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RENO AT 25!

*Lyle Shelton won big in his F8F Bearcat 'Rare Bear,' above. See **page 3** for more race results, and standings from the Mile High Derby.*



PRESIDENT'S

By GENE NORA JESSEN

Message

Good reasons for auxiliary members

A part of the business of the corporation is attention to the bylaws which govern our procedures. We update these guidelines each year at the annual meeting. The combination of a conservative outlook and the two-thirds majority necessary to make a change make valid the rule of thumb that only one of three proposed bylaw changes will pass each year. This year two of the seven proposed were annointed. Currency was the subject of both amendments.

As you know, a prospective member of The Ninety-Nines, Inc. must be a female pilot holding a current license issued by the appropriate government authority of her country. After proposing the amendment a second year, the Aux Plaines chapter prevailed upon the assembly to delete the word "current." Our membership requirement now calls for the following

qualifications: "Holds a pilot certificate of Private or higher grade, or an equivalent certificate issued by the appropriate Government authority entitling her to fly either heavier or lighter-than-air aircraft."

The assembly also addressed a problem the Nominating Committee ran into this year. Approaching various candidates to fill its slate, the committee was turned down by some of the most qualified and experienced 99s who no longer had a medical certificate. The words "and shall hold current pilot certificates as defined by the rules of the member's country of residence" have now been deleted.

The most passionate debate, and defeat, came from a bylaw proposal which defined a new category: the auxiliary member. She was to be "any woman with an interest in aviation but who is not eligible for mem-

bership in Ninety-Nines. She may not vote, hold office or be an international committee member."

In my opinion, the debate centered on an embarrassing display of elitism. We heard members threaten to resign their membership if they had to associate with non pilots; "I got my license. She can get hers," and "When I look in her eyes, I want

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Variety of records mark 25th Reno race; women entrants down in number

By DAVE SCLAIR

RENO, NV - The twenty-fifth Reno National Championship Air Races, the longest continually running air racing event in history, resulted in a bunch of new records and a few bent airplanes, but an outstanding, safe aviation spectacular.

Lyle Shelton of Dallas, Texas pushed his F8F Bearcat, "Rare Bear," to a new qualifying speed record of 474.622 mph and then won the Unlimited Class Gold Race with an average speed of 456.821 mph.

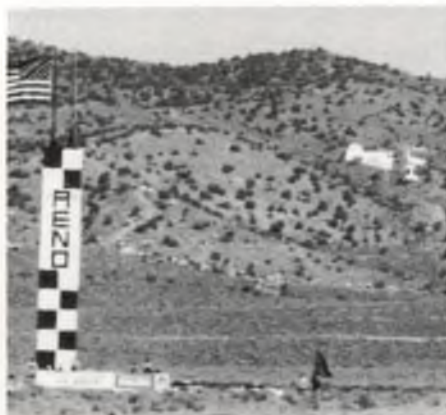
The T-6 class was dominated by Eddie Van Fossen of Bakersfield, California while Alan Preston, also of Dallas, captured the top prizes in both the Sport Biplane and Formula 1 categories.

The winners split a record setting purse of \$490,000. Attendance was also a new record, with 150,700 on hand for the three days of racing.

The number of entrants, 119, also set a record this year. Although he didn't win the Unlimited Gold Crown, Steve Hinton in his "homebuilt" racer, Tsunami (TM), set a new racing speed record on Saturday when he ripped around the course at 462.218 mph. Preston recorded a new top speed mark in the Biplane class in his "Top Cat" at 205.918 mph. Van Fossen also set a new class racing record when he pushed his T-6 to a speed of 230.631 mph.

The number of women pilots dipped for the first time in a number of years. One female competitor ran each class, except for the Unlimiteds. Linda Finch, a nursing home manager in San Antonio, Texas, competed in the T-6 class. Katherine Gray, a pilot for Worldwide Ferry Flying of Simi, California was an entrant in the Formula 1 class and Peggy Penketh, a dental hygienist from Auburn, California was in the Biplane category. None qualified for the final races.

There were several female pilots in the airshow, also. Reno's supporting airshow provided excitement and thrills for the huge crowd watching under near perfect flying weather conditions. Temperatures hovered



OO—Alan Preston zooms by the pylon and won the Sport Biplane Gold Race in this aircraft, which, incidentally, was formerly owned and raced by our new international treasurