviation; she should also be considered for her devotion to, dedication to, and hard work for her chapter, fellow Ninety-Nines, and general aviation without thought of personal reward or recognition. She should be respectful of the rights of other; a true friend to those who call her "friend"; and above all, willing to do her share in the betterment of her chapter and the International Organization of Women Pilots. (* Any Ninety-Nine, who for temporary medical reasons cannot be considered ACTIVE but who is still active within her chapter and is felt to be worthy of this award, will be considered eligible.)

All entries will be mailed to the Award Chairman in time to be received no later than September 1, 1971. The Award Selection Board will consist of three members of the Wichita Falls Chapter, namely:

BETTY ALLISON, Award Chairman
BETTY COX
DR. ELEANOR IRVINE

NOTE: The Selection Board will reserve the right not to select a recipient in the event it feels that no nominees are qualified.

NOTICE

RENEW WHEN RENEWAL FORMS ARE RECEIVED. NO FINAL NOTICE WILL BE SENT.

BACKWARD GLANCE COLUMN

Virginia Thompson

Although DAISY KIRKPATRICK was reelected President; BETTY GILLIES, Vice President; EDITH LACKNER, Secretary; and BARBARA SOUTHGATE, Treasurer, at our annual Ninety-Nine Meeting, September 4, 1938, at the Hotel Carter, Cleveland, Ohio, only the latter finished her term of office in the same capacity. On October 29, 1938, tragedy struck. EDITH LACKNER's Stinson plane crashed in flames in a cornfield near Williamson, West Virginia, while returning to Cincinnati, Ohio, after attending a Ninety-Nine Meeting in Cleveland. ELIZABETH PHILLIPS of the Middle-Eastern Section was elected to fill the vacancy. By May, 1939, BETTY GILLIES became President when DAISY KIRKPATRICK had to reluctantly relinquish her role as President. HARRIET ISAACSON of Oakland, California became Vice President.

Even the News Letter acquired a new Editor when the lure of the West Indies and Central America beckoned DOROTHY CARPENTER. We were fortunate. The new Editor became charming JIMMY KOLP who had considerable newspaper experience.

During this period, both here and abroad, events were shaping the lives of other members. While on an aerial tour of New South Wales, an incident brought NANCY BIRD (WALTON) of Australia into contact with aerial ambulance work which she diligently pursued after taking delivery of a new "Leopard" Moth. She reported that her ten months were alive with hair raising thrills and adventurous work. She had an enviable record—70,000 miles by air without an accident even though the work was difficult.

Later she made a world tour to study the development of Civil Aviation with the idea of producing an International Aviation Exhibition on her return to Australia.

The bombing of Nanking and the unfortunate conditions existing in China at that time brought YA CHING LEE, one of our members to the United States to seek aid in the interests of the Red Cross and the Chinese Refugee Relief Association. The girls reported that MISS LEE was an attractive, cultured girl who spoke excellent English, having been educated in London. She learned to fly at the Boeing School in 1935 and belonged to the Caterpillar Club. She went to China in 1936 where she flew an ambulance plane, carrying medicines and doctors to the stricken areas. There flying was under government control. The few girls who did fly learned either in Europe or America.

In Europe, a German girl, HANNA REITSCH, had recently caused world wide interest by taking off, flying and landing a helicopter within a large building, Deutschlandhalle, Berlin, 1938. According to accounts, her exhibition of aerobatics in a glider at the Cleveland Air Races was both clever and amazing. During this pe-

riod, she became a member of our organization.

Here in America, JACQUELINE COCHRAN, flying a Seversky won the Bendix Trophy against all male pilots. She also set an official record on September 3, 1938, by flying her Seversky monoplane, Pratt and Whitney Twin Row Wasp engine, from Union Air Terminal, Burbank, California to Floyd Bennett Field, Brooklyn, New York, in a lapsed time of 10 hours 27 minutes and 55 seconds.

IRENE CRUM of the U. S. in an Aeronca C-2 monoplane set a record on February 1, 1938, by flying to a height of 19,426 feet. Think of flying that high with just a 36 horsepower engine (Aeronca E-113-C).

On September 4, 1938, HELEN MONTGOMERY set the national record for single place duration with return to point of departure in a Stevens-Franklin glider at Crystal Downs Beach, Michigan, by remaining aloft over seven hours.

Another event here that literally put MARGO TANNER, RUTH NICHOLS, TEDDY KENYON, and BETTY GILLIES on "Cloud 9" was their selection for a thrilling experience. They left by T.W.A. for Hollywood to be present at the Premiere of "Tailspin", a 20th Century Fox movie about women pilots and to appear on an Al Jolson radio program. Enroute back, they delivered the movie to key cities in the U. S. and answered questions regarding real flying. Upon reaching New York, the girls were to attend a preview and dinner at the Waldorf Astoria and be on the Kate Smith Program.

This seemed to be the gay, happy period, a time of considerable flying and many, many dinner dances. Cruise, such as the Sportsman Pilot's Cruise; and races, large and small, were quite popular.

At the Miami Air Races in January of 1939, EDNA GARDNER (WHYTE) took first place in her Monocoup; EDITH DESCOMB, 2nd in a Cessna; BESSIE OWEN, 3rd in a Beechcraft and FLORENCE BOSWELL, 4th in a Cessna. That year, LOUISE THADEN, Chairman, HELEN ROUGH and NANCY LOVE were appointed to work on the Air Race Committee.

Locally, the third Michigan Girls Flyers' Day at Hartung Airport, Roseville, Michigan, proved to be an interesting event. JEANNETTE LEMPKE became the Champion of the Day by capturing the Joyce Hartung Trophy by winning first place in two events. HELEN MONTGOMERY, who staged a beautiful exhibition of acrobatics in her glider, was second, and FAY DAVIES KIRK, DORIS LOWERY and ALICE HAMMOND tied for third place. The events included ribbon cutting, spot landing, bomb dropping and gliding.

At the Langley Day Air Meet, College Park, Maryland, JOE BUSSE and LYDIA

CLEMENT won 1st and 2nd respectively in the free-for-all, men and women event; LYDIA, 3rd in the heavier class, flying a Taylor Coupe. In the women's free-for-all, HELEN FRIGO came in 1st, MARY BENSON, 2nd and JOE BUSSE 3rd. It was reported that "SQUEAK" BENNETT topped the show with his inverted flying at an altitude of 50 feet and particularly with his triangle and square loops.

In the Middle Eastern Section as it was then called, HELEN WALKER of Warren, Pennsylvania, won the Landing Contest Trophy by landing and securing signatures at thirty-three different airports between January 1 and April 30.

Two events that sounded like fun were: "Picture Hunt" and "Paper Chase". During the former, the girls climbed into their planes and hunted for the place in the picture. No description was given regarding the latter. Maybe you would like to make up some rules.

During the latter part of 1938, the Middle-Eastern Section divided into three chapters on the basis of geography—W. Pennsylvania Chapter, East Pennsylvania Chapter and a Washington-Baltimore-Richmond Chapter. The New York-New Jersey Section decided to call themselves the "Metropolitan Tri-State Section." However by June of 1939, they were again calling themselves the New York-New Jersey Section and making plans for five hundred dinners on the Starlight Roof of the Waldorf Astoria Hotel in November of 1939 to celebrate the Tenth Anniversary of the Ninety-Nine Club as it was then called.

Source: Ninety-Nine News Letters

DEADLINES FOR NINETY-NINE NEWS

DEADLINES	FOR ISSUE
September 20, 1970	October Issue
October 20, 1970	November Issue
November 20, 1970	December Issue

NO DECEMBER DEADLINE

*January 10, 1971	January-February Issue
February 20, 1971	March Issue
March 20, 1971	April Issue
April 20, 1971	May Issue
May 20, 1971	June Issue

NO JUNE DEADLINE

July 20, 1971	July-August Issue
August 20, 1971	September Issue

*The Executive Board has decided to let the Editor and the reporters off the hook for the December deadline. This is the worst deadline of the year because of the Christmas Holiday activities. Please note however, that the January deadline is moved up to the 10th. This is an *absolute* deadline. This gives adequate time for the nominations and so forth and the news must be in the hands of the chapters by February 1st.

REMEMBER 4 THINGS:

1. No report due in June and no report due in December.
2. The January report is due in my hands by January 10th.
3. The other reports are due in my hands by the 20th of the month.
4. Report!!!!!!

July-August, 1971

International Women's Air and Space Museum of the Ninety-Nines, Inc.

Personal interpretations of that word—museum—often times are deadly. Too many museums are stagnant, dusty,—just plain old. Move on to history, the word—history, and you find an interesting definition. One we particularly like is #5 in The American College Dictionary: "A past worthy of record or out of the ordinary".

Perhaps this "out of the ordinary" history is the grain of sand that started the tiny dream in B. Steadman's consciousness back in 1968 when she was vice-president of the Ninety-Nines; perhaps it was the heritage that all women pilots have and that had found no home for display or for safekeeping.

Perhaps, and this is most likely, the dream of a museum dedicated to what all women had done in aviation was a culmination of many things and many thoughts.

The importance, though, really is not WHY but that she dreamed the dream and brought it forth as an idea to the International Convention of Ninety-Nines in 1969. You better believe that the dream was met and accepted with unqualified support!

Unlike the Jolly Green Giant's big bean, a museum can not spring, full-grown, into life overnight. This is a big endeavor, and the groundwork must be finely done less the whole structure settle quickly into—stagnant, dusty, and just plain old stuff.

And so, that first year, though gradually accepting items such as old photos and books, such as the Australian film showing Amelia Earhart's last take-off, a working board, mostly Ninety-Nines, learned from advisors. They were told that setting up a secure museum often took six or seven years—they hoped not! But, it does take time and by Convention time, 1970, a legal and well-shaped Trust Document officially named the Museum, its purpose, simply—its workings. Again, this was brought to the attention of the Ninety-Nines and again the Museum, and particu-

larly, its legal paperwork were accepted with enthusiasm.

So, time it seems drags on. What has happened in this past year? Permanent Trustees went to work: BERNICE STEADMAN, Chairman; BETTY GILLIES, Vice Chairman; JIMMIE KOLP, Treasurer; PAGE SHAMBURGER, Acting Curator; and JACQUELINE COCHRAN. Elected Trustees are BLANCHE NOYES (3 year term), VIRGINIA THOMPSON (2 year term), and NANCY TIER (1 year term). We have secured promises of the original Hubbell oil paintings of his series "Women with Wings" and Amelia Earhart's Vega airplane, both on loan, and the latter when we have room to display it. More photos, interviews with early pilots, suggestions, and the quite fabulous Ruth Nichols collection saved and stored by the Connecticut Chapter have come in.

But the Museum had to slow down on acceptances. We needed, in fact, we felt we must have an Internal Revenue Service Tax Exempt status. And, we lost one of our major standard-bearers, Jimmie Kolp, the treasurer.

So, here it is—Convention time again and one year after the approval of the Museum Trust. What can we say that you don't know? That, yes, now we are IRS tax exempt; our curator now is a recognized curator and attended the first meeting of Curators of Transportation Museums this past May. The foundation is fitted and firm. Now we can grow! Stagnant? No, for this out of the ordinary past is alive and moving. For the first time, women in aviation will have a home to display, to preserve their heritage. This is the *only* interest in our Museum and therefore cannot be relegated to backrooms as has been necessary in other museums—for the most interest to the majority. Our interest is one, and many—all women in all parts of aviation yesterday, today, and tomorrow . . .

PAINT PAINT PAINT

All air markers everywhere please take note. Through the efforts of WILLIAM BERKEBILE, Ft. Worth Accident Prevention Coordinator for the Southwest Region, and BLANCHE NOYES, Chief, Air Marking FAA, Washington, D.C. and charter member of Ninety Nines, we now have some 3100 gallons of paint on hand in Oklahoma City for Air Marking. It had been hoped that we could have a "paint fly-away" to convention next month, however we couldn't get it organized quickly enough. However, the paint (some of it that is) will be on display in Wichita. In the fall, it is planned that a paint fly-away can take place with the Ninety Nine accident prevention counselors (Southwest Region FAA) flying the first leg. In the meantime, anyone needing paint, contact BLANCHE NOYES in Washington and she will arrange for it for you. This paint

is FREE. All you have to do is haul it to you air marking site and start marking. This is a golden opportunity to mark like mad with the paint provided. Save this information for your future projects. It is currently in 30 gallon containers, but will be in 5 gallon containers to aid in handling. Thanks to MR. BERKEBILE and MRS. NOYES for getting this for our use. Now lets, show our appreciation and airmark everything in sight.

Vertical Currents and the Landing Accident

(or, it must have been bad air!)

Ever been on final and everything was going great—altitude, attitude, and air-speed perfect—then when you begin your flare, ZONK in the overrun!!!

You could have been a victim of vertical currents. The following extract from the MAC Flyer, (Military Airlift Command,

Flight Officer Turi Wideroe of Norway: Winner of 1970 Harmon Aviatrix Trophy

The 1970 Aviatrix Trophy is awarded to MISS TURI WIDEROE of Norway, who is the first woman accepted as a regular airline pilot by the worldwide airline of the three Scandinavian countries. She was the only woman applicant among 54 pilot candidates selected by the airline from among several hundred applicants for airline pilot training. After completing the course successfully, she was checked out between Tromso and Kirkenes above the Arctic Circle and received her final clearance.

Norwegian civil aviation authorities

state that MISS WIDEROE qualified for her airline pilot job "by determined and unaided effort," accumulating experience and flight time in both regularly scheduled and emergency 'mercy' piloting operations in Arctic Lapland. She flew short takeoff and landing (STOL) aircraft and float planes from small landing fields and fjords during an eight-year period before her acceptance. Member of Norway's Chapter of Ninety Nines.

Announcement by the Trustees of the Harmon International Aviation Trophies



At Presentation of Harmon's Aviatrix Trophy to MISS TURI WIDRO. Left to Right: BETTY PFISTER — 99 and WACOA Member; DORIS RENNINGER — Int'l. Membership Chairman and WACOA Member; Gen. Jimmy Doolittle — Famed Pilot; TURI WIDERO — Norway's 99 Member and recipient of 1971 Harmon Aviatrix Trophy as the first woman accepted as a regular airline pilot by the World Wide Airline, of the three Scandinavian countries, SAS; BETTY McNABB — 99's Int'l. President and WACOA Member; LORETTA FOY — 99 Member and only woman member of the seven member Aviation Advisory Committee to President Nixon.

USAF) May 1971, adequately covers the subject.

"On hot summer afternoons, particularly when the surface wind is very light, you can see the convective currents rising from the ramp or runway. These currents sometimes appear like puddles of water but can give you the same erratic lift forces as flying just above cumulus tops. The actual hazard to low flying comes with the uneven heating of each type of terrain, such as grassy areas, plowed fields, trees, rivers, or industrial complexes.

"The strength of the current varies with the amount of sunshine and the surface which is heated. Barren surfaces like sand, rock, or runways are heated more rapidly than those covered with grass or other vegetation, so naturally they provide stronger currents."

With the onset of summer months, the frequency of vertical currents will be at its highest. Remember, these currents not only increase the chances of landing short, they also affect the possibility of landing long. Your ability to hit your desired land-

ing spot will require additional flying skill. Remember, flying skill is also flying safety. WHEN IN DOUBT GO AROUND!

NEXT ISSUE

Deadline

September 20, 1971

MAIL TO:

Box 38499
Dallas, Tex. 75238

Sheila Scott's Polar Ordeal

SHEILA SCOTT will leave Heathrow Airport on her world and a half flight this weekend.

In her attempt to be the first to fly the North Pole solo in a light aircraft, SHEILA will have to spend as long as eighteen and a half hours cramped at the controls of her little Piper Aztec.

It will be the most dangerous leg of

her world and a half flight and will be the supreme test of her endurance, navigational and flying ability.

SHEILA and her twin engined aircraft Mythre will have to cope with temperatures of as low as 45° below freezing — and this just after leaving the heat of the equator.

There is one heater in the aircraft. If that fails SHEILA will have a battle for survival. There are reserve systems like electric gloves and socks which are plugged into the aircraft's electronic system. But they must only be used intermittently to save power to keep the vital instruments going. A serious loss of heat could result in a snowstorm inside the cabin itself, windows would be covered in frost and the instruments would seize up. If SHEILA was to come down in the frozen Arctic desert she would be hundreds of miles from any help.

For this ordeal SHEILA has had extensive training at RAF establishments, she has also been coached in the use of special navigational techniques (her flight over the true North Pole renders the magnetic compass useless).

But the polar attempt is just one segment of a flight which takes SHEILA around the world one and a half times. During her flight she will be attempting to bring her total of aviation records broken or established, up to one hundred or more.

But of supreme importance: this flight will mark the first participation of any real extent by Britain in NASA's space research, for SHEILA, a British subject is being used as a human guinea pig by NASA. She and Mythre will provide vital data as they fly round the world.

This data referring to SHEILA's mental



SHEILA SCOTT pictured with her Piper Aztec "Mythre" under the flags of Great Britain and the United States. These signify the co-operation of the two countries in a series of major scientific experiments using Sheila and her aircraft.

and physical state during her global endurance test will be transmitted to NASA's computer centre in Maryland, USA by a novel satellite communications technique, which itself is being tested for the first time on this flight. Subsequent analysis of the data will be of vital interest to those working on 'woman in space' research programmes and also to those in the field of aviation medicine. (Britain's famous Institute of Aviation Medicine are working closely with NASA to devise and execute the experiments.)

SHEILA seems well aware of the risks involved in undertaking this epic flight. Why does she do it? Her answer would probably be something like one trumpeter Louis Armstrong gave when asked: "What Is Rhythm?" He said: "If you have to ask you will never understand."

Westchester Lighthouse Benefit

The Westchester Lighthouse, a division of the New York Association for the Blind, has hit on a truly unique formula for its annual fund-raising event. Called "A Day in the Country", the benefit, for the third straight year, will be an Air Show with women fliers featured prominently on the committee in charge.

It's a family fun day, with picnicking and box lunches during an afternoon devoted to watching model airplanes, home-builts, soaring exhibitions, parachuting and a free-flight balloon ascent.

