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## President's Column

A few worries on the horizon. The proximity of convention-deadline has Committee Chairmen acceptances coming in late; chapter and section officers trembling on the verge, and international member renewals in a frenzy. But we are trying to work out the problems, and if the committee chairmen names don't get in the roster, we'll leave a blank and publish them in the news.

ITEM (PRIORITY) Outgoing Committee Chairmen: PLEASE SEND YOUR SOPS AND SUGGESTIONS FOR IMPROVING YOUR COMMITTEE to your counterparts. If there are specific changes you want incorporated in the SOPS, they will have to be accepted by the Board and written into the SOPS themselves. But if you have shortcuts and little ideas that would make it go better, DO let your counterpart have them ASAP. The new chairmen shouldn't have to wait until roster time to find out what they are supposed to be doing.

Acceptances to date:

AIRMARKING:  
FLYING ACTIVITIES:  
49 1/2 per Records:  
HEADQUARTERS:  
HISTORIAN:  
INCORPORATION:  
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Anybody not listed above hasn't been heard from.

Have had some very cogent questions from members; I want you to know that every question a member asks will be ANSWERED and will be CONSIDERED. Some have to go to Board itself, others go to Board members. But you will hear from us and we appreciate your good thinking.

Your Prez is off to Yosemite this afternoon if she can get herself together. Planning to attend South Central and Southeast — and incidentally, the charters are coming thick and fast.

May we remind you of one thing: It is fun to start new chapters, "spread the wealth," and things like that — but in fragmentation there is danger. Don't cut us into so many LITTLE pieces that we can't successfully do a BIG job!

News of members: JILL McCORMICK is in Long Hospital at Indiana University Hospital for much surgery. Do give her a card. Jill's title is not Miss America, it is MISS COURAGE. Our prayers are with her.

Happy Flying,

Your Prez.

Betty W. McNabb



#### HEADLINES from Hazel

##### NOTE TO REPORTERS

There is no special copy paper at this time. The final determination as to whether we will have ads in the News and also who the printer will be has not been decided.

This is a major change in the SOP and in order to prevent having to go through this again later, the board is taking its time to be sure they are doing what's best for the 99's. Once a decision is reached, then we'll know how best to proceed. In the meantime, continue to send your reports on plain white bond paper, double spaced. You will be advised if and when special forms are required. I also invite your attention to the report submitted by Marilyn Hibner from the Long Island Chapter. Her report was one page and told all that was needed to tell about the activities of her chapter. It would be great if we could delete the "tea and crumpets" items and just tell about the constructive things we are doing to "provide a close relationship among women pilots and to unite them in any movement that may be for their benefit or



for that of aviation in general." This is the purpose of this organization as stated in our constitution.

This issue contains the Amelia Earhart Scholarship applications and how to use them. This is a one time deal, so save this issue or at least remove the applications from the magazine. They *WILL NOT* be included again. Remember this is a new year and the time is *NOW* to begin thinking about this award.

CONGRATS!! to WALLY FUNK from the Long Beach chapter. She is the first woman to successfully complete the General Operations Inspector course in Oklahoma City. She is now a full fledged GADO Inspector for the FAA. This is a tough course and our whole organization should be extremely proud of Wally for making it. At the risk of sounding like a "Women's Libber" which I am not, this is a break through and a very important one.

## DEADLINES FOR NINETY-NINE NEWS

### DEADLINES FOR ISSUE

September 20, 1971 October Issue  
October 20, 1971 November Issue  
November 20, 1971 December Issue

### NO DECEMBER DEADLINE

\*January 10, 1972 January-February Issue  
February 20, 1972 March Issue  
March 20, 1972 April Issue  
April 20, 1972 May Issue  
May 20, 1972 June Issue

### NO JUNE DEADLINE

July 20, 1972 July-August Issue  
August 20, 1972 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!!!!!!

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## BACKWARD GLANCE COLUMN

By VIRGINIA THOMPSON

At our annual Ninety-Nine Convention on Sept. 3, 1939, in Cleveland, Ohio, the foundation was laid for one of our most worthwhile Ninety-Nine Projects — Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarships. After a year's preliminary study by RUTH NICHOLS and her committee as to the form this memorial should take, the delegates voted in favor of an instrument rating scholarship which would be available to any active Ninety-Nine with a minimum of 200 hours. This required the raising of \$4,000, the interest (approx. \$240) to be used for the scholarships. The membership decided to give themselves one year to raise half of the necessary fund. Thus began a busy year of money making with dinner-dances, aviation balls, linen and candy sales, lecturing, membership tax, etc. These efforts were not in vain. The stipulated amount was raised by the next convention and the purpose of the scholarship clarified to cover advance training and instrument training at the option of the prospect chosen.

The delegates also passed resolutions stating that an inactive member must have 200 solo hours to remain in the Club and that outgoing presidents would receive Life Membership in our organization.

MARGARET LUDWIGSEN, who later took over as National Secretary for ELIZABETH PHILLIPS, was appointed to draw up a uniform system for keeping records. Too, the suggestion was made at the meeting that a parliamentarian be secured for next convention.

Emphasis was also placed on recruitment of new members since there was a gain of only three members during the preceding year for a total of 349. By Convention time in 1940, the membership had grown to 384.

Some of our early sections and chapters had a rough time organizing while others had rather unusual and unique beginnings.

The Northwest Section succeeded on their third attempt to become a Section. EDITH FOLTZ STEARNS tried in 1929, but the size of the section made getting together difficult — three days if the girls flew or twenty-six hours by train from Seattle to Western Montana. In 1944, another attempt was made by CORA STERLING with five members. There being no activity, the group rapidly went into a decline which ended in total obscurity. On December 2, 1929, a reorganizational meeting was held in Seattle. Thirty-nine girls were invited but only six were able to attend. LAURA MAY BRUNTON was elected as the first Governor; IRMA WALLACE, Vice Governor; and LEAH HING, Secretary-Treasurer. Plans were laid to form three chapters — one in Washington, one in Oregon, and one for members East of the Rockies. The former was established Jan. 27, 1940, at a cracked-crab luncheon. Since their treasury was much too low, they played

poker, five chips for a penny, and ended up with seventy-eight cents for the treasury besides having a good time.

At about the same time, January 7, 1940, to be exact, a Florida Chapter was established at the Municipal Airport, Miami, Florida. Because this airport was such a busy place during the races, the girls were moved from office to office until one of them discovered an old empty oil room in one of the hangars. There with an orange crate for a table and two soiled saw horses for seats, one of the Ninety-Nines "go-gettingest" chapters was formed. During the meeting, it was reported that men wearing various facial expressions would poke an inquiring head in the door. Finally, one man stalked determinedly across the room and disappeared through the door in the rear. Imagine the girls' surprise when their eyes focused on the sign above that door — MEN. So, according to them, the men were the cause of a chapter of the Ninety-Nines being founded on the threshold of their common interest. Their first chapter meeting at Venice, Florida, was reported as a success. From the very beginning, aviation associations and various civic organizations have supported these girls.

On June 8, 1940, the Eastern Iowa Chapter held its first meeting at the Des Moines Municipal Airport where HELEN JOHNSTON was chosen as the first Chairman. Apparently, it proved to be a quiet, well organized meeting since no unusual tidbits appeared in the News Letter.

We were not the only organization that was growing and making changes. The Civil Aeronautics Authority was busy revising its Civil Air Regulations which would affect all the girls. After May 1, 1939, the grade of Solo and Limited Commercial licenses were to be eliminated. Solo certificate holders had one year in which to qualify for a Private License or revert to a Student Certificate; Limited Commercial, two years to qualify for a Commercial license or become a Private Pilot. This ruling also effected our Junior memberships, girls with Solo Certificates. It was voted to discontinue these after May 1, 1941.

Our President, BETTY GILLIES, and others were finally successful in convincing the C.A.A. that pregnancy was not a physical deficiency and that a girl's certificate should not be suspended under these conditions. They finally relented and considered women to be suffering a temporary physical disability and allowed them to get time in the air by flying a dual control plane if accompanied by another qualified pilot.

Some of the aeronautical organizations at that time were instrumental in getting the cost of the first medical examination reduced from \$10 to \$6 for a license. They felt, "Cost must come down if private flying is to go up."



Otherwise the girls lives in this country remained about the same. The war in Europe had not effected them. They continued to fly to all parts of the country, to upgrade their ratings and to participate in all sorts of contests such as simulated bomb droppings, ribbon cutting, spot landings, courtesy rides, etc. After one flight, MRS. PAIGE of Painesville, Ohio, remarked, "After soaring through the clouds, I feel 79 years young instead of old!"

By Convention time, July 6-7, 1940, LOUISE THADEN had organized On-to-Denver flights, one from each Section to give the girls flight companions on their way.

Changing the custom of the past ten years of holding the annual meeting in conjunction with the National Air Races resulted in fewer members present. However, all but one section was represented by member delegates.

They rejected an amendment providing for re-division of the Sections, but the Executive Committee agreed to act upon one agreeable to the Northwest, North Central, and South Central Sections provided same were submitted in writing and approved by them.

No action was taken by the delegates regarding our affiliation with the National Aviation Association. However, an affirmative mail vote by the membership on August 10th resulted in the establishment of our Ninety-Nine Headquarters in the Willard Hotel, Washington, D. C. with CECILE HAMILTON to handle Ninety-Nine correspondence.

Thus within a short span of time, we had become a full fledged, highly motivated organization made up of well qualified women who would soon be called upon to aid their country.

Source: 1939-40 Ninety-Nine News Letters

## The Continued Story of Helen McGee

It seemed an impossible thing to me — that HELEN MCGEE, ECV 99 so severely injured in the Warner Springs plane crash in late March that she was given only a 10% chance to live, should be coming home after just 2½ months in the hospital.

When I phoned that week to ask about her, her daughter called Helen to the phone. Wondering how she would sound, and if she would still remember me after all she had been through, I stammered the old cliché, "How are you?"

"Why, I'm fine!" came the strong steady voice of Helen McGee.

And so she was, and is.

Yet I went to see her that first time with some trepidation, remembering how it was after the accident, half-expecting to see a weak, pale, un-smiling invalid. Nothing could have been farther from the truth! Instead, I found a radiant, smiling Helen, looking young and refreshed, and we talked

about a great many things, including airplanes. Two others of the injured four came also that night, and the mood was more akin to a joyful class reunion than any kind of "visiting of the sick."

Helen continues to be one of the most amazing persons I have ever known. After days of unconsciousness, the loss of her legs, six trips to surgery for skin grafting, and countless painful hours of convalescence, immobilized in uncomfortable positions while her severe burns healed, she is a calm, happy inspiration to all who know her.

Kaiser Hospital in La Mesa rates high praise from Helen. The medical people there were so pleased with their handiwork in restoring her to normal life that they staged a party for her on the day she was released, an unprecedented event there.

As a result of the article in the NINETY-NINE NEWS she has received much mail, for which she is most grateful. She asked me to express her appreciation to all who wrote, saying, "You know, people make all the difference. I know that one big reason I am able to be where I am right now is because of the people who care. What would life be like if we could not feel that other people care about us?"

Helen's family has constructed a metal bed frame for her which enables her to lift herself in and out of bed and wheel chair, and by using the same frame, she does exercises, building up strength in anticipation of the day she will get the OK for artificial limbs. Though no one says it will be easy, doctors are optimistic about the day she will begin to walk, predicting that with her attitude toward life and problems, she can do *anything* she sets her mind to. And, seeing her often these past few months, I most heartily concur with that prediction.

An August 15, she moved back into an apartment of her own, sharing it with a daughter and son, who take care of the things she can't yet manage from her wheel chair — a list that shrinks daily. Her seven other children, all of whom live here in San Diego County, have worked out a duty list whereby at least one of them checks on her each day.

She is doing part-time secretarial work, using a typewriter sent to her by the school district for which she is employed, and she's been out to dinner three times — the most recent time being the 10th anniversary banquet of the ECV 99's Chapter. Her return, needless to say, was greeted with delight by us all.

Helen has read scores of books in recent days, and now she is beginning to compile notes for the writing of her story, in the hope that it may show to someone else that, as she puts it, there is indeed a way to come back up from tragedy and hopelessness.

She looks these days at pictures of the Cardinal, totally burned except for the tail, and smiles softly, "It really is an amazing thing being alive... and being alive is such a good thing..."

## MOON MAPPER

BETTY HICKS, Reporter

Has NASA lost its collective mind? The space agency is letting a Ninety-Nine with rocks in her head chart the moon for the astronauts' landings!

Santa Clara Valley Chapter DESIREE STUART-ALEXANDER earned her present assignment by presenting the United States Geological Survey with apparently impressive educational credentials, topped by her Doctor of Philosophy degree in geology from Stanford University.

The moon mapping came about when DES was working part-time for USGS as she completed her graduate work. "There was an opening in Astro-geology," she relates, "and I was asked to apply." As a consequence, this most-active Ninety-Nine has become nationally recognized as one of three experts on the geology of the moon's far side.

Citizen-of-the-world DESIREE was born on the outskirts of London into a nomadic family. Her Army officer-teacher father moved them from England to the West Indies back to Scotland to Greece to Cyprus back to the West Indies and thence to Canada. Eventually, DEE wound up in Richmond, Virginia, where she graduated from the University of Richmond with a B.A. in history. She subsequently was employed as a geological librarian by a New York firm, which shipped her to Toronto on her new assignment. It was there she developed a compelling interest in her present career. Geology, she explains, is a logical concomitant of history because "One uses the same processes in geology as in history: trying to unravel what happened in the past by the use of visual cues."

But the prerequisites for graduate work in geology are scarcely History 1A and 1B. Back to Southern Methodist University went DES with her ambitions, where she took such necessary subjects as physics, calculus, chemistry and introductory geol-



DESIREE STUART-ALEXANDER, United States Geological Survey lunar geologist, points out Apollo landing site. DESIREE is a member of Santa Clara Valley Chapter.



ogy. From Dallas, she migrated to Palo Alto, earning her M.S. at Stanford and her United States citizenship almost simultaneously.

Between her master's and her doctor's degrees, DES spent two challenging and exciting years in Africa, teaching geology at the University of Ethiopia.

Despite her involvement with the moon, DES describes herself as a "hard rock geologist," whose passion is metamorphic rocks—working with the history of rocks. Her other assignments with USGS have included work on Hawaiian lavas, investigating the ultramafic xenoliths (dark mineral rocks foreign to the lava from which they are taken). She was also assigned, one very hot summer, to an area in Utah which USGS had concluded approximated lunar landscape. It is difficult to picture slender DESIREE, clambering over the ancient exhumed volcanic neck in the 110° heat of the Utah desert, researching for NASA what she calls a "fairly large burp of the earth"—a moon-like mish-mash of rocks in an area near Monument Valley.

It is little wonder the state inspection station in southern California asked to see the Federal driver's license of the woman in the government vehicle, clad as she was in work shorts and accompanied by two Siamese cats. Did he detect that bumper sticker which proclaimed "I'd rather be flying!"?

"So often I've wished I could have my airplane in the 'field,'" is her plaint. DES is part-owner of a 1967 Cessna 172, in which she has earned both her commercial certificate and her instrument rating. IFR rating notwithstanding, she confesses pilotage navigation is one of the more pleasurable appeals of flying for her.

A flight with DES when she is not hooded is a rare opportunity for a geological field trip, such as the one she presented on slides to Santa Clara Valley Chapter recently. She carries geological maps with her on all VFR flights. Checkpoints for DR. STUART-ALEXANDER are contours, not roads and towns and airports as for you and me. With DES, you trace San Andreas fault, finger the meanderings of the Zuni River, learn to judge prevailing winds by the scarps of Gran Disierto, and marvel at the history of Winslow's steeply-dipping beddings.

DES began to fly in 1968, soloing at Palo Alto in a Cessna 150. Adventurer DES thought nothing of a flight to Mexico City when she had only 85 hours. Her logbook now shows 450 hours, 150 of these recorded in the past 12 months.

Our moon mapper's current preoccupation is 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. And the mapping of Mars will then become the next assignment for this Ninety-Nine who has stars in her eyes and moon maps on her desk.

## THE WHIRLY-GIRLS

The First World Helicopter Championship, organized by the Federation Aeronautique Internationale (FAI) will be held at Buckeburg, West Germany, September 16-19.

To date, 37 crews from seven countries are listed as entrants. Six of the crews are members of The Whirly-Girls, the organization of international women helicopter pilots.

Among the latter are HANNA REITSCH of West Germany, the world's first woman helicopter pilot; Toronto, Canada's traffic pilot/reporter DINI PETTY; MRS. GERMAINE DE FERRANTI of Eire, and the two 1970 winners of the Helicopter Club of Great Britain's trophy—MRS. ROSEMARY ROSE and MISS GAY ABSALOM. Also attending this four-day competition will be TERRY LEE LONDON of Long Beach, California, winner of the 1970 Whirly-Girls Scholarship; ELLEN GILMOUR, president of Miami (Florida) Skylark Helicopters; Britain's first round-the-world solo pilot, SHEILA SCOTT, who recently completed a new world record solo flight over the North Pole; and Whirly-Girls International President JEAN ROSS HOWARD, Washington, D. C.

Helicopters entered in the competition include Bells, Brantlys, Hughes, Alouettes and Westland Scouts.

The First World Competition will demonstrate that helicopter sports pilots can also serve as rescue pilots and that the helicopter needs only a few feet at ground or rooftop level to realize its true potential as a short-haul transport in a national and international transportation system.

The Whirly-Girls, organized in 1955 with the then 13 women helicopter pilots in the free world, now numbers 158 in 10 countries. Member No. 158, MARILYN J. ARNOLD, stationed with the State Department in Saigon, Vietnam, earned her commercial helicopter rating flying every day for 30 days while on home leave recently in California.

Other international officers of The Whirly Girls are: Secretary, CHARLOTTE KELLEY GRAHAM, Phoenix, Arizona; Treasurer, BETTY PFISTER, Aspen, Colorado; and Vice President LAURETTA FOY, Chief Helicopter Pilot at Long Beach, California's Southland Helicopters and member of the President's Aviation Advisory Commission

## "WALLY" FUNK The Aviatix Who's Going Places . . .

MARY WALLACE "WALLY" FUNK FAA employee at Santa Monica, has just become the first woman to successfully complete the General Aviation Operations Indoctination Course offered at FAA's Academy in Oklahoma City.

WALLY is a young woman who has been distinguishing herself in the field of aviation for some time:

. . . Not long ago, WALLY became the first woman General Aviation Operations Inspector in FAA's Western Region.

. . . Not long after that, WALLY was to fly as a first time racer on a first time race team in the 25th annual Powder Puff Derby, 1971. WALLY took off with 145 other race planes from Calgary, Canada to Baton Rouge, La., and her team placed "8th" in this All Woman Transcontinental Air Race.

. . . In 1961 WALLY volunteered for the "Women in Space Program" and went through Phase I, II and III of astronaut testing—holding second place when tests ended. A great enthusiast of space travel, she has been to Cape Kennedy several times to watch launchings, and she and Astronaut John Young were in the same class together in California.

. . . Now, WALLY'S latest accomplishment is the honor of passing the General Aviation Operations Indoctination Course offered at the FAA Aeronautical Center's Academy. This is an arduous course attempted by many, but WALLY IS THE FIRST WOMEN TO SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE IT! The five-week, 200-hour course consists of basic indoctrination and standardization, ground school courses in pilot certification and flight testing procedures, handling accidents and violations, and 32 flight hours in single and twin-engine aircraft.

Excelling in aviation is nothing new for WALLY, who knew by the age of five that she wanted to fly. She was raised in Taos, New Mexico, which is not an air-minded community, and no one else in WALLY'S family flew—Still, she built her model airplanes, jumped off barns with wings flapping, and made a life-long ambition to attend the Paris Air Show some day.

While attending Taos High School, WALLY was New Mexico's top woman rifle shooter and snow skier. At fifteen, she went to Stephens College and started her aviation career by receiving a private license and graduating at the top of her class in Aviation with an AA Degree. "My first passenger was my Mother," WALLY reports, "and although my family was not overly enthusiastic about my flying, they have stood behind me all the way."

WALLY went on to Oklahoma State University to work on her commercial and instructor ratings as well as her BS Degree. Flying in three National Intercollegiate Flying Association Meets, she received the Top

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ARE RECEIVED. NO FINAL NOTICE  
WILL BE SENT.



Woman Pilot and the Aero Club. After being there a year, she was asked to join a flight company in Hawthorne, Calif.

From 1961 to 1971, WALLY was Chief Pilot for Wright's Flying Service. It was during this time that WALLY'S goal came to pass. The Paris Air Show . . .

An opportunity came through the Redondo Union High School for WALLY to teach five Aeronautical Science courses in 1970. According to state officials in Sacramento, Calif., she was the first Aero Science teacher in 23 years to reach 69 percent success in having students pass the FAA Private Pilot and Basic Ground School writings. As a result of this, the Long Beach Chapter of the Ninety-Nines, Inc., donated \$300 to her program for orientation rides of Redondo High School students who express a great desire for flight.

WALLY is extremely serious about her new job as General Aviation Operations Inspector at FAA's Santa Monica General Aviation District Office, headed by Chief Bill Glenn. "One of the nicest things about it," WALLY says, "is the opportunity to fly more sophisticated aircraft and the chance to preview and learn new systems as they come along." In her new job WALLY will be doing everything from flight tests to office paper work, but you may be sure that WALLY will be working toward a better and safer aviation future for all.

It is obvious that WALLY has a high standard of goals to govern her life and her thirst of achievement is constant. One of WALLY'S hopes for the future is to place FIRST in the 1972 'Powder Puff Derby.'

**WATCH OUT FOR WALLY FUNK**—with her enthusiastic determination to succeed, this girl is going places!

## Australian Safari Planned for April 1972

MARIE RICHARDSON, Governor of the Australian Section, announced at the International Convention that the Australian Ninety-Nines have completed an itinerary for the Australian Safari planned in light aircraft for a 21-day period in April 1972.

The Safari will take off from Sydney, Australia, on April 11, 1972, and participants will visit colorful areas of the interior, see lush tropical vegetation of the northern parts of Queensland, awe at the beauty of the Barrier Reef Coral Islands, view the Royal Doctor Base, and, of course, have the opportunity to photograph all the exciting trip along the 4,000 mile route.

International Flying Activities Chairman, DARLENE GILMORE, 7580 Sierra Drive, Roseville, California, 95678, will be the person to contact for the Safari information kit. She will distribute the kits upon request and answer any questions. When the participants arrive in Australia, the 99s there will handle all arrangements.

The tour will be in Cessna 182 aircraft at a rate of \$23.00 per hour (Australian currency). Pilots will have to take a written examination in Australia prior to the tour. All arrangements have been made for this with the Australian Department of Civil Aviation. A booklet, which will enable you to study the requirements for an Australian pilots license, is also available from DARLENE for those who are making the tour. Wouldn't that be exciting to have an Australian pilots license!

Friends and members of any Ninety-Nine are also invited to participate in the tour. Participants will arrive in Charleville, Australia, in time to attend the Australian Women Pilots meeting as well as the Sectional meeting of the Ninety-Nines. An excellent opportunity to meet Australia's finest women pilots and hear of flying activities in Australia first-hand.

Contact DARLENE as soon as possible for the Safari kit as it will be April 1972 before you know it and there are many details to cover before then.

### MUSEUM COMMITTEE ANNOUNCES CHRISTMAS CARD SALE

Page Shamberger, Curator, Ninety Nine museum announces the first fund raising campaign for the museum. Specially designed Christmas Cards. The prices are as follows:

1. 8.95 per box of 50 cards
2. Cards are blue printing on white stock
3. Front has a Lorraine McCarty design similar to our compass rose containing a world in the center.
4. The message "Peace on Earth" is written in three languages
5. If you desire your name on the cards that is \$1.00 per box extra and you must order a minimum of 4 boxes.
6. All proceeds go to the museum
7. It is **TAX DEDUCTIBLE** !!!
8. Order from Page Shamberger
9. Allow 10 days to two weeks for delivery
10. All members outside USA will be billed for postage. All inside the USA will be postage prepaid.

## How Reliable Are Aviation Weather Forecasts?

How good are our forecasts and services? A pilot should understand the limitations as well as the capabilities of present day meteorology. The meteorologist understands some atmospheric behaviors and has watched them long enough to know that his knowledge of the atmosphere certainly is not complete.

Pilots who understand the limitations of observations and forecasts usually are the ones who make the most effective use of the weather forecast service. The safe pilot continually views aviation forecasts with an open mind. He knows that weather always is changing and consequently that the older the forecast, the greater chance that some part of it will be wrong. The weather-wise pilot looks upon a forecast as professional advice rather than an absolute surety. To have complete faith in weather forecasts is almost as bad as having no faith at all.



Left to right: CHARLES STACY, Flight Standards Training Branch, FAA Academy; WALLY FUNK and TOM CRESSWELL, Acting Superintendent, FAA Academy, Oklahoma City.



Recent studies of the aviation forecasts indicate the following:

1. Up to 12 hours — and even beyond — a forecast of good weather (ceiling 3,000 feet or more and visibility 3 miles or greater) is much more likely to be correct than a forecast of conditions below 1,000 feet or below 1 mile.
2. If poor weather is forecast to occur within 3 to 4 hours, the probability of occurrence is better than 80 percent.
3. Forecasts of poor flying conditions during the first few hours of the forecast period are most reliable when there is a distinct weather system, such as a front, a trough, precipitation, etc. There is a general tendency to forecast too little bad weather in such circumstances.
4. The weather associated with fast-moving cold fronts and squall lines is the most difficult to forecast accurately.
5. Errors occur when attempts are made to forecast a specific time that bad weather will occur. Errors are made less frequently, of course, when forecasting that bad weather will occur during some period of time.
6. Surface visibility is more difficult to forecast than ceiling height. Visibility in snow is the most difficult of all visibility forecasts. Skill in these forecasts leaves much to be desired.

Available evidence shows that forecasters *CAN* predict the following at least 75 percent of the time:

- The passage of fast-moving cold fronts or squall lines within plus or minus 2 hours, as much as 10 hours in advance.
- The passage of warm fronts or slow-moving cold fronts within plus or minus 5 hours, up to 12 hours in advance.
- The rapid lowering of ceiling below 1,000 feet in pre-warm front conditions within plus or minus 200 feet and within plus or minus 4 hours.
- The onset of a thunderstorm 1 to 2 hours in advance, if radar is available.
- The time rain or snow will begin, within plus or minus 5 hours.

Forecasters *CANNOT* predict the following with an accuracy which satisfies present aviation operational requirements:

- The time freezing rain will begin.
- The location and occurrence of severe or extreme turbulence.
- The location and occurrence of heavy icing.
- The location of the initial occurrence of a tornado.
- Ceilings of 100 feet or zero before they exist.
- The onset of a thunderstorm which has not yet formed.
- The position of a hurricane center to nearer than 80 miles for more than 24 hours in advance.

**"WEATHER TO GO, OR NO GO —  
THAT IS THE QUESTION"  
IF IN DOUBT, DON'T!**

## Coming Events

### 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 26th Powder Puff Derby will start from San Carlos, California, better known to most of you by its old name San Mateo.

**IMPOUND DEADLINE WILL BE MONDAY, JULY 3RD.**

**TAKEOFF — JULY 7TH**

**DEADLINE TO FINISH — JULY 10TH AT TOMS RIVER, NEW JERSEY.**

**AWARDS BANQUET — JULY 12TH.**

If you ordered more than one commemorative cover and did not receive an insert for each envelope, extra inserts are available for the asking from AWTAR Headquarters, Teterboro Airport, Teterboro, New Jersey 07040.

## 1970-1971 International Membership Committee Report

**DORIS H. RENNINGER, Chairman**

The Ninety-Nines have been striving to reach the 4,000 member plateau for the past several years but instead of taking "One Giant Step", we seem to have been "running in place". In the Ninety-Nines 40th year, August 1969, membership totaled 3,816 and by June of 1970, it appeared we were closing the gap with 3,979 members. It has taken the whole 1970-71 year, with 468 domestic new members, 28 overseas, 35 Canadian, 9 Members-at-Large, and 78 reinstatements, to reach the total number of 4,095 members, as of August 1, 1971.

May I express my appreciation to all Section and Chapter Membership Chairmen for all their efforts and accomplishments this past year, and to International Liaison, EDITH DENNY for her conscientious endeavors on behalf of all the overseas members.

In 1970-1971, seven new Chapters, in six of the Sections have been added for a total of 126 Chapters. To say Welcome and give recognition to these new Chapters, they are:

North Georgia, Southeast Section  
North Dakota, Northwest Section  
New York Capital District, NY/NJ Section  
Central Missouri, North Central Section  
Western New England, New England Section  
Dallas Redbird, South Central Section  
Tri-State, South Central Section.

A new overseas Section was added when N.Y./N.J. Section Governor JULIE VOM SEAL, on behalf of President BETTY McNABB, was privileged to present the "Section Francaise" Charter to French Governor, Madame Marie de Beauregard, in April in Paris. Requests for applications and information on forming two additional overseas Sections has been received from YALL ROM of Israel and MARGARETHA SCHMERHORN of Holland. Ninety-Nine Sections now total 16.

These are the statistics for the 1970-71 International membership year: 4,095 members, 126 Chapters and 16 Sections. *But,*

## Powder Puff Derby

**MARION ANDREWS, Reporter**

The first back-to-work regular monthly meeting of the Board was held in mid-September. It was sort of an off with the old and on with the new meeting.

Among the reports that have come in concerning the race was one from MELBA BEARD. She estimated that 775 separate radio calls by racers were remarkably handled by the tower at Great Falls, over and above their routine traffic calls.

For the information of those who did not take part in the 25th Powder Puff Derby, a survey in the form of a questionnaire was given to all participants for their ideas on various phases of the race, such as must stops, fly-bys, no. of entries, awards, length of legs, etc. This survey resulted in many profound suggestions and comments that certainly will influence the thinking of the board in planning the 26th Powder Puff Derby.

BARBARA RIGGS, 1972 Route Director, thought we would never get on with the new business. She had arrived with a mountain of maps from Cal. to N. J. all glued together. After much discussion, which included a review of the Terminus SOP in preparation for a meeting with the Garden State Chapter in October, we literally got down to the 1972 route. All board members present crawled on their hands and knees from San Carlos to Toms River, across the maps. A tentative route, not yet for publication, has been layed out.





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Pauline Glasson	Los Angeles
Houston	Santa Barbara
Arkansas	Shreveport
Abilene	Florida Goldcoast
Spanish Peaks	Kentucky Bluegrass
Tri-Cities	Iowa
San Joaquin Valley	Cape Girardeau Area
Santa Fe Area	Greater Seattle
Palomar	Mount Tahama
Redwood Empire	Reno Area
New York	Connecticut
Capital District	Chicago Area
Long Island	Nebraska
Oklahoma	Eastern
Georgia	New England
Minnesota	Memphis
Santa Clara Valley	El Cajon Valley
Norma Kudrassy	Tulsa
Garden State	Bea Jobe
Wyoming	Frances Warner
Greater New York	Central Illinois
Hudson Valley	Tennessee
Southern Oregon	Quad City Area
Wichita Falls	Maple Leaf
Indiana	Alaska
North Georgia	Orange County
Southeast Seclian	Dorothy Bonar
Greater New York	Central Illinois
Hudson Valley	Tennessee
Southern Oregon	Quad City Area
Puget Sound	San Diego
Greater Kansas City	Fresno
Michigan	San Antonio
North Dakota	Southern Sierra
Sacramento Valley	Florida Suncoast
Mount Diablo	All-Ohio
Kitty Hawk	Long Beach
San Fernando Valley	Colorado
Bay Cities	North Central Section
Kansas	Eastern Washington
Northern Arizona	Western New York
Aloha	Golden Triangle
Tip of Texas	Topeka
Phoenix	Central Pennsylvania
First Canadian	Greater St. Louis
Bakersfield	Florida Spaceport
Tri States	

with the F.A.A.'s recent report that there are 29,000 licensed women pilots in the United States (and we know, many more abroad) we can't rest on our laurels. Their report shows that we have only acquainted and encouraged 1/7 (one-seventh) of the women pilots to join the Ninety-Nines. With this small percentage, 14%, the Ninety-Nines are not representing the majority of women in aviation!

The responsibility rests on each and every one of us for continued and greater growth in the Ninety-Nines. We should EACH consider ourselves part of our Chapters' Membership Committee. We should EACH publicize and encourage women pilots to join the Ninety-Nines. We should EACH promote and participate in constructive and meaningful aviation programs to retain these members. AND—MOST IMPORTANT OF ALL— We should EACH extend ourselves to make every prospective and new member feel WELCOME—and to know the fun and friendship of being a Ninety-Nine.

Our challenge for the 1971-72 year— That each of the 4,095 NINETY-NINE members dedicates themselves to obtaining at least one new member. If this was accomplished our membership report would show TOTAL membership 8,190—and we would have taken that "ONE GIANT STEP."

September 1, 1971

Dear Hazel,

The 22nd Annual Air Meet sponsored by the Chicago Chapter of 99's was held on Saturday, August 28, at Naper Airport, Naperville, Illinois.

This was an Efficiency Race in which the contestants estimated their speed and fuel. The race route was not known to the contestants until the date of the race.

The race, starting at Naper Airport, to Wagon Wheel Airport near Rockford, Illinois, to Radio Beach Airport at Polo, Illinois, to Spring Valley Airport, near LaSalle, Illinois on the Illinois River and back to Naper Airport, was a 271 mile course.

The contestants had to identify prominent landmarks at the various airports. The purpose of the race was to come to as close a score of 100% as possible in time and fuel.

The winners and their prizes are as follows:

1st Place—CHARLENE FALKENBERG, Hobart, Indiana. Trophy—Cash Award—Rotating Perpetual Trophy.

2nd Place—MARY KRAUTKRAMER, Chicago, Illinois. Trophy—Cash Award.

3rd Place—ELSIE WAHRER, Barrington, Illinois. Trophy—Cash Award.

4th Place—JULIA KONGER, McHenry, Illinois. 1 year subscription to FLYING.

5th Place—JEANINE TELLEKSON, Oak Lawn, Illinois. 1 year subscription to FLIGHT MAGAZINE; 1 year subscription to AIR FACTS.



First place Spot Landing — DOROTHY WHITE.



Second Place — MARY KRAUTKRAMER; co-pilot — husband, Joe.



Third place — ELSIE WAHRER, pilot; ANN FRISCO, co-pilot.



First place — CHARLENE FALKENBURG with co-pilot PAT CASSITY.

Keep the Temperature Rising

Keep *The Powder Puff Derby* Flying

AWTAR WAYS/and MEANS

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Leg Prize—JEANINE TELLEKSON. 1 year subscription to FLIGHT MAGAZINE.

Rookie Prize—MARY KRAUTKRAMER. Rookie Rotating Trophy & Rookie Trophy.

Spot Landing—female—1st place—DOROTHY WHITE—Trophy, Naperville, Illinois; 2nd place—HELEN BANNISBERG—Trophy, Chicago, Illinois; Male—1st place—ART FISHER—Map light, Tufts-Edgumbe, Inc., Elgin, Illinois; 2nd place—JOE KRAUTKRAMER—49½er—Flight Computer, Chicago, Illinois.

Best performance—male-female—CHARLENE FALKENBERG and PAT CASITY, Highland, Ind.

Best performance—all female crew—ELSIE WAHRER and ANN FRISCO, Barrington, Ill.

Sincerely,  
CHARLENE FALKENBERG,  
Publicity Chairman



#### CHRISTINE HENDERSON, Reporter

From Perth ROSEMARY DE PIERRES writes, "I am delighted and honoured to have been appointed Governor of the Australian Section of the 99's. Might even get to fly in my first AWTAR. I am proud to have as fellow Office Bearers, ROBIN MILLER and CHRISTINE HENDERSON, they are both well known to 99's.

LORD and LADY (MAIE) CASEY have recently enjoyed some interesting days in New York, London, Moscow and New Delhi.

Tireless NANCY-BIRD WALTON, who is Vice-President of the Air Ambulance Appeal, relates many cases where speed has been the important factor—brain and chest injuries from road accidents that must be flown into the highly specialized surgeons whose team and equipment cannot be spread out over the country. Mostly the flying has been done with one very over-worked Queenair; which has saved the road ambulance service of which it is part, 5 million road miles which would have worn out 83 ambulances.

NANCY ALLEN LEEBOLD was pleased to welcome 99 MAXINE CHRISTIAN from California during her trip through Sydney

recently en route to Norfolk Island. MAXINE reports doing some Cessna 172 flying whilst in Norfolk in the prettiest surroundings in the South Pacific. From MAXINE's description of Norfolk Island NANCY ELLIS LEEBOLD has a gleam in her eye that indicates she's thinking of some long range over water visiting in her Beechcraft Debonair.

From the Golden Triangle Chapter, SUZANNE MADDOCK and her husband Frank whilst in Sydney went flying with MARIE RICHARDSON.

After gaining her Instructor Rating in May, KATHRYN HENDERSON flew a three week photographic charter in the



On her arrival in Darwin late July, after her solo flight over the North Pole; which was the focal point of her round the world record-breaking flight — SHEILA SCOTT (center) and her Piper Aztec 'MYTHRE', being greeted by KATHRYN and CHRISTINE HENDERSON.

September 18, 1971

### KOKOMO, INDIANA 1971 F.A.I.R. SCORE SHEET

FINISH POSITION	NAME	RACE NO.	AIRCRAFT	PAR SPEED	ACTUAL SPEED	SPEED %	PAR FUEL	ACTUAL FUEL	FUEL %	TOTAL %
1	Jean Lennertson Rich Lennertson	25	Cessna 172	105	104.69799	49.8561	22.47139	22.4	49.8411	99.6972
								1 Hr. 51 Min. 45 Sec.		
2	Jan Kuechenmeister Clara Tharpe	35	Cessna 172	98	98.03103	49.9842	17.31117	17.2	49.6789	99.6631
								1 Hr. 59 Min. 21 Sec.		
3	Minerva Mahoney Herna J. Fisher	44	WACO UPF-7	87	87.53120	49.6947	33.62055	33.9	49.5844	99.2791
								2 Hr. 13 Min. 40 Sec.		
4	Pauline Mallary Pete Mallary	33	Beech Scout	100	99.73011	49.8650	17.55000	17.3	49.2877	99.1527
								1 Hr. 57 Min. 19 Sec.		
5	Elizabeth Nicholas Paul Schlundt	43	Cessna 150	89	88.29302	49.6028	13.80336	14.0	49.2877	98.8905
								2 Hr. 12 Min. 30 Sec.		
6	Pamela Stowell Judy Suit	22	Cessna 172	108	107.09402	49.5805	22.93049	22.6	49.2793	98.8598
								1 Hr. 49 Min. 15 Sec.		
7	Mary Miller Anthony Takacs	16	Piper Cherokee 180	115	115.04425	49.9808	16.95650	16.5	48.6539	98.6347
								1 Hr. 41 Min. 42 Sec.		
8	Ruth Cristan Mike Johnson	27	Piper Cherokee 140	101	98.60936	48.8165	18.92076	18.8	49.6808	98.4973
								1 Hr. 58 Min. 39 Sec.		
9	Muriel Dykema Pauline Genung	38	Cessna 172	96	93.64996	48.7760	21.93750	22.1	49.6296	98.4056
								2 Hr. 4 Min. 56 Sec.		
10	Helen Grahn Vernie Grahn	6	Beechcraft Debonair B-35	133	132.75421	49.9075	20.08639	19.4	48.2914	98.1989
								1 Hr. 28 Min. 8 Sec.		



North West of Western Australia. Since mid-June KATHRYN has been flying the Bonanza on charter based South East of Darwin at a Buffalo Station,

In July HELEN BLACKBURN and her husband left Darwin and are now living in Canberra.

JENNIFER FRAME helped to organize a successful Navigation fun flight for the Invercargill Aero Club, New Zealand. It was a combination of our Australian Women Pilot's Reliability Trial and the Canadian 'poker hand' flight. Starting from Invercargill, a two hour flight with several stops including a bar-b-q lunch at Queenstown, then return.

Lately, ROBIN MILLER has been based in Meekathara and Port Hedland, two northern towns of Western Australia, where there is extensive mineral development. The Royal Flying Doctor Service's fleet of five Beechcraft Barons have been kept busy on medical flights in the area, and the service soon hopes to find the necessary finance for a badly needed pressurized aircraft. ROBIN was in Port Hedland for 'Race week' and "Aussieised" CARLA ALDRICH "bought" a horse in the 'Hedland Cup'—main race of the day, for \$300. With three horses in the race, if her nag had won—the odds?! CARLA, who is a Member of the San Diego Chapter is packing for her return from Australia—September.

PEG KELMAN and OLGA TARLING were delighted to meet the Italian lady co-pilot FIORENZA DE BERNARDI of the Russian YAK-40 tri-jet.

The Annual General Meeting of the Australian Women Pilot's Association is to be held 27-30th April, 1972 in Charleville, Queensland. We will hold our 99 Sectional at that time also in Charleville and do hope that many of you will join us, as we are assured of lots of fun and superb hospitality, thanks to the early organising of DOROTHY HERBERT and her hard working helpers.

Cheerio for now,



**PAULETTE PINKARD, Reporter**

Hearty hellos from Britain! With 99s coming from all points of the United Kingdom, our last meeting was held in the Royal Aero Club in London's famous Pall Mall, which provided quite a suitable place

for annual elections. The new officers are: Governor—GAY ABSALOM; Vice-Governor—BARBARA CANNON; Secretary—SUE PHILLIPS; Treasurer—EILEEN HOULDER.

Elected (?) as news reporter was POL-LIE PINKARD, an American whose good fortune it was to be sent to Britain to live, courtesy of the United States Air Force. Her feelings after meeting and getting to know some of the 99s over here, were that the rest of the gals all over the world should have the chance to meet them, if not in person, then through the newsletter. Perhaps this will shorten the miles between the United Kingdom, America and other countries. Starting next month and each month following, there will be a profile of one of the British 99s as seen from the eyes of this American. These gals are a group we can be most proud of!

But first, let me give you a picture of Britain: The entire United Kingdom, no larger than the state of Minnesota, is dominated by a good four major weather systems. So, on a day of CAVU weather in Exeter, were you to fly to Edinburgh, a scant four-hour trip in a Cherokee 140, you may, and probably would, hit every kind of weather in the books.