The Air Show is scheduled for Sunday afternoon, Oct. 10, 1971, at the Croton Airpark, a tiny (1400-foot runway) airfield nestled in the hills near the Croton Reservoir in Westchester County. The Airpark has been closed to traffic for the past year but will be open for the day by permission of the Town of Cortlandt authorities.

(Since the field is so small, anyone who wants to fly in is urged to land at the Westchester County Airport and proceed overland to Croton. If there is sufficient interest, arrangements will be made to provide free jitney service).

Two women pilots, MRS. ABBOTT (SALLY) BUEGELEISEN, of Larchmont, N.Y., and MRS. ROGER (PAT) BLUM, of Hartsdale, N.Y., are co-chairmen of the benefit and their committee includes a number of fliers, both men and women. Ninety-Nines on the committee are MRS. WILLIAM T. MORAN of Larchmont, and MRS. DANA HERBERT, of Armonk.

All money raised goes to support the broad program of service to the blind and visually handicapped residents of Westchester County and nearby Putnam, Rockland and Fairfield Counties. As benefits go, it's a real bargain too. Patron tickets, at \$50., include two adult admissions, with box lunches for the family, a split of champagne and a listing in the souvenir journal.

Adult tickets, at \$10 apiece, include a box lunch. Children through high school age are admitted free and their lunches can be purchased.

Coming Events

August 11-15
International Convention
Wichita, Kansas

September 4
Nebraska Air Race
Box 3491
Omaha, Neb. 68103

September 10-12
Northwest Sectional
Portland, Oregon

September 17-18-19
Southwestern Sectional
Yosemite Valley

September 18
F.A.I.R. Race
Kokomo, Ind.
Barbara Jennings
R.R. 1

Valparaiso, Indiana

September 24-26
East Canadian Section
Helen Barter
Cloud 9 Farm
R.R. 1 Milton
Ontario

September 24-26
Moline, Illinois
North Central Sectional

October 1-3
South Central Section
Wichita Falls, Texas

October 2
Pacific Air Race
4282 Middlesex Dr.
San Diego, Calif.

October 1-3
Michigan Small Race
Saginaw, Mich.
Beverly Price
2336 Linda Ave.
Saginaw, Mich. 48603

November 22-24
Flight Instructor Clinic
Lynne Oppen
10865 Pickford Way
Culver City, Ca. 90230

November 6
Kachina Doll & Roadrunner Race
Laura BoHanan
4570 Grand Ave.
Glendale, Ariz. 85301

July 12-15, 1972
International Convention
Park Plaza
Toronto, Canada

the race many times and 44% were brand new racers. Such were the players in this latest of stories about what happens during the days of the derby. TAR 132 was BETTY MOSELY and VIRGINIA CHAMBERLAIN from Kentucky. TAR 55 was a one-eyed solo pilot flying her first race and flying a Citabrea. TAR 55 became disorientated in the vicinity of Little Rock, Arkansas. She was also low on fuel. I suspect she was scared. All of us who have been disorientated and low on fuel, know the feeling. TAR 132 was also in the vicinity of Little Rock and heard the call for help. They, incidentally, were also first time racers. I think I'll let MR. GEORGE HUNSAKER, Chief, Little Rock Tower take it from here:

"We were unable to contact the aircraft but you were able to do so and relay information between TAR 55 and Little Rock Approach Control. Your assistance is even more significant because neither Pine Bluff, Jonesboro, Memphis, or Harrison FSS were able to hear TAR 55 in order to get a DF bearing. . . . Your continued efforts and assistance, however, eventually resulted in locating the aircraft approximately forty miles north of Little Rock and very low on fuel. . . . It is my understanding that your efforts cost you twenty valuable minutes of time in the race. . . . The unselfish and considerate attitude which you displayed during this situation is indeed a credit to you, as well as, the other participants of the race and the flying public in general. It was a magnanimous act. We here, in Little Rock Tower, want to thank you for your assistance. George L. Hunsaker, Chief."

These girls will receive a trophy. They have a friend for life in FRAN SALLES. TAR 132 will always be remembered at Little Rock Tower. Beyond that, they certainly must have a warm inner glow for helping someone without thought of the cost. All of us in the Derby, in the Ninety Nines, and in aviation will benefit from this act. We asked once before "Where do good guys finish?" Score wise maybe not so good, but heart wise they are number 1. That still is the *name of the game*. I'm sure I speak for all of the Ninety Nines everywhere in saying thank you BETTY and VIRGINIA.

Powder Puff Has a New Hero

H. JONES, Editor

Some two years ago, JOAN STEINBERGER blew her chances for a good score in the Powder Puff Derby in order to help a fellow contestant. All of the other contestants took up a collection and bought her a "good sportsmanship" award for above and beyond efforts for another racer. She has been a good and worthy "hero", but now she must stand down for another to take her place. The 25th running of this race pitted some 150 planes and crews against each other. Some had many many hours, some a handful. Some had flown

Powder Puff Derby

MARION ANDREWS, Reporter

The Twenty-fifth Powder Puff Derby now is history and should surely be long remembered as a milestone in safety.

It behooves me to tell the contestants how very much we love you for your superb performance, mature judgment, and good sportsmanship. In retrospect, what a show that was for general aviation! 145 planes took off from Calgary and all landed safely at Baton Rouge within the allotted time. It is not that the Race went without a hitch, but when the hitches came you acted admirably.

We heartily thank the ground crews enroute for their able assist. The program at the start was outstanding. To move that many people around the Canadian Rockies was a feat in itself. Just to see 300 pilots in white cowboy hats was something too.

The Terminus was befittingly festive. I wish every Ninety-nine could have walked through that beautiful pink canopy to get a breathtaking peek at the banquet hall all done up in pink and silver. To really appreciate the decorations, you should have seen the bare room as we did. I member a remark made at the time, "How could you ever decorate this?". The transition was unbelievable. The 25th Anniversary Awards Banquet was truly a gala celebration.

We have lots of programs at headquarters that are really more than programs for this years race. They are a special issue containing a history, with pictures, of 25 years of the Powder Puff Derby. Send \$2.25 to cover costs including mailing to AWTAR Headquarters for each copy.

A limited quantity of special commemorative covers for philatelists or collectors of memorabilia are available at the present time for 50¢ each from Washington Press, 1776 Springfield Ave., Maplewood, New Jersey 07040. These envelopes were postmarked and Simplex time stamped in Calgary with the date and time of takeoff and postmarked and timestamped again at Baton Rouge with the date of the terminus.

The complete list of scores will appear in the next issue.

AWNEAR REPORT

JEAN BATCHELDER, Reporter

AWNEAR—the ALL WOMAN NEW ENGLAND AIR RACE—was flown again in May after a two year absence while the New England Section members were busy on 1970 International Convention details.

The hi-lite of the event was having two Ninety-Nines, Inc. Charter Members fly the race—TEDDY W. KENYON of Old Lyme, Conn., and NANCY HOPKINS TIER of Lakeville, Conn. They have long been and continue to be an inspiration to our members and we are proud of the contributions they have made to our organization and aviation in general.

Of the twenty-five entries received, nineteen made it to the gate. Impound day dawned showry and only three planes made it to Lebanon, N.H., host town for the event, on Friday. Two arrived between showers and SHIRLEY RUDMAN of the Northern New England Chapter christened her new IFR ticket and made a real professional approach. The others made it in on Saturday and the race was set ahead to Sunday.

Sunday was a CAVU day but windy as the girls flew a course which bounced them across New Hampshire's White Mountain range to Fryebury, Me., down to the Atlantic coast to Sanford, Me., then inland to Sterling, Mass. and into Vermont where they made a pass at Springfield and back to Lebanon.



photo by michael philip manheim

Lebanon Chamber of Commerce President Thomas Bascetta presents the New England Section floating AWNEAR trophy to winning pilot NANCY H. TIER as co-pilot MARILYN ASHLAND looks on. NANCY and MARILYN are holding The Chamber's winner's trophies and Cessna plaques which they won in the round-robin event last May.

NANCY H. TIER at the controls of her 170 Cessna with MARILYN ASHLAND of Brookfield, Conn., as co-pilot showed the girls that our charter members are very much with it scoring a .97678 on the proficiency race. GEORGIA PAPPAS and KATHY TOMPKINS of Arlington, Mass., placed second; ELLIE McCULLOUGH and IRENE HENRY of Long Island, N.Y., third; MINA ELSCHNER and PAT WILSON, New Jersey, were fourth; and JULIE VOM SAAL and SELMA CRONAN, New York, fifth. Trophies for the best score to the crew with the least hours went to MARY SCRIBNER and JOANNE BABIC from Connecticut.

The Lebanon Chamber of Commerce gave the trophies for the winning teams in the first five positions of the race.

The Beech, Cessna and Piper Aircraft trophies and plaques for best performance positions in their aircraft went to BOBBIE HERBERT and EVELYN KROPP, NANCY H. TIER and MARILYN ASHLAND, and GEORGIA PAPPAS and KATHY TOMPKINS respectively.

PAUL MOORE, president of the Lebanon Airport Development Corporation, worked closely with the New England Section of Ninety-Nines and Lebanon Chamber of Commerce, co-sponsors, in planning the race and arranging an air show at the airport which aroused local interest in the regional airport and attracted a large spectator crowd.

With the race delayed, the banquet was held the preceeding night in an air of eager anticipation. Ninety-Niner and personal pilot to Senator BARRY GOLDWATER, RUTH REINHOLD of Phoenix, Arizona, was the guest speaker and enter-



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Santa Clara Valley

Norma Kudies

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Southern Oregon

Wichita Falls

Indiana

North Georgia

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Sacramento Valley

Mount Diablo

Kitty Hawk

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tained with her accounts of flying the presidential candidate and her early years in aviation.

Director of New Hampshire Aeronautics Commission JOHN SWEENEY and MRS. SWEENEY were guests at the banquet. N.H.A.C. member ROBERT GUEST served as master of ceremonies and PAUL DWYER assisted on race operations.

YANKEE magazine had MICHAEL PHILIP MANHEIM, writer and photographer from Marblehead, Mass., covering the event for a feature article in a forthcoming issue.

New England members serving on the race board were LOIS AUCHTERLONIE, JEAN BATCHELDER, MARGARET DAVIDSON, MONA BUDDING, DORIS W. HILL, JOY BRICKER, PAT MACK and VIRGINIA BONESTEEL.

IT'S GREAT TO HAVE AWNEAR BACK!

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JULY 5 TO 8, 1971

Place	Pilot & Co-Pilot	Tar #	Sponsor	Airplane	Par	Score
1	Gini Richardson	127	None	Cessna 210J 285 hp	180	27.70029
2	Marian Banks San Diego, Calif. Dottie Sanders Santee, Calif.	64	Royal-Inns of America Jolly King Restaurant "Treated Like a King"	Piper PA24 Comanche 260 hp	175	26.42912
3	Jan Gammell Denver, Colo. Ilovene Potter Seattle, Wash.	36	None	Piper PA24 Comanche 260 hp	175	25.35967
4	Helen McGee Sonora, Calif.	123	Union Democrat Mother Lode Press Sonora, Calif.	Piper PA24 Comanche 260 hp	175	22.99554
5	Marion Jayne Palatine, Ill. Mimi Stitt Palatine, Ill.	63	Speed Queen Quality Laundry Equip. Ripon, Wisconsin	Piper PA30 Twin Comanche 320 hp	185	21.22910
6	Laverne Gudgel Chowchilla, Calif. Dorothy McAllister Portola Valley, Calif.	21	Gudgel's Aero-Ag Serv. Chowchilla, Calif. and Husbands	Piper PA24 Comanche 260 hp	175	19.79782
7	Dorene Christensen Santa Ana, Calif. Amy Koning Las Vegas, Nev.	19	Lois Harding & Assoc. Orange, Calif.	Piper PA24 Comanche 260 hp	176	19.69527
8	Dorothy Waltz El Toro, Calif. Mary Wally Funk II Hermosa Beach, Calif.	12	Ken Waltz, Mgr. Product Support Div. Parker Hannifin Corp.	Piper PA24 Comanche 260 hp	176	18.45748
9	Mona Budding Auburndale, Mass. Kathy Caston Longview, Texas	71	None	Piper PA24 Comanche 260 hp	175	18.34999
10	Charlotte Parker Wichita, Kansas Roberta Knott Wichita, Kansas	96	None	Piper PA24 Comanche 260 hp	175	18.24375

Michigan Small Race

Happiness is having an airplane, a pilot's license, a husband who flies and children.

That's what MRS. CHARLES LEE, 805 Kenton, Saginaw, Michigan (JO to her many friends) discovered when she received her private pilot's license in 1966.

JO is the new Executive Chairman of the 16th Annual Michigan Small Race which will take place at Tri-Cities Airport, Freeland, Michigan, October 2nd, 1971.

Back in 1965, JO's husband CHARLIE and a friend were the proud owners of a Camache 250. In order to be a part of the action, JO decided something had to be done about it and that's when the fun really began.

She started her flying lessons in September, 1965, received her private pilot's license in 1966 and her instrument rating in 1968. By April, 1969, she had earned her Commercial license, Flight Instructor and Multi-Engine ratings.

With her husband as co-pilot, JO has flown in four of the Michigan Small Races, winning second place in the 1969 race held that year at the Mt. Pleasant Airport.

She has flown in the Angle Derby and with her husband, has flown twice to the Bahamas.

JO will be flying with a female Co-pilot in the A.W.T.A.R. (International All Women's Trans-continental Air Race) in July. The race starts in Calgary, Alberta, Canada and ends in Baton Rouge, La.

Last December both JOSEPHINE and CHARLES were sworn in as Deputy Sheriffs in the Sheriff's Aero Patrol.

JO has flown freight for several industries on many occasions in the past and is at present a part time instructor at Tri-Cities Airport, Freeland.

The Lee's have four children, 18 year old twins CHARLES and JOSEPHINE, a daughter BETSY 15 and son JOHN 12. All are air minded.

JO is also sustaining member of the Saginaw Junior League.

The 16th Michigan Small Race is an annual event sponsored by the Michigan Chapter of the Ninety-Nines, Inc. (International organization of licensed women pilots), and conducted in cooperation with the Michigan Aeronautics Commission and sanctioned by the National Aeronautics



JOSEPHINE LEE (JO) — CHAIRMAN
"MICHIGAN SMALL RACE."

Association. Local arrangements are under the co-sponsorship of the Aviation Committee of the Greater Chamber of Commerce of Saginaw and local aviation groups.

A round robin event of approximately 200 miles. The Race will start and end at Tri-Cities Airport, Freeland, Michigan and will include at least two check points en-route. The exact course will be revealed only after all contestant's planes have been impounded the night previous to the race.

Women pilots may fly solo or be accompanied by a male or female co-pilot in a stock model single or multi-engine aircraft of not more than 420 H.P. manufactured after January 1, 1954 of U. S. design and manufacture. The Race is limited to 60 planes.

Prizes totaling in excess of \$1,000.00 in cash and trophies for pilot and co-pilot for first through fifth place will be awarded at an awards banquet following the race.

Each contestant strives for a perfect score using speed and fuel handicaps.

Past winners have come from Arizona, Indiana, Ohio, Kansas and of course Michigan.

Members of the Small Race Board are: General Chairman — JOSEPHINE LEE, Saginaw; Entries Chairman — BEVERLY PRICE, Saginaw; Activities Chairman — KAY CHAMBERLAIN, Mt. Pleasant; NAA Representative — MARION HOFFMAN, Bay City; Operations Chairman — CAROL WELCH, Alpena; Program Chairman — MARIETTA SIMPSON, Flint; Scoring — CAROL KELLY, Detroit; Publicity Chairman — BECKY THATCHER, Saginaw; Secretary — JEAN TREADWAY, Bay City; Registration — MARGARET NAPIERALA, Saginaw; Trophies — SAMMY McKAY, Grand Blanc.

Applications and information will be ready July 1, 1971. Send to BEVERLY PRICE, 2336 Linda Ave., Saginaw, Michigan.



MARIE RICHARDSON, Reporter

HELEN BLACKBURN and 49½er, Justice R. A. Blackburn have left Darwin for Canberra, where Dick will take up his Appointment as Chairman of the Commonwealth Law Reform Committee. They are flying themselves, via the scenic route, down the coast of Western Australia, HELEN's new address will be, C/- Law Courts, London Circuit, Canberra City, A.C.T. Aust 2601.

Two of our gals, ROSEMARY DE PIERRES and ROBIN MILLER were guest speakers at the Cunderdin (W.A.) Rotary Club. ROSEMARY talked on the Role and Achievement of Women in Aviation, and ROBIN followed with a lively anecdotal spiel on her life with the Royal Flying Doctor Service in the North West.

MARGARET KENTLEY is wearing a sad face these days, and who can blame her? We sympathize over the complete write-off of her Mooney 20F by a male pilot who had hired it. He got out to swing the prop, leaving a non-flying type to pull power off as the engine fired! The inevitable happened.

Congratulations to BOZENA VRLA on her outstanding successes in open aerobatic competitions, and also to PIE and TONY GURSANSCKY, for whom wedding bells rang out recently. TONY a Qantas pilot is based in Sydney, so PIE will have plenty of excuses to fly down to Melbourne to visit mother, RUTH HODGES.

EDITH DIZON will be in Sydney for a few days on her way from Melbourne to the Philippines. While here, she will give a Mini-Organ Recital — just another of her many accomplishments.

PEG KELMAN and OLGA TARLING are off for a brief holiday as GWEN CALDWELL's guests on the snow slopes at Thredbo.

ANNE CARTER and MARIE RICHARDSON are planning to be in Wichita for the Convention and are looking forward to renewing many friendships.

Aust Ninety Nines are very concerned that the proposal to double overseas members dues will result in the organization losing its International status, this would be a pity after years spent in building up an International image.

REMEMBER THE AUSTRALIAN FLY-YOURSELF SAFARI IN 1972, PLAN NOW TO COME.



JANET FERGUSON, Reporter

A lot to catch up on, so here goes. Big news is once again of SHEILA SCOTT — viz, her polar flight which was part of her 1½ times-round-the-world flight. SHEILA has achieved another "first" — crossing the North Pole in her Piper Aztec "Mythre" — and this in spite of difficulties with the undercarriage (sorry — "gear"!) and the inevitable weather and navigational problems in that area.