Where else in the world can you find modern cities with hotels, restaurants, skyscrapers, etc. to rival that of New York; where else can you find ruins dating back to early Roman times; villages 900 years old, sapphire seas and golden beaches, overhanging cliffs, fog shrouded castles exuding mystery and romance from a far gone day; misty mountains and valleys, with everything being a deep emerald green year round? Last and most definitely not least, being able to meet and get to know a people with a sense of humor that would tickle even the most non-existent funny-bone; a people who will give you bus fare, underground fare, etc. if all you have with you is the Yankee Greenback, expecting no return; a people who move along leisurely not letting life get the best of them, but giving the best to life, taking life seriously, but knowing how to laugh; a wonderful people one never forgets and always misses when away?

This is the Britain I know and love and through this nutshell view, hope you all will see the picture I've painted. The invitation is extended—come fly with us, see our Britain, meet our people and enjoy our life!

Next month: Meet Elizabeth Overbury.

#### NOTAM

Roster deadline is now September 15th. This was changed at Convention. Disregard all previous deadline listings. All material must be received at Headquarters by September 15, 1971.

## SOUTH AFRICAN SECTION



**YVONNE VAN DEN DOOL, Reporter**

We are very proud of ANN WHITE who received an Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship award. ANN has just returned from the States where she attended the Convention in Wichita.

INGRID HEINZ flew the ATWAR this year with VALERIE HUMPHREYS, a new member, as co-pilot.

Two more members whom we welcome heartily are CHARMAINE KLAUE of Bloemfontein—we met CHARMAINE at the Sectional—and BARBARA THOMPSON of Springs. JEANETTE VAN GINKEL'S daughter, JANINE, was a guest at the Sectional.

The Sectional meeting was held at Riverside Lodge in the Orange Free State, right on the Lesotho border. After the meeting we all crossed the border to visit the Casino at the Holiday Inn. Enough said!

The floating trophy "Woman Pilot of the Year" Award was presented, in absentia, for the first time. FLEUR WALES-BAILLIE, at present in the States, continuing her studies in aviation, was the winner. We are all very pleased with FLEUR'S achievements. AURIEL MILLER of Durban took third place in the Natal Private Pilot's Championships thus qualifying for the Natal team. In the National Championships held at Bloemfontein at the beginning of September, AURIEL took second place, apparently beaten by the (male) winner by less than 1%. This is wonderful!

LYNETTE WESSELS of Benoni has been awarded the trophy for the best student pilot of the year. MARIE GODWIN of Durban has helped to build a mini-midget—it's small and it flies! MYRNA HYLAND has been a very efficient APT Chairman since the program began for us three months ago. YVONNE VAN DEN DOOL has employment as company pilot in Tzaneen. MOLLY LOWE is busy with a Commercial course down in Durban. JEANETTE VAN GINKEL and 49½r MIKE flew to the Seychelles in a Navajo not long ago.

Members who became APT during 1970/71 are: ANN WHITE, MARIE GODWIN, AURIEL MILLER, LYNETTE WESSELS, and YVONNE VAN DEN DOOL.



The following half-yearly meeting will be held in Johannesburg during April 1972. A fly-away to Bumi Hills at Lake Kariba, Rhodesia is planned for the long weekend at the end of May 1972.

## EAST CANADA

### MONTREAL CHAPTER ANITA NUNNS, Reporter

The Montreal Chapter was rather inactive during the summer. However, a couple of the girls did manage to get in some flying. SANDY FRANK and husband spent the summer in International Falls, Minnesota on business and combined it with quite a little pleasure. They took out their American licenses so that they could do some flying south of the border, and they got in quite a few hours. One trip was to the EAA Convention in Oshkosh which they enjoyed immensely. SANDY also managed to get checked out on a Cessna 170 and a Cherokee 140.

BETTY and ARNE ISSENMAN spent about three weeks cruising the Maritimes and Newfoundland in their Skymaster. Must say the weather was not as favourable around Montreal, except for a trip to Put-In-Bay, Ohio. The first of July yours truly and husband were forced to cancel several trips, so the old Pontiac got quite a workout.

Will miss KARIN VILEN who has left Montreal for a while. Workers we are going to need;—the Montreal Chapter has a new project! We are in the process of getting organized to put out a scarf with the 99 insignia on it which may be worn as a scarf or kerchief, etc. We were pleased to get the approval of headquarters and hope to have the approval of all 99's as we expect to sell them as fast as we can make them.

Looking forward to going to Toronto with IRMA SELIG for the Sectional.



## NEW ENGLAND SECTION

### CONNECTICUT CHAPTER BOBBIE HERBERT, Reporter

WELCOME back to the Connecticut Chapter, CHRIS WINZER! CHRIS flew in from Ohio in her Stearman recently to take up residence in New Milford, Connecticut, and to report for work as one of the executives with Uni-Search, Inc. in Danbury. She is adding a "bonus" to our collection of door-prizes for the Section meeting too . . . a ride in the Stearman!

NANCY TIER has arrived in France for an extended visit with her sister. It couldn't happen at a more opportune time, as Chairman MARY NEIL has been corresponding with MARIE-JOSEPHE DE BEAUREGARD about the RUTH NICHOL'S memorabilia. NANCY was able to contribute some copies of the RUTH NICHOL'S pictures in our collection on behalf of our Chapter. MARIE is working on a book of women in aviation from every country and she is also working with the French Aviation Museum. We feel certain the French Section will find NANCY has much to contribute.

ROSIE CRIM stayed close to the "greens" this year and worked her way up the ladder to top contender for the country club golf trophy. In a "sudden death" playoff against the defending club champion, ROSIE broke the tie on the nineteenth hole, and carried home the trophy.

Appointed FAA Safety Counselor under the new Accident Prevention Program is CFI MARCIA SPAKOSKI. She will keep Chapter members informed as the program grows and develops.

An 'early bird' visitor at the Air Force Museum in Ohio was NANCY TIER who flew out in her Cessna with one of her grandsons.

LAURIE SPENCE has officially transferred to our Chapter and will be our Direct Relief Foundation Chairman. Anyone willing to fly supplies for the DRF should contact her. VERA FINLAY has been in touch with MARY NEIL and has given her a list of supplies earmarked for California. DAVE NEIL has already taken one load to Denver for us.

NINA HETMANENKO has joined a Flying Club and will be traveling to meetings in a Debonair now.

We had a very enjoyable luncheon meeting at IRENE and DAVE ESHELMAN's apartment in Storrs on August 21st. Those members flying in were BOBBIE HERBERT and MARY NEIL, MARCIE SPAKOSKI and JERRY GARDINER, and PEG DAVIDSON with 49½'er DON and NINA HETMANENKO. MARCIA gave NINA her check ride in the C-150 and her name was added to the APT list.

PEG DAVIDSON reports that it was a great summer for flying.

### EASTERN NEW ENGLAND CHAPTER LUCILLE FLYNN, Reporter

The Massachusetts Witches, DOT BUTLER, HELEN RHODES, and HARRIET FULLER flew the race from Indianapolis in DOT BUTLER's Cherokee 180. Others, like ISABEL BLODGETT and CHRIS SEAVER, in ISABEL's Bonanza, side-tracked to Colorado to visit ISABEL's daughter in Boulder. HOWARD and LILLIAN EMERSON, co-piloting GEORGE and LUCILLE FLYNN's Bonanza, rested at Mackinaw Island, Michigan, while on

their way to visit the FLYNN's oldest daughter in Golden, Colorado.

The Gala Installation Dinner was held September 10, at the Marriott Hotel in Newton, Mass., and attended by 47 people. Our popular and memory-filled MARIE LEPORE spoke of what life was like for those early, intrepid 99s, and reminded us how far we had come in the 10 years since the Installation Dinner was held at Bedford, Mass., on the same date.

We'll miss our extremely capable retiring chairman, RIPLEY MILLER. Don't know how much rest CIF RIP will get, though, now that she has her Multi-Engine and Instrument Ratings.

Our delightful Governor, FRAN PORTER, installed our new officers. It promises to be a live-wire year with VIRGINIA BONESTEEL as our new Chairman, HARRIET FULLER, Vice-Chairman, GEORGIA PAPPAS, Secretary, and BILLIE DOWNING, Treasurer.

Our Poker Run, scheduled for Sat. Aug 28, was held the next day—You guessed it, we had to wait for the N. E. Weather Vagaries! 16 Planes completed the Run and our Terminus was Sterling Airport where 10 planes participated in the Flour Bombing Contest that proved there were no Air Force Bombardiers in the group.

We're so proud of MONA BUDDING, who placed 9th in the Powder Puff Derby. In addition to her Whirly-Girl #156, she now has a new Glider Rating (earned at Elmira, N. Y.), and is International Public Relations Chairman. And we're proud of LOIS AUCHTERLONIS, who was elected to the International Nominating Committee, and FRANKIE SUTTON who recently got her CFII rating.

Again this summer, VIRGINIA BONESTEEL and HARRIET FULLER continued their much-enjoyed Wednesday to small aerodromes around New England.

Wednesdays weren't enough for VIRGINIA BONESTEEL. She also managed a trip to Nova Scotia and 13 round-trips to Chatham on Cape Cod. (Could be there were some obliging baby-sitting Grandparents vacationing there.)

On Sept. 7, BILLIE DOWNING visited the Rhode Island Pilots Assoc. to show her delightful slides of her and husband Stu's cross-country trip in a 172. New member JUDY HARTZLER and spouse also did some early summer vacating. They flew to the Bahamas in a Cherokee Arrow.

Western N. E. Chapter has emerged from our blossoming ranks this year and 17 new members have joined us SO

Come to N. E. where the flying is Great.

#### NOTICE

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ARE RECEIVED. NO FINAL NOTICE  
WILL BE SENT.





### LONG ISLAND CHAPTER MARILYN P. HIBNER, Reporter

#### 1970-71 APT Members:

DORIS ABBATE, IRENE HENRY, ELLIE McCULLOUGH, DIANE TRIBBLE, NAOMI BEST, ANNA DIETRICH, BARBARA HURLEY, and MARILYN HIBNER.

#### New Licenses/Ratings:

ELLIE McCULLOUGH/Glider; NINA CLAREMONT/Commercial; BARBARA HURLEY/Commercial.

#### Convention Participation:

Attended by members RUTH DOBRESCU, ELLIE McCULLOUGH, IRENE HENRY and prospective member MARIE THEISEN. In "Fun In '71" Air Race, ELLIE McCULLOUGH, Pilot/IRENE HENRY, Co-pilot placed on extremely close-to-first SECOND. "Fun In '71" Banner they carried, which was made by MARILYN HIBNER, won FIRST prize for most original.

#### Scheduled Events:

Penny-A-Pound Airlift on October 2nd, 1971 (rain date-October 3rd) at MacArthur Airport.

#### Welcome to:

New member NICOLE RADECKI.



### NEW YORK CAPITAL DISTRICT CHAPTER LILLIAN ROYLANCE, Reporter

Our August meeting was held at Schenectady Airport with another program on Safety. Pilot husbands and friends were invited to view with us the FAA film on Wake Turbulence, shown by ALLEN DORWIN, Safety Specialist. This was followed by a general discussion period, chaired by ROLAND ALEXANDER, FAA Safety Counselor.

JOAN FRASIER informed us that she has passed the Instrument Written Exam.

One beautiful day in August four of us flew into Basin Harbor, Vt. PAT JANDRON, MARCIA CUMMINGS, JO ANN PERKO, and LILLIAN ROYLANCE were the lucky ones.

The Watervliet Arsenal newspaper printed an article on CARL(49½) and JO ANN PERKO's flying activities — pictures n' everything!

In July, this reporter attended the American Bonanza Society Convention in Dayton, Ohio.

The last meeting before new officers take over in October was a dinner get-together held on Sept. 8th at the Crossroads in Latham, N.Y. We are looking forward to a year of accomplishment and progress in our chapter, along with having fun. So — Here's to HAPPY and SAFE FLYING!

### WESTERN NEW YORK CHAPTER PEG PIEPER, Reporter

Had a real nice turnout for our September meeting. The girls decided to sponsor the Powder Puff Derby terminus to be held in Elmira in 1973. MIKHIKO MORI, a Japanese visitor at Cornell Aeronautical Lab was our guest speaker. He presented an excellent program with a film showing the flight test of the PS-1, a STOL seaplane developed in Japan. JEAN AND BURT VALVO reported that a good time was had by all in Wichita, Kansas. It was confirmed by ARLENE and MILFORD BRAY and KATHY and HENRY POTOCZAK. KATHY and HENRY have been all over the countryside. They flew to Pennsylvania, Ohio, Maryland, Kansas and Elmira, New York. ARLENE and MILFORD BRAY have flown to Columbus, Ohio, Lima, Ohio and Wichita Kansas. DONNA and BILL JOSS had a very nice flight to Lafayette, Indiana and Detroit in August. They flew in for the Dunkirk, N.Y. airshow and a visit with the VALVOS. The CULPS took off for Florida and the Bahamas with their children, TERRY and MERRILEE. Have you ever heard of camping out under a parachute tent? BETTY and JERRY WALKER did just that at the Oshkosh air show. They enjoyed the display of EAA planes, WW II vintage and aerobatic aircraft. ETHEL FEDDERS reports that we have two new members FREDDY ROACH and MARY KRUMAN. MARC A GITLEMAN now has a seaplane rating. We are planning to visit MARCIA and ou. other 99er's in Rochester, N.Y., nex' month.

Happy flying and I'll be with you next month with more news from Western New York.

#### NOTICE

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



### EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER LOUISE SACCHI, Reporter

August meeting at NANCY DIEMAND'S. Attendance was small, but new officers announced: Chairman — KATE MACARIO, Vice Chmn.—JANE SQUIRES, Treas.— ELYSE CHAPMAN, Rec. Sec.—JOAN BERTLES, Corr. Sec.—DEEDEE BULLITT.

ANN SHIELDS and HELEN ZUBROW had a flying vacation in Helen's 172, covering a lot of the country. Visiting in Asheville, N.C. 99 Convention in Wichita for 2 days, and Podiatry Convention in Denver (Helen is a Podiatrist). They were on schedule the whole way.

ANN LEMON'S Central Bucks Airport is the host to the International Model Meet, and things are in an uproar right now! Representatives from 22 countries for four days of flying, with an expected 10,000 spectators.

Your reporter attended the Convention as delegate, and was tremendously impressed with the wonderful organization! Despite the 600 plus people, everything went exactly on schedule and without confusion. Having just returned from the London-Victoria Air Race — run by men — and with only about 150 people to deal with — where absolutely everything was in a state of chaos the whole time, and nobody knew the answer to a question, however simple — the 99 Convention was even more impressive.

Happily, the proposal to raise the foreign dues was defeated. The vote was overwhelmingly for defeat, after we all understood the fact that in many other countries, the \$7.50 those girls pay is equivalent to our \$15.00, and most of the overseas girls must budget tightly for even 30 minutes of flying time. Also, with the Chapter refunds deleted, the Treasury will be OK.

Have just returned from Iceland and Shetland Islands and am off to Manila, so will miss the next meeting; a fly-in to a new resort facility near Getysburg.

DON'T FORGET SECTIONAL IS OCTOBER 16TH AT WILLIAMSPORT, PA.

### VIRGINIA CHAPTER MADDIE DOLEMAN, Reporter

Virginia Chapter election results were made known at the late August meeting and air show at Farmville, Virginia. JEAN HARRIS of Hanover is our new Chairman, VIRGINIA RILEY of New Kent, Vice Chairman, MAXINE WALKER of Byrd International's control tower, Treasurer, and MADDIE DOLEMAN of Richmond, Secretary. Congratulations to these new officers



and warmest thanks to our out-going officers and especially to TOBY LEHMAN our past Chairman, who has done such a fine job. Thanks also to AMY FALCON MORRIS, MARY WHITE, MARION HELMS, and DORIS PHILLIPS, and all of those who served on the many committees through the year. With our membership growing I'm sure that we will be seeing many new faces on these many committees.



Air Marking at Norfolk Regional Airport (L-R) VIRGINIA RILEY and TOBY LEHMAN. Our work has already helped out one lost woman flier who headed out to sea in nearly IFR conditions until she spotted our painting efforts.



More airmarking helpers (L-R) FRAN VAN STAVERN and MADDIE DOLEMAN.

#### WASHINGTON D.C. CHAPTER HAZEL K. DWIGGINS, Reporter

The new officers for 1971-72 were announced at our annual swimming party at the lovely home of HEDY JAFFE. They are: Chairman, HELEN DELANEY; Vice Chairman, JEAN R. HOWARD; Corresponding Secretary, JOAN STALK; Recording Secretary, ELIZABETH SIMMONS; Treasurer, JEAN COFFMAN. Committees: APT, JANE RALSTON; Flying Activities, JEAN COFFMAN; Airspace, PAT HIGHERS, A.E. Scholarship, HEDY JAFFE; Membership, JULIE DEARTH; News Reporter, HAZEL DWIG-

GINNS, Newsletter, GLADYS WISE; Public Relations, DURETTE HUCK; Resolutions, JACKIE SCOTT.

JEAN HOWARD is off to Europe for races with the Whirly Girls. CONNIE MARSH had a very successful air show and handicap pylon race at Gettysburg in August. She performed one series of aerobatic in the airplane she completely made. There were eleven different kinds of aircraft in the race. We are very proud of CONNIE and her many talents.

After spending several years flying all over the world MITZI KELLER and her 49½ ER GIL drove over 10,000 miles around the great USA this summer seeing places their wings couldn't take them close enough to. Drenching rains kept all but 4 members from attending our September 12th meeting at the Flying Circus Aerodrome near Warrenton, Va., raindate is Sept. 19.



#### ALABAMA CHAPTER JAYE HUDGINS, Reporter

Our September 12 meeting in Montgomery was both a fly-in and drive-in. Because fog and haze had settled over Alabama that Sunday, most of those in the southern part drove and those flying from the northern part of the state were delayed taking off until VFR was legal AND safe. A goodly number braved the haze for the picnic-lunch-meeting because we had not had one since June (July—the AWTAR; August—rained out), and it was Installation meeting for the new officers.

From the farthest south, Pensacola, Fla., came SUE CLARK and 49½ DAVID, a welcome visitor from the Long Beach Chapter. The CLARKS are stationed for a time at Pensacola. Another visitor, RUBY WILLIAMS, came with CAMELLIA JACKSON, from Jasper. CAMELLIA, ALICE EARLE HARPER, accompanied by husband ROBINSON, from Monroeville, and KEREN MICHAELS, from Alexander City, were given membership forms which we hope will be processed in time to make the new roster. Also from Jasper was HILDA RAY who had an interesting flight in July to Grand Rapids, Mich., with her three children.

With CLAUDIA CONN from HAZEL GREEN was MIRIAM PULLINS; from Huntsville, and SYLVIA and RUSS VAUGHN and SYLVIA and ED DERRICK; from Tuscaloosa, JAYE HUDGINS; from Clanton, MINNIE WADE; from Montgomery, MARGIE POHL; from Selma, BENNIE and PHILIP PETERS and

children; from Greenville, NANCY and JEFF BEELAND; from Luverne, SUNNY and ALTON TURNER. SUNNY now has her CFI rating and is already collecting instructing experiences at their Luverne FBO.

Elected to serve next year are: CLAUDIA CONN, Chairman; SUNNY TURNER, Vice-Chairman; BENNIE PETERS, Recording Secretary; SYLVIA DERRICK, Corresponding Secretary; JAYE HUDGINS, Treasurer. As the byline above indicates, a new Reporter was appointed, and Committee Chairmen appointments will be completed in time to be listed in the roster.

Our next meeting is for Airmarking Hazel Green airport. This will be another picnic lunch, but in old clothes for the workers.

CLAUDIA reminded us of the Petticoat Derby, a three-leg par-speed race starting from Huntsville, set for October 23rd, and open to all licensed women pilots. Get the details by sending twenty-five cents to: MRS. BETTY ROWE, 3410 O'HARA ROAD, HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA 35801 (if this issue of the News gets printed and distributed in time). Deadline for entry is October 9th.

AND WE HOPE TO SEE JUST EVERYBODY AT THE SECTIONAL AT HILTON HEAD, S. C., OCTOBER 15-17.

#### CAROLINAS CHAPTER BUZZ TAYLOR, Reporter

When S.E. Cuv PAGE SHAMBURGER hosts another barefoot section meet at Hilton Head Island October 15-17, she will have still another chapter in her book. Terminating a fully successful tenure as Governor, PAGE is to be congratulated for making old Southeast one of the most vital and active sections in the 99's.

Adding this post to an enviable record as Chapter Chairman and Executive Board Member, PAGE takes little personal credit for all she's done, expressing instead a great appreciation for the experience and particularly for the close friendship gained from her work with the 99's.

There's no question as to how PAGE will fill this sudden void in her schedule, one to keep an average whirlwind running 36 hours a day. While PAGE continues to be Contributing Editor for AIR PROGRESS Magazine as College Aviation Education Specialist, her main labor of love is the Ninety-Nines Museum for which she is Curator and permanent trustee.

In one sense, PAGE is an advocate of Women's Liberation. In her opinion, any woman physically and mentally capable of doing a male-oriented job should receive equal pay and equal recognition. It's taken twenty years for PAGE'S work to be qualified thus, and she feels that other women should likewise be recognized, particularly as airline pilots and astronauts. (Note from PAGE: "there's hope, ladies; the latest space head is tooled for both sexes.")



Now there are those aviation books of which PAGE planned to write only three. Number Six, "THE HAWKS," is now due for release by Crown Publishing Company and covers the gamut of the famed P-36, 38, 40 series. The big and beautiful Number Seven "Hawks" will be available through Wolverine Press in November. PAGE owes much of this comprehensive coverage of the P-1's through 60's to BUD GILLIES, husband of 99 BETTY.

We hear you screaming "So Where's the book on hurricanes!" Happy to report that we found four more books under Page's bed and this is one of 'em. (So let's get on with it . . . Ed.)

Keep eyes and ears open for the September 26 news of an honor well bestowed on PAGE SHAMBURGER for her contributions to aviation. The Carolinas Chapter might well speak for all Ninety-Nines in saying "Page, thanks . . . and how we love you!"

#### GEORGIA CHAPTER JUDY HALL, Reporter

Our August meeting, a picnic and swimming party, was held at Crystal Lake, near Ocilla, Georgia. Attending were our chairwoman, ALYCE STRONG and 49½er BYRON, just recently returned from a flying trip into Canada in their Cessna Cardinal. SANDY, TOM and little TOMMY MYERCHIN from Ft. Benning, Georgia, flew in in a "172." JUDY, JERRY and CINDY HALL flew their "150" from Macon. JUDY and JERRY announced happily that they had finally passed their commercial written tests.

After waiting out a "local" thunderstorm, BETTY McNABB made it there, followed a little later by her PPD Co-pilot, SHIRLEY NeSMITH. SHIRLEY wants to be a cropduster.

Driving in were DEE (LOWE) GUY and her new 49½er, BILL, and DEE'S two children. (Congrats old buddy . . . Ed.)

Business of the day included the election of SANDY MYERCHIN as our Safety Chairman. SANDY will give a short safety talk at all future meetings. JUDY HALL was elected our News Reporter.

Returning home to Macon, the HALLS stopped by Cordelle, where the Regional Soaring Championship was being held, only to meet "99's" YVONNE COOPER waiting for her turn in a two-place glider.

The word from CAROLYN KENNEDY is that she recovered from her surgery and is flying again, and hopes to be at Hilton Head.

#### FLORIDA GOLDCOAST CHAPTER ELOISE RUBY, Reporter

USE YOUR CHECKLIST! — There is no better way for the Florida Goldcoast Chapter members to refresh in their minds the sheer beauty of the "Goldcoast" area than by having a "fly-in" meeting during August at the West Palm Beach Interna-

tional Airport. Presiding were the newly elected officers for the coming year: Chairman — RUTH FLEISHER, Vice Chairman — VIRGINIA BRITT, Secretary — MARGARET BLACKWELDER, Treasurer — CECILE HATFIELD. Appointed Committee Chairmen for 1971-72 are: Membership — HELEN MENNITTO, Air Education — FRANCES SARGENT — APT — LOIS PORTER, Flying Activities — KATTIE STREHLE, A.E. Scholarship — DOTTIE SHAW, and Nominating — SHIRLEY DAVIS.

LOOK FOR OTHER AIRCRAFT! — Tentative plans were formulated for the new fiscal year such as airport marking, securing aviation oriented speakers for our meetings, and continuing the up-grading ground school sessions given by one of our member instructors, LOIS PORTER.

KEEP YOUR HEAD OUT OF THE COCKPIT! — Recent activities of the Chapter members include: HELEN MENNITTO as Director of Inspection for the Powder Puff Derby and flying as a race contestant this year, MIRAM DAVIS of Miami. RUTH FLEISHER and HELENE KRUMHOLTZ served as Delegates to the International Convention. Also attending were ANN ROSS, VIRGINIA BRITT (International Treasurer), and MIRIAM DAVIS. SISTER MARGARET MARY (BOREK) is busy taking University courses besides being a "Sister." FRANCES SARGENT went on a flying trip to Chicago re: Miami Dade Jr. College business, and included a vacation in North Carolina. HELEN SMITH, Chairman of the Florida Woman's Pilot Association, Inc., just returned from an European trip. KATTIE STREHLE and husband are off in a new Cessna 182 on a trip to California. Hope you all have CAVU weather and become APT!

#### MEMPHIS CHAPTER HOLLY SMITH, Reporter

Back from beautiful Northern Michigan to pick up the 99 News from NETTA HOLDEN, who has reported so faithfully during the summer months.

MARTHA TOBEY, GLADYS ESTES, ROSEMARY WILLIAMS, DOT WILSON, VIRGINIA PROCTOR, and MARY STANLEY helped at the Little Rock AWTAR stop. NETTA and DOUG HOLDEN flew down to Baton Rouge for the terminus. The August meeting was a barbeque at the home of ROSEMARY and BOB WILLIAMS. MARY SOWELL has barely touched down since she got her license. MARY and DOT WILSON flew to Florida and back, then took off for Texas. Later MARY took her family to Fairfield, Ia. and took her son to St. Louis.

GLADYS ESTES and JENNY COOK flew to Tampa. CHRIS BROWN, NETTA and DOUG HOLDEN, JOANNE and JOHN MURDOCK and TOY HICKS turned out for the Air Show at Arlington, Tn. Congratulations to BECKY HARWOOD for earning that hard-to-come-by instrument

rating. JENNY COOK and BETTY ROCKWOOD are off to the Orient.

#### NEW ORLEANS CHAPTER EVELYN LYONS, Reporter

August was a time of many changes for our chapter. We elected new officers, rounded up some prospective members and EVELYN LYONS had a new addition to her family — a bouncing baby boy.

Our new officers are a great bunch and will be hard workers for the chapter so we're looking forward to a wonderful year. They are: JUNE HERRINGTON, Chairman; VIRGINIA SMITH, Vice-Chairman; PATSY CARBONETTE, Secretary; ROSE MANCINI, Treasurer; and VIRGINIA MacDONALD, Parliamentarian.

We extend an invitation to new members to join us as this is a beautiful and memorable occasion. The ladies presented EVELYN LYONS, out-going chairman, with a beautiful plaque for her term in office.

GLORICE and CHARLIE WILLS and sons took a flying trip to the Bahama Islands. CHRIS MILLS, her two children and sister flew off to spend three weeks in Albuquerque, N.M. MARGARET and HAROLD RAY headed north for their vacation visit in Minnesota and PATSY CARBONETTE'S trip took her to Houston, Texas. GINNY and LANKY SMITH vacationed in the Rocky Mountains is GINNY and JOHN MacDONALD and family headed in the direction of the great northwest to Klamatte Falls, Oregon and Van Couver, Washington.

#### NORTH GEORGIA CHAPTER PEGGY HUSBY, Reporter

On Sunday, September 12, 1971, the North Georgia Chapter met at the Holiday Inn, Atlanta, Ga. for the installation of our New Officers and to honor the Pilot of the year, MARTHA BULLOCK. MARTHA has worked very hard for aviation and is a flight and ground instructor at Epps Air Service in Atlanta. A trophy was presented to MARTHA by PAULINE MALLORY. Our special guest was MR. and MRS. JOHN BENNETT who are with the Georgia Department of Industry and Trades. Also we were honored to have MR. and MRS. LOE who are with the Flying Rebels Inc. Those present at the meeting were PAULINE, PETE and TRACY MALLORY, KAY and SONNY GUICE, VERNITA GEORGE, MAVIS CHEEK, CAROLINE and PAUL STEELE, JANET MASSEE, PEGGY and DARRELL HUSBY and EVELYN TRAMELL. KAY GUICE presented a silver platter to LOIS LACY, our out-going Chairman. PAULINE MALLORY showed a film on the Powder Puff Derby. It was a very interesting film and can sure start some of us thinking about next years race.



KAY GUICE gave a program to the Symposium Club in Bremen, Ga. on what had made her decide to learn to fly and what the normal costs are. Lets hope this can get us some more pilots. KAY and SONNY GUICE are leaving Sept. 13th for a two month camping trip. They plan to take in some of the Western and New England area of our good old United States.

TOM and MAVIS CHEEK spent their 25th anniversary in the Bahamas this summer. They also did some airport hopping in the middle west—Oklahoma and Colorado. They also flew in to a Breakfast Meeting in Anderson, S. C., and rode the Vertigo Chair on display by FAA. If any of you gals get the chance to try the Vertigo Chair, please do it.

#### **SUNCOAST CHAPTER ETHEL GIBSON, Reporter**

Neither rain or tropical storms could stop the Suncoast Chapter meeting Sept. 8. Originally scheduled for Lakeland Airport, the day dawned very wet and stormy, so after a few phone calls meeting was

changed to Albert Whitted in St. Petersburg. It was then again changed to Pinellas Airport about noon, when MARCELLA KLOTTER and her guests, BETTY DAVIS of the South Dakota Chapter and KAREN MEINJOHANS, prospective member, were able to get in IFR. In all eleven members and two guests braved the elements to make this meeting. RONNIE JOHNSON of the Central Penna Chapter was also a guest. She and her husband were in St. Petersburg for the Piper Convention. Thru their efforts, our twin rated members were given the opportunity to check out the new Piper Seneca.

Election of officers for the 1972 term was the business of the day, and after the ballots were counted, new officers were announced as follows: FLORENCE BEAMON, Chairman; MARY LOU SHAPIRO, Vice-Chairman; MILLIE LAFFERTY, Secretary; SHIRLEY SWIMMER, Treasurer. They will be installed at a dinner meeting in Oct. RUBY SADTLER, our regular news reporter is taking a short vacation in New York, so I am pinch hitting for RUBY this month. Our newly elected Vice-Chairman is leaving Sept.

17th for a trip to Russia. Says that she will be back in time to make the installation meeting. DOTTIE BIRDSONG and BETTY HOOD both reported on the International Convention.

Plans are being made to attend the Southeast Section Meeting at Hilton Head in October by at least four or five of the girls. See you all there.



#### **ALL-OHIO CHAPTER RUTH LOVE, Reporter**

TERRY SHOFSTAL was successful with her garage sale. Lots of work, I'm sure and the chapter thanks her for the proceeds and time involved. ANNETTE and JOHN FEDOR flew to Florida to spend the weekend. EDY and JOHN MAXIM flew to Con-

### **FACT SHEET**

#### **PERTAINING TO THE APPLICATIONS FOR THE 99'S AMELIA EARHART MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS**

The Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship application form is made a part of this newsletter. Any Ninety-Nine wishing to apply for the scholarship is invited to read it thoroughly. The criteria for a candidate must include the following:

- have a sincere desire to further woman's place in aviation
- be an active member of 99's in good standing for the two years prior to date of application
- hold a current medical certificate
- have a minimum of 200 hours pilot-in-command since receiving her private license
- have the support of her chapter since her chapter chairman must recommend her
- must agree to complete the course and/or training within two years.

The application consists of: Application form, Experience record, Eligibility form and a letter of recommendation from the chapter chairman. Five copies of each of these must be submitted to her chapter Amelia Earhart Chairman, only one of which must be notarized. One black and white head and shoulders photo of applicant at least 2¼ x 2¼ must accompany application.

The chapter A.E. Chairman will ascertain that the member's application is complete and that all statements in it are true. She will determine the number of applicants permitted from her chapter. Each chapter is allowed one application for every 20 members or major fraction thereof. Regardless of size each chapter is allowed at least one applicant. If there are more applicants than the quota for her chapter she will select a committee to assist her in screening the applications. This will be composed of two or three 99's or other members of the local aviation community who would have a non-biased interest in furthering aviation. This committee will screen the candidates using the following criteria:

- What has the applicant already accomplished?
- How much does she need the Award financially?
- How well will she use it to advance her career?
- How wide a field in aviation will this benefit?
- Is she worthy of the Award?
- Will she be a good investment?
- How long has she been a Ninety-Nine and how active has she been in its affairs?

Chapter A.E. Chairman will mail her quota, or less, of the applicants to the Section Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship Chairman to be postmarked no later than January 15th. The Section Governor will have informed each chapter of the name and address of the Section A.E. chairman well in advance of this date.

The Section A.E. Chairman will in turn select a committee (similar to that described for the local chapter) and screen the applications to meet her quota. Each section A.E. chairman may submit one applicant for each 100 members of the section or major fraction thereof. The section A.E. chairman will then submit the section's quota of applications to the chairman of the Board of Trustees of the A.E. Memorial Scholarship Fund to be postmarked no later than February 8th. The section A.E. Chairman will notify those candidates not included in the quota submitted to the Board.



**APPLICATION FORM  
AMELIA EARHART MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship is made possible through the desires of THE NINETY-NINES INC. to develop the talents of women in the fields of aviation and aerospace. The monies making this scholarship possible are drawn partly from interest on the trust fund and partly from annual donations by chapters, sections, individuals and special interest groups within THE NINETY-NINES, Inc.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Airman's Certificate No. \_\_\_\_\_  
(As it appears on Airman's Rating)

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter \_\_\_\_\_ 99 Since \_\_\_\_\_  
(Month) Year

Age \_\_\_\_\_ Single \_\_\_\_\_ Married \_\_\_\_\_ Husband's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Minor Children \_\_\_\_\_ Ages \_\_\_\_\_ Other Dependents \_\_\_\_\_

Private Rating Received \_\_\_\_\_ Pilot-in-Command Hours since private rating \_\_\_\_\_  
(Month) Year

Ratings Now Held \_\_\_\_\_

Scholarship Would Be Used Toward \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons For Applying (Proposed use of rating, opportunities available, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Present Position and Employer \_\_\_\_\_  
(If necessary attach additional information)

Previous Employment \_\_\_\_\_

Husband's Position and Employer \_\_\_\_\_

**EXPERIENCE**

CROSS COUNTRY: (If your pilot-in-command time exceeds 500 hours, describe cross country in general. If less than 500 hours, give details)

Instructing: (Year, place, approx. hours or duration of job) \_\_\_\_\_  
(If necessary attach additional information)

Other Aeronautical Experience or Training, Including Former Ratings: \_\_\_\_\_

Hours in Various Types of Aircraft: (give details) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Number of Flight Hours or Semester Hours)



Be it known that I am a member in good standing of NINETY-NINES, INC., THAT I have been a member for 2 full years immediately prior to the date of this application, that I have logged 200 hours or more as a pilot-in-command since receiving my private pilot certificate and that if I receive the AMELIA EARHART MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP I will complete the course of instruction for which this application is submitted within 2 years and I understand it is to be used only for the purpose or rating for which I am applying and I further agree to retain my membership in THE NINETY-NINES, INC. during this time and to keep in communication with the Board of Trustees of the AMELIA EARHART SCHOLARSHIP TRUST FUND and to inform them at least quarterly, of my progress.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS APPLICATION IS TRUE AND CORRECT:

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires \_\_\_\_\_

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### ELIGIBILITY FORM

School from which course of instruction requested in this application would be obtained (if not an accredited school, then the name of an accredited instructor)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of School)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Address of School)

Approximate Cost of Instruction: \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate Duration of Course: \_\_\_\_\_

(Number of flight hours or semester hours)

The following statement is to be completed by a responsible official of the school (or certified instructor who would give instruction) stating that you are eligible and qualified for training applied for.

I have examined the credentials (certificates, logs, transcripts, etc.) of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ and find her to be fully qualified to begin instruction

(Name of applicant)

for the rating or course entitled —

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Full name of course)

The cost quoted above is standard for this school.

Signed : \_\_\_\_\_

Title : \_\_\_\_\_

Date : \_\_\_\_\_

(If application is for more than one course copies of this form, duly signed, are required for each course.) The following is to be completed by the chapter Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship Chairman. "I have examined all three pages of this application any substantiating credentials I have deemed necessary and I find them to be true and in order. I recommend this applicant with no reservations. A letter of recommendation from the Chapter Chairman accompanies this application."

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Chapter A.E. Scholarship Chairman)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

If the Chapter Chairman is the applicant then the next responsible chapter officer will write the letter of recommendation.

Five copies of this application must be submitted to the Section Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship Chairman, postmarked on or before January 15. A black and white head and shoulders photograph at least 2¼ x 2¼ must be attached.

Five copies of the letter of recommendation from chapter chairman must also accompany this application.



necticut. They stopped at Hiller Airport at Barre, Mass. and visited with CATHERINE HILLER. MARIE WOLF's husband TED and their twelve children have been most helpful in her getting her flight instructor rating.

NANCY MILLS and daughter visited Hawaii in August. While there she met with the Aloha chapter. She was given a scenic tour by one of their members, STEPHANIE CZECH, in a Cherokee. Visibility was great. The real way to see Oahu.

On arrival she was met by Lt. C. and Mrs. Buckelew and made her feel most welcome to the island. Best wishes to the new news reporter for all-Ohio.

#### CAPE GIRARDEAU AREA CHAPTER NADINE HEUER, Reporter

JEAN WILLIAMS was host at her cabin on Kentucky Lake for our August meeting. EVELYN BRAESE, North Central Section APT Chairman, reported six of our chapter members are APT. NELL RICE was installed as our new president. Other members present were CHARMAINE FREEMAN, NADINE HEUER, SUE BURFORD and MARY BOYD. Also present were several 49½ers and children.

The Cape Airport was the scene of our September meeting. MILLIE LIMBAUGH, EVELYN BRAESE, and NELL RICE reported their trip to Baton Rouge was very enjoyable. They served as CHIEF TOWER TIMER and ASSISTANT CHIEF TOWER TIMERS, respectfully, for the PPD Terminus.

CHARMAINE FREEMAN has returned from Europe where she toured London, Paris, Geneva, Rome, Berlin, Copenhagen and Brussels with the Middle Tennessee

State University International Seminar. Part of her guided tour included BOAC on Heathrow Airport, London. In Italy, a tour of Alitalia, who does all the work on static system instruments for the 4 Nation Pact; Italy, France, Germany and England. They also maintain electronics laboratories and maintenance on all phases of the 747, with hangars to accommodate 3 or 4 747's. She reported in Germany there is no general aviation and the Air Force accepts no one with less than 5 years experience.

MARGIE HALL took her son JOHN, to Emory College in Atlanta where he is a junior in pre-med. Her new address is 627 Perry, Cape. Our chapter has been invited to the Governor's open house Oct. 2 by his wife, BETTY DUNN. He is the Governor of Tennessee.

We are anxiously awaiting news from SUE BURFORD who has passed her INSTRUMENT written and will take her check ride this week. Our congratulations go to KAREN and BILL WILLIAMS who have a new Skymaster.

#### CENTRAL ILLINOIS CHAPTER JAYNE SCHIEK, Reporter

Centralia Airport was the site of our Sept. meeting and BOBBYE KESTERSON and LINDA BORUM were our hostesses. Flying in were JEAN WEST, JAYNE SCHIEK, LIBBY ANN DUNSETH and DEED HOLCOMB. Driving in were LEAH WARREN, BARBARA JENISON, GLADYS SPEAR, and ILA ZABORAC. LEAH WARREN reports that their family is without a plane for the first time in years. Their 170 went to Bloomington to a new owner. DORIS ANN NORCROSS has been seriously ill in the hospital, but is now at home on the road to recovery. While she was in the hospital her husband, JOHN, crashed in his miniplane; suffered a broken leg and facial fractures but is now out of the hospital. BOBBYE KESTERSON reported that she and her family had a wonderful time at Oshkosh—but at a price. On the return trip their Luscombe developed engine trouble and they landed safely at Fondulac. Took the engine out and loaded it in the station wagon and drove it home for repairs. Had just finished the repairs and were ready to return when they were notified that the Luscombe had been blown over in a terrific windstorm at Fondulac and had suffered a great amount of damage. The plane is now being repaired and they hope to have it flying again before too long. BARBARA JENISON, in the Arrow "99 Sierra" and JEAN WEST and CLARISSA HOLCOMB in the "Green Tiger" winged out to Wichita to the International. PAT and BOB SMITH arrived there from Cheyenne and they all spent a wonderful three days. BARBARA JENISON took advantage of the AOPA—CAP "Sky-Safe" August 21 at Willard Airport in Champaign. LIBBY ANN DUNSETH attended AOPA Instrument Refresher Course Aug. 20-21 at Willard Airport in Champaign. JAYNE SCHIEK reports that she had a great visit

with ANN and DON PELLEGRINO at their new farm home at Story City, Iowa where they have an airstrip of their very own! ANN took JAYNE's daughter, TYRI, up for her first dual instruction and presented her with a log book. The dual was given in an Aeronca Chief which ANN and DON had just finished restoring. ANN's book "World Flight", is to be published this fall.

#### CENTRAL MISSOURI CHAPTER PATRICIA CALABRESE, Reporter

Our good friend and honorary chapter member, HARLENE "NICK" SMALL was our hostess for the September meeting. Due to her background and experience we feel that "NICK" has a lot to offer our chapter. Following a business meeting and election of officers, "NICK" took us on a tour of the FAA facilities at Columbia Regional Airport, where she is employed as a traffic controller. This was an educational experience for us all. For this reporter, who doesn't get out much after dark, those new strobe approach lights were most impressive.