Back at the end of April EILEEN HOULDER, our Hon. Sec., held an informal meeting which once again BETTY CONES has kindly covered for me as I unfortunately missed out. Here are Betty's notes on the occasion: "Meeting held at EILEEN's home in the heart of London. Glad to see GILLIAN there to take up the reins again. Also present: ROSEMARY

ROSE, DAPHNE POYNTER, BARBARA CANNON, DELPHINE GRAY-FISKE (busy flying with Skyways), PAMELA HUNTLY, EILEEN HOULDER, and prospective Ninety-Nines PAT RICHARDSON, APRIL CLAVELL, and ANN RYMAN."

Other news in brief: As reported by BETTY CONES above, our Governor GILLIAN CAZALET is back with us from Zambia and has joined DELPHINE GRAY-FISKE at the Skyways International home base on the South Coast. Our thanks to BETTY CONES, our Vice-Governor, for standing-in so ably while GILLIAN was abroad. DAPHNE POYNTER now has her full instructor's rating. And on the race scene: CHRISTINE COOMBE organized the "Round the Island" (Isle of Wight) Air Race again this year. MARGO McKELLAR entered the Daily Express Rally and Air Race; I believe JULIA TURNER did too, and JULIA also brought home the Ladies Trophy from the Malta International Air Rally; and I had a brief visit with LOUISE SACCHI and caught a quick glimpse of FRAN BERA just before they took off on the England-Victoria B.C. Air Race in a Beech Bonanza and Piper Aztec respectively (FRAN with MARGARET MEAD.)

SOUTH AFRICAN SECTION

MOLLY LOWE, Reporter



The long silence from the South African Section is due to no news from the girls. PLEASE let me know what you have all been doing.

However, a non member of the 99's, has made, this rather desperate reporter, happy to have some news at last. The non member being none other than MARIAN HART. During a flying visit to Johannesburg, I managed to contact her and invite her to visit our home town of Phalaborwa, as well as the Kruger Game Park. On her arrival, BARBARA BENNET and I met her, and admired her very well equipped BARON. Although we are in the wildes, MARIAN had little trouble finding the 5000 foot runway. The following day, the three of us spent looking for animals, but were not too successful as we were talking Flying, which proved much more interesting to all of us. MARIAN certainly has many experiences to relate, and is the greatest



Left to right are BARBRA BENNET MARIAN HART & back to the camera MOLLY LOWE at a party given for MARIAN at PHALABORNA during her visit to S. Africa.

inspiration anyone can meet, to carry on living and flying.

On the day of her departure from Phalaborwa to Rhodesia, YVONNE v.d. DOOL came from her nearby home in Tzaneen, to help Barbara and yours truly wave a fond farewell to the grand old lady.

On my flying visit to Johannesburg, I had need to land at JAN SMUT. I was rather pleased with the ease with which I managed the International Airport. The major part of my flying being done in the bush, with very little traffic. A wonderful way to fly!

We are looking forward to the visit of the 99's on Safari in May, and will make sure that we meet them somewhere on their travels. We are also waiting to welcome GILLIAN CAZALET to South Africa, after her tour of duty in Zambia.

Here's hoping that the next letter will be soon, and full of exciting news.

EAST CANADA

FIRST CANADIAN CHAPTER SHIRLEY ALLEN, Reporter

"SOMETHING TO GET UP IN THE AIR ABOUT" said the Flyer on the GOVERNOR GENERAL'S CUP AIR RALLY — held this year in June at Guelph Airport, Ontario. A 250 mile closed course with handicapped speed and fuel consumption. BARBARA BROTHERTON headed up part of the Race Committee with a team of 99's and 49½-ers. Winners were: 1st Place — HEATHER SIFTON, Pilot, SHIRLEY ALLEN, Navigator. 2nd Place — TOM BROTHERTON, Pilot. TIM BROTHERTON, Navigator. 3rd Place — HELEN BARTER, Pilot, ELAINE MAGEE, Navigator. Trophies for the best all-women crew went to HEATHER & SHIRLEY (donated by the First Canadian Chapter) and best Cessna performance trophy to HELEN & ELAINE. The Governor General's Cup Air Rally is Canada's only National Air Race, and has been held in a different Province of Canada each year for almost twenty years. Won by a woman

only twice — DOROTHY RUNGELING of Niagara Falls in 1954 and 1963, also a 99 member of the First Canadian Chapter...

THEY'RE BACK! — undaunted and planning their next adventure — WICHITA!! Two ambitious gals who flew through a mess of frontal systems, thunderstorms, low clouds and tall grass, to get to Calgary for the start of the POWDER PUFF DERBY. SIMONE BREUKEL and HELEN BARTER left Toronto Monday, the 28th June — SIX days later and one unscheduled forced landing, they arrived in Calgary in Simone's Cessna 150 — a real undertaking for their first extended cross-country. ELIZABETH LANE, SHIRLEY and NEIL MACDOUGALL all reported an exciting week in the wild woolly West.

Highlights on the side, attending the Banquet and meeting some of the Contestants in this year's LONDON TO VICTORIA Race, also the beginning of the colourful CALGARY STAMPEDE.



HEATHER SIFTON (left) SHIRLEY ALLEN (right) with Trophies and Governor General's Cup June 5, 1971.



HELEN BARTER (right) ELAINE MAGEE (left) with 3rd Place Trophies and best Cessna performance Trophy.

MAPLE LEAF CHAPTER HILDA DEVEREAUX, Reporter

Our June 6th Poker Run was a success, but we believe we could have had possibly twice as many entries if the morning hours had not been extremely hazy. Some of our regulars just would not chance it. It was an exciting day, complete with tornado warnings which necessitated tying down all aircraft. However we were fortunate in that the severe weather passed just south of Centralia our terminus. MR. HUGHES of Hughes Boat Works was very kind in supplying some of us with rope and tie-down stakes. Everyone agreed we had a wonderful time and the trip home after 5 o'clock was beautiful in CAVU conditions. Thanks to JEANNE MCEACHERN for having everything so well organized.

Muskoka was the setting for our July 10th meeting with six aircraft flying in. Our Governor, JEAN MACDONALD, was the first to arrive to greet us all. The weather was perfect. The next day, Sunday, local Ninety-Nines assisted with a breakfast Fly-In at London Flying Club and served over 100 bacon-and-egg breakfasts. Then in the afternoon, we visited the Woodstock Flying Club Annual Chicken Bar-B-Q and Air Show. It was a real full Aviation Week-end.

We welcome to our area prospective member NANCY RAND who comes from Regina and look forward to her becoming a member of Maple Leaf Chapter.

Come the first of August our APT Chapter Chairman JOAN CORBETT moves to Toronto.

SEE YOU ALL IN WICHITA!



CONNECTICUT CHAPTER BOBBIE HERBERT, Reporter

The new slate of officers voted on at the June meeting at New Haven Airways puts BOBBIE HERBERT at the helm as the new Chapter Chairman with MARCIA SPAKOSKI as her right hand gal! Handling the finances will be RUTH CROWELL with EVELYN KROPP continuing as our very able Secretary! It was good to see BABS McALEENAN at the meeting too. Everyone is still excited about our Chapter's first place winner at the AWNEAR — NANCY TIER and co-pilot MARILYN ASHLAND! We were also pleased that new Chapter member MARY SCRIBNER did so well. MARY just got in her 50 hrs. of cross-country time to qualify for the race that week, and she and her co-pilot, prospective member JO ANN BABIC, went home with the trophy for the team with the lowest total time!

Our members continue to upgrade their ratings, and word has been received that

EVELYN KROPP has acquired her Flight Instructor's Rating along with an Air Taxi License. She is a student of RUTH CROWELL's, one of Air Kaman's Instructors at Bradley Field, Hartford.

We have heard of Cherokee Arrow flights to Montauk for a day of sun and surf by EVELYN and some of her 99 friends. This reporter, 49½er DANA and son NEAL took their Bonanza to Bar Harbor, Maine, for a delightful 4th of July week end.

Over 40 members, 49½ers and siblings attended the all-day splash and fun party at the home of DANA and BOBBIE HERBERT on July 17th. After the morning meeting, everyone gathered on the terrace for a buffet luncheon followed by "tales of the Powder Puff Derby" as flown by members PEG DAVIDSON, RUTH CROWELL and TRINA JARISH. We thank the Colorado Chapter for permitting our Chairman MARY NEIL to greet our Chapter arrivals at Denver with the words, "Welcome to Connecticut!"

The Fall Section Meeting will take place on September 25th at the Willimantic Motor Inn, Willimantic, Connecticut. Members can fly in to Windham and facilities for RON's can be made at the Inn. We have a good 49½er Program in the offing and an excellent luncheon speaker. So, do mark your calendar now and plan to attend!



GARDEN STATE CHAPTER **MARY ROSE MYERS, Reporter**

The border-line VFR weather kept our June meeting to a minimum in Wildwood, N.J. and DIANE SHAW was the hostess. We had a very interesting speaker for the day in the person of LT. ROBERT CLUMP of the Naval Reserve. His topic was on the Growth of the Soviet Sea and Fishing Power.

JERRY ROBERTS has been named to the new Aviation Advisory Council of New Jersey. The New Jersey Aero Space Education Association has three Garden Staters in high areas. VIRGINIA HAMMOND has been elected as president of the Association and DIANE RODRIGUEZ has been elected as the secretary. JUDY MELTSNER is on the Board and ESTHER NIELSEN is also a member of the Association.

JUDY MELTSNER flew down to Daytona Beach Florida in her Bonanza to attend the Aerospace Education Symposium. Accompanying her were VIRGINIA HAMMOND and ESTHER NIELSEN.

ALICE HAMMOND reported on the up-grading of the APT Program and it is hoped that the Garden State Chapter shall be a 100% APT by the end of 1971.

DIANE SHAW is now progressing on to her commercial rating.

A new member has been welcomed to our Chapter. WINNAH SOMERS has recently acquired her private license and is now our newest member. WINNAH was one of our Sixty-Sixes while she was a student pilot.

VIRGINIA HAMMOND and JUDY MELTSNER will be attending the International Convention in Wichita, Kansas as delegates from our Chapter. JERRY ROBERTS will attend as alternate delegate.

ALMA HITCHINGS is one happy girl with her newly-acquired Comanche. She traded in her Cherokee 180 for the Comanche.

Garden State Chapter is the hostess Chapter for the Fall New York-New Jersey Section meeting so we shall have a real "Busy-bee" meeting. I am happy to say that the ground work is fairly well started for the 1972 AWTAR Terminus at the Robert J. Miller Airpark. That is our Formost project on our Fall and Winter agenda.

GREATER NEW YORK CHAPTER **LISA HEBBO, Reporter**

Our Chairman, MINA ELSCHNER and her husband have bought their new home in the pattern of the Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport and sold their present home which is in the pattern of the Red Bank Airport. By the time this is in print, they will have set up their new home in Fort Lauderdale.

"TIMOTHY", Mina's Cessna 150, won a beautiful airplane trophy, silver and blue on a white marble base, by coming in 4th place in the AWNEAR at Lebonen, N.H. in May. A second trophy was awarded to Mina as the best scorer with a private ticket. That is five trophies won since NEAR started in 1961. MINA participated in all of them. PAT WILSON was co-pilot.

JULIE VOM SAAL with co-pilot SELMA CRONAN captured 5th place. JULIE had the best speed score and MINA had the best fuel score of all the contestants. OUR SINCERE CONGRATULATIONS go to Chapter member NANCY H. TIER who placed first in her Cessna 170.

PAT WILSON will fly this year's PPD as co-pilot with PEG DAVIDSON of Connecticut.

MINA ELSCHNER reported at the April Meeting that the Greater NY Chapter has obtained a rotating beacon from the FAA to install on the Varazanno Bridge. It will be known as the Amelia Earhart Beacon. There has been some objection by the Tri-Boro Authority stating it would attract birds. There has been no word yet from the Tri-Boro Authority. Will keep you posted!!

PEGGY NAUMAN received her ATP rating.

LISA HEBBO attended the CAP's "NATIONAL STAFF COLLEGE" at Maxwell AFB, Ala.

NEW YORK CAPITAL DISTRICT CHAPTER

LILLIAN ROYLANCE, Reporter

Our gals are taking advantage of the lovely summer weather we've had for the past two months, by flying off in all directions. Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket Island lured JOAN FRASIER and daughters, JO ANN PERKO and her 49½, and LILLIAN ROYLANCE. RUTH GREEN flies back and forth to Machias, Me. to oversee the operation of the family Motel there. She invited our Chapter to fly up there for a week-end in June. Weather was marginal VFR, so a later date will be set. Now, if we all would get busy and get our instrument ratings — ?? JOAN FRASIER is working on hers now.

PEG WEISS has been taking guests and members of her family on air tours of the Capital District and ski areas. PAT JANDRON and her 49½ have flown to Maine and other locations. BASIN HARBOR, VT. and ORANGE COUNTY, N.Y. airports have been luncheon destinations for JO ANN and LILLIAN. Both are good locations for a "Meet the Bunch for Lunch" fly-in.

Our July meeting was held on the 14th at the home of this reporter. MR. REESE MITCHELL, FAA Maintenance Inspector of the Albany District and MR. ALLEN DORWIN, Aviation Safety Specialist from the FAA were our guest speakers. MR. MITCHELL brought a film to show to us, but alas, the projector had an internal problem! The subjects of their talks were "Thorough Pre-flighting" and "Safety in operating an airplane". We made a date with MR. MITCHELL to show us, in one of our planes, what to look for and where, for a possible mechanical failure.

LONG ISLAND CHAPTER **IRENE HENRY, Reporter**

Gals from the N.Y.-N.J. Section did great by taking three of the first five trophies awarded at the AWNEAR. ELLIE McCULLOUGH and yours truly from this Chapter took third.

The 99's were well represented at the First Annual Air Show at Suffolk County Airport. Those attending were RUTH DOBRESCU, MARJORIE GRAY, THELMA BAKER, ANNA DIETRICH, ELLIE McCULLOUGH, JO O'BRIAN and 49½er, JIM JOAN FLEICHMANN with 49½er, Arthur; also got a glimpse of Governor JULIE VOM SAAL, DORIS RENNINGER along with HERB FISHER. The event was a huge success, drawing in excess of 100,000 people for the 2 days.

Those of us who flew to Fishers' Island for monthly Chapter Fly-In had a good time taking pictures, eating box-lunches on the warm rocks and surveying the island on this perfect day.

Welcome to two new members: BARBARA HURLEY and MARIE THEISEN. MARILYN HIBNER, PEG FORD, DIANE TRIBBLE and DORIS ABBATE are doing

great things in teaching elementary aerospace to some fortunate children in our Long Island schools.

Plans will be formulated at our next meeting, which will be combined with a Pool-side Party at MARILYN HIBNER's, for our Penny-a-Pound to be held in Sept. at McArthur Field.

A number of members are planning to attend the Convention so I'll see you there.

WESTERN NEW YORK CHAPTER PEG PIEPER, Reporter

Hot and humid with plenty of thunder-showers has been the weather here in Western New York for the last few days. Not half as bad as the weather KATHY POCZAK and yours truly encountered in Mexico in May as participants in the Angel Derby. It sure wasn't VFR conditions—

It was a real pleasure to see so many new faces at our June meeting: NELL DUTCHER flew in from Messina, N.Y. in her twin Comanche. MARCIA GITELMAN flew in from Rochester, N.Y. with LINDA WALKER, a former member of the N. Dakota-S. Dakota Chapter. Welcome to our chapter LINDA and we certainly hope we will see more of you and MARCIA at our future meetings. MARCIA co-piloted with 49½ DAVE in the Governor General Cup Rally held in Guelph, Ontario, June 4th. They won the Columbia Cup at the first Americans to come in—8th over all in the Rally.

JEAN VALVO, Parliamentarian for our section returned last month from New York and reported that she kept everything according to the book.

TERRI PIRRUNG put thru her first multi-engine student and in her own Apache too.

At our June meeting we honored our charter member CECELIA KENNY. We are all very proud to be part of a chapter to have such a V.I.P.

DONNA JOSS is doing local flying and also flew to Wellsville, N.Y. to help Wellsville celebrate the opening of their new airport.

AGGIE DENLER is very busy teaching ground school.



Charter member CECELIA KENNY, right, being presented with a 99 tile from Western New York Chapter Chairman, ARLENE BRAY. CECELIA was honored by fellow 99's at a surprise party.

NARLETTA KAULL has been flying and is anxious to get going on her instrument rating.

BETTY LAMBERT is enjoying the Cessna 172 and is going for her commercial rating.



EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER ANNE SHIELDS, Reporter

Our PENNY-A-POUND at WINGS FIELD was a huge success despite the cool windy weather. After expenses we made \$500.00.

GAIL LINGO has received her Private License and will now become a member, after attending many of our activities for the past two years. NANCY DIEMAND and LIBBY DUVAL flew to CALGARY TO SEE the start of the PPD, and wish our two entrants MARGE BRYANT and YVETTE HORTMAN Happy-Tailwinds. NANCY & LIBBY STAYED to see LOUISE SACCHI arrive and depart from CALGARY in the LONDON, to VICTORIA RACE. They liked CALGARY so well they stayed for the STAMPEDE.

CONGRATULATIONS to our Chapter member LOUISE SACCHI, who was a contestant in the LONDON, ENGLAND to VICTORIA, B.C. AIR RACE. LOUISE came in 8th place out of 72 entries, and 2nd place in her class single engine. She was the only WOMAN Solo, the only Solo winner and the only Woman to receive a prize, and number one in BEECH-CRAFTS. Unfortunately she was beaten in her class by a Comanche 400, a maverick aircraft. LOUISE held the lead in her class all the way across the ocean to CALGARY, then came the wx and strong winds.

THE EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER gave LOUISE SACCHI \$250.00 to establish a WORLD RECORD in a light aircraft from NEW YORK to LONDON, ENGLAND. Her average speed for the record was 200 mph in a BEECH-CRAFT 36. This was the aircraft Louise used in the race.

July 17th our Chapter air marked CROSS KEYS airport in NEW JERSEY, the gals that painted were BARBARA FARQUHARSON, RUSTY STAHLEY, JANE SQUIRES, JOANNE MALOY, MERLE STARER, BETH STURTEVANT, ANNA SPIVEY, KATE MACARIO, perspective members NANCY OBERLE and DOROTHY RANSOM. 49½ that helped were BOB FARQUHARSON and CLYDE STURTEVANT. ALICE MEISENHEIMER, HELEN ZUBROW and ANNE SHIELDS joined for the meeting. ANNA SPIVEY was really out in space, she went SKY DIVING. ANNA said THE Flight down was great but she tried to avoid a fence and turned her chute and landed a little hard spraining both her ankles.



Southeast Section Meeting

DOTTY BIRDSONG, Secretary

The Southeast Section Spring Meeting was held at the Roosevelt Hotel, New Orleans, May 28, 29, 30, 1971, and was hosted by the New Orleans Chapter, EVELYN LYONS, Chairman.

Friday evening a delicious Shrimparoo was given the 99's and their attending 49½'ers at a local park.

Saturday morning the meeting was held and Committee reports were read by the Chairman. The APT program was discussed. The highest percent of APT members was 18 percent with the Tennessee Chapter winning the honors. The large delegate again financially supported the NIFA. GOVERNOR PAGE SHAMBURGER presented a copy of her pamphlet, UP, UP AND AWAY WITH THE NIFA to all present. The Alabama Chapter won honors of forty percent of their membership attending the Convention.

GOVERNOR PAGE introduced visitors SELMA CRONAN of Greater New York Chapter and Governor of New England Section, FRAN PORTER.

PAT WARD of the South Louisiana Chapter and Chairman of the 1971 Powder Puff Derby Terminus spoke to the group of plans the working committees have considered for the Derby. International Ninety-Nine President, BETTY McNABB, spoke to us early in the meeting and was on her way to join another Section Meeting later.

The afternoon was free for shopping and touring the very famous French Quarters. A lovely buffet dinner banquet was served in the evening followed by a most interesting speaker. Prizes were given for proficiency of estimated gas consumption for the girls flying to the Meeting.

The Fall Meeting will be hosted by the Carolinas Chapter and will be at Hilton Head. The date will be announced later.

CAROLINAS CHAPTER MERCY, Reporter

Old Man Weather conspired with his girl friend the Goddess Minerva to put a "no go" on the Chapter's May meeting with SUE OVERTON when we planned a beach week-end at Pawley's Island. Our rain date at Santee the following week-end was just that. And the June meeting at the mountain retreat found the clouds nestling below the ridges and the bird ladies grounded. Take heart, it's bound to get better after Dog Days.

Congratulations to our mother-daughter team, BEBE and KATHY RAGAZ, who did a credible job flying the PPD for the

fun of it. They said it was wonderful. Among the Chapter members who had an official hand in the activities at Baton Rouge were LOUISE THADEN, the Chief Judge; EVIE HYMAN, in Operations; and the Guv, PAGE SHAMBURGER, on the line for Impound. They report a great time and send a hearty thanks to the gals who organized such a well planned terminus.

CAROLINE HEMBEL has been on a three weeks tour of the west and north-west. BUZZ TAYLOR is summering at the beach with her family. BARBARA O'CONNOR is flying the venerable Ford Tri-Motor at Santee. NANCY DUNCAN and NITA HUDMAN are getting ready to go to Europe. NELL LAFAYE is teaching summer school at USC and racing in weekend regattas. FRAN MILLER and SYLVIA ROTH are tossing coins to decide which days they'll fly and which they'll sail. MERCY WRENN is tied up with her summer camp. And EVIE HYMAN is busy with the State Department of Conservation and Development working out plans for the new Av.-Ed. Committee which holds bright promise for our state's high school students.

Lady Editor, Ma'am, we don't do nuthin' but play if we can help it. How about you and ROYS tidying up and come join us when we're hostessing the Southeast Section this Fall? (We'll try! — yore Gov et al sure smelled "earthy" when we arrived at BTR.)

FLORIDA GOLD COAST CHAPTER BEBE SEDLACEK, Reporter

Congratulations to KATY STREHLE for obtaining her ATP. She just bought a Cessna Skylane.

A few weeks ago seven "Goldcoasters" plus four guests flew into Immokalee and had lunch and a brief meeting. On departing they ran into a rain shower, but they made it home anyway. Our next meeting will be a "Fly-in" at West Palm Beach International Airport on the last Sunday in August.

MIRIAM DAVIS flew in the PPD.

Eleven 99's from our chapter flew to the Southeast Section meeting in New Orleans, Louisiana on the last weekend of May. VIRGINIA BRITT and HELENE KRUMHOLZ won the Proficiency Race to the Sectional!! Congratulations!! DOTTIE SHAW and MARY JANE LAW won the Bingo game.

Come August VIRGINIA BRITT, DOTTIE SHAW, and RUTH FLEISHER will wing their way to Wichita, Kansas to attend the International Convention. We wish them good luck in the Proficiency Race on their way up.

GEORGIA CHAPTER SHIRLEY NESMITH, Reporter

The Georgia 99s was well represented in the Powder Puff Derby July 5-8, 1971. Among radio, gear, and a slight navigation problem at times, we arrived in Baton Rouge safely but worn out. BETTY Mc-

NABB, ESTHER WRIGHT, ANNE WAGONER (Tennessee Chapter), and SHIRLEY NESMITH were almost a constant foursome. The rodeo at Calgary was splendid, the food was a gourmet's delight, but the cold weather sure wasn't for the South Georgia gals! The trip to Banff was like a fairy land with the snow covered mountains protruding high into the sky. Next year, the trip from California to New Jersey.

We would like to express our thanks to all the wonderful 99s from Canada and up and down the United States that made our Powder Puff Derby one that we shall never forget—the goody bags, the refreshments, and most of all the wonderful friendliness!

MEMPHIS CHAPTER NETTA HOLDEN, Pinch-Hitter

Memphis opened a new airport, the DeWitt Spain Downtown Airport in May. The two day opening included an air-show by the Experimental Aircraft Association of Memphis. They featured aerobatics in power aircraft and sailplane, stunt flying, and sky-diving. Memphis Ninety-Nines and 49½ers enjoying the fun were CHRIS BROWN, GLADYS ESTES, JENNY COOK, MARY and JOE STANLEY and NETTA and DOUG HOLDEN.

Doug and I were fortunate to fly a Belanca Viking for a couple of hours.

VIRGINIA PROCTOR attended the Aerospace Education Leadership Symposium in June at the University of Tennessee Space Institute in Tullahoma, Tennessee.

RECECCA HAYWOOD received her commercial ticket at Memphis Flite Center.

A few Memphis Chapter members attended the Southeast Sectional in New Orleans, Louisiana. DOT WILSON, NELDA WILSON and VIRGINIA PROCTOR flew in Dot's Cardinal. MARY and JOE STANLEY also attended flying in from Augusta, Arkansas.

On June 5th, a group of Memphis fly-girls attended the Tennessee Chapter's Annual Award Luncheon in Nashville, Tennessee. GLADYS ESTES flew her Cherokee with co-pilot JENNY COOK. MARTHA TOBEY and MARGE SCHULTZ rode along with them. ANN WAGGONER also attended the luncheon. Our First Lady of Tennessee, BETTY DUNN, visited with the group and invited all to a visit at the Mansion. The luncheon was held at the Silver Wings Restaurant and enjoyed by all.

POLLY DUNCAN will fly in the Powder Puff Derby in a Cherokee 180 sponsored by West Memphis Aviation.

Sport Flite, Inc. of Arlington, Tennessee, had two BO 209 Monsun Messerschmitts flown in for demonstration rides. They are all metal, two seaters that do about everything including aerobatics. They have easy folding wings for towing behind a car—honest! According to Mr. Whitney of Atlanta, yours truly was one of the first ladies to fly the Messerschmitt in the U.S.A.

NEW ORLEANS CHAPTER JUNE HERRINGTON, Reporter A Tribute to the New Orleans Chapter of 99's

A Ninety Nine Conference they were asked to host,

And to this meeting, they gave the most. They planned, they cooked, they rehearsed and then,

They checked their plans over — again and again.

The Chapter, a yearling, barely one year old,

Not old enough to fit in the mold Of the older and seasoned chapter, That they, as host, must follow after. They'll not be singled out — each by name, Nor will they be entered in a hall of fame, But every member gave of her best, And for this gathering, they met the test. They've more demanding things yet to come,

But for the moment their job is done.

A fabulous time was had by all, And now they look onward to the fall.

Another meeting place and date are set and they will be there — on that you can bet.



LOVE LETTERS WANTED: to Vic Ehr, Pres. and Charles Stoma, Manager of Civic Affairs, Baton Rouge Chamber of Commerce, 564 Laurel, BTR 70802, and Mayor W. W. "Woody" Dumas, and from any 99 throughout the country who recognizes the value of having a Chamber of Commerce and Mayor standing solidly by to render assistance and cooperation to any 99 project that any Chapter attempts. L to R: Chas. Stoma, PAT WARD Terminus Chairman, Mayor Dumas, Vic Ehr. Proclamation declared the week of July 5-11 "Powder Puff Derby Week in Baton Rouge" — and indeed it was!

SUNCOAST CHAPTER RUBY SADTLER, Reporter

The Florida Suncoast Chapter held a luncheon get together June 9 at Fort Myers, Florida.

Present were: BETTY HOOD, MADELYN EYLES, MARY LOU SHAPIRO, DOTTY BIRDSONG, MARCELLA KLOTTER, BETTY DAVIS 99 from South Dakota, MASON LYKES and RUBY SADTLER and ROBLEY GEDDES and KATHY CAUSEY, prospective members.

Guests included three enthusiastic student pilots, KAREN MEINJOHANS, YVONNE MADDOX and LILLA BROWN whom we welcomed as potential prospective members.

Our next meeting is scheduled for August 4 in Sarasota when we anticipate hearing from our Chairman ETHEL GIBSON and co-pilot BETTY SMITH and DOTTY BIRDSONG and co-pilot MILDRED LAFERTY who participated in the Powder Puff Derby.



NO. CENTRAL SECTION

LAST FLIGHT
Minnesota Chapter
HELEN E. MURPHY
May 23, 1971

ALL-OHIO CHAPTER RUTH LOVE, Reporter

BERNICE BARRIS has received her commercial license. CONNIE and ADOLPH LUHTA are the new Yankee dealers in the Cleveland area. ANNETTE FEDOR got her instrument rating. Guests at the Meadville meeting: JEAN PEDEN, SWARTWOOD, ROSEANNE ALEXATOS (provided her Avis cars) and COLEEN DAVENPORT. GORMANS and BONARS will Bonanza to Cape Kennedy for the Apollo 15 moon shot. RUBY MENSCHING and MARY SCHEAFER will leave for Tampa, Florida next week via twin for a three day vacation trip. MARION MOYER received her commercial rating on her birthday, June 30. On fourth of July her prized Irish setter whelped ten puppies. CONNIE LUHTA received her instructor's rating. ANNE ESSELBURNE has been appointed a safety counselor by the FAA flight safety office in Columbus. Also appointed are JOAN MACE and CHRIS WINZER. MARILYN and BOB MILLER took the Cherokee to Colorado, Wyoming and Montana. EVELYN MAIER entertained the Cleveland wing at the July meeting. DORIS SCOTT a new 99 and aircraft dealer was injured by a downed flap.

SHIRLEY SZABO took her two sons to Wright Patterson Air Force Museum. VIRGINIA HANIC received her instrument rating at Wadsworth airport.

Congratulations to GENI RICHARDSON winning the Powder Puff Derby. Was nice to hear such nice things said about her personally. Just returned from the race with MARGARET WELLINGTON, I can speak from experience. It was great to participate with the help of Talon. Meeting the girls you read about and

watching their enthusiasm about flying was a thrill.

From the All-Ohio chapter CONNIE LUHTA and PAT FAIRBANKS finished third in the Cherokee class. EDY MAXIM and ANNETTE FEDOR finished third in the Bonanza class.

CAPE GIRARDEAU AREA CHAPTER MARY BOYD, Reporter

New officers were elected by the Cape Girardeau Area Chapter at the June meeting at Cape. To be installed as Chairman in August is NELL RICE of Kennett, Missouri. NELL is one of our most active and faithful members. Your reporter, MARY BOYD, will be vice-chairman, CHARMIANE FREEMAN of Dyersburg will be secretary, and GENE WILLIAMS of Cape Girardeau will continue as chapter treasurer.

The meeting was cut short after Chapter Chairman, EVELYN BRAESE, received a call that one of her students had suffered a mishap on a solo cross-country. He was not hurt but we did bring the meeting to a hasty conclusion so that EVELYN could go after him and the Cessna 150 he had been flying.

CHARMIANE FREEMAN has gone to Europe on an Aerospace Education Seminar trip as a part of her work towards a master's degree in Aerospace Education. LOIS FEIGENBAUM and her daughter, SUSIE F. LONG of St. Louis, represented the Mattel Toy Company's "Hot Birds" in the Powder Puff Derby and made a quick stop in Dyersburg on the way back from Baton Rouge to Carbondale, Illinois. EVELYN BRAESE, MILLIE LIMBAUGH, and NELL RICE served as timers at the terminus at Baton Rouge.

MARGIE HALL has sold her large home in Cape and moved to a smaller place.

JUST BEFORE THE PPD, LOIS FEIGENBAUM EARNED HER ATR RATING. THE CHAPTER IS CERTAINLY PROUD TO HAVE SUCH AN ACCOMPLISHED PILOT IN OUR MIDST.

CENTRAL ILLINOIS CHAPTER JAYNE SCHIEK, Reporter

Discouraging reports on ground fog and poor visibility in the neighborhood of our river-based pilots kept many from flying into Jacksonville for our July meeting. However, D. A. NORCROSS and JAYNE SCHIEK made it in their respective homebuilts, "Iron Butterfly" and "Plane Jayne". JEAN and BOB WEST decided it was good weather to file instrument and also flew in. GLORIA THOMAS reports that she flew to Texas for the Memorial weekend with her family in the Navion. JEAN WEST flew search and rescue for the CAP on July 5 looking for a missing Comanche enroute from Cedar Rapids, Iowa to Cincinnati. They found the downed plane about 5 miles east of Champaign. She asks all of us to PLEASE CHECK THE WEATHER and FILE FLIGHT PLANS when going cross country. We were delighted to welcome CONNIE EDMONDSON as a

transfer member from Scottsbluff, Nebraska. She now lives in Normal, Illinois. Another guest was JOYCE COOPER of Springfield who is currently getting checked out in a Citabria and working on her commercial with hopes of becoming an instructor.

Flying in the A.W.T.A.R. were chapter members BARBARA JENISON with EULA SCHMIDT as her co-pilot and KATHLEEN WOOD with CLARISSA HOLCOMB co-piloting. KATHLEEN had an engine problem 58 miles from the finish line and landed at Natchez Airport to have it repaired. Husband, JEAN, flew up from Baton Rouge and picked them up so that they were able to participate in the festivities after the race. BARBARA won a leg prize. BOBBYE KESTERSON writes that she and husband, DEANE, have been working night and day to get the Luscombe certified for aerobatics. With the help of EAA Headquarters, they finally got the first one certified. They are looking forward to the E.A.A. convention at Oshkosh the first week in August, as are JAYNE SCHIEK and D. A. NORCROSS. JAYNE and D. A. plan to fly their homebuilts in the A.C. Spark Plug Rally from Kansas City. MARGE TYSON reports that she and JIM hope to fly down to the Ozarks for a few days. LIBBY ANN DUNSETH writes that she has finally become APT and although she is not an instructor, she did attend the three day FAA Flight Instructor clinic at Vincennes University. NORMA NEWBERRY reports that she and FRANK will leave for Canada the last of this month for the Edmonton, Alberta, International Flying Farmers Convention.

CENTRAL MISSOURI CHAPTER PATRICIA CALABRESE, Reporter

The newly-formed chapter from Missouri held their first official meeting in May, following the North Central Sectional meeting. DORIS GIBSON, NANCY WICKERSHAM, BETH EMMONS, JEANNE GIVEN and JOEY WHEMPNER flew to St. Paul, Minnesota to accept our charter, and returned home with glowing reports of the great time they had and warm reception they received.

In June the 99s were joined by their 49½s at a picnic supper at the home of our chapter president DORIS GIBSON, and her 49½, Don.



L. to R. NANCY WICKERSHAM, DORIS GIBSON, BETH EMMONS, JOEY WHEMPNER, JEANNE GIVEN.

CHICAGO AREA CHAPTER SANDY KLOCK, Reporter

There has been more than the usual amount of news the past 2 months—some really exciting things have been going on here!

There were 51 entries in our Illi-Nines Round-Robin Air Derby, flown out of Moline, Ill. on May 22nd—19 in proficiency and 30 in speed. Winners in the speed category were JAN GAMMELL and MARILYN POLLOCK in a Comanche. Tops in the proficiency category were PAULINE & PETE MALLARY in a Musketter. Trophy winners from our chapter were ARLENE & GEORGE EDGCUMBE (2nd place—speed), PAT & BOB FRIEDMAN (best of Beech—speed), and GERRY & RALPH KRAUSE (Flying Fickle Finger of Fate). The people at the Quad-City Airport couldn't have been nicer.

The big news for June was our chapter's first air marking in years! SYLVIA SHELTON was our leader, and on June 5th 24 painters, watchers and guests invaded Campbell Airport in Grayslake.

MARY McKILLIP, MARY PANCZYSZYN, MARY STROH, JULIA KONGER, ELSIE WAHRER, GAIL WENK, MARY KRAUTKRAMER, PAT CLARK and BEE SIEMON attended Spring Sectional in St. Paul—fun, fun, fun! These girls kept the traveling Snoopy trophy away from the St. Louis chapter, and we aim to keep it!

Our "Speed Queen" MARION JAYNE flew away with the honors again, winning 1st place in the Angel Derby.

Another fun and successful fly-away for lunch—our bunch met with some of the Wisconsin chapter members at Gen. Mitchell Field, Milwaukee, on June 26th.

ROSEMARY GEDDES had her 172 badly bent (in fact turned upside down) in a wind at Machesney.

PAT CLARK has a new plane—Twin Comanche N7986Y.