Happy vacation stories were related. JEANNE GIVEN, who received her ground instructor's rating this summer, represented our chapter at the Wichita International Convention. BETH EMMONS spent many happy flying hours with her 49½ to Colorado, Wyoming, Idaho and Minnesota. Likewise, FRANCES DAUGHERTY, on week-end flying trips to her cottage in the Ozarks. HARLENE "NICK" SMALL was a hostess in Jefferson City our state capital, for the Indianapolis to Wichita air race.

Our small chapter lost a member during July, but we do wish JAN WEIL lots of luck in her new home, New York.

#### CHICAGO AREA CHAPTER SANDY KLOCK, Reporter

Our annual August fun event went off like a charm; an air meet at Naper Aero. Winner in this proficiency race was CHARLENE FALKENBERG (assisted by PAT CASSIDY), 2nd place—MARY KRAUT-KRAMER and her 49½er, 3rd place—ELSIE WAHRER and ANN De FRISCO, 4th place—JULIA KONGER and CAROLYN COLLINS, 5th place—JEANINE TELLEKSON. DOROTHY WHITE was the most proficient 99 in the spot landing contest.

Our September meeting was held at the Wagon Wheel Lodge at Rockton. There was a spot landing contest on arrival, and JEANETTE SMITH "flew" away with the lovely trophy. After the meeting, we were treated to a fascinating and informative talk in "survival" by SHERRY O'KEEFE'S 49½er, JACK.

Special guests at this meeting were CAROLYN SCHUMANN and KATHY WELISEK, 2nd and 3rd place winners in the "Miss Antique Airplane" contest our chapter recently participated in.



Seated left: Mrs. MARGRIT SALLAZ and Mrs. BARBARA JENISON of Paris. Standing left: KATHY SCIANNA, Mrs. JEAN WEST, chairman Central Ill. chap. Mrs. MARTHA McMAHON, Charleston. Mrs. SALLAZ, Swiss power and glider pilot, was presented with membership in the Ninety-nines by the Central Illinois chapter, 99's, at a luncheon at the Coles County Airport, Mattoon, Ill. July 28. Photo by DAVE SCHULTZ, Mattoon Journal Gazette.



BARB DOEPEL and 49½er and son BOBBY spent 2½ weeks flying to and around Alaska. She says, "We left Sky Harbor August 1 and flew to Edmonton, Alberta, the first night, 2nd leg Edmonton to White Horse. IFR through a forest fire (Liard River) White Horse to Fairbanks — Fairbanks to McKinley (VFR at 300 and ½) so it seemed. McKinley to Anchorage and return — we saw McKinley on the 3-4th clearest day of year. Spectacular!"

BETSY VITTINGHOFF and 49½ER KARL have spent much of the summer restoring a Fairchild PT-19.

MARION JAYNE is building an indoor tennis club with 6 courts — called THE RIGHT CLUB — tennis plus saunas, whirlpool, exercise and sun rooms — great fun. Also, she's been teaching her daughter Pat to fly so she can be her co-pilot on the Angel Derby.

DOROTHY WHITE flew a Cessna 172 over Cirona Pass in the Rockies to Aspen, Colorado. She had to circle twice before clearing the pass by 1,000 ft. at 12,500, and startled a herd of 40 elk.

DIANE ZELNICK flew down to Arkansas in a 172.

Our parliamentarian, PAT RUZICH, is now MRS. JIM KLINK, the special day being August 14th. JIM is a CFI and a real nice guy. They took a flying honeymoon to Niagara Falls and Canada.

#### GREATER KANSAS CITY CHAPTER MARGARET WRIGHT, Reporter

Our last meeting was at the lake home of ROSAMOND OLIVER. Election of officers took place and five new faces are at the controls.

They are: LOIS WILLY — Chairman; KATHY ZIMMERMAN — Vice Chairman; ALEATH COMBS — Recording Secretary; FRANCES DUNFIELD — Corresponding Secretary; BILLY BORDNER — Treasurer.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL! — May the road rise to meet you and the winds be always on your back; and may your strength meet your purpose!

Our next fly-out will be to Columbia, Missouri and a lovely new airport. Hold off the rain, "Tigers" here we come.

More news next month — until then...

#### KENTUCKY BLUE GRASS CHAPTER DOT ARNETT, Reporter

Old Man Weather kept us grounded for the July Fly-In scheduled at RITA LE-NEAVE'S in Mayfield, Ky. and the August Fly-In at Bardstown, Ky. In spite of low ceilings and not too favorable reports, JO ANN KINNISON, PAT LYDDAN, DOT ARNETT and 49½er TED ARNETT made the September meeting at our newly elected chairman's home, DIANE STAFFORD in Owensboro, Ky.

PAT LYDDAN, who has contributed a great deal to our chapter is moving to

Atlanta, Ga. Our loss will be an asset to some lucky chapter. PAT is presently working on her instrument rating.

We welcome to our chapter two new members, JO ANN HOWARD, Jeffersonville, Ind. and SKIO GUMBERT, Lexington, Ky.

#### WISCONSIN CHAPTER TONEY, Reporter

Rock County Airport was the destination and APT was the goal of Wisconsin 99s' September meeting. Although ceilings and visibility were not the best earlier, they continued to lift all morning and cleared by afternoon so ANNE ROETHKE, CAROLYN ARNOLD, PEG MAYO, JOAN McARTHUR and MARILYN RITZMAN became APT. After landing, a tire blew on CASSEY SPECHT'S Cherokee, she calmly let it roll off the active runway, and radioed the tower to have someone bring a replacement!

It's good to have PEG MAYO with us again. She returned Labor Day after spending several months in Northwest Canada.

ANNE ROETHKE has been flying north to an airport near a lake, inflating her little one woman boat, and going fishing! A good way to counteract the pressure — and she's made some good catches, too.

KATIE and JOHN CONKLING have signed on the dotted line — they are new owners of a Cessna 150. They'll now have more fun getting to the meetings — the safe way.

The second Wis. 99 to receive the E.A.A. Mink Coat Award at their annual convention in Oshkosh was TONEY for "her promotion of sport aviation over the years." RAMONA received it last year for her mighty effort in setting up the seminars and introductory flight lessons for the women of E.A.A.



#### CHAPARRAL CHAPTER JOAN RUNDEL, Reporter

In July HANK HALLINAN was unanimously elected chairman and at the same meeting was officially appointed Aviation Safety Counselor and presented with a certificate honoring that position by MR. BILL SULLINS, FAA guest speaker. MR. SULLINS spoke on accident prevention.

CONNIE ROSE was elected vice-chairman and PAULING HALL secretary-treasurer.

September 17 and 18 the chapter members were privileged to attend a weather

seminar sponsored by the New Mexico Department of Aviation which was conducted in Las Cruces.



Chaparral's new chairman, HANK HALLINAN, proudly displays certificate naming her Aviation Safety Counselor.

#### DALLAS CHAPTER BETTY HUNDLEY, Reporter

The September meeting of the Dallas Chapter was at PEG ONG's where a splendid program on Soaring was presented to us and our 49½ers. A short business meeting followed while our husbands were shown the Amelia Earhart film. At this meeting new officers for 1971-72 were announced. They are: SUE ANDREWS, Chairman; BETTY HUNDLEY, Vice Chairman; JERRY GLENNIE, Recording Secretary; SUE WIEMAN, Corresponding Secretary; SANDRA SIMMONS, Treasurer; and VIRGINIA HANDLEY, LOU MARQUESS, PAULINE WINTHROP are the Board Members. Special guest was HATTIE NORTON, a student pilot. ELINOR and ROWLAND JOHNSON spent part of August in San Francisco (via their Bonanza); in Sept. she and PAULINE WINTHROP attended a flight instructor's refresher course in Euless, Tex. SANDRA and HAROLD SIMMONS are owners of a Cessna Golden Eagle (an eight passenger, pressurized beauty with a WC). CAROL MORRIS flies an air-conditioned Debonair for her advertising job. Those concerned with earthly affairs are: NITA SHUHART becoming MRS. BILL ROPER in Sept. and living in Plano; LOU MARQUESS a third grade teacher; BETTY HUNDLEY a substitute teacher; PEG ONG a nurse; JAN WAHRER a CAP leader; JO ALLISON traveling to Laguna Beach, Cal. for six weeks and DORIS WELLER, EDNA WRIGHT, JO and MARTHA ANN READING tentatively planning a trip to Mexico later this Fall.

Several of our gals joined Golden Triangle Chapter to work at the Confederate Air Force Show at Greater Southwest Airport on Labor Day. And labor they did from all reports! We have proudly presented MARTHA ANN READING as our candidate for the JIMMIE KOLP AWARD being given for the first time by the Wichita Falls Chapter at the Fall South Central Sectional in early October.



## **DALLAS REDBIRD CHAPTER**

### **ROGER WILCO, Reporter**

We are small but we are busy . . .

KATHY LONG and ANN ENGLISH in Las Vegas for the AOPA Plantation Party.

HELEN and ED WILKE are off to Minneapolis in 69W. LIL and BOB TAFEL are Bonanzaing thru the Northwest and West for six weeks.

Our roving speaker, HAZEL McK JONES was the guest speaker at the North Central Sectional Meeting in Moline. Her topic "Sex in the Cockpit" turned out to be a discussion of how the Ninety-Nines could be actively involved in the FAA Accident prevention program. She and family are off to Washington on October 5th when she will receive the Meritorious Service Award from FAA. This is the second highest award FAA can give and more about this next time.

Six of our ten members are APT.

## **EL PASO CHAPTER**

### **DELORIS DYVAD, Reporter**

Our September meeting was held at the Sky Chef Restaurant at International Airport in El Paso. MARY FRAN SEIDL installed our new officers: HESTER OAKES, Chapter Chairman; MARILYN CRAGIN, Vice Chairman; DORIS SHREVE Secretary; and NORMA KUDIESY, Treasurer. HESTER appointed the following: BETTY ROGERS, Corresponding Secretary; DELORIS DYVAD, News Reporter; MARY OLMSTEAD, Membership Chairman; MARY FRAN SEIDL, A.E. Scholarship and Aero Space Education; RUTH DEERMAN, Public Relations Chairman; LOUISE CROSS, APR Chairman and LOUISE SHREVE, Mama Bird for the 66's.

The October meeting will be held the Saturday following the Southcentral Section Convention at Wichita Falls, Texas. HESTER OAKES will conduct her first meeting in Alamogordo, New Mexico at her home.

BRUCE BISSETT, El Paso Times editor of PROP PITCH, who is writing a book on Travelaire was our guest speaker. RITA THACKER received her Solo badge in the 66's from MARY FRAN SEIDL, Mama Bird. Convention reports were given, LELA CARDWARDINE, member of the Chaparral Chapter, announced the Weather

## **HELP!**

LOIS GRANGE, 4101 S.W. 13th, Des Moines, Iowa 50315, fell down last four steps of Holiday Inn Plaza. She was wearing black and white long pant formal. Time 6:50 p.m. August 14th. Anyone seeing the fall please contact her Collect

515 — 285-3403 or 282-0561

Seminar to be held in Las Cruces, N.M. on September 17 and 18.

DR. JO ETTA GALBRAITH passed her flight check with GERALD BAGDY, Designated FAA Examiner of Alamogordo, N.M. and is our newest Private Pilot and no longer a member of the 66's. Her Loose Goose picture was in the July-August issue of the Ninety-Nine News.

## **FORT WORTH CHAPTER**

### **CAROLYN MERRITHEW, Reporter**

The September meeting of the 99's was held at the Fairway Steakhouse. New officers were presented for the year. AU-LEEN HALL presided as our new President, JEAN BISHOP as Vice President, JACKIE WHITE as Secretary, and HELEN MORRIS as Treasurer.

TONY PAGE was nominated for the JIMMY KOLP Award from this chapter.

Information was traded on our exciting activities of the summer.

JEAN BISHOP and family flew to Puerto Rico in June by commercial airline. They tried scuba diving. Bought a new Helio Courier for the Southwest Paracenter to use.

TONY PAGE attended the Hump Pilots Association annual meeting in Cocoa Beach, Fla. Also covered the Confederate Air Force Labor Day Show at Greater Southwest Airport. Then put out two big issues of Cross Country News.

BETTY PARSONS attended the International Convention in Wichita, Kansas, as well as JACKIE WHITE, JUANITA WADDELL and LORRAINE WADDELL.

MALENA RICHARDSON flew to Houston and spent the weekend at Galveston.

DIANE COON flew their Cessna 150 to Miami, which took 12 hours. They then flew commercial to Maracaibo, Venezuela for their summer vacation. Also flew to Lake Whitney and Lake Texoma a couple of weekends. Recently with two other pilots, they purchased an Aero-Commander.

GLADYS LATHAM flew in a Bonanza to Van Nuys, Calif. Later flew home in a Cessna 210.

## **GOLDEN TRIANGLE CHAPTER**

### **VIVIAN ("PENNY") WHITE, Reporter**

Our chapter keeps growing. We welcomed as new members: HELEN WELLS, LINDA HOOKER, CAROL CALLAN, and RUBY GERSCH. The regular members were on hand September 14th to hear an exciting account of the adventure and planning of the AWTAR by DOROTHY WARREN, TANYA THORTON, and HELEN WILKE. I do believe we have some racers for next year.

The chapter went all out selling tickets, delivering posters and all for the CONFEDERATE AIR SHOW over Labor Day weekend. Many thanks to all and their 49½ers.

SUE MADDOCK reports AUSTRALIAN NINETY-NINES gave her a royal welcome on her stop at Sydney — they'll do it every time, how well I remember!

ELLEN flew her Cessna 150 into BREND A STRICKLER'S spread and more of the gals are following.

Time is running out. See you all at WICHITA FALLS for our sectional!

## **HOUSTON CHAPTER**

### **M. E. OLIVER, Reporter**

Installation and Awards dinners for this Chapter are always gala affairs, and this year's bash was no exception. Pineforest Country Club's Cajun cook outdid himself in producing the mouth-watering seafood dinner . . . we all needed to diet the next day.

New Houston officers are Chairman ADELLE BAKER, V-C MARILYN HOFFMAN, Recording Sec'y. CELIA PARRISH, Corresponding Sec'y. DELLE HIGHTOWER, Treasurer MARGARET "MACKIE" FUSILIER. Outgoing Chairman BETTY FRITTS installed, and CELIA PARRISH presented the Outstanding Member plaque and check to ADELLE. Incidentally, we were happy to see CELIA moving about under her own steam after her mishap at Wichita which had her wheel-chaired for some time.

Attendance pins were given by DELLE HIGHTOWER to the few qualifying. These are for perfect attendance a consecutive years' meetings, an effort to encourage members to attend regularly.

Nervous Navigators proved their value at the installation with GENE HIGHTOWER acting as genial MC and also participating in a comedy skit entitled "THE SAGA OF THE LOST PILOT, OR THE TROUBLE WITH UNICOM IS . . ." Other budding actors in that production included JON CURTIS, MYRL BICKFORD and JIM OLIVER (all Nervous Navigators) and the 99 heroine GENE GONZALES.

Highlight of the evening was PEGGY HUNT and son GARY, runners-up in the recent All-American Pageant in Florida, with a unique act. PEGGY also presented two fun awards to two surprised recipients: JERRY BAKER, our new Chairman's 49½, and your housework-hating reporter.

Our best wishes for a speedy recovery go to MARY ABLE, hospitalized with an infernal infection. (Note to Ed: Spell it "inTernal" if you prefer; we think MARY will agree it's definitely INFERNAL!) (I thot it was the mean green!)

By the time this reaches print our SC Sectional at Wichita Falls will be just another happy memory, but right now, pilots, synchronize your watches, fire-flight your aircraft, and let's go! Tally-ho!

## **KANSAS CHAPTER**

### **MARTHA GILES, Reporter**

Proud we are to have our own MARILYN COPELAND as next year's South Central Section Governor. Kansas Chapter



members gathered in her home Sept. 11th for installation of the following new officers: CHARLOTTE PARKER, Chairman; ARLIENE DANDO, Vice Chairman; ELEANOR KNOTT, Secretary, and PAT MLADY, Treasurer.

New committee chairmen are JACKIE LUKE, Membership, assistant, CAROL PINSKER; JOYCE CASE, Public relations; CHARLOTTE PETERS, Amelia Earhart Scholarship; MARY AIKINS, APT; BETTY BUCKMAN, Hospitality; ALYCE BLACKHALL, Aerospace Education; JANICE WILSON, Air Marking; MARY LEE GEBHART, Projects; MARTHA GILES, newsletter; MARY DePEW and JEAN WOODARD, Wing Scouts; HAZEL GUY and ALICE DODD, executive committee.

After the business meeting "Fun in 71" continued thru the afternoon and evening at the home of PAT and OWEN McEWEN, where 83 members, husbands and guests gathered in and around the pool. Dinner was served on the lawn, compliments of our good friends the BALLINGERS. SUSIE SEWELL and PETE and DOTTIE YOUNG were here from Okla.

#### OMAHA AREA CHAPTER GEORGIANN RYNEARSON, Reporter

Our September meeting, which was also our third anniversary, was a dinner meeting at the home of BETTY and BOB JARVIS. Those present were CHARLENE and NICK TAYLOR, SHIRLEY and CURT RISK, VERDAYNE and DICK MENZE, INEZ and HERB STOCKER, LUCILLE ULEMAN, ROSEMARY and MAX BLOCK, BARBARA KREJCI and GEORGIANN and BILL RYNEARSON. New officers installed were: Chairman, LUCILLE ULEMAN; Vice-Chairman INEZ STOCKER; Secretary, GEORGIANN RYNEARSON; Treasurer, SHIRLEY RISK.

This past month has been a good one for flying. ROSEMARY and MAX BLOCK, LAVONNE and BILL TRIPP, SHIRLEY and CURT RISK and GEORGIANN and BILL RYNEARSON flew to Wichita for



Showing off their third anniversary cake are the new officers of the Omaha Area Chapter. Left to right SHIRLEY RISK, treasurer, GEORGIANN RYNEARSON, secretary, INEZ STOCKER, vice-chairman, LUCILLE ULEMAN, chairman.

the convention. Also attending were LOU ULEMAN, BARBARA KREJCI and INEZ STOCKER.

The long Labor Day week-end saw VERDAYNE and DICK MENZE, accompanied by HELEN and JOHN EHRlich, heading that Commanche toward Abilene, Kansas to visit Kansas 99, HELEN SIMMONS and husband RAY, and then on to Fayetteville, Arkansas. INEZ and HERB STOCKER went to Iowa City via 172. ROSEMARY and MAX BLOCK took off in another direction—to Sioux City, Iowa, and Worthington, Minnesota, while BETTY and BOB JARVIS participated in the Nebraska Air Race. Would you believe—BETTY and MARTHA PURDY, Nebraska 99, in a 150 came out ahead of their husbands in a 172?

The JARVISES are on the way to becoming a 3 pilot family now that daughter CONNIE soloed on her 16th birthday.

CHARLENE TAYLOR has received her multi-engine rating. She is now working on her instructor's rating.

#### PIKES PEAK CHAPTER MARION HEIN, Reporter

LUCY and JIM SHATTUCK report a delightful vacation in the Bahamas. They flew their Piper Cherokee and visited four island airports in good flying weather.

JANIE OESCH has a new job—Manager of the ENT Aero Club, at the ENT Air Force Base in Colorado Springs. MARGE POTANKO is one of the instructors in the flying club. DOROTHY MEYERS was also an instructor in the club before leaving for Germany immediately following her participation in the Powder Puff Derby.

SHIRLEY MARSHALL and JENNY SAYERS gave their full time to the 3-day meet of the Rocky Mountain Soaring Club, which was a tremendous success. SHIRLEY towed gliders and was the official "Weather Guesser." JENNY was a timer and handled the registration of the 30 glider entrants. SHIRLEY has recruited a prospective member, HANNAH DUNCAN, who just obtained her soaring license.

ARLENE FELDMAN, who is working on her commercial license, has been very active in arousing interest among the members of the Ft. Carson Officers Wives Club in the Fort Carson Flying Club. On Army Aviations Day recently at the Butts Army Airfield, ARLENE and 49½er ARNOLD, competed in the accuracy landing contest. ARLENE placed third and guess who got first prize, ARNOLD, of course! Bell Helicopter Company gave free rides and the Ft. Carson Flying Club had "Penny-a-Pound" rides.

ANN SHIELD, former Amelia Earhart Scholarship Award winner, and HELEN ZUBROW, on a recent trip to Denver, flew their Cessna to Colorado Springs to have a brief visit with ARLENE FLEDMAN.

RHEA ALLISON flew a Cessna 180 to the New England States, Nova Scotia, and

returned via Canada. Now she tells us she is going to Alaska, where she will fly in pursuit of the elusive caribou. RHEA is an instructor, tows gliders at the Black Forest Glider Port.

#### NEBRASKA CHAPTER MARY CONLEY, Reporter

The 1971 Nebraska Air Race was held on September 5 (rain date) since the weather didn't co-operate on September 4. We had twenty planes participating. First Place: BOB COOK JR., Lincoln, Nebr.; Second Place: MARION LARMON, McCook, Nebr.; Third Place: PAULINE MALLARY, Atlanta, Ga.; Fourth Place: VIRGINIA McKINNIS, Whitestown, Ind.; Fifth Place: JAN HEINS, Lincoln, Nebr.