Chicago Area 99s painters at Campbell Airport air marking, Grayslake, Ill., on June 5th. L. to R., back row: JULIA KONGER, MARGE THORNLEY, MARGE ANDERSON, CAROLYN COLLINS, air marking chairman SYLVIA SHELTON, NORMA FREIER, ELSIE WAHRER and RUBY WYANT. Front row: SUE MICHALEK and MARY PANCZYSZYN. Watchers are out of sight, lending moral support!

CHARLENE FALKENBERG and NORMA FREIER are now APT.

JOAN KERWIN passed her Commercial written at last!

GREATER KANSAS CITY CHAPTER MARGARET WRIGHT and FRANCES DUNFIELD, Reporters

Our May meeting at VEE and ANDY ST. JOHN'S was attended by 29 99s, 3 guests, and 6 49½ers.

Our Airmarking Chairman, NITA IRWIN reports 15 members took part in the air marking at Ottawa and that FAY GLENN baked a delicious cake for the occasion. Others wielding brushes were THEDA BENINGFIELD, HAZEL PERKINS, LOIS WILLY, RUTH HERMON, KATI LETCHER, ALEAH COMBS, COLLENE DRUMMOND, MARGARET REID, BILLIE BORDNER, ROSAMOND OLIVER, DONA RIDGEWAY, PAT HALL, SONDRIDGEWAY (Topeka Chapter).

RUTH STAFFORD reported an hour's flight in a glider.

EDYTHE VICKERS has a Cessna 140 and reports it is a little jewel.

Our Poker race in June turned out to be a blast. HAZEL PERKINS won 1st place trophy with five aces. GRACE HARRIS won 2nd place trophy. KATHY ZIMMERMAN escorted the LT. GOV. OF KANSAS who won the Sequicentennial Cook Book autographed by BETTY HEARNES (Wife of Gov. of Mo.). Other pilots were our Chairman, DONA RIDGEWAY, RUTH and SHELDON STAFFORD, BILLIE BORDNER, ALEAH COMBS, FRAN and JERRY DUNFIELD, JO ANNE and JOHN MAPLE who flew with BOBBI and BILL MILLER, EDYTHE VICKERS, and JERRY CAVANAUGH who won the boobie prize.

A bottle of Champagne was given to each pilot thanks to Continental Airlines, EDYTHE VICKERS et al.

A special welcome to new members ERLENE LOWE, LOETIA HELMS, HAZEL PERKINS and MARGARET PEDERSEN.

ALEAH COMBS refresher course for Instrument Instructors was quite successful with 90 people attending. In 1973 she plans to do another one.

Three cheers for our Powder Puff pilots, LORETTA JONES & BONNIE FERGUSON. With EARLEAN LOWE & CORNELIA HARMON Co-pilot, LORETTA finished 66th and BONNIE finished 83rd. For first time pilots and 150 entries that's darn good.

BOBBIE and BILL MILLER have had a foggy flight to Mississippi to visit an old College friend. Thanks to a crop duster who pointed out the right "street" to take they never would have made it.

We were all deeply saddened for MARY ANN HAMILTON on the loss of her son, CHAN. Also HAROLD KRIER'S death was a great loss as one of our members (LORETTA JONES) who had practiced

with him Wing Walking and had planned to do a show with him.

GREATER ST. LOUIS CHAPTER JAN POCOCC, Reporter

I spell July, A-W-T-A-R! Seriously, as "assistant operations chief" for the PPD stop in St. Louis. In spite of the blisters, bruises, and sun burn, what a rare privilege it was to be in on the biggest race of the year. Our Chairlady, JOAN LAMB, who also served as Race Stop Chairman, did a magnificent job of organizing our gang to handle what we had thought would be a minor stop. Imagine our delight and surprise when, around two-ish on Tuesday afternoon, gals began deciding to R-O-N with us! Our normally hard to impress news media was completely dazzled by all the darling ladies as they alighted from their air machines, and so were we! Overheard "pros." like the Weather boys and Flight Service, making very complimentary comments about the female flyers, and why not? LARRY BURIAN of "Sky-prints" has to be one of the finest good-



Sat., June 12th., STL 99's took orientation rides in gliders at Highland, Ill. airport AMY LAWS beams her approval of this silent flight.



Chairman, JOAN LAMB, appears to be looking for Master Switch! Quickie cabin checkout prior to her soaring thrill.

will ambassadors that St. Louis ever produced. Of course, the ladies seemed pleased at receiving the gift, but the manner in which it was delivered, must have added a lot. LARRY finally pooped out on us and another bubbly personality in the form of NORMAN LAMB came to the rescue on Wednesday afternoon when the planes started coming in thick and fast. Also want to doff our bonnets to DICK MATHEIS and his "hams" for a great job of communication. DAVE FULLGRAF and his progress board. Outside of the few pilots who had frustrating mechanical problems (including Pres. BETTY) I doubt that anyone would say they were unhappy with their stop in STL! Wanta name everyone responsible for our success, but space and HAZEL won't let me, so—Spirit Airport, Mo. Pilots, F.A.A., WX-Bureau, Wing Scouts, STL 99's,—Good Show! All you "TAR babies" please come back when pressure not so great and vis. is! (when's that?) so you can see STL and our Arch!

MINNESOTA CHAPTER BETTY KUECHLE, Reporter

At this writing the Powder Puff Derby is under way. We are cheering our first participants in many years . . . CAROLINE OLSON and RUBY ST. ONGE. The Minnesota Chapter is proud to be back in the running.

MARJORIE FAUTH of the Bay Cities Chapter found herself in Minneapolis one day in May and called ONIE LUGER. The story, as told to this reporter, tells of a delightful day spent touring Minneapolis-St. Paul. Two gals, unknown to each other, with a common interest . . . flying. MARJORIE earlier had been visiting LILLIAN ANDERSON also of the Bay Cities Chapter now living in Hinchley, Mn. MARJORIE had to hurry on her way in order to keep on schedule and be in Calgary for the start of the Derby.

Our Chapter chairman PEGGY JOHNSTONE was named "Minnesota Woman of the Year" by the Minnesota Chapter of the Air Force Association. The citation reads: For outstanding service to the cause of aviation during the year 1971, she has contributed to many organizations, assisting in the promotion of general aviation to the public. For sustained dedication to this cause, we salute her." Congratulations, PEGGY!

KENTUCKY BLUEGRASS CHAPTER DIANE STAFFORD, Reporter

VIRGINIA CHAMBERLAIN and BETTY MOSELEY finished way down the line in the Powder-Puff Derby, but we couldn't be any prouder of them if they had finished first. They won the NATIONAL SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD for helping another TAR, who was almost out of fuel, and lost. They received a letter of commendation and appreciation from the tower personnel at Little Rock, Arkansas. They had a wonderful time, met a lot of wonderful people, and had a very special, warm welcome at

St. Louis from JOANN KINNISON, who was a timer there.

At our meeting in June, we worked out a six-month calendar for our chapter, and in July we are starting it off with a fly-in meeting and picnic at the Mayfield, Ky. airport. RITA LENEAVE is to be our hostess. This is to be a rather special get-together, though, since it is our chapter's FIFTH BIRTHDAY!

MICHIGAN CHAPTER SUZANNE CROOK, Reporter

JUDY ROGERS hosted our June meeting in Grand Rapids. WARD MAYRAND, Deputy Director, Michigan Aeronautics Commission, responded to the article in "Flying Magazine" which criticized the department, and he answered some of our grass roots questions regarding taxes. In July we winged to Gaylord for a rendezvous at Hidden Valley, Home of The Otsego Ski Club. BETTE CROOK was hostess. WAYNE TENNANT from the Department of Natural Resources spoke on their use of aircraft and the prevention of forest fires.

IFR is in. CAROLYN PILAAR passed her instrument instructor's check ride in April. MARETTA SIMPSON and BETTY WODKE, who is the brand new owner of a Cesana 182, are now instrument rated. BABE RUTH attended a flight instructors seminar at Purdue University. JENNIFER CLINTON passed her commercial check ride June 14, 1971.

Speaking out as part of the Speakers Bureau Program have been KAY CHAMBERLAIN, who also treated thirty second

NORTH CENTRAL SECTION BORGHILD L. OLSEN, Guest Reporter

The July meeting of the Wisconsin Chapter was held at Baraboo and climaxed months of work on planning uniforms, incorporation and setting up a memorial to PAM BINDL. Six planes landed at the Baraboo airport to enjoy a visit by pilots to the Circus Museum and to elect new officers for Wisconsin Ninety-Nines. They are: JANICE THOMAS, Chairman; MARILYN RITZMAN, Vice Chairman; LOIS ERICKSON, Secretary; CAROLYN ARNOLD, Treasurer.

New members of the Chapter are CATH-

graders to an airplane ride; MEARL FRAME, who spoke to the Northville and Wayne Rotary Clubs; and SANDRA LAN-KENAU. SANDY has devoted time to teaching aviation and weather to groups of girl cadets. She has transported them via Bonanza to Mackinaw Island for camping. JULIE AUERBACH, PAT DOMAS, BONNIE KRENTLER, MARY TRUSSLER, and SUZANNE CROOK narrated bus tours for the Ann Arbor Airport dedication ceremonies. Special guest speaker was JANE HART.

KAY CHAMBERLAIN was awarded the Lake Amphibian distributorship for Michigan. She is president of the new corporation, Land and Lake Aviation.

CAL and DOROTHY BREWER are moving their flight operation from Mt. Pleasant Airport to Lake Isabella Airport, eleven miles west of Mt. Pleasant. They plan to attend the International Convention with the Chamberlains and will have as their guests GABRIEL and YVONNE GALLOT, who is a Ninety Nine from Tangiers, Morocco.

JACKIE MARKHAM and BETTY FINOUT are flying around the perimeter of the United States in an antique Aeronca, "The Baby Bird". CAROLYN PILAAR flew a Cherokee Arrow 200 to San Diego. The NEWMANS, MARION and BUD, flew from Newman's International "Cowpasture" (their term) to the Florida Keys. NEWMAN'S INTERNATIONAL is now on the map.

MARY CLARK is recuperating from surgery.

ERINE MALICK, JEAN PAULUS and LANA CAIN, MARILYN PFLEEGER and RITA ADAMS transferred to Wisconsin.

The June meeting at Wausau was attended by twenty-four members and guests. MARIE GRIMM, hostesses, presented trophies for a spot landing contest. JOAN McARTHUR was named the winner. Undershot Dot trophy went to JUDY STONE; Longshot Lucy to JANE CARYER and Bouncing Betty to CAROLYN ARNOLD. A film on the SST was shown prior to lunch, and was appreciated by all.

The picture indicates the enthusiasm of Wisconsin Chapter members who attended the Wausau meeting.



Wisconsin Chapter at Wausau meeting & antique airplane.



ARKANSAS CHAPTER

MARGUERITE NIELSEN, Reporter

We extend our thanks for the great help given to us by other Chapters working at the AWTAR Must Stop in Little Rock. Memphis 99s, GLADYS ESTES, DOT WILSON, VIRGINIA PROCTOR, MARTHA TOBEY, & MARY STANLEY, Cape Girardeau 99 MARTHA JOHNSON, & Oklahoma 99s & Flying Farmers ARLENE WALKUP, VELMA WOODWARD, & MARGE HUDSON (Flying Farmer Queen). Arkansas 99s working the Must Stop were ALINE "KAY" NEWTH, RUTH GRAY, SALLIE SIMMONS, DELORES DEAM, MARJORIE McLEAN, CAROLYN PUGH, CAROLYN PAGE, BETTYE BOLLEN, CARY HUNT, & MARGE NIELSEN. We were very happy to have two TAR teams from the Arkansas Chapter. TAR 3 & TAR 5, RAMONIA SLOAT, CHARLENE POE, LOUISE WHITE, & MELBA BRANTLEY, respectively. Attending the AWTAR Terminus banquet representing our chapter other than the race entrants, were RUTH GRAY, KAY NEWTH, & DELORES DEAM.

Food and Drinks for AWTAR Pilots, and Race Stop workers, were furnished by the ZONTA CLUB of Little Rock. Hotel & Motel rooms for AWTAR Pilots, Co-Pilots, & Workers were donated by Little Rock Tourist & Convention Bureau, Chamber of Commerce. A special thanks to the Ham Radio Network, and the AWTAR Timers, working at Adams Field, JOANNE REINDEL, FAY GLENN, & THEDA BENNINGFIELD. We trust you all enjoyed the race and Little Rock. Come see us again someday. From the "Land of Opportunity," Happy Flying to you all.

ALBUQUERQUE CHAPTER

WANDA COTHRAN, Reporter

To all participants in the "Fun in '71 Race" who will race from Albuquerque, WELCOME. Even though our own members are sure to win this race, you will have the consolation of having tried. Does this sound like a challenge?

In conjunction with Aviation Safety Week in New Mexico, June 7-13, the Albuquerque Chapter held a fly-in pancake breakfast, Sunday, June 13. Those participating were: JOY FEAKE, IRENE KAY, JANE SPILLER, BEV STYES, LILY SANDOVAL, BECKY LUTZ, WANDA COTHRAN, FRAN SAVAGE, LAURA MARIE WEBB, SHIRLEY JANSSON, MILLY ELRICK, BEV GRADY, RITA ELLIOTT, and MAYNARD PEREZ.

In addition to the breakfast, JOY FEAKE

demonstrated how not to fly a plane, and BEV GRADY gave proficiency rides.

At our last meeting we had 2 guests, JOY VAN VLEET and BOBBI JANSSON, daughter of our own SHIRLEY JANSSON. BOBBI got her private pilot rating last month. In addition daughter DONNA JANSSON is four hours on her way to a private pilot rating. Is there by any chance a family membership rate?

Our chairman, JOY FEAKE, received an honor that we want others to know about. She has been appointed an Aviation Safety Counselor for the state of New Mexico. Watch your P's and Q's everyone.

JOHNNIE HICKEY out of the hospital and doing fine; BERNIECE SWARTZ growing stronger every day after her sojourn in the hospital.

CHAPARRAL CHAPTER

JOAN RUNDEL, Reporter

Way back, the first two Saturdays in May, Chaparral 99s KAY BOND, HANK HALLINAN, RENE HIRTH, MARGE BLUE, PAULINE HALL, MARY DEKINDER and your reporter spent a few enjoyable hours assisting the town of Deming, New Mexico and the FAA improve their airport facilities. Under the direction of PAUL LEDESMAY, the 99s epoxied reflectors down the center of the taxiways.

At the June meeting HANK was appointed Accident Prevention Counselor.



MARY DeKINDER presses a two-way reflector on a Deming, N.M. airport taxiway as PAULINE HALL, RENE HIRTH and MARGE BLUE stand by. Paul Ledesmay directs the action.

COLORADO CHAPTER

DEEDO HEISE, Reporter

Busy, busy, busy — Colorado 99s with the invaluable help of our wonderful 49½ers have airmarked Columbine Airport (southwest of Metropolitan Denver) and have several more requests to be filled.

For several months CINDY CARSON, EULALIA NICHOLS, KAREN HARRIS and the rest of the Chapter had been busy with plans and execution of the "Poker Run". Thanks to the cooperation of our various donors and the contributing airports we came out in the black.

Jeffco Airport has been the scene of

many meetings and conferences with Mr. Harry, the manager. General Chairmen for the AWTAR STOP have been HELEN CHOON and MARILYN NORDSTROM with a whole gaggle of assistants. We are anticipating seeing many of you Racers "close up" and not just legally "Buzzing" the field.

We will, of course, be rooting for our own Colorado Teams . . . BETTY JO REED and FRANCES TANASSY carrying Tar #116 and JAN GAMMELL with copilot ILOVENE POTTER (TAR 36).

Chapter Chairman GRACE MAYFIELD is the owner of a Cessna 180 and has been so busy using it as a jump plane for other enthusiasts she has to date had no chance to jump from it herself.

Those who attended "Operation Rain Chack in Longmont Colorado report the sessions as excellent and well worthwhile for 99s in any part of the country whenever they are held. Weather will, I suppose, forever be a whimsical, unpredictable sort of creature and we will probably never know as much as we should about her.

DALLAS CHAPTER

BETTY HUNDLEY, Reporter

SANDRA SIMMONS and 49½er explored Madrid and Monte Carlo in June; JO ALLISON is back from Hawaii and apparently made it sound so enticing that DORIS WELLER and EDNA WRIGHT are going in August. In the meantime DORIS has been from Virginia to Nebraska. JAN WAHRER flew there in a 172. MARY KITCHENS attended a district Little Peoples Meeting in San Antonio; JERRY GLENNIE visited the Chicago area; LOU MARQUESS to Chicago; NANCY MILLER commutes to Memphis for weekends; BARBARA POWELL flew to San Antonio.

Several of our members plan to attend International Convention: CAROL MORRIS, DOT WARREN, PAULINE WINTHROP, LOU MARQUESS, and SANDRA SIMMONS. Our August picnic meeting at Lake Whitney with Dallas Aero Sorority and the Red Bird Chapter. PHYLLIS DUKE had a boy on June 16 (Paul Allen); PEG ONG's oldest daughter was married June 19 and ELINOR JOHNSON became a grandmother. Home from the AWTAR are TANYA THORNTON, DOT WARREN and ELINOR JOHNSON. Air-Marking pins may be purchased from BARBARA POWELL of our chapter — nice recognition for those who labor on this 99 activity.

EL PASO CHAPTER

DELORIS DYVAD, Reporter

Our June meeting was held at the FAA Building at El Paso International Airport. BILL SULLINS from the GADO office presented the latest film on wake turbulence. Discussion was held on the ballot for Southcentral Section. Operation "Help Houston" was discussed. MARY FRAN SEIDL's name was put in for Treasurer.

July 10 found the El Paso Chapter meet-



Caption under the picture: The "LOOSE GOOSE" gains a Member — DR. JO ETTA GALBRAITH, member of the 66's Inc. of the El Paso Chapter of the 99's Inc. is now a "Loose Goose" having completed her first solo cross country flight. JO ETTA is shown receiving her Cross Country Patch from DELORIS DYVAD, member of the 99's, acting as Assistant Mama Bird for MARY FRAN SEIDL.

ing at the Shangri-La Restaurant in Juarez, Mexico. MARY FRAN SEIDL acted as Chapter Chairman in place of our Chairman EMMA UDOVICH who was home with her right leg in a cast—hurt her knee. Amendments to come up at International Convention were gone over very thoroughly by the members present. Nominating Committee reported on the slate of officers for the coming year. Among the members planning to attend the International Convention in Wichita are: RUTH DEERMAN, EMMA UDOVICH, MARILYN CRAIGN, MARY FRAN SEIDL and her 49½ HANK: MARY OLMSTEAD and her 49½ NOEL and DELORIS DYVAD. We carried out the last part of Operation "Help Houston" which has to do with the International Convention.