The prize monies consisted of \$300.00 and five trophies for the respective first five places. Since it isn't important whether you win or lose, but how you play the game; LOYCE MacKEY of Omaha received the Tail End Tony award for coming in last or rather the lowest score. Every contestant, including the co-pilots, received certificates for their participation.

Bravo! SHIRLEY AMEN got her Sea Plane rating this summer along with her Sea Plane instructors rating. Her husband, HARRY, also received his Sea Plane rating.

The Brenda Griesman Fund has proved to be very successful so far, however there are still a lot of bills to pay off. So far \$680.00 in bills have been paid by the Nebraska Chapter.

Attending the international convention in Wichita from our chapter were: MARTHA PURDY, JEANNE GIVEN and daughter JEANNE, DONNA BRUMMER, PAULIE PERRY and family; JAN HEINS, and DR. and MRS. FRED MARSH.

Happy Flying!

#### SHREVEPORT CHAPTER EVELYN SNOW, Reporter

Shreveport Ninety Nines co-sponsored with the FAA and the Arklatex Airmen's Association an Aviation Safety Clinic at Downtown Airport. We helped the FAA prepare the mailing to the several thousand



ELAINE SNOW and ANN KING, of the Shreveport Chapter, register Pilots participating in the Arklatex Aviation Safety Day held recently at Downtown Airport in Shreveport.



pilots in our area, were in charge of registration, ran the movie projector (safety films rated X-tra safe), and were general hostesses for the day. One of our newest members, MARY JO VOSS, was doubly busy since her 49½, BENNIE, is the FAA Accident Prevention Specialist, who was in charge of the Safety Day. HELEN WRAY and HELEN HEWITT were designated Safety Counselors and gave check rides during the day. Even the airport's Golden Greek Blue Yonder restaurant co-operated and served an aviation oriented menu — V-speed soup, Veal Chandelle, Turns about a Point (spaghetti and meat balls, natch!), pilot pie, tacan tea, and smog (coffee). Our local FBO's provided door prizes, and our chapter donated one of the new cookbooks "Wine and Dine with the Ninety-Nines" as a door prize. (Boy, is that a great cookbook — we *all* want one!). We also gave the FBO's Ninety-Nine calendars, which we purchased from the Connecticut Chapter, to show our appreciation for their many courtesies to us.

Our brand new member, ELAINE SNOW, was greeted with "Welcome, come to work!" so she pitched right in to help with our projects. She even allowed TV newsmen to cover her ride in the Vertigo Chair at the Safety Clinic.

Our chapter took charge of the concession stands for the airshow and dedication ceremonies for Downtown Airport's new terminal building, and we are official hostesses for the dedication of Shreveport Regional Airport's new facilities October 31st. We are so fortunate to have two brand new terminals with two brand new restaurants in our city — fly in to visit us!!

#### **SPANISH PEAKS CHAPTER** **RUBY LEE BALLANTYNE, Reporter**

It's good news that SHERRY HERSKIND has returned to her office manager job at Pan-Ark Aviation and to this 99 chapter. She will resume her post as custodian of the scrapbook, and, as usual, take care of whatever odd jobs fall her way.

CHRIS BERRY graduated with a business management degree in the spring. After a trip to California and Hawaii, she has settled down to a position with a grocery establishment and a determination to add to her private license and instrument rating.

Last year's officers, headed by President MARY LOU MILLBERN, were returned for another year at the September meeting of the group at the home of GERTRUDE HOWARD.

ANOTHER FLY-IN HAS BEEN PLANNED, patterned after the very successful October fly-in last year. The date for this one is October 17 — rain date, October 24.

This chapter may not be great on flying accomplishments, but enthusiasm is high for doing whatever that can be done to promote aviation in general and women pilots in particular. The group hosted and worked

in concession stands at the Colorado State Fair Fly-in Day, August 21.

More than 15,000 persons viewed the air show highlighted by the Blue Angel Navy Percision Flight team. Also on the program was the San Juan aerobatic show promoted by H. N. "Dusty" Rhodes of Santa Fe, New Mexico. It turned out to be the greatest "Airport day" even in Southern Colorado.

ANNE COURTRIGHT, her pilot husband, and family have been enjoying numerous short vacation flights to favorite fishing and picnic spots this summer.

ANN FRINK continues her CAP work. She participated in search and rescue work during the summer, but now it's back to her school room teaching duties and the flying to be worked around the fringes.

The blue skirt and vest white blouse uniforms have been completed, and we think we present a rather natty appearance going about our functions. We do appreciate the support that we were given by the attendance of members from the PIKES PEAK CHAPTER.

#### **TIP OF TEXAS CHAPTER** **JEANIE CROW, Reporter**

Due to circumstances beyond our control namely, white-wing season, hurricane threats and a tropical storm HIT (Fern), we just never did have our September meeting. Not to be outwitted by the exigencies of hunting season or the vagaries of weather, however, ROOKY BIEHN, PAULINE GLASSON, BARBARA LEWIS, and PAT McNEIL got together one day and spent several hours working on scarves. LENA JACKSON put in a good share of time on this project also.

PAT and her husband and son flew their 310 to Cape Kennedy to see the Apollo 15 space launch. They arrived two days early, and, as invited guests, had the opportunity of meeting and talking with several of the astronauts and their wives. PAT reports that the whole town builds up to a peak of excitement as the time of the actual launch approaches. THE McNEIL's watched the blast-off from a spot three and a half miles from the launch site (location of the V.I.P. stands) which is the closest anyone is allowed.

PAULINE and her husband took off September 16 in their Cessna 172 for Kotzebue, Alaska, where they will visit her sister, a nurse in the government hospital there.

#### **TRI-STATE CHAPTER** **DIANE TEEL, Reporter**

August found members NANCY TEEL, MARILYN HARDING, MAZIE LIPSCOMB and DIANE TEEL, and their respective 49½'er's DON, BOB, and KARL at the TEEL'S home for a barbeque that was enlivened by the tales of our honorary 99, FBO JOHN BROWN, who relived his "student-hood" days for us in the hangar flying session immediately following dinner. Come to Joplin and ask JOHN about his past — it IS interesting!!

Our regular August meeting was held in Vinita, Oklahoma, a joint session with the Tulsa Chapter, with five of our members in attendance . . . and for those of you who have been dying of suspense since last issue, wondering if ANN B. PERRY made it to this meeting, well, we say, "Sort of"! Not wanting to completely spoil her flawless record of non-meeting attendance, ANN did come, but was no less than FORTY-FIVE MINUTES late!!!! Oh well.

We held installation of officers in Vinita; Tulsa has a really cool little speech that they say when they install someone — Tri-State members just sat there and wished that they'd been at that election meeting when they gave all of those offices to ABSENT members!! Chairman NANCY says, "That'll teach 'em!!"

NANCY TEEL flew 99NT to Bristol, Tennessee on a business trip for 49½'er DON, and then on the way back, talked him into a stop at Blytheville, Arkansas, where the BLUE ANGELS were putting on a show. The next morning found them venturing out bravely with No. 7 J.D. DAVIS flying lead position in the left seat of 99NT, and No. 2 KEVIN O'MARA navigating from the slot position of right rear seat. These two able aviators flew IFR (I follow roads!) to Hayti, Missouri, where there is a Stearman rebuilding shop.

New ratings — MARILYN HARDING now has her Multi-Engine Rating — not bad considering that the special air-conditioning provided by the Aztec when the door popped open on takeoff made things a bit hairy!! NANCY TEEL is a ground instructor now — if I've told you that before, I'm not bragging, just forgetful!

Thoughts about Wichita . . . I was quite surprised at the number of APT pins I saw being worn — because there were so few of them.

#### **WICHITA FALLS CHAPTER** **NAN PARK, Reporter**

LEWIS and LOU ELLEN FOSTER hosted the installation of new officers at the Wichita Club on August 19, 1971. LOU ELLEN FOSTER installed BETTY ALLISON, Chairman; ELEANOR IRVINE, Vice-Chairman; RUTH RENTON, Secretary and ELAINE EDWARDS, Treasurer. NAN PARK presented LOU ELLEN FOSTER with an engraved pen and pencil as a gift from the Chapter.

BETTY ALLISON appointed the following: BETTY COX, Public Relations; RUTH RENTON, Chapter Newsletter; NAN PARK, Ninety-Nine News Reporter; VIRGINIA HOLMES, Amelia Earhart Scholarship; DORIS KELLEY, APT; LOU ELLEN FOSTER, Scrapbook; OLA MAE COOK, Membership; ELEANOR IRVINE, BETTY ALLISON, BETTY COX and LOU ELLEN FOSTER KOLP Award.

NEW RATINGS: MARILYN O'NEIL, multi-engine rating; ELBA BOND, instru-



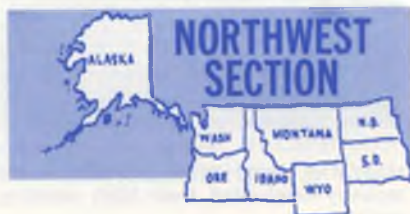
ment rating and BERNICE HARVEY, helicopter rating.

THE NINETY-NINES OF WICHITA FALLS, INC. held their organizational meeting September 1, 1971 at the Tradewinds Motor Hotel at 7:00 P.M. PERRY WESBROOKS, Attorney at Law, (Shirley's 49½er) advised us we had received our charter from the State of Texas.

Section Governor DOROTHY WARREN attended and she contributed many helpful suggestions.

BETTY COX, Public Relations Chairman, reports. LOU ELLEN FOSTER and MARILYN O'NEIL were interviewed on TV September 3rd, BETTY ALLISON and NAN PARK will be interviewed on September 30th on TV. LOU ELLEN FOSTER and BETTY ALLISON were photographed and interviewed for the Ft. Worth Star-Telegram, Wichita Falls Times and Record News. BETTY COX says all convention events will be covered by both newspaper and television.

September 16th meeting was in the home of BETTY COX at 7:00 P.M. Committee reports were given and the usual convention round table held.



#### ALASKA CHAPTER JAN PESSEL, Reporter

Our last two meetings have been luncheons, and so they have been rather short. At the August gathering we were happy to have with us INGRID PEDERSEN from Stockholm, Sweden. One of the reasons for INGRID's visit was to work on her Commercial license. The September luncheon was the election of officers. The new officers for the coming year are: Chairman, RUBY PAPPAS; Vice Chairman, ANNE WILBUR; Secretary, NITA WOOD; Treasurer, MARILYNN GRIFFIN; News Letter, DOROTHY McCULLOCH; Membership, MARGARET SNIDER; Scholarship, BLANCHE KRAGER; Historian, BETTY ROGERS.

Several of our members have put their airplanes to work getting the winter's meat supply. RUTH O'BUCK used her Cessna 180 on floats to bring home her moose, while BLANCHE KRAGER used her Piper Super Cub on floats to bring in the bull moose that she shot. You would never guess that CAROLYN KENNEDY belonged to 99's because she brought her moose home in a pick-up truck. You are forgiven, CAROLYN, since it was so close to home (Poor Meece—Ed.)

RUBY PAPPAS built up some flying time by helping to fly a Cessna 180 from Wichita, Kansas to Anchorage. BETTY ROGERS enjoyed her flight and visit to Idaho, and ANNE WILBUR enjoyed her stay in Portland, Oregon. Fortunately for us her timing was just right so that she was able to represent us at the sectional meeting.

All those who met KATHY KIPPENHAM in the Powder Puff Derby will be happy to know that she got married soon after her return to Anchorage, and that she is now MRS. STADEM.

#### COLUMBIA CASCADE CHAPTER DOROTHY MERCER, Reporter

Northwest Section Fall Meeting was hosted by Columbia Cascade Chapter September 10-11-12 at the Sheraton Hotel in Portland, and we are pretty proud of having done a good job!

Highlight of the convention was having as honored guest at our banquet that famed and lovable MAX CONRAD—holder of many official time and distance records in his over-50,000 logged hours. We were held spellbound listening to the story and seeing the pictures of his last try at the round-the-world pole-to-pole flight record, which sadly ended in Anarctica.

75 Section members signed in for our convention; also RUTH DEERMAN from El Paso with her husband, mother and sister. 21 planes checked in at Troutdale airport to participate in spot-landing and poker-hand contests—LOIS BAUER from E. Idaho, MINNIE BOYD from E. Washington, and BONNIE BAKER from Mt. Tahoma placing first, second and third in spot-landing, with "honorary" (?) mention going to DARLENE SCHIERS of E. Idaho for her effort. Farthest commuters (by car) were LOU WEBER and CAROL SCHULER, with student CYD FOUIGNER from Bismarck, No. Dakota. Pilots flying farthest were JUDY McCRUM and JULI PEDEN from Billings, and PUD LOVE-LACE from Bozeman. RANDY HILTON flew commercial from Cody, Wyoming.

The 126 guests at our banquet were hilariously entertained by Portland's official greeters, the "RAINMAKERS" with their screwball waiter routine.

New Section officers were announced: MARY KILBOURNE, Governor; VAN ADDERSON, Vice-Governor, BARBARA LATHROP, Secretary; RANDY HILTON, Treasurer. Three new members were named to the Executive Board—BETTY PORTNOY, MINNIE BOYD, JO-NEAL HARRIS.

IONA FUNK of Greater Seattle was named winner of the Achievement Award.

North Dakota chapter has offered to hostess the 1972 Sectional in Bismarck, in lieu of Alaska.

Our voluminous thanks go to JO-NEAL HARRIS for general chairmanship of the Sectional, to BETTY PRAKKEN for reg-

istration and finance; to ETHELYN OPHEIM for all arrangements. Decorations were handled by LILLIAN LEWIS; all floral pieces made and donated by her mother, and 27 dozen roses given us by MARGARET TEUFEL of Oregon chapter. The gals in Willamette Valley and Southern Oregon chapters made luncheon decorations for us. PAT FALLER and husband DAVE saw that every guest had transportation and opportunity for a city tour, and our crew of 49½ers—BOB MERCER, HOMER HARRIS, GORDY PRAKKEN, and FRED DAUFEL, with 24¾ers MARK and SCOTT HARRIS—greeted all flyers-in with cars and refreshments. JO CLARRIDGE and KATHY DAVIS modeled beautifully at our luncheon fashion talk.

BARBARA DAUFEL, MARION BUSBY, JO CLARRIDGE, DORO SOKOL, MARCELLA OTHUS, SALLY STUDARD, VIRGINIA GILLILAND, LEE WRENN, JOAN PRATT and DOROTHY MERCER ably handled hospitality, entertainment, gifts and publicity.

We had news and TV coverage on three stations, and the cooperation of Portland's beautiful weather. THANKS TO ALL YOU GALS WHO CAME TO OUR PARTY!

New 1971-72 officers for Columbia Cascade Chapter are DOROTHY MERCER, Chairman; ETHELYN OPHEIM, Vice Chairman; BETTY PRAKKEN, Treasurer; PAT FALLER, Secretary.

#### EASTERN IDAHO "THE SHADOW," Reporter

Eastern Idaho Ninety-Nines and their families spent an entire day at an altitude of 9000 feet Sunday, August 22, as they toured the radar facilities at Sawtell Peak near Yellowstone Park. Members present for the tour, picnic and meeting included: DARLENE SCHIERS, PAT CHASE, LOIS BAUER, GLENNA LINDERMAN, PAT DUKICH, SHIRLIE JOHNSON, DIANE JEX, MARGARET STANFORD, CONNIE HAWLEY, and ONITA HOFF. Nine 49½ers and twelve other guests were also present. The tour of the radar facilities was conducted by MR. RON GARLAND and MR. BOB EDEN.

Eastern Idaho Ninety-Nines are currently making plans to sponsor four accident prevention seminars to be held in Idaho Falls in September, October, November, and January.

CONNIE HAWLEY from Howe, Idaho is our newest member. CONNIE joined Ninety-Nines in August and we are very happy to welcome her.

Taking advantage of Idaho's last bit of remaining summer, DARLENE and ROBERT SCHIERS flew to Mackay.

CAROLE and BEN DEPUE are the proud owners of a beautiful Cessna Skyline, N2460X. CAROLE and BEN are expecting another new addition to their family any day now so CAROLE won't be



planning any long trips in the new Cessna for a few weeks.

MARY KILBOURN, DARLENE SCHIERS and LOIS BAUER flew to Portland Oregon for the Northwest Sectional Convention. We are very proud of MARY for being elected to serve for another term as Governor of the Northwest Section and we would also like to congratulate LOIS BAUER for winning the spot landing contest at Portland.

#### GREATER SEATTLE CHAPTER PAMELA HOLM, Reporter

Our chapter met at FRAN BRYANT's home for our Sept. meeting. As it's located on Crest Field in Kent, most members arrived by plane, while a few chose to drive. KEN and FRAN still park their Bonanza in the field's tie down area, but next year hope to have their hanger in. We enjoyed the company of 4 guests at our meeting, two student pilots, and two prospective members, LINDA ROLCZYNSKI and ULLA HIATT. Our new officers ran a smooth first meeting led by our President FLORENCE BELL.

Just received the report from the gals who attended the Sectional Convention in Portland. Out of our 22 members, 10 attended, including: VAN ADDERSON, FLORENCE BELL, BETTY DENNEY, KAY DENIS, HELEN DURHAM, IONA FUNK, CHARLOTTE KAMM, BETTY KRAMER, ILOVENE POTTER, and SANDIE SULLIVAN. There were many proud moments for our chapter when it was announced that we were the only chapter to return 100% of our sectional ballots, and that we had the largest number of pilots APT. But the happiest moment of all was when IONA FUNK was named winner of the Section Achievement Award of the Year. This is the third consecutive time a member of our chapter has won this award, the previous winners being CHARLOTTE KAMM and VAN ADDERSON, and we're only three years old. The award is based on attendance, participation, and ratings and IONA has excelled in all of these areas!

SANDIE SULLIVAN had an exciting trip to Pt. Barrow in July, accompanied



IONA FUNK shown with the N. W. Section Achievement Award which she recently won at the section convention.

by her husband JOHN. While Seattleites were enjoying sunny days in the 80ties, they were freezing in 30 degree temperatures. That's daytime! They were visiting SANDIE's brother who is a bush pilot up there. A highlight of the trip was a flight over the area during which they saw walrus hunting by canoe. She must have been delighted to return to our sunshine (when we've got it we flaunt it) and to plumbing, after going without both for five days.

DARLIN BEACH, husband ROY, and their two sons spent a week sailing the San Juan Islands. They were all scared to death one afternoon as they found themselves sailing in the midst of a group of killer whales.

KAY DENIS received her seaplane rating a few weeks ago, our second member to do so in two months. Her non-flying husband hasn't been up with her yet, but reportedly is enthusiastic about it. Speaking of husbands, VIRGINIA NASTUIK and her husband fly together a great deal for business, but when the going gets rough a change of command takes place—SHE TAKES OVER. Guess which one has the instrument rating?

#### MT. TAHOMA CHAPTER BONNIE BAKER, Reporter

We wish to thank the COLUMBIA-CASCADE CHAPTER and all the other girls who worked so hard to put on the NORTHWEST SECTIONAL meeting in Portland, Oregon. They really went over board to show us a good time. They greeted us upon landing with ice cold refreshments. BETTY PORTNOY had 3 Kings in the Poker race to the Sectional meeting to win top prize. There were 21 planes that flew in, and your reporter, BONNIE BAKER received 3rd place in the spot landing contest.

Our new officers for the coming year are Chairman: BETTY PORTNOY, Vice-Chairman: MAXINE BLUMER, Secretary: ALICE BUTLER, Treasurer: DONNA PREWITT, Membership Chairman: MARY KIRK, Reporter: BONNIE BAKER, Public Relations: LORETTA PRETTYMAN, A.E. Chairman: EAN FREEBURG.

We want to welcome BARBARA (LA RUE) LATHROP into the Olympia area from Port Angeles. We will continue to have our dinner meetings on the 2nd Thursday of the month. This is an open invitation to all Ninety-Nines in the area to visit us, and keep us posed on coming events in the Puget Sound Country.

BETTY PORTNOY joins JEAN FREEBURG as Cessna 182 owners in the chapter. BETTY and BONNIE BAKER with her 172 flew Olympia Girl Scouts on their first light aircraft flight to complete their badges. MAXINE BLUMER is getting ready for her annual trip in their P-38 to the RENO Airraces. LORETTA PRETTYMAN has renewed her FAA Medical, DR. KOSS said he had to give it to her so she could FLY, she was in no condition to walk after tripping over his step on the

way in and cutting open both knees. JESSIE WOODS returning from an O-X 5 meeting keeps us informed on all the old timers and early day flying.

#### MONTANA CHAPTER JUDY McCRUM, Reporter

What a month! And to top it off your reporter missed last month's news and there is some to catch up on.

September 10, 11, and 12 were the dates and Portland was the place for the 1971 NW Sectional Convention. Five members from Montana were present: Chairman, JOAN ORLEY, flew with HELEN DURHAM, Greater Seattle Chapter; LAULETTE HANSEN took the easiest and surest way of beating the weather, Commercial, and won a trophy for it; your reporter flew the Gooney Bird with JULI



MARGARET and ALFRED THXILL who recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

PEDEN, picked up PUD LOVELACE in Bozeman, and stopped in Spokane to have lunch with MILLIE SHINN.