GOLDEN TRIANGLE CHAPTER VIVIAN "PENNY" WHITE, Reporter

Airplane wash, anyone? Arlington Airport is the place. Donations are \$6.00 per plane; \$1.00 per car; and \$2.00 per truck. Sounds like an ad but it is a news article for we put our prospective members to work to help pay our expenses to International. Those workers were: CAROL CALLEN, PAT CHESTER, LINDA HOOKER, LINDA MOWER and HELEN WELLS. Our members were all lined up with sponges and towels: NELDA VAUGHN, BRENDA STRICKLER, ROZ KAY, SUE MADDOCK, KONDA PULLEY, HELEN LANCASTER, VERA McNABB, ELLEN VAN DEVENTER, and PENNY WHITE (incidentally celebrating her 50th birthday). With all those gals taking a section, it went very quickly. Never knew we had such muscles!

Safety is very much on our list of activities. BRENDA STRICKLER was appointed Safety Counselor by F A A. The presentation was made at the Safety Seminar held at Denton, June 17 where our

members served refreshments to 86.

For flying activities, Carswell Air Show was the meeting place for ELLEN VAN DEVENTER, VERA McNABB, PAT CHESTER, KONDA PULLEY, NELDA VAUGHN and PENNY WHITE, joined by BRENDA STRICKLER in hubby's T-6. After the air show, BRENDA flew co-pilot a B-17 back to Harlingen. Several flew in to Oak Grove for AAA. SUE MADDOCK checked out in a Piper J-3 cub. HELEN LANCASTER flew to Colorado Springs and Harlingen. PENNY WHITE stopped at Lincoln, Nebraska and checked in with MILDRED BARRETT who reported all was ready for AWTAR. See you all at Wichita!

HOUSTON CHAPTER M. E. OLIVER, Reporter

Vacationing 99's from Houston have fanned out in all directions . . . DELLE and GENE HIGHTOWER swung out to the Rockies and visited with some of the Powder Puff Derby contestants in Denver and with BETTY ALLISON in Wichita Falls. LOUISE BICKFORD flew a Comanche to L.A. on a business trip, while VIVIAN and JOE BENNETT flew to Missouri, Alabama and Florida for family get-togethers.

Our PPD entrants returned with glowing tales of a wonderful race, most of them looking forward already to next year's event.

Your reporter flew a Civil Air Patrol mission recently on a search for a missing Comanche out of Harlingen which is still missing.

SALLY COX, DEDE PERKINS and GAY HARRIS joined the Baton Rouge 99's to help at the race terminus. SALLY will be our hostess for a swim and steak fry at our August meeting, to be held a week before we leave for Wichita. A large delegation of Houston 99's will be on hand to participate in what we believe will be the greatest International Convention ever, in every way. WE CORDIALLY INVITE ALL OF YOU TO BE OUR GUESTS IN OUR HOSPITALITY ROOM TO ENJOY "BORDER BUTTERMILK" . . . YOU'LL LOVE IT! SEE Y'ALL IN WICHITA.

NEBRASKA CHAPTER HEIDY UNDERWOOD, Reporter

We survived the Powder Puff Derby—two stops even. Did you? We certainly hope that all the contestants return to Nebraska again under more leisurely circumstances so we can entertain you properly instead of just rushing you through. The Nebraska Chapter has so many people to thank for such a wonderful job done. Believe me, we're quite proud. As far as the stops went, everything worked out beautifully. McCook had 38 planes visit them. And only three 99's on duty all the time. But, of course, the local people were right there to help. At Lincoln, one of the must stops, times were hectic but all racers seemed to make it through here in fine

shape. There were far more Nebraska 99's on hand at Lincoln and we even had the fine and much needed assistance of the Omaha Area Chapter.

But onward. We will have hardly caught our breath and the second annual Nebraska Air Race will be upon us. It's never too early to begin practicing for next year's PPD from San Mateo to Tom's River, so why not start with the NAR on Labor Day Weekend. The route is Lincoln to Sioux City (must stop) to Norfolk (must flyby) to Lincoln. We got off to a good start last year with 19 planes, help triple that figure.

Even if you don't win one of the top places, we know you will have a good time in Nebraskaland with the Nebraska Chapter.

Fly in BLUE skies.

OMAHA AREA CHAPTER GEORGIANN RYNEARSON, Reporter

After flying to Beatrice for lunch, we held our regular June business meeting in the airport lounge. Our APT chairman, ROSEMARY BLOCK, reported that CLAUDINE KEAN, BURTIS AUFENKAMP, CHARLENE TAYLOR and DONNA BOYD had recently become APT. Plans for flying to Wulff Harbor at the Lake of the Ozarks were discussed.

DONNA BOYD of Bellevue and SHIRLEY RISK of Omaha have become new members since our last newsletter.

BETTY JARVIS, ROSEMARY BLOCK, INEZ STOCKER, CLAUDINE KEAN, BARBARA KREJCI, SHIRLEY RISK, LUCILLE ULEMAN, HELEN EHRLICH, CHARLENE TAYLOR and GEORGIANN RYNEARSON helped the Nebraska Chapter at the "must stop" in Lincoln during the Powder Puff Derby. All the girls agreed it was as much fun as it was work. The contestants were such interesting persons that we found ourselves wishing everyone could be a winner somehow.

Our members are flying in all directions this summer. LAVONNE and BILL TRIPP fishing in Canada. VERDAYNE and DICK MENZE did their fishing at Casper, Wyoming. They also made a flying trip to Acapulco last month. Beside that, VERDAYNE, accompanied by HELEN EHRLICH, flew to Davenport, Iowa to visit her son and family. HELEN also flew to Colorado Springs with the Civil Air Patrol. INEZ and HERB STOCKER pointed their 172 toward Salt Lake City for a visit with their daughter and family in their new home.

PIKES PEAK CHAPTER MARION HEIN, Reporter

The June meeting was a picnic with our 49½ers at the Black Forest Glider Port near Colorado Springs. Our hostesses were SHIRLEY MARSHALL and VIRGINIA SAYER, both have glider ratings. Introductory rides were available and it was a perfect day for soaring and visiting.

DOTTIE MEYERS and MARGE PO-

TANKO came in 43rd on the Derby, an excellent showing for their first try, we are very proud of them. Congratulations to JAN GAMMELL of our sister chapter, Colorado, for taking third place. The Pikes Peak Chapter, although comparatively new and with small membership as yet, has had entries in the Powder Puff Derby for the past three races, a good record!

ARLENE FELDMAN will have a display and represent flying as an activity of the Officers Wives Club at Fort Carson. There is a flying club at Ft. Carson so ARLENE is trying to have flying included as part of the club's program.

RHEA ALLISON reports the fishing in Minnesota was good, she just returned from a visit with her parents. LUCY SHATTUCK flies between home and their resort they operate on the western slope, gives her lots of mountain flying experience. Next meeting will be at the mountain home of MARION and NEIL HEIN.

SOUTH LOUISIANA CHAPTER BEVE TITZER, Reporter

I really don't know where to begin with this report this month. As everyone knows by this time, the winner of the 1971 Powder Puff Derby was Tar #127 Gini Richardson. We know an awful lot of people were pleased she won, but one in particular I know personally from Henderson, Ky. — FBO DON DAVIS and wife JO were especially proud because she was his instructor and they have been rooting for her for quite a number of years. Also found out he and Jo know quite a few other entrants to this year's race.

If one hasn't had the experience of having been even the tiniest part of the terminus of a Powder Puff Derby, you haven't lived yet!! I suppose the same could be said about the start, but all I know of is the terminus. Some of us from out of Baton Rouge — such as Houma, Opelousas, and Lafayette didn't have all the hard business of putting it all together and all the running, etc., that goes with it, but once we arrived in BTR we sure got into the swing of things and busy in a hurry. And I do have to say that the gals from BTR did a magnificent job!!! These women that raced are some of the nicest people I have ever had the pleasure of meeting. They certainly have the admiration of everyone for the fine job they did in flying this race.

Now for some of the activities in BTR — one that was particularly beautiful, was an old-fashioned "Fais do do" at which time Tar #111 SHIRLEY TANNER was married. Author MARDO CRANE, who was co-pilot of Tar #61 and the author of "Ladies! Rev Up Your Engines" had told of this happening in her book and here it was again, "in person."

And then the Banquet itself was most unique because it was done as a Mardi Grass Ball and was as real as real could be. I know — for I have belonged to a Krewe here in Houma for 14 years — it was truly fabulously done.

Four of the gals got their seaplane rating while attending BTR. It was provided by C. J. Christ, Houma Aviation, Inc., and Charlie Hammonds, Hammonds Flying Service of Houma, La. They are: LILA FIELDEN and NANCY S. REULING of Salt Lake City, Utah; EMMA McGUIRE, Santa Monica, Calif., and JEAN SCHIFFMANN, Palos Verdes Estates, Calif.

This is not last and it certainly isn't least — we congratulate FRAN SALLES from our Chapter for doing what we think was an excellent job on her flight! No one was greeted with such meaning as she.

Just a couple of little tidbits about our gals in the South Central area — GLORIA HOLMES is now instructing 8 high school boys in her new Cessna 150 and 8 students must be keeping her pretty busy. Also we wish to welcome SHIRLEY BERNHARDT back again and note she got here when her help was needed very much.

TOPEKA CHAPTER DOROTHY POWELL, Reporter

At the San Antonio Sectional, Topeka 99's CHARLOTTE KENNEY, PAT LANE, SONDRIDGEWAY and DOROTHY POWELL spent many happy hours with former Topeka 99 PAT STRATTON, now of the Houston Chapter.

On May 4, SONDRIDGEWAY helped the Kansas City chapter airmark the Ottawa, Kansas airport. Paola was to be airmarked on June 29 but the runway was not ready, so this had to be postponed. Hiawatha, Kansas, is in the future but they lost their roof in a storm.

MARTY PAULSON got her Commercial rating on May 28th. We also have another APT member, PAT LANE.

On June 12, SONDRIDGEWAY and her 49½'er DALE got 6th place in the race at Hot Springs, Ark. The Sky Lady Derby has two entrants from Topeka. PAT LANE will pilot and JAN KIDWELL will copilot in a 150 donated by Shawnee Air. And CHARLOTTE KENNEY will pilot and MARTY PAULSON will copilot in a 140 donated by Jayhawk Aviation.

This chapter has been making a large sunflower marker to be used at the race during International Convention. It was finished at SONDRIDGEWAY'S house at the June



CHARLOTTE KENNEY, PAT LANE, PAT STRATTON, DOROTHY POWELL, PENNY POWELL, AND SONDRIDGEWAY left to right at the Tower of the Americas in San Antonio.

meeting. The favors for the Safari Dinner are also well on the way and we hope that you will like them.

SONDRA and DALE RIDGEWAY attended the Joplin, Mo., airport dedication on Sunday, May 30th. And CHARLOTTE KENNEY, GLENNA WALTERS and 66 AUDREY SWITZER attended the dedication of the Burlington, Kansas, airport on June 20.

On July 6th, CHARLOTTE KENNEY, MARTY PAULSON, AUDREY SWITZER and SONDRIDGEWAY went to Lincoln, Neb., to watch the Powder Puff Derby contestants come in. They saw 75 planes and really had a great day!

WICHITA FALLS CHAPTER NAN PARK, Reporter

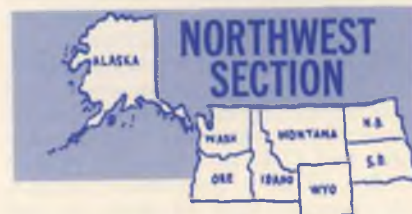
FALL SECTIONAL WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS OCTOBER 1, 2, 3, 1971

Considerable headway has been made in sectional plans. Members enthusiastically voted to accept proposed Jimmie Kolp Memorial Trophy. Convention Committee Chairmen made progress reports.

The home of VIRGINIA and JAKE HOLMES was the setting of a covered dish dinner July 8, 1971 at 7:30 p.m. Members present were RUTH RENTON, DORIS KELLEY, LOU ELLEN FOSTER, NAN PARK, BETTY ALLISON, BERNICE HARVEY, MARILYN O'NEIL, JEAN MEDLINGER, VIRGINIA HOLMES and 49½'ers.

BETTY ALLISON, Sectional Chairman, announced mailing of applications to all South Central Section Chapter Chairmen for the Kolp Award to be presented October 3, 1971. She also reported the portrait of Jimmie Kolp was in its final stages and would be displayed at International Convention in Wichita, Kansas.

Installation of new officers planned at the Wichita Club on August 19, 1971.



ALASKA CHAPTER JAN PESSEL, Reporter

The chapter's activities this past couple of months have centered around Alaska's first entry in the Powder Puff Derby. These activities were climaxed on June 27th by the departure of pilot RUTH O'BUCK and copilot CATHY KIPPENHAN for Calgary and the starting line. Many members of the chapter and other well wishers were on hand for the send-off, and there was even local TV coverage. Two days previously, a pot luck supper was held in

their honor at the home of RUBY PAPPAS, and was attended by 25 or 30 people. Many thanks go to the members and other people whose work and donations made sponsorship of the entry possible. Truly, the entire chapter and a good portion of the Anchorage aviation community was behind this effort. Special thanks must go to CHUCK and DOROTHY McCULLOCH, who donated their Bonanza for the race.

Summer is the time for a number of activities in Alaska, and this year is no exception. BLANCHE and BILL KRAGER are fishing commercially for salmon in Cook Inlet. MARGARET WAGNON has been spending weekends in her cabin near Talkeetna. RUBY and GEORGE PAPPAS flew to Valdez in their Widgeon for the weekend of the 4th.

ANN WILBUR received her Commercial ticket not long ago, and had a pet skunk for her first paying passenger. She received very excellent coverage by the local press on this event.

EASTERN IDAHO CHAPTER DARLENE SCHIERS, Reporter

What a beautiful day we had for our flight to Burley on June 19th. We joined 22 members and guests of the Utah Ninety-Nines for a delightful day of fun at the Ponderosa Inn. DARLENE SCHIERS enjoyed the ride with CAROLE DePUE in Carole's T-34. DIANE JEX and BEVERLY LEDBETTER had a most pleasant flight from Blackfoot.

ARLENE BAILEY and her husband, HERSHEL, have moved to Portland, Oregon.

DIANE and GLEN JEX, with their family, flew to Seattle to attend a wedding.

Congratulations ELAINE and CLARK PARTRIDGE! A darling baby daughter, ERICA MAREN, arrived in June.

BOB and DARLENE SCHIERS have a new little granddaughter.

MARY KILBOURNE has returned home from the Powder Puff Derby and we are all anxiously awaiting the stories of the experiences during this event. Our congratulations to GINI RICHARDSON for WINNING FIRST PLACE!

CAROLE DePUE has offered to give any member their proficiency check ride "just for the ride". Girls, here's your chance to get APT.

Our next meeting will be at the Airport Cafe in Idaho Falls.

EASTERN WASHINGTON CHAPTER ALBERTA ANDERSON, Reporter

Seventeen members and guests attended our June meeting held at the Town 'N Country, Spokane, Washington. MR. GLEN VEAL, FAA, spoke to us on safety and included a very fine film. More and more interest is being shown in our Chapter judging from the seven guests in attendance who asked for membership blanks.

We all wish to offer our heartiest congratulations to our member, GINNY

RICHARDSON, Yakima, Washington, who took first place in the Annual Powder Puff Derby. She is the kind of competitor I'm sure everyone was happy to see win. GINNY is a fixed base operator and a highly accomplished pilot, operating two flying services, one at Yakima and one in California. Our Northwest Section was well represented in the Derby with our former Governor, ILOVENE POTTER of Greater Seattle Chapter placing third.

Four of our members assisted at the Billings, Montana stop for the Derby; LYGIE HAGAN and MINNIE BOYD as timers, MILLIE SHINN in Operations, and LEONA HEBERLING in Flight Plans.

Nine members have sent in their APT slips to HELEN SHANEWISE, Chairman, and others were busy getting their time in for signed APT slips. We are hoping to have a very high percentage for our chapter.

GREATER SEATTLE CHAPTER KATHLYN STEARNS, Reporter

We were all so thrilled with the announcement that JAN GAMMEL of Denver, and our ILOVENE POTTER as Co-pilot, came in third in the Powder Puff Derby. Flying as TAR 36, they also won 2 "leg prizes"—from Billings to Rapid City, and Rapid City to Denver. ILOVENE said the weather cooperated all the way—even the trip home was great. Reports on the "NUT TREE FLIGHT" the weekend of May 22, are certainly enthusiastic. Thirty-one pilots from Western Washington, Sacramento and Southern Oregon Chapters, as well as 6 girls from our Chapter, made the trip to sunny Vacaville. PHYLLIS MILLER, a Canadian 99er, made a special trip from Vancouver to attend our June meeting, it was a pleasure to have her with us. Since we were unable to fly on our regular meeting date, several of us flew to Westport the following Wednesday and visited with member HELEN DURHAM, ate sea food and enjoyed the ocean breezes. MARY ELSE, one of our real "gung-ho" pilots, is doing exciting things these days. She drives over to Wenatchee every Friday, then spends the weekend towing glider pilots! How about that for building flying time! It has also been rumored that in her "spare time" she takes lessons in aerobatics. IONA FUNK is now the proud possessor of a float plane rating. Our Chapter picnic will be July 18, at Eastsound on Orcas Island.