A warm hand for the Columbia-Cascade Chapters for a marvelous time!

Most of the September meeting in Lewistown centered around things discussed at the Sectional. Attending the meeting were Chairman JOAN ORLEY, FLO MAJARUS, CAROL FRASER, and MADONNA SMITH, all of Lewistown; LAULETTE HANSEN and MARTHA VOLKOMENER flew in LAULETTE's 182 from Great Falls; DORIS KAMERAD flew with ELSIE CHILDS and HELEN DUNLOP in "Charley"; MARGARET TUXILL brought 49½er, ALFRED in the Swift; KAY WIDMER flew with 49½er, GIB in their 182; JULI PEDEN flew from Billings in a Muskateer; BETTY NUNN flew a 172 with 49½er, ARCHIE; JUDY McCRUM flew Gooney Bird with 49½er MAC and children, CHRIS and LESLIE.

Our featured member this month is a most unusual woman. She has been flying since 1956 when she learned to fly an Ercoupe. She has been known to taxi out for take off with a funny noise coming from the tail of the plane. "After shutting down the plane and a more thorough pre-flight check I found a very frightened cat back



there," she said. When asked what gave her the urge to fly, she answered, "To see my kids—they're scattered all over the country."

This summer MARGARET and ALFRED TUXILL of Darby, Montana celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. For the celebration (which included in the large family gathering their five children, twenty-two grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren) MARGARET piloted her Swift, 3230K to Syracuse, New York, with husband at her side.

Congratulations to our "Flyin' Great-Gramma and her 49½er!!!

#### WILLAMETTE VALLEY JAN AMUNDSON, Reporter

Our meeting on September 1 was a preview of fall. Brisk winds and rain saw to it that we all drove to Lebanon Airport. A warm fire and delicious lunch made it all worthwhile for the twelve members attending. Our thanks to DORI LOHR and SALLY HAEVERNICK.

Our new officers elected at the meeting are: SALLY HAEVERNICK, Chairman; BETTY STARKER, Vice Chairman, and JANE CAPPIZZI, Secretary-Treasurer.

FLORENCE GROESBECK, our efficient decoration chairman for the Sectional meeting in Portland, made sure that we all kept busy. It was a most successful work session and a pleasant way to spend a rainy afternoon. While we worked we were entertained by the details of CHARMAIN BYERS-JONES' trip to Greece.



#### SOUTHWEST SECTION

#### LAST FLIGHT KATHY CHADWICK PENLAND September 4, 1971

#### ALOHA CHAPTER WIN MILLER, Reporter

VIRGINIA and 49½ ED and ROSE MARIE BURKETT and 49½ WALLY flew passengers in the Windward Citizens Planning Conference. Ten planes took State officials and others in a search for alternate general aviation sites from the sky. Seeing Oahu from the air was most enlightening for many officials. Bellows field is under consideration.

Aloha to PAT DAVIS for receiving her Commercial certificate. Her instructor was her husband BUD and she was his first designee shortly before he left for Vietnam.

MARIE RICHARDSON, Gov. of Australian Section, spent a few days with

MARGUERITE WOOD and "WOODY" on her way home from the International Convention. With DOROTHY KELSEY they flew to the "Big Island" of Hawaii for a look at the volcano and other beautiful spots.

During the summer we saw, at Chapter meeting, ANNE BLOXHAM; Alameda Co.; KATHY MARQUARDT, Bay Cities, and BETTY SHOLD, New Jersey.

Sept. 1 we welcomed a new private pilot, JANET JENSEN.

LENNIE MUTTICK, winner of the Apuepuelele, is taking a vacation and returning to her home near Lakewood, Ohio. When she returns she will take her multi-engine check ride.

CORINNE WATERHOUSE BRITEN still teaching in Kailua, this year it is "fast science to the 7th graders. She and 49½ KEITH are planting a garden at their townhouse in Aiea.

With sorrow we report that KATHY CHADWICK PENLAND, flying a Swift to Keahole called in loss of engine and had to ditch. Her non-pilot passenger, MRS. ROWE, survived due to instructions given her by KATHY who went through all the routines, briefed her passenger and donned life jackets. KATHY's husband, TOM, in another plane, took part in the search but she was never found.



PAT DAVIS and LINDY BOYES and T34 that PAT flew to Kona for the start of the contest. LINDY and NANCY BUCKLEW were co-chairmen, August 15.  
Aloha Chapter

#### BAKERSFIELD CHAPTER FLORENCE MOODY, Reporter

Bakersfield Chapter proudly presents our new slate of officers. LORETTA GRANT is chairman, JOAN PAYNTER is vice-chairman, PATTY PIPER is secretary, and MAUDE OLDERSHAW is treasurer.

MARIANNE LAXAGUE is in charge of the Pacific Air Race stop at Meadows Field. LAURINE WITMER and LORETTA GRANT will be timers assisted by friends of the 99's.

Cooperating with the Federal Aviation Administration and Greater Bakersfield Chamber of Commerce, our chapter is sponsoring a Pilots' Forum at AVACON hangar, Meadows, October 10. FLORENCE MOODY is chairing this event. PATTY

PIPER has draw prizes ready and MAUDE OLDERSHAW is securing exhibits for the day. All members will be hostesses to greet and serve refreshments to pilots from the San Joaquin valley, the Central Coast, and Southern California.

One hot day in August we traveled into our Sierra Nevadas to Poso Park. ACHSA HOLFELDER invited us to her mountain home for a potluck luncheon under the pines.

ACHSA HOLFELDER invited us to hear JOAN PAYNTER and PATTY PIPER'S ATWAR story. Present were LAVERNE BILLINGSLEY, JUNE EDWARDS, JUDI FAULSTICK, CHAIRMAN LORETTA GRANT, BEVERLY HABERFELDE, MARGE HARPS, MARIANNE LAXAGUE, CHARLENE MACKESSY, FLORENCE MOODY, JOANN MURPHY, MAUDE OLDERSHAW, the Entrants, ALICE PEMBERTON, MARJORIE STUTCHMAN, RHODA THOMPSON, MAXINE TURNER, JOY VOELKERS, LINDA WATSON, and LAURINE WITMER.

Our new member is BEVERLY HABERFELDE.

#### BAY CITIES CHAPTER KATHY MARQUARDT, Reporter

Several of our members were able to attend the Section meeting in Yosemite. HELEN KELTON, MARY FIELDS, GERTRUDE CHERRY and 49½ FRED, and I were able to attend the whole weekend. RUTH RUECKERT, MIRIUM BRUGH and her roommate CAROL BAKER went for just the day. Thanks to Fresno for a good time.

August was election time. New officers for the year are KATHY MARQUARDT, Chairman; CAROLINE SCHUTT, Vice-Chairman; ROSE SHARP, Secretary; JOYCE WELLS, Treasurer. Thanks to MARY FIELDS for her guidance the last two years.

Not too much news to report this month as we had to cancel our airmarking-meeting. JOYCE WELLS met KATHY and JOAN VAN REETH (Chicago Area) at Stockton one day for lunch. JOAN, who left the Bay Area many years ago, found flying over hills and visible landmarks very different from the mid-west. JOYCE also spent about ten days at their property in Trinity County.

ELAINE JONES sends word from South Carolina that she and NICK are the proud parents of a son. — She didn't say his name. And after several years of working ROSE SHARP has left her job at the Emporium to stay home and pursue her hobbies — flying being the foremost.

#### REDWOOD EMPIRE CHAPTER ANITA WOREL, Reporter

We invaded Monterey September 12th for a luncheon meeting. NINA ROOKAIRD and LYNNE ANDREWS, PAT STOUTER and OLIVE AGRON flew down in



2 Cessna 150's. JEAN CLYDE arrived in a Cherokee Arrow with 49½ PETER and two guests, DOROTHY and MARY ROCCO. BETTY WORSTELL was accompanied by three of her children in a Cessna Cardinal. It was my turn to fly our Bonanza with 49½ JACK as co-pilot. We brought prospective member FRAN GAUGER and her husband HAROLD. FRAN is very close to getting her private license. She is a kindergarten teacher.

Congratulations to NINA ROOKAIRD, OLIVE AGRON and LOUISE RAMSEY who have earned their APT buttons.

NINA ROOKAIRD turned over the gavel to our new Chairman BETTY WORSTELL. By the time you read this NINA and I will have flown the PAR from San Diego to Salinas. NINA is flying her Cessna 172 solo and I will fly my Bonanza with FRAN GUSTAVSON as co-pilot.

#### **COACHELLA VALLEY CHAPTER JEAN PATANE, Reporter**

We crack the silence again with a few items that might be worthy of mention.

A little late in our elections due to the summer activities taking members to cooler climes. Our new chairman is ROSELLA KIBBEE, vice chairman CONNIE WOOLSTON, secretary BETTY MANLEY and treasurer JEAN PATANE.

On the newsy side ILIA MAE CAROUSEL and 49½er NICK had a busy summer building a new summer home off the runway at the airport in Big Bear and have been spending every available moment that much closer to heaven, only twelve minutes flying time. CONNIE WOOLSTON and ART (Chief Tower Operator at Palm Springs) flew to Kansas to visit relatives. BETTY MANLEY is the proud possessor of a two-holer—Meyers OTW1942. One of the 100 built with sixty still in existence and 53 flying. Now for that which should have appeared earlier. Before the warm weather set in, here in our beautiful desert, we had a most successful Poker Run and Barbecue, thanks to the participation of ninety-nines from as far away as Phoenix. ROSELLA and ROY KIBBEE offered their lovely home on the Bermuda Dunes runway and the facilities of the Club House. We had lots of wonderful prizes too. WE are looking forward to more flying activities when the sun decides to cool it!

#### **EL CAJON VALLEY CHAPTER VI CHAMBERS, Reporter**

Ten years old—and proud of it. El Cajon Valley Chapter celebrated their 10th anniversary, along with installation of new officers and woman of the year award, at Le Baron Hotel on August 28, 1971. Special thanks go to DOTTIE WATTS, Chairman of the Banquet; BETTY WHARTON (San Diego Chapter) who presided over the installation of officers and did a tremendous

job; and DORIS TAYLOR (El Cajon Valley roadrunner) for the outstanding decorations. Officers installed for 1971-1972 were as follows: BOO CHRISTENSEN, Chairman; VI CHAMBERS, Vice Chairman; JUNE O'NEIL, Secretary; and MARGARET WALTON, Treasurer. Your reporter was most thrilled to receive the woman of the year trophy presented by DOTTIE SANDERS, Chairman for woman of the year award.

This has been a busy summer for all our members. Participants in the 1971 Palms to Pines Race included MARGARET WALTON with VI CHAMBERS, and DOTTIE SANDERS with MARIAN BANKS who came home with first place. ROSEMARY MERIMS got her Instrument Instructor rating on September 7th; DOTTIE CAMPBELL flew to Rome, Italy with 49½er DICK; MARGE BROWN on business trip with 49½ BRUCE to Israel; FRED and FRED BREISE to Germany. DORIS and FRANK RITCHEY to Honolulu for some fun in the sun.

Plans for the 1971 Pacific Air Race are going full steam—many interesting things to make this fun race a "I want to go again" event.

#### **FRESNO CHAPTER KATHIE MULLER, Reporter**

They say summer time means lazy, listless days, but from all indications, the Fresno gals have been anything BUT! July saw two teams in the PPD. KATHIE McNAMARA/BARBARA FALLER; VOLINE DODGSON/SARA JANE CLOUSE did the honors for us, and we were certainly proud of them.

August saw the Chapter manning a booth at the Los Banos Flea Market in order to raise money for the upcoming Fall Sectional we are hosting at Yosemite National Park, September 17-19. Everything including clothes, pots, pans, electrical appliances, games were sold and we even tried to "steal" a pony to raffle but the price was too high! As if that was not enough to keep us busy, we had KATHIE McNAMARA and VOLINE DODGSON fly the Santa Monica/Independence, Oregon race—Palms to Palms and unfortunately something "blew over the Siskiyou mountains. BETTY MacPHERSON and VI HUCKLEBERRY flew BETTY'S Debonair to Wichita for the International Convention and brought home a trophy for second place in the Efficiency Race. BETTY MARTIN won her aerobatic wings and gave a wing-ding performance at a hangar party in Selma, leaving the men at the party wondering about this "woman's lib" movement. MAUREEN MAHONEY took her commercial check ride and came out with "flying colors."

Then, to top it all, August saw the new 1971-72 Chapter Officers installed at a banquet. An accident on the road left power lines broken and candles were the order of the evening. The new officers took their

"vows" during the program and CAROL BUGAY had to present the program about PPD, in the dark. We welcomed the 1971-72 Chapter Officers who are: MARY WILDER, Chairman; KATHIE MULLER, Vice-Chairman; CLAUDINE SHREWSBURY, Secretary; LOIS BEELER, Asst. Secretary; BEVERLY MARTIN, Treasurer. They have lots of things planned for this next year.

September saw us working hard at the AOPA Clinic at Fresno Air Terminal and from what we hear, our Chapter is one of a very few that provide a hospitality room (donuts, coffee, fruit) for this type of activity. Compliments came fast and furious, especially at 6:00 a.m. when sleepy-eyed instructors and their students had to get airborne by 6:30 without breakfast. The Chapter also provided car transportation to and from the hotel from early morning to evening hours, on a round-robin basis. It meant a lot of hard work and effort on the part of our members but it was worth every minute! People from all over the U.S. said that they were going to remember Fresno's hospitality, and AOPA has asked us to help at the FI Clinic to be held in Fresno Nov. 30-Dec. 2. We feel that this is one way our organization can contribute to aviation programs.

Our Yosemite Sectional Meeting will see BETTY McNABB coming from the East, and CLAIR WALTERS, Southwest Governor, as well as the other Sectional Officers, in attendance. Between Indian dancers and a fun program being put on by one of Fresno's hosts-with-the-most, ELMER and TILLIE TUSCHOFF, wine-tasting on the patio, banquets, transportation from FAT, 90 miles away, it promises to be a "coup" for our Chapter. VOLINE DODGSON and her committees have spent many sleepless nights getting the program together. Members will be dressed in Indian costumes, even to greeting the visitors at FAT with a "medicine man" and his peace pipe, horse, tomahawk, and buffalo-horned headdress. Hiawatha was never like this!

#### **GOLDEN WEST CHAPTER WILMA BENNETT, Reporter**

In the recent Palms to Pines Race from Santa Monica, California, to Independence, Oregon, five of our members placed and brought home some trophies: TONI KUHN and HEATHER McNEIL, 8th place; VIVIAN HARSHBARGER and NANCY STOCK, 18th and a spot landing cash award; PAT APPEL, 20th.

International acquaintance was aided by 99 traveler, LORETTA GABRIELSON, on a recent trip to London and Rome. She had dinner with the new British Section 99 Governor, GAY ABSALOM, discussing Cessna 150 and helicopters in the same conversation. LORETTA attempted to meet FIORENZA de BERNARDI while in Rome but FIORENZA was demonstrating jets in Australia and India. This is their third attempt to meet each other after some correspondence about 99's.



BARBARA LA POINT set up a Poker Party Fly-In with the Alameda 99 Chapter. JANE JENNINGS from the Alameda Chapter won the 99 High Flight Plaque as a door prize. PAT APPEL won a trophy for the best 99 poker hand. DALE KUHN, 49½, won the Pilot's best poker hand. Airports used were Sonoma County, Napa, San Carlos, Hayward, Watsonville, Tracy, and Livermore where the B-Q was held.

FRAN GRANT (our transfer member from the Bay Cities Chapter) was our representative to International 99 Convention in Wichita.

New officers for our chapter beginning October 1 are BARBARA LA POINT, President; HONEY COWAN, Vice-President; JOAN HANSEN, Secretary; VIVIAN HARSHBARGER, treasurer.

#### LONG BEACH CHAPTER DOROTHY WALTZ, Reporter

The Palms to Pines Air Race was a great success. Forty-three planes took off. First place was won by MARION BANKS, 2nd place, HELEN McKEE; 3rd place, MARGARET MEAD; 4th place, SHIRLEY TANNER; 5th place, GINI RICHARDSON and 6th place by MARGARET CALLAWAY. The top six planes were Comanche 260's, a Cessna 210, a Cherokee 140 and a Mooney. Great fun was had by all in Oregon where the residents treated them royally and entertained them with a huge barbecue and dance.

We are most grateful to the Virginia Slims Company for their help and sponsorship in this year's Palms to Pines Race.

We are thrilled that our own JOYCE JONES won an Amelia Earhart Scholarship. None is more deserving.

**"WALLY" FUNK HAS RETURNED FROM OKLAHOMA CITY AFTER BECOMING THE FIRST WOMAN TO COMPLETE THE TRAINING OF STANDARDIZATION FOR GENERAL OPERATION INSPECTORS FOR THE FAA. CONGRATULATIONS AND GOOD LUCK IN YOUR NEW POSITION.**

Many of our girls are preparing to fly in the Pacific Air Race. See you then.

(Congrats Wally! You have done a job for all of us . . . Ed.)

#### MT. DIABLO CHAPTER SHARON KETCHUM, Reporter

Our August fly-in was all the way to Alta Sierra. It was a nice flight according to MARTY GRAHAM, JUDY COOK (Marty's guest), BUCKIE JOHNSTONE, JADE LOVELL (Buckie's guest), MARIE PORTER, GRACE ELLIS, NANCY WALLIS, BARBARA HARPER and MARGE ROGERS. On the way home, the tower at Buchanan Field was giving a choice of runways, 19 or 32. Fortunately, our pilots reported they had no problems with the crosswinds. MARGE ROGERS said, "In fact, it was one of my better landings!!!"

Also in August, we had a special, combination business and program meeting.

We saw a very interesting FAA film: "AREA NAVIGATION." 49½ers JERALD SHIELDS and SAM KETCHUM were on hand to lend help to our projectionist. It seems someone forgot to rewind the film and we were viewing it upside-down. We thought about standing on our heads but decided rewinding the film would be much easier. Besides MARGE ROGERS, GRACE ELLIS, GEORGIA CONFER, MARTY GRAHAM, SHARON KETCHUM, JOAN GORE, MARIE PORTER, PEGGY WINTERS, ARLENE ROSSMAN and BETTY SHIELDS attending the program, we had a little gray visitor (Squeaky the Mouse). I think we frightened him more than he did us. JOAN GORE wanted to take him home for her son's pet eagle but the mouse had other ideas and ran away.

BETTY and JERRY SHIELDS had a nice trip recently when they flew up to the Oregon and Washington areas.

#### ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER MITZI RINEHART, Reporter

This month I am happy to give you a special report—Alaskan Adventure by SYLVIA and PETE PAOLI in 7382K, a 1950 Piper Pacer, 125 hp.

"If I tied that motorcycle to a wingtip I couldn't make the plane tilt that much!" was Pete's comment as we sat in front of our tent between the runway and taxiway at Redding, California airport. He was right—and broken bongees (shock cords), which hold up the gear in a Pacer, were the real beginning of our trip north. It took us two days and several hundred miles later of flying with roped-up gear before we were able to finally get some new ones put on, in Bellingham, Washington.

Fraser Canyon, British Columbia, was our initiation into northern flying—900 feet MSL all the way through the 40 mile long twisting, turning canyon, with one plane in front of us, one behind, and three coming the opposite direction on the other side of the canyon. All were at the same altitude of necessity—staying under a 1200 foot overcast that the weather man had told us "we've been waiting four months for it to clear!" So, always ready to make a 180°, we went.

We got a glimpse of the awe-inspiring peak of Mt. McKinley from the air—a rare sight on the ground, since it's covered by clouds 80% of the time. Galena will be well remembered as the place we learned about arresting cables. The control on the joint-use field hadn't bothered to tell us about them, and our perfect approach right down the VASI lined us up to hit the first one. After being thrown from the runway, and our trip through the bushes and shrubs and a ditch before getting back to it, the controller's only comment was: "I guess I got you mixed up with a seaplane landing on the river (alongside the field)."

We spent the 4th of July in Kotzebue, a little Eskimo village inside the Arctic Circle. Because all of the tundra in western Alaska was on fire the air was so smoke-filled that



SYLVIA PAOLIA getting out the charts for the next leg of their Alaskan Adventure.



SYLVIA along side the road in McKinley Park trying to make coffee and get warm. She and Pete rode 55 miles into the park on their Honda—outside temperature 45°. Orange County S. W. Section

we made three tries, including a "whereabouts unknown" landing before we finally made it, but it was well worth the trouble. The 4th is their biggest celebration, and we spent three days there talking to the inhabitants, watching all of their games, contests and dances. From there it was a direct route to Ft. Yukon, which is all that legend would have you believe, with its log buildings and general store and friendly people.

There are no roads of any kind in northern Alaska, except in the towns; nor is there any kind of plumbing, sewage systems, running water, etc., except on the two-block Main St. of Nome. It's real pioneer country. We could go on and on, from the wonderful people we met, to the majestic beauty of the mountains, the hundreds of miles of forestland, the \$1.10 per gallon we paid for gasoline in bottles, or \$1.50 for a stack of pancakes in Northway, or the general unavailability of fresh foods of any kind or fresh meat, except in the larger cities such as Fairbanks; or we could tell you about the ice just breaking up in Kotzebue, the sixty below zero temperatures in the winter. The flying, the people, the scenery—it was all an unequalled adventure—and we're ready to go again any time, to see the half we didn't see in this 8000 mile trip.