IDAHO CHAPTER EULA LOGSDON, Reporter

June was a busy month for Idaho 99's. June 26th we sponsored the "Flying '71 Workshop" at the Rodeway Inn. We had an outstanding program with wonderful speakers. PETE CAMPBELL from FAA spoke on accident prevention; JIM YARNELL, head of Beech Aircraft's advertising program, told of his varied experiences; DR. HARRY GIBBONS, head of the Aero-medical Research for FAA, covered the medical factors in flying; 99's own HAZEL

McKENDRICK JONES from Dallas told about How to Get a Good Weather Briefing; and Hazel's husband, ROYS JONES, talked on Air Traffic Control. With all this wonderful speaking talent, wouldn't you know the weather wouldn't cooperate and it rained steady for at least 3 days so our attendance was cut down, but those of us who were there certainly enjoyed every second of the day and came away with lots more aviation knowledge than we had before.

Idaho's Chairman, GENE NORA JENSEN, flew in the AWTAR as co-pilot for PAT McEWEN of Wichita. She reports a wonderful two weeks getting acquainted with all those wonderful girls who participated in the race.

Our Chapter is scheduled to fly to Spokane August 6th for physiological training and a trip through the Altitude Chamber.

The first part of September we will have our annual picnic at Smylie Creek with JOY LOU and DICK WAITE.

MONTANA CHAPTER JUDY McCRUM, Reporter

The summer heat has hit Montana and people are flocking to the mountains, several 99s included.

There hasn't been a regular meeting in Montana since May, but we considered the two Derby stops a "split" meeting, half in GTF and half in BIL.

The "Stops" went smoothly for first-time committees, and we were clued in by the pros what to expect the first and second days, but NOONE told us there would be a third day! It was fun, though, and quite a let down when it was completely over. It seems something that takes so long to plan and prepare for, should last a bit longer!

Montana's two girls, MARY STEVENSON and PAT ROEMER arrived home safely, and with them a plane full of souvenirs and hours of tales to tell.

SOUTHERN OREGON CHAPTER ALINE SHARP, Reporter

Meeting day: 3rd of June—and marginal VFR conditions, so Chairman MAXINE PIKE, RUTH OLIVER, who is recovering from a touch and go appendectomy, and your reporter drove to Eugene. ROSE ELLISON was waiting there, and GINNY WALSH and guest HERMIONE CLOWER.

KEN CARLSON of the F.A.A. joined us for lunch and for what proved to be one of our most enjoyable meetings. His message, liberally sprinkled with charming anecdotes covering the rich variety of his experiences, was of the F.A.A. program now in progress: to offer specialists available to give a check ride without cost or paper work. This is aimed at up-grading the pilot who passed his check ride five, ten, fifteen years ago and probably not had dual since that day. Mr. Carlson was kind enough to say he was sure there were no 99's in this category.

July meeting was scheduled for North Bend, weather permitting and it didn't, so RUTH OLIVER, HERMIONE CLOWER and GINNY WALSH who had flown to Grants Pass with SHIRLEY HAUSSLER in her 172 joined Chairman MAXINE and your reporter for lunch.

MAXINE PIKE flew her 172, with passengers GINNY WALSH and 'me' to Troutdale for a look at what might be needed to make a prize winning spot landing at Northwest Sectional September 10, 11, 12th. There is one end of the runway that looks like a rascal—should be fun.

WESTERN WASHINGTON CHAPTER GINNY ANDREWS, Acting Reporter

Your regular reporter, PRISCILLA COOK, husband BILL, and children, are off flying and fishing in Alaska and Canada. Just received a card from her saying they were fog bound at Barrow, Alaska. From there they will come down the coast to Kotzebue, Nome, Mt. McKinley and Anchorage.

JOANN OSTERUD was married to GREGG HULL on April 15th. They took their honeymoon by plane on Vancouver Island, B. C. JOANN and LIZ HART picked up the J3 in Wichita that GREG had given JOANN for a wedding present, and flew it back to Seattle. They showed slides and gave an account of their trip at our June meeting.

LUELLA BURROWS, MARY ELLEN PALMER, PAT ERICKSON and HAYDI CURCI, flew in 172's to Vacaville, Calif. (Nut Tree) for the informal get-together on May 21, 22 and 23. Met lots of nice gals from Greater Seattle Chapter, Oregon and Sacramento Chapter. HAYDI'S father was waiting at the Nut Tree and talked HAYDI and PAT into flying with him in his Bonanza to Palo Alto for Friday night, returning Saturday for the luncheon with the Sacramento Chapter.

DELLA KOSS and 49½er GEORGE have finally got the Norseman stripped down and sent the airframe to the sandblaster. Now the fun part starts of putting it back together.

The July meeting was a cruise aboard TERRY and DAVE KELLOGG'S yacht. I have to say yacht, because a sixty footer is not just a boat. No way!



SOUTHWEST SECTION

ALOHA CHAPTER DOT READ, Reporter

Aloha, here's a riddle for you: "It hides a watchful traffic eye / Inside its sloping shoulders / You see it better from the sky / Than from the travel folders." Give up? It is Diamond Head, our famous landmark that is really a crater in which the Honolulu ATC resides. That was one of

many ingenious clues that DOROTHY KELSEY dreamed up (and some were purely diabolical!) for our airborne treasure hunt. PAIGE VITOUSEK and FLOYD GOODYEAR tied for first place, but FLOYD won as he had fewer helpers.

CORRINE (WATERHOUSE) BRITEN not only has a new name, she has a new rating, Commercial. JANE KELLEY, who has been ably writing this newsletter all year, recently added CFI to her impressive list of ratings. JANE is BETH OLIVER'S co-pilot at the AWTAR. She has become an excellent aerobatic pilot, and instructs for ART DAEGLING in his Aerobat. IRENE ROGERS has also become very proficient at aerobatics (Mary Aikins, see what you started!). PAIGE VITOUSEK has a brand new MEL rating.

LORETTE ZIRKER is our newest member. She teaches needlepoint, writes on a free-lance basis, and is married to a university astronomy instructor. She is working now on her Ground Instructor rating.

DOROTHY KELSEY ferried a twin from Lock Haven to the West Coast. SHEILA SCOTT is expected any day now on her flight for NASA.

FAA Accident Prevention Specialist Chuck Miller spoke to our members recently on the FAA's new positive "how can an accident be prevented" approach (as opposed to a punitive "who made this mess" approach) to accident prevention.

99s helped the University of Hawaii's Aerospace Workshop put on an airshow recently. IRENE ROGERS gave an impressive aerobatics demonstration, DEE KEAVENY judged aerobatics, MARGUERITE WOOD and DOROTHY KELSEY gave rides to the teachers participating in the airshow, CORRINE BRITEN participated in a spot landing contest.

Those of you with MARDO CRANE'S book, "Ladies, Rev Up Your Engines!" please note cover picture. That is our own DEE KEAVENY, with MARIAN BANKS, taking off from El Cajon.

Last, but very important, our 1971-72 officers are as follows: Chairman, PAT DAVIS; Vice-Chairman, VIRGINIA SEAVER; Secretary, LINDY BOYES, and Treasurer, ROSEMARIE BURKETT.

And a Special Mahalo Nui Loa to those who made my year as Chairman so enjoyable. Aloha.

BAY CITIES CHAPTER KATHY MARQUARDT, Reporter

July is PPD time and that's where many of our members have spent their time. JOYCE WELLS and ROSE SHARP flew the race and learned a great deal. Those AWTAR Board members surely do work hard, as do all of the gals from start to finish. MARGARET GERHARDT enjoyed flying to Calgary with TAR 120 and the trip home in a Cessna 402. MARGARET worked in the tower during the take-off as assistant to Chief Timer HELEN KELTON, who left immediately for a vacation in Alaska.

ENA AYERS had a great time in Calgary working the race start line with FRAN GRANT. She stayed in Calgary to see the London-Victoria racers including MARION BARNICK and IRENE LEVERTON. Also helping down on the runway in Calgary was MARGE FAUTH. She was on a two months vacation to the east coast and arrived in Calgary for the take-off banquet and race start. MARGE was promptly put to work with HELEN HARRISON. Prior to Calgary, MARGE visited with LILLIAN ANDERSON in Minnesota (a Bay Cities Member) and with ESTHER FLEMING in Philadelphia (a former Bay Cities Member). She also visited 99's in Minneapolis, N.Y., N.J., and Detroit.

RUTH RUECKERT met SHEILA SCOTT on her arrival in San Francisco on her Round the World flight. Ruth helped to arrange a press conference. SHEILA was praised by NASA for her work over the North Pole.

KAREN KAHN got her commercial in April and her Instrument rating in June. She has been doing some aerial photography—50 mph at 500 agl. in her new job as production assistant and pilot.

GOLDEN WEST CHAPTER HEATHER McNEIL, Reporter

Our two Powder Puffers, TONI KUHNS and PAT APPEL relate they had a great time on this year's derby.

Three of our members, LORETTA GABRIELSON, JEANNE ABRAMSON and JOAN HANSEN are in Europe this summer.

Since I am a little low on news due to so many members being gone and other activities taking up their time, I will make this report very short. Next month will be my last month to write the news for the Golden West Chapter as I will be leaving them to join the Air Force. I would like to take this opportunity to say thanks, girls, for making my job so easy, and also to express a special thanks to our wonderful chairman, TONI KUHNS, who has given of her precious time to help me get the news together.

MONTEREY BAY CHAPTER JO DIESER, Reporter

This has been an exciting two months with all the preparation for our three entries in the PPD along with the vacation flying trips. We had three days of fun and work waxing airplanes before the girls took off for Calgary.

Just to get the oil good and warm and to exercise the aircraft before annual inspection JOANNE AIELLO, GENEVA CRANFORD and SHINUMO (Joanne's 10 week old Australian Shepherd) flew Joanne's Debonair to Page, Arizona for a week of fun and sun the week before time to take off for Calgary.

JUNE and WARREN KNAPP are keeping their Bonanza exercised by going to their second home at South Lake Tahoe almost every weekend.

JUDY and CHARLIE DAKE flew to Madera for July 4th celebrations and then on to the mountains for a family camping and fishing trip.

GERI and NORM HALFPENNY flew to BTR for the PPD Terminus.

SHIRLEY NAVARRO and family have moved to Michigan where 49½ RAY is giving ATR check rides out of the Grand Rapids GADO office. Congratulations to RAY.

Our new member, ROSEMARIE SCHOENING, with only 60 hours, is planning to fly the Pacific Air Race SOLO.

LAS VEGAS VALLEY CHAPTER

LIZ HELLER, Reporter

Amid wind and sand we've begun our summer! Seems late this year and the weatherman hasn't been too kind to give up much good flying time. The end of May saw the annual Hayward-Las Vegas race. Do races ever occur on perfect weekends? I sat out most of the race in a camper at Jean, Nev. helping time the brave souls who flew it. We had surface winds up to 60 mph at one time with sand creating zero visibility at times. But with all that wind the pilots did a magnificent job of bringing their birds down safely. A few weeks later I was with the Civil Air Patrol on a practice search mission. It surely gives a pilot a picture of what help will be coming in the event of a forced landing.

Our 99's are keeping busy. FLO MENDENHALL had the pleasure of giving her dad his first ride in a small airplane. MARILYN ANDREWS was still looking for a buyer for their 172. MARIE McMILLAN and her 49½er try to fly somewhere every week-end, so she gets lots of cross-country time.

Our last meeting was very interesting. DOROTHY DOROTHY of Pahrump told us about her first flying days and her meetings with AMELIA EARHART, and stories about the early flying days in southern Nevada.

Of major interest to our members is the word that our Incorporation is about completed. Our Chapter was also represented by a display at the Hughes Flight Center at North Las Vegas Air Terminal during Cessna's Rally Days.

LOS ANGELES CHAPTER

JO ANN STEIERT, Reporter

The chronology of the news is misplaced, but since it is good news, would like to start by offering congratulations to brand-new pilot, DIANNA "GEORGE" SLONE. The good word must also be said for husband — CFI-potential 49½er, DAN SLOANE. We knew she'd make it, but there were times when we weren't too sure Dan would last.

Incidentally, fellow members, Madam Editor has stressed brevity so strongly that your reporter has deliberately avoided naming everyone who is in attendance at various functions. We've had such a turn-

out at things lately, that the entire column would look like a roll-call otherwise.

The Palomar Chapter's poker party was so well attended by the Los Angeles Chapter, that we practically had a clean sweep at their door prizes. Your reporter and co-pilot, NORMA FUTTERMAN, arrived late, but in time for Norma to win Best Passenger Hand.

Finally pinned down VIRGINIA SHOWERS and got the report on her Angels Derby flight. She flew with co-pilot GENE WOODWORTH of Eastern New England Chapter. However, their RON accommodations at Acajutla, El Salvador, was somethin' else. It seems that Acajutla had no hotel, motel, boarding house. There was only *one establishment* in town that catered to overnight guests. Yup!! That's right!!

Our chapter meeting in June was held at the Williamsburg Inn Restaurant, with a truly impressive turnout of members and guests. Our guest speaker was WALLY FUNK, newest and youngest member of Santa Monica GADO office. Her subject was safety, with an in depth study of several accident investigations, accompanied by slides. A very interesting evening, and most enjoyable company.

MT. DIABLO CHAPTER **MARJORIE ROGERS, Reporter**

On March 9th the Contra Costa Board of Supervisors announced six appointments to the newly formed Airport Land Use Commission. Among the six were GRACE ELLIS, our (then) chapter chairman, and your reporter's 49½, JACK ROGERS. One of the first problems will be to study the effect of Highway 4 relocation on the threshold of Runway 14L at Buchanan Field.

Our April 6th business meeting included election of officers: MARIE PORTER, Chairman; MARTY GRAHAM, Vice Chairman; BETTY SHIELDS, Secretary; ARLENE ROSSMAN, Treasurer.

MARIE PORTER reported on a special event held April 1st — MARIE, GRACE, BUCKIE, JEAN BRADLEY and BARBARA GRABER flew a group of boys from the Byron Boys Ranch to Meyers Boys Ranch in Tulare County. ARLENE provided a plane which was piloted by the boys' counselor, MR. WHITT. The weather was beautiful for the trip, and the boys had a chance to see Yosemite Valley (aerial view) as well as the spring landscape of the San Joaquin Valley. The boys were very appreciative of the flying experience (their first).

In April we also welcomed new member SHARON KETCHUM, and MARIE shortly appointed her to succeed this errant reporter.

May 23rd was our Installation and Charter Anniversary Dinner.

Save Sept. 11 and 12 for our Concord Air Fair. We'll have two booths and two days, and we'll be calling for your help, chapter members, for selling soft drinks and snow cones. The rest of you Ninety-

Nines, come and visit, and see a topnotch air show and static displays.

New member in June: GEORGIA CONFER. Welcome aboard!

NORTHERN ARIZONA CHAPTER

EUNICE DICKEY, Reporter

The Northern Arizona 99's scheduled a fly-in luncheon to Carefree for their June meeting, with the El Toro Restaurant the place. CORINE PENNELL and JANINE WITT flew over from Flagstaff, while ELOISE SELVIDGE flew from Sedona with her guests HAZEL LYTLE and LORENE HAMMIAL. PENNY CARRUTHERS also flew over from Sedona, stopping by Cottonwood Airport to pick up EUNICE DICKEY and her California houseguests, SYLVIA THOMPSON and DEE McCULLAH.

DOT WARD was one of the timers for the Powder Puff Derby along with Phoenix 99's JUANITA NEWELL and MELBA BEARD. They flew over to the start of the race at Calgary, encountering snow showers around them. They enjoyed meeting JEAN WINTERLING at a refueling stop in Ogden, Utah.

PENNY CARRUTHERS has been a passenger lately. She flew with her 49½ JOHN and DOUG PERKINS to tour the Inspiration Mine Tank House. Then she and JOHN flew to Los Angeles with HARNER SELVIDGE (ELOSISE'S 49½) and flew back with DOUG PERKINS.

ELOSISE SELVIDGE and CORINNE PENNELL have spent most of their time lately flying locally. Hear ANNA MACKEY had a nice flying vacation to Virginia.

That's all the news for now. Good flying to you all.

ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER

MITZI RINEHART, Reporter

Our pilot of the year award went to none other than SHIRLEY TANNER, now a.k.a. MRS. GEORGE COTE. It's sure a good thing that George owns a hangar, now SHIRLEY will have someplace to put all her trophies.



Pilot of the Year Winner — SHIRLEY TANNER COTE. SHIRLEY is holding the trophy she received for getting married at the terminus of the PPD.



New officers: (L to R.) BETTY SHERRY — Treasurer, MITZI RINEHART — Secretary, SHIRLEY TANNER COTE — Vice Chairman, and ZONA APPELBY.

The Powder Puff Derby this year turned out to be a very exciting and surprising race for the members of our chapter. The most outstanding event to take place was the wedding of SHIRLEY to GEORGE. SHIRLEY and CLAIR WALTERS placed 15th in the race.

DOREEN CHRISTENSEN and AMY KONING who placed seventh.

MAGGIE BURCH and PEGGY LAWTON won a leg prize. This helped to make up for some of the problems that they had when their throttle-linkage separated from the engine, giving them partial power, forcing Maggie to return to Billings; where she lost complete power and had to make a dead-stick landing in her 206.

Seems ESTHER GRUPENHAGEN and MARGARET WILSON had a "flaming" good time; also an alternator failure that ended up with the alternator becoming a puzzle of 500+ pieces.

SANDY RULLER and BILLIE NESSELROAD reported that it was great fun; and LYNN NEWTON and CHRIS HOFFMAN agreed. ESTHER was delighted to discover and meet another member of our chapter flying solo in a 172 — "Hello, JUDY WILLIS."

We installed our new officers and incorporated our chapter at a "Swinging" meeting held in the law offices of "LAWTON-CHRISTIANSEN - FLYN - FAZIO & McDONNELL." Our new chairman is ZONA APPELBY; Vice Chairman, SHIRLEY TANNER; Secretary, MITZI RINEHART; and Treasurer is BETTY SHERRY.

PALOMAR CHAPTER **PAM VAN DER LINDEN, Reporter**

Palomar Chapter had its June meeting on the 12th at Aerospace Museum in San Diego. MARIAN BANKS and LYNN BRIGGS gave us a most informative tour of the museum which is really of great interest and certainly recommend a tour for anyone interested in aviation. We, of course, are particularly interested in the 99's exhibits and would like to commend LYNN BRIGGS for the beautiful job she

has done depicting the 25 Powder Puff Derby routes across the United States.

Palomar Chapter members attending the meeting were: Chairman WANDA MILLER, RUTH DILG, ROWENA DAVIS, MARY LONGMIRE, AGNES LANGEVIN, MARY SANTOSUOSSO, EVELYN ASHTON, RUTH KNIEFEL and PAM VAN DER LINDEN.

Air marking was discussed and RUTH DILG got a laugh from the group when she recounted approaching the young secretary of one of the larger airport's managers, with whom she had an appointment. When she was announced, the manager, not catching her name, asked the secretary to find out if the lady waiting was a 99. The "young thing" took a good look at



MARIAN BANKS, Co-Chairman and EVELYN BRIGGS, Chairman view map showing the 25 routes the Powder Puff Derby has gone. The race has stopped in 151 different cities, 41 states, and Canada. EVELYN BRIGGS made the map.



The POWDER PUFF DERBY Exhibit, sponsored by the San Diego, El Cajon Valley, and Palomar Chapters of the Ninety-Nines, Inc. was dedicated at the San Diego Aero-Space Museum, June 14, 1971. L. to R. MARY PEARSON, Palomar Chapter; EVELYN TRIMBLE, Chairman San Diego Chapter; and LYNN COULTHARD, Chairman El Cajon Valley Chapter.

Ruth, went back to her boss, and in a loud whisper said "Oh, no, I don't think she could possibly be *that* old!"

Everyone seems to have "gone flying" over the Memorial Day holiday. RON & MARY SANTOSUOSSO to San Francisco. RUTH and MARVIN DILG started out for Minnesota but weather held them up in Phoenix. RUTH & JOE KNIEFEL have been going back and forth to the Northwest on business and have stolen a few days out to relax at their ranch on Hornby Island off the coast of British Columbia. WANDA MILLER and PAM VANDER LINDEN left avocados at the P.P.D. stops in McCook, Lincoln, St. Louis, Little Rock and Baton Rouge. Took a good look at the airports too, of course!

PHOENIX CHAPTER **SUSAN STORM, Reporter**

The Phoenix Chapter had three teams participating in the Powder Puff Derby: ALICE ROBERTS and MARY VIAL; CHARLOTTE GRAHAM and RUBY SHELDON; BETTY JO SMITH and LANEAH PETERSEN. JUANITA NEWELL and MELBA BEARD, along with DOT WARD of Flagstaff, timed at Great Falls. All report it was "quite a race!" Local 99's were pleased to see CHARLOTTE being interviewed by CBS in Baton Rouge and carried locally on KOOL-TV.

JESSIE WIMMERS continues to flight instruct for AOPA clinics. She was in Dallas the week-end of June 6. JESSIE was appointed by the FAA as an Accident Counselor along with four males.

Several of the Phoenix Chapter members are proud new owners of aircraft — MARY LOU BROWN and MILLIE MILLER have Cessna 182's while MILLIE DAWE has a Cessna 210. AGGIE LILJEGREN earned her Commercial Pilot rating on May 31, 1971.

BECKY BEAUDOIN has been appointed Air Race Chairman for our 4th Annual Kachina Doll and Roadrunner Air Races to be held November 6th. Why not join us? You select your own handicap and gas consumption in these proficiency races.

Aerospace Chairman, ALYCE MAU, prepared a special program which was presented at an Aerospace Education Workshop for Teachers at Arizona State University on June 16th. Assisting her were MELBA BEARD, JUANITA NEWELL and RUTH REINHOLD.

MELBA BEARD airlined east to Hammondsport, New York, in connection with the OX5 Club. She and BLANCH NOYES were two women out of some 20 persons whose names were placed in the OX5 Aviation Hall of Fame at Glenn Curtiss Museum.

ALICE ROBERTS flew a couple to Limon, Colorado to pick up a motor bus. The trip up was very smooth but fast building thunderstorms over the Rockies made the return trip very rough. BECKY and PHIL BEAUDOIN flew to Orange County Airport and from there took their daughter, SUSAN, to Disneyland.

At the June meeting LAURA BOHANAN presented an interesting and informative program on Desert Survival. She displayed a simple but complete survival kit, explained the construction of a 'Desert Still' to collect water in the arid regions, and furnished a recipe for survival rations.

REDWOOD EMPIRE CHAPTER **ANNA BRENNER, Reporter**

June 13, meeting as a fly-in to Fallon, Nevada for breakfast. They will fly in the 25th Powder Puff Derby. PHYLLIS CANTRELL and her co-pilot MARILYN LABAR in a plane named The Spirit of Santa Rosa. Other members are LOUISE MONTERO with co-pilot BETTY WORSTELL, NINA ROOKAIRD and co-pilot ANITA WOREL. The mother-daughter team is VIRGINIA WEGENER and CAROL SIMONS.

RENO AREA CHAPTER **KATHY GRAY, Reporter**

Summer activities mean travel to some of our members.

LOIS WILLIAMS, her 49½'er DAVE, and three sons are in La Paz, Mexico, scuba diving off of a submarine. Dave and the boys flew their Cessna 182 south while LOIS flew commercially with all the diving equipment.

KATHY GRAY accompanied her airline pilot 49½'er, WUG, on one of his trips—a 10 day flight to Sydney, Australia. It was lovely fall weather there and Sydney Harbor is very beautiful.

ELAINE and STAN BROWN hosted a party for the 99s and their spouses at their lovely Hidden Valley home. Swimming was enjoyed by everyone, not to mention the bountiful refreshments.

SACRAMENTO VALLEY CHAPTER **AUDREY E. SNOVEL, Reporter**

Our June meeting was held at The Point Restaurant in Rio Vista, a place that Western pilots might take note of—if you call them on 122.9 they'll pick you up at the airport. LA RUE BROWN and WINNIE SWETZER hosted this meeting, at which we voted in the new officers for next year. And that they are going to do! DEE OLSEN will be our new Chairman and she and new secretary BARBARA FOSTER definitely plan to attend International as our official delegates. Outgoing Chairman THELMA CULL and BARBARA GOETZ are also planning to attend. Other new officers are Vice Chairman SHIRLEY LEHR and MAXINE NORTHART, treasurer.

This reporter entered the Hayward-Las Vegas Air Proficiency Race again in May—ground kissing ceremonies were held upon completion of the fiasco—suffice it to say that prevailing comments were "our numbers should have been painted on the nose for the benefit of the timers". Those 90 degree crabs across the timing point indicate something went wrong with the weatherman. Boy, what the Powder Puffers

could have done with those 60 knot tail winds!

We have a new instructor in our Chapter—ARLENE CHRISTIE—whom I hear is now working part-time for our local Cessna dealer.

A little advance news here—our Chapter for the first time is going to give a 49½'er award at its annual Woman Pilot of the Year Banquet in July. This first annual award is going to JIM DEVINE whose devotion and generous help for many years has been unsurpassed.

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY CHAPTER **ROCHELLE JENSEN, Reporter**

The San Fernando Valley Chapter has been busy—busy!

June 8th and 9th we left our mark when PAT HALLETT and her trusty crew of FLORA HUTCHINSON, SHIRLEY THOM, ROCHELLE JENSEN, RODG RODGERS, MARY JOHNSON, LOLA RICCI, MARJORY ROBBINS, and LORI BLECK airmarked Whiteman Air Park.

Our gals demonstrated their creative ability in designing and decorating hats at GERRY VICKERS' home the evening of June 14th. The hats were sold at the Van Nuys Air Show July 4th and 5th.

In lieu of a July meeting, our annual potluck was held at the home of JAN MUNTZ. In attendance were most of our gals and their 49½'ers, of whom only four, BEV & WOODY WOODWARD, POLLY FLEMING and LYLE JENSEN demonstrated the proper use of the pool. ROCHELLE JENSEN introduced two prospective members, CARLA TAYLOR, formerly of the Dallas Chapter, and MARIA WHATLEY. We certainly do thank JAN and PHIL for sharing their home with us—it was great!

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CHAPTER **DOROTHY McALLISTER, Reporter**

HIGHLIGHTS: Our two entrants in the Powder Puff Derby placing in the top ten! Fourth place for HELEN McGEE, flying solo, and sixth place for LAVERNE GUDGEL with DOTTIE McALLISTER co-piloting. (There aren't any superlatives to describe the excitement of the race, or the warmth and generosity of the people all the way along the route from Calgary to Baton Rouge.) . . . Our Chapter's twentieth anniversary dinner in Chowchilla honoring our charter members, and featuring DR. HYPOLITE LANDRY of Baton Rouge who entertained and inspired us with the saga of his solo round-the-world flight in his Bonanza.

A fly-in to Rio Vista for lunch, bringing RENE NEALON in her Bonanza with THELMA HANSEN and a guest; SHIRLEY MILLER with passengers LEE ROESCH and JEAN MURRAY; LAVERNE GUDGEL with HELEN McGEE; CHARLOTTE RYAN with EV HENDLEY and a guest; MARIE McDOWELL with two guests; CHARLOTTE MORRILL with DOTTIE McALLISTER . . .

Our May meeting at Columbia House in

Columbia, hosted by DIANE KAUFMAN, with Monterey Bay Chapter's DELL HINN giving us details of the drug runs to Santa Barbara in which we hope to participate . . . a gourmet potluck meeting in June aboard the Queen Murray sailing along the Sacramento Delta . . . Topics of conversation: Flights to Chico for JEAN and HARLEY MURRAY, with a stop at the Nut Tree for lunch; Porterville the destination for SHIRLEY MILLER and LEE ROESCH; a printers' convention took HELEN and HARVEY McGEE to Boston in their Comanche. . . . The NEALONS busy with the sale of 49½ Van's patented approach computer; all of us appreciative of EV JOHNSON'S work in setting up our chapter incorporation.

SANTA BARBARA CHAPTER **VIRGINIA MOSER, MURRAY HAKE FISHER, Reporters**

May 22 found the local Ninety Nines up bright (?) and early for a three AM "take-off". Nine planes began an eight mile trek down a main road from Santa Barbara Airport to La Cumbre Shopping Center with HELEN BECK, ERMA CHRISTIAN and 49½'er JOHN, RACHEL COWIN, BILLIE DODSON and 49½'er FLOYD, MARION FICKETT, MURRAY HAKE FISHER, VIRGINIA MOSER, PAT ROWE, SHIRLEY SENDRAK, JANET SHELBY, and JOAN STEINBERGER at the controls of planes and towing cars. A few snafus caused two of the larger planes to be parked at a gas station en route. TERRY CEDAR, President of Apollo Airways and co-sponsor of the plane show at the shopping center reported that a potential buyer was among the curious who stopped to find out why planes were parked in a gas station and that the owner more than doubled his sales. As Official Hostesses, chapter members gave outdoor prize coupons, answered questions and promoted aviation in this effort to take flying to the public rather than the public to the airport.

ANN LOUISE SWANSON participated in the Hayward-Las Vegas Race.

MARION FICKETT finally got to see the other side of the mountains. ERMA and JOHN CHRISTIAN were vacationing in Tahoe when John had to return briefly to Santa Barbara. He found Marion at the airport wondering how to make use of the plane she had scheduled for the week-end of the Fourth in anticipation of company that cancelled at the last minute. MARION needed only a suggestion from JOHN to follow him to Tahoe immediately.

THELMA DREW, former member of the SB Chapter and now a member of Southern Sierra was hostess for RACHEL COWIN, ERMA and JOHN CHRISTIAN, and JOAN STEINBERGER during their stay at the Porterville Moonlight Fly-in June 12.

SANTA CLARA VALLEY CHAPTER **BETTY HICKS, Reporter**

"Thunderegg" was a magnificent bird. It dredged out of an otherwise dismal week

for our air racers a significant achievement. It was in "Thunderegg" that IRENE LEVERTON and MARION BARNICK finished 10th in July's Great Race from London to Victoria, B.C., against almost overwhelming odds dealt to them by the superiority of other racing machines and the treacheries of North Atlantic and Canadian weather.

"Thunderegg?" "That," says IRENE LEVERTON of their Britten Norman Islander, "is a non-entity which makes a lot of noise."

For a race of its world-wide significance, the Great Race was veiled in incomprehensible secrecy. A one-inch wire service release finally announced the winner, a German pilot whose business suit emerged from the allegedly ho-hum flight unwrinkled, according to AP, but whose Merlin sustained \$10,000 worth of hail damage, according to IL.

Only the nightly phone calls from IRENE to MAYETTA BEHRINGER kept SCV chapterites informed of what was going on in this wildest of all air races. "It was," in Irene's words, "just ilke one long pylon race!"

The Great Race was weather — brutal, physically-punishing weather. It was IRENE learning, too late, how to fly the Atlantic on an IFR flight plan. It was always landing with the brakes on. It was severe vertigo, spawned by fatigue. It was going into Sudbury, VFR, with 200-1/2. It was pre-race bribing of friends in Thunder Bay, with California apricots and records of "Do You Know the Way to San Jose?" It was gold keys to the city of Quebec. It was exquisite aluminum medallions at Victoria. It was, most of all, the thrill at Reykjavik, where a crowd of Islanders, huddled in their parkas in the eerily lighted rain at 2:00 AM, applauded the racers as they taxied in.

"Finally," says IRENE climatically, "I got to do everything I have always wanted to do in the Powder Puff Derby!"

ANN GEOFFRION and JEANINE CEC-CIO both earned their instrument ratings in the past month, and there hasn't been a cloud in the sky at San Jose since those memorable days . . . It was an easy fly-by on the commercial written for SALLY ROHLFING . . . It will be CLAUDIA CARLSON, ATC controller, in another few months. She is currently in training at the FAA's Alameda center. She is one of two women in the class. CLAUDIA claims her commercial license and instrument rating are great assets in her courses.

It was CAROLE and LARRY LUSH-BAUGH, out of the country for the first time in their Skylane, as they pointed it south of the border for Punta Chivato in Baja . . . DES STUART-ALEXANDER is at it again, logging big chunks of time, IFR out of Palo Alto for Reno in June with three friends, and VFRing to Santa Fe, New Mexico, again with three more aboard, for the long July 4th weekend. Geologist DES is currently preoccupied with the flight of Mariner, which she is

following with the nail-biting apprehension of a CFI watching a student solo. Mariner will, hopefully, send back pictures of the surface of Mars. DES will then add the mapping of Mars to her present assignment of mapping the moon for the U.S. Geological Survey and NASA . . . PAT ROBERTS and JACKIE PETTY, in TAR 101, were the 25th to arrive in Calgary, Alberta, for the 25th annual All-Woman Trans-continental Air Race, a coincidental accomplishment for which they received lovely filagree pins, emblematic of the Dominion. . . It's an M.A. for BONNIE SEYMOUR! BONNIE received her master's in June from San Jose State College, with a specialty in speech pathology and audiology. Forty-nine-and-a-half Milt, is newly-appointed president of Dracan Industries in southern California. BONNIE and the Cherokee 235 have joined him at their new Northridge home. . . The waxing party for TAR aircraft was an enormous success, filling DEE THURMOND'S hangar at SJC Muni with the strangely compatible odors of J-wax, Colonel Sanders' Kentucky Fried Chicken, and Hamms'.

SOUTHERN SIERRA CHAPTER KAY COMPTON, Reporter

We started off the summer season participating again this year in the annual Fly-in at the Porterville Airport. We had our ice-cream booth again and with all members participating made a little bit over and above our expenses. It was a two-day event, and we feel so organized now that we hope to participate in an antique airplane show at the same location in September. All we need is hot weather — and 106 degrees such as we're now having should do the trick!

THELMA DREW participated in this year's ATWAR — her second attempt. This year PAT ROWE of Santa Barbara was co-pilot with THELMA. They used THELMA'S Mooney Mark 21 and finished the race.

One new member has joined our ranks — JEANNE BOWDLER of Three Rivers. JEANNE is a new pilot. We are expecting more new members shortly as we still number less than ten in our Chapter. NORMA WILLIAMS still commutes from Santa Paula to Porterville to do her secretarial duties at our monthly meetings. However, we plan a purely social get-together in July at the new home of BERT COE with 49 1/2ers. BERT has recently passed the Written Test for her ATR rating and working hard on the flight check, in between commuting to Reno every week and getting the new house in order.

Yours truly in off for a two-week flight to England.

UTAH CHAPTER BARBARA WHITAKER, Reporter

July 14th at the home of DARLA TOWNLEY found the group gathering together to welcome home our Powder Puff Derby participants. ALBERTA NICHOLSON, LILA FIELDEN, BARBARA BAR-

LOW, NANCY REULING and VIVIAN YARDLEY. We enjoyed a potluck dinner and had a lovely evening hearing of the experiences of our racers. They admitted that although it pushed them to the limit of their mental and physical ability they wouldn't have missed a minute of it. Although they didn't finish in the prize money they did all finish, and for this we are proud of them. Those present other than our racers were JOAN and BOB WILLIAMS, WALT NICHOLSON, DARLA and BRUCE TOWNLEY, JANE and PAT PATTERSON, JIM YARDLEY, KAY and HARRY HOWELLS, VIRGINIA WILKONSON, ELEANOR IRVINE, WILMA NICHOLS, BARBARA WHITAKER and NEWELL WIGHT and DEE and JIM RICORD.

We were pleased when MELBA BEARD, JUANITA NEWELL and DOT WARD, of the Phoenix Chapter, stopped in Ogden on their way home from Great Falls, where they had participated in the race as timers.

JULIE WATSON, one of our newer members, recently purchased a Cessna 172 and is really having fun with it.

JO ANN WINTERLING, her husband SKIP and their two girls are enjoying a flying vacation in Canada. JOAN WILLIAMS and her husband BOB recently returned from Las Vegas, and BARBARA WHITAKER, NEWELL WIGHT and her boys recently flew to Portland for a few days.

DARLENE SUELZIE recently purchased a Cherokee 180.

While in Baton Rouge, Louisiana on the Powder Puff Race, NANCY REULING and LILA FIELDEN both took time out to earn their Seaplane rating.

Plans are taking shape for a proficiency race to Elko on August 14th. Anyone interested in participating is most cordially invited to join us. Take off point will be Salt Lake City. Contact any of us in the directory for more details.



POWDER PUFF DERBY 25th JUBILEE 2nd Place Winners: (Left) MARIAN BANKS, Pilot (San Diego Chapter); (Right) DOTTIE SANDERS, Co-Pilot (El Cajon Valley Chapter).

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