#### PALOMAR CHAPTER PAM VANDER LINDEN, Reporter

The September meeting of the Palomar 99's was held at RUTH DIG'S home in Capistrano Beach. Fifteen members were



present. We were glad to see ESTHER WHITT who flew in with her daughter-in-law, a brand new private pilot of 24 hours. ESTHER is recovering nicely from her foot operation and will soon be flying the left seat again. After the meeting we had lunch around the pool. LILLIAN HARTMAN, MARY MULHOLLEN and ROSE-MARY LONGMIRE were welcomed as new members.

Chapter officers for the coming year are: PAM VANDER LINDEN, Chairman, EVELYN ASHTON, Vice-Chairman, RUTH DILG, Secretary, AGNES LANGEVIN, Treasurer. Our fantastically efficient Chairman of last two years, WANDA MILLER will be taking over as News Reporter.

NELL CONLEY and 49½ PAT are commuting to Zihuatanejo, west coast of Mexico—150 miles north of Acapulco where they are renovating a resort damaged by the hurricane several years ago. NEL says Zihuatanejo is still an unspoiled tropical paradise. They are located right on beach in middle of town about ¾ mile from airport. By early December they hope to have bar and restaurant open and will have out the Welcome Mat especially for 99's and 49½'s. Palomar Chapter is already arranging a Fly-In for between Christmas and New Year.

The International Convention was simply fabulous—Congratulations to all concerned. Must comment on BETTY GILLES, MARIAN BANKS and our GERTRUDE LOCKWOODS guise and slogan "99 Friendship is gold—we dig it". We dig it, too! Happy Flying—Golden Friendships.

#### **PHOENIX CHAPTER** **SUSAN STORM, Reporter**

At our September meeting FAA Accident Prevention Specialist, DON HOUGHTON, presented a very interesting program. JESSIE WIMMERS is one of his Accident Prevention Counselors and asked for everyone's help in this field. He also showed a film on some of the pitfalls in buying a new-to-you plane. Some of the members who have purchased used aircraft confirmed the pertinent facts of this film.

PAT LAMBERT is studying genealogy and she followed in the tracks of her ancestors, visiting old Colonial and Revolutionary graves and homesites, in New England.

BETH USSHER attended a week's World Confederation of Physical Therapy meeting in London and then on a three week tour of Scandinavia. MARY and GEORGE VIAL flew to Chicago, Detroit and Columbus on business. JESSIE WIMMERS worked at AOPA Flight Clinics in Champagne, Ill. and Laramie, Wyo.

LAURA BOHANAN found a three foot rattlesnake coiled up on the kitchen floor of their cabin at Signal. Nowadays she walks very carefully into a dark room.

Twenty-three members, 49½ers and guests

attended the annual pot-luck dinner at MARY LOU BROWN's home in Prescott. The evening was beautiful with just a few drops of rain and a welcome relief from the heat of our valley.

MARY LOU BROWN and RUBY SHELDON have flown airlines to Fairbanks, Alaska, to ferry 'The Beaver' home again.

#### **RENO AREA CHAPTER** **HAZEL HOHN, Reporter**

Our September meeting was held at the home of BARBARA MOUCHOU in Reno, where some members reported on flying trips they made recently.

DORIS and JOHN EACRET flew to Westport, Washington, for some great salmon fishing—kings and slivers. They also had a very successful dove hunt on opening day. DORIS flew to Winnemucca on business in August in '01 Pat.

KATHY GRAY flew her Cessna 182 to Las Vegas early in August for her son's Little League All-Star game. Although the game was lost by a narrow margin, KATHY's confidence in flying increased by a wide margin due to having to zig-zag around the multitudinous thunderstorms hovering over the desert.

ELAINE and STAN BROWN hesitate to mention this, but after a series of malfunctions, the newly painted (absolutely gorgeous) 175 is temporarily working beautifully. How about that?

Ted Vass phoned us on his first DC-8 trip through Reno (he's Captain) that N.J. 99 KAMALA VASS will be with us again for the Reno National Championship Air Races. See y'all there.

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

This is probably going to be the shortest report ever from ole Sacto. Nobody's been doin' nuthin'!

Sacramento is again putting on it's Golden West Air Show in September and our Chapter is again hostessing the event at Executive Airport. Bob Cummings of TV fame is a "northerner" now and will be the guest of honor at the show. They picked the same weekend as our Southwest Sectional and with Yosemite as the lure from the Fresno Chapter, we won't be out in full strength at the Air Show.

There's been one new rating this month that I know of personally. AUDREY SNOVEL—that's me—is now a Commercial Pilot—which apparently makes me eligible to enter the PPD and be a crop duster and very little else.

The Department of Aeronautics of the State of California is holding ceremonies in September (the same weekend as all of the above) to turn Blue Canyon Airport over to Placer County. Since our Chapter of the 99's airmarked Blue Canyon two years ago, a representative, SHIRLEY LEHR, was officially invited to attend the

ceremonies and be one of the officials at Blue Canyon that day. Unfortunately, this will keep SHIRLEY from attending the Sectional and giving her Flying Activities Chairman's report.

#### **SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CHAPTER** **MARIE A. HIGHT, Reporter**

An informal installation of our new Chapter Officers, at the home of MARION MARRIOTT, provided an evening of fun for our members and their husbands.

MARGUERITE GORMAN had returned from a tour of Europe, as had MARGARET LAWSON. MARGARET LAWSON earned her Instructor's Rating and now instructs for a JPL/Cal Tech Flying Club.

MARIE CAWYER earned her Instrument Rating in July, and MARIE HIGHT earned her Commercial License in August. The HIGHT's enjoyed Air Force Temporary Duty in Albuquerque.

CARRLEEN HARGETT was elected as a new member. She and her husband own a Cherokee 180 which she has flown for one year.

MARIE LEWIS spoke of a trip to Spiza in an Aztec, and reminded us that TCA at LA becomes effective on September 16th.

JANE LaMAR and MARY SEBELIUS returned to Jane's Flying Service after the Derby and have been very busy with students, including two 17 year old boys who began lessons and got Private Licenses before school started. Now MARY SEBELIUS begins Pre-Med.

PORTIA CORNELL and her husband have purchased a Cessna 172, and made a trip to Fresno. PORTIA appeared on TV Pass Word where she won \$550.00.

MARION MARRIOTT and her husband are working to up-date their Instrument Ratings.

We have placed posters at the local Airports as part of our membership drive, and we have planned a series of interesting fly-ins.

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

It never rains in Northern California in August, but those were mighty big dew drops falling out of the sky the 30th, the day of a planned fly-in to Sea Ranch. RENE NEALON, piloting the lead plane, surveyed the skies ahead and sensibly decided on a 180 to Santa Rosa. Pilots SHIRLEY MILLER, BARBARA GLANTZ, TRIXIE CLAYTON, HELEN McGEE, MARIE McDOWELL, with passengers LEE ROESCH, DIANE KAUFMAN, DOROTHY KOEBEL, JEAN MURRAY and four guests followed shortly after.

Meanwhile that same day Yours Truly, with 49½ MAC and son KIRK, were returning from a flying holiday at Lake Shasta. With our usual infallible timing we'd chosen this particular outing to take our large, black, long-haired fifteen-year-



old dog on her first trip in the Comanche. With the rain coming down in buckets we loaded the gear, and the dog, and us—all drenched—into our lovely clean airplane. And of course you know who got to sit in the back seat with fifty pounds of wet black dog stretched across my lap. (SHE thought it was all great fun, and wagged her tail the whole trip, which helped a lot.)

A record twenty-seven members and guests gathered at HELEN McGEE's for our September meeting on the 14th. New officers were unanimously elected—LAVERNE GUDGEL accepting her chairmanship for another term, with SHIRLEY MILLER again vice-chairman. CHARLOTTE RYAN is our new Secretary, and RENE NEALON Treasurer.

MR. ASBURY, Flight Safety Specialist from Fresno's F.S.S., outlined for us a proposal from the FAA that our chapter appoint one of our group as Accident Prevention Counsellor, a program they have experimented with successfully with other chapters and are now expanding. More of this next month.

We're delighted that DOROTHY KOEBEL is able to be back with us after many months' absence.

Two new gliding enthusiasts are CHARLOTTE RYAN and HELEN McGEE, who are taking their instruction at Calistoga.

Welcome to new member INA WADE! A busy career gal (real estate) as well as wife and mother.

RENE NEALON is nursing husband VAN, convalescing after an emergency appendectomy.

Entrants in next month's PAR include BARBARA GLANTZ with TRIXIE CLAYTON, DOTTIE McALLISTER with RENE NEALON, and HELEN McGEE with daughter LAURA. Also present were another Mother-Daughter duo, GINNY WEGENER and CAROL SIMONS who are transferring to our Chapter. We almost finished welcoming GINNY before we appointed her Legislative Chairman!

#### **SANTA BARBARA CHAPTER VIRGINIA LANE MOSER, Reporter**

Little persuasion was needed when a campout at Lake Nacimiento was suggested for the weekend before school started. A marvelous time was had by 18 of us. Flying gave way to water-skiing, but you know what we talked about. Around the campfire on Friday night listening with awe to PAT ROWE's account of island-hopping in the Bahamas were the following 99's, 49½'s, and 24¾'s (?): RACHEL and DOUG COWIN, MARION FICKETT, daughter and guest, VIRGINIA and AL MOSER and three children, PAT ROWE with fascinating guests from Holland; JOAN STEINBERGER and son.

At about midnight along came never-say-die JANET SHELBY with husband

and two children. On Saturday a canopy was set up on the beach, and the food and drinks brought down. There water skiing was enjoyed by the braver pilots. On Sunday afternoon MARION FICKETT devoted her time to serving the only fliers-in in the crowd. ERMA and JOHN CHRISTIAN called the airport in Paso Robles and asked them to notify a park ranger of their ETA. The ranger in turn notified the group.

An emergency meeting was called by ANN LOUISE SWANSON to inform the membership that a very persuasive and growing number of people would like to see Santa Barbara Airport close down. Petitions were handed out, and many of the girls have been working very hard obtaining signatures.

RACHEL COWIN, probably our newest pilot, has just moved up to the 172. She has braved the airways to Porterville and Oceano so far; and is even studying for her commercial and instrument tickets at Santa Barbara City College. Our luckiest-pilot-of-the-month award goes to JOAN STEINBERGER. Her Derby sponsor, MACK TRUCK, has given her a permanently installed emergency locator beacon. Another busy pilot is SHIRLEY SENDRAK. With summer off from teaching, she has really put in some time practicing in her new Mooney.

As I send this out, plans are being made for flying and driving to the Sectional at Yosemite. Sounds great, and as many of us as can get away are going.

#### **UTAH CHAPTER ELEANOR IRVINE, Reporter**

Democracy wins again. On Aug. 25, a peaceful coup shows DARLA TOWNLEY as our Fearless Leader, BARBARA BARLOW, Chairman of the Vice, JOAN WINTERLING as Scribe, BARBARA WHITAKER as Counter of the Coins, JOAN BARTON, Membership Chairman and ELEANOR IRVINE (YT—Yours Truly) as Reporter.

The meeting was held at the home of retiring Chairman, JOAN WILLIAMS. Those present were: GINI STREETER, ALBERTA NICHOLSON, WILMA NICHOLS, ELOISE WILCOX, BARBARA BARLOW, ELEANOR IRVINE, BARBARA WHITAKER, JOAN BARTON, JANE PATTERSON, DEE RICORD, DARLENE SUELZLE, VIVIAN YARDLEY, JOAN WILLIAMS.

The Utah 99's and Utah Pilots Assoc., Co-sponsored a Proficiency Race to Elko, Nev. Ten planes with 19 aboard flew the race and 21 attended the banquet with lots of lovely prizes. JOAN WILLIAMS' 49½'er won the spot landing contest. Race Chairman VIVIAN YARDLEY reports, "Those that went had a lot of fun."

Weather has been great and lots of gals are flying. BARBARA WHITAKER flew the Elko race. VIVIAN YARDLEY also

flew the race and made a trip to beautiful Star Valley with her 49½'er for a dinner fly-in. ELOISE WILCOX flew to Jack Pot with DONALD JACOBS. DARLENE SUELZLE says that she and 49½'er are flying all over the place (Elko, Nev., Idaho Falls, Burley, Idaho) after a major overhaul on their Cherokee 180.

JANE PATTERSON and 49½'er attended E.A.A. fly-in at Oshkosh, Wis.

YT finally checked out in a newly bought Cherokee 180 and has been very busy helping 49½'er fly the sailplane. ALBERTA NICHOLSON and 49½'er flew their Cessna 180 to Convention in Wichita. Says she had a great time, even tho she landed with tanks reading empty. JUDY EGGLESTON a 99 from Nev., did some visiting and flying with some of the gals in Ogd. BECKY WILKINSON LARSON, a 99 now living in Phoenix, Ariz. was up visiting her sister, BARBARA BARLOW.

At our regular meeting at ELOISE WILCOX's, our new president DARLA TOWNLEY asked for new ideas and \$ making projects. A list of the ideas was then sent around to everyone to read.

Hotel Utah will be the place for the Chapter Birthday Party on Oct. 13, 1971, with a happy hour at 6:30, dinner at 7:30. Reservations will be taken by BARBARA BARLOW, YT, and JOAN WINTERLING. JANE PATTERSON is taking up Air Marking Chairman and Flying Activities Chairman.

Those attending the meeting were JOAN WILLIAMS, ELEANOR IRVING, VIRGINIA WILKINSON, DARLENE SUELZLE, DEE RICORD, BARBARA WHITAKER, ALBERTA NICHOLSON, BARBARA BARLOW, TERI WOJCIK, JANE PATTERSON, JO WINTERLING and DARLA TOWNLEY.

ALBERTA NICHOLSON is busy organizing another Aviation Course for some Explorer Scouts.

TERI WOJCIK reports her news as: "Airplane buried on Mt. McKinley glacier, so no flying, summer spent getting husband back on feet." LEONARD crashed in their Cessna 140 while dropping supplies to some fellow climbers. Within ten minutes after the crash, they had him in a tent in a sleeping bag.

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

CAROLE LUSHBAUGH climbs into the left seat and MAYETTA BEHRINGER slides into the right seat as chairman and vice-chairman, respectively, for Santa Clara Valley Chapter for the upcoming year. SANDRA KLUKAS takes over the chief scribbler's job, while SALLY ROHLFING, for still obscure reasons, will be our treasurer.

We report the "still obscure reasons" because SALLY no sooner was handed the chapter checkbook than she announced that she and 49½'er TED were off on a



Pacific 747 tour, with an indeterminate return date! The fact that there is only mild panic in the chapter is because TED is a Pan-Am flight engineer and their vacation tour of Hawaii, Fiji, New Zealand, Australia, Hongkong and Japan will be a low-budget production. The chapter checkbook, SALLY assures us, will be left home.

BARBARA and PAUL POTUCEK breezed happily into the last chapter meeting, armed with sectionals, awesome charts of the new Los Angeles TCA, and horrified looks. How to get to San Diego, was their problem, without wrestling with the monster now hovering protectively over LAX. After sombre study of the diagrams, they finally concluded they didn't have to detour by Needles after all, that all they had to do was fly over TCA at some legal altitude above 7,000 . . . On the subject of TCAs, LAYNE HACKETT CAME UP WITH AN IDEA WHICH COULD KEEP THE NINETY-NINES BUSY FOR SEVERAL MONTHS. SINCE THOSE VARIOUS SEGMENTS OF THE TCAs ARE SO DIFFICULT TO IDENTIFY ON THE GROUND, WAS LAYNE'S BRAINSTORM, WHY NOT GET OUT OUR OLD AIR MARKING EQUIPMENT AND PAINT THE TCA DIAGRAMS? "SURE," GRINS LAYNE, "I MEAN ON ROOFTOPS, ON THE BOTTOMS OF SWIMMING POOLS, ACROSS ROADS AND LAWNS AND WHEREVER." No organization can take itself too seriously, after all . . . ADELE GUALANO forwarded a position report from JFK, where she's based as a Pan-Am stewardess. Though enjoying her trips to the nations of the East, ADELE yearns for an SFO assignments where she can get her hands on the controls again. The closest she has come is a jump-seat spot for takeoffs and landings in the 707s and 747s . . . They received the news without total jubilation, since they have to buy the pins themselves, but SALLY ROHLFING and VERA ARNOLD learned they are both eligible to wear gold APT pins, their rewards for being APT three straight years . . . TRUDY ALLEN has become SCV Chapter's woman-of-the-hour, by her generous acceptance of the gone-begging chairmanship of our Safety Seminar. The seminar, originally scheduled for October, had to be postponed for lack of someone at the controls. The temporary new date is now February, with the exact date being decided currently by co-host Foothill College, where the seminar will be held . . . JAN PERKINS is leaving us, on an easterly heading. JAN and 49½er DON leave in October to manage River Ranch Airport in Lake Wales, Florida . . . AMELIA REID, who just became woman ATR No. 99, is now doubly a Ninety-Nine, having renewed a membership which had accumulated three years of rust . . . Gold Seals are now affixed to the CFI certificates of JANET HITT and your reporter,

who glued their empennages to chairs for three days at the Flight Instructor Revalidation clinic at San Mateo in August. Also renewing were CFIs PAT GLADNEY, MAYETTA BEHRINGER and AMELIA REID . . . It was intrepid KATHY GRUPE, all alone in Cessna zero-zero-Romeo to Dallas, escaping the California September heat as she vacationed from her job as technical writer for Atomic Energy Commission. KATHY reports she got the are-you-a-student-pilot type treatment from Addison tower, much to her amusement . . . The "Fly for Lunch Bunch" strikes again! Ercoupe "2951 Flower Pot Hotel" and Cherokee 6472J had their customary monthly fly-in, this time to The Point Restaurant at Rio Vista, favorite of the gourmet prop set. Lunching were PHYLLIS PIERCE with "Mama", the chapter mascot, EDIE HOAGLAND, SANDY KLUKAS, PAT ROBERTS and EVELYN LUNDSTROM.

#### SOUTHERN SIERRA CHAPTER KAY COMPTON, Reporter

Just about the time we think we'll get our Chapter membership over ten members we learn THELMA DREW's 49½er is being transferred out of the area, and of course, along goes Thelma. We'll miss her! However, at our August meeting the following members took office for the coming year: BARBARA JAMISON is our new Chapter Chairman with PHYLLIS TAGGERT as Vice-Chairman. NORMA WILLIAMS is taking her second term as Secretary-Treasurer; BERT COE is the current Membership Chairman, while yours truly is again News Reporter for the coming year.

We plan to fly down to Bakersfield Airport (Meadows) for our September meeting.

#### TUCSON CHAPTER GINNY COOK, Reporter

CHRIS and BILL RUCK's schedule this summer resembles that of an airline—San Diego, Las Vegas, Atlanta, Baja, Guaymas, and almost as fast too, with that new turbo Aztec. JAYNE and BILL HUNTER, keep the airways greased well between Tus and San also, what with JAYNE's folks living over there. MAGGIE and RAY SCHOCK went to the flight instructor's clinic so now our friendly CFI is all set for another year of "watch that nose, more power now, etc."! TWILA WEBER and the three little WEBERS are back from an exciting two weeks of camping and roaming in the northlands.

Nowhere in the world has nature been more lavish with beauty than in Yosemite. The valley is dominated by cliffs and waterfalls, and the Merced River. The Fresno squaw's were most lavish with hospitality, giving their unselfish attention to their guests needs. From the tall tepee (tower) welcome thru the tours, wine tasting, Indian dancers, gorgeous scenery, delicious food, their hostessing made this a sectional long

to remember. Whoever came up with the idea of having the fall sectional in Yosemite deserves a vote of thanks, and is sure to get it from those in Tucson who attended, BARBARA and JOHN WELSH, and KEN and GINNY COOK. Loved that "hop!" hour.

We are very sad to tell that SHERRY BOICE, our youngest CFI, is in intensive care at St. Josephs Hospital recovering from surgery to remove a blood clot on the brain as a result of a fall. Her mother is here from Michigan taking charge, and plans to take SHERRY back with her for a restfull recovery later.



#### RITVA LAURILA, Reporter

Before leaving for summer holidays the Finnish 99s met at a spring-party 24.5.

In the middle of the summer 25.7. we had a show-minded race at Rayskala flying center. Because of holidays and other unfortunate coincidences there were only 5 competitors. That's a pity, for we who were there had a lot of fun. The race was a nice triangle flight for about half an hour. Our male hosts at Rayskala made us girls to see among others a place, that's called Chicken-lake. Rita Holmborg-Tienhaara, who flew a C-172 on pontoons, won the race.

Our members from Lappeenranta invited us to visit them 7.8. They offered us a cruise on the lake Saimaa in a wonderful weather.

Two of our members: ORVOKKI KUORTTI and EIRA KUORINKA took part in the London-Victoria rally in Orvokkis Arrow OH-PJN. ORVOKKI is the first Finnish female pilot to cross the Atlantic in a one-engined airplane.

That's all for now. We wish you all a wonderful autumn.



Our 5 brave competitors at Rayskala Flying Center, after the race. The planners of the race and the "map-readers" are with us in this photo. The fifth from the left is RITA, the winner.



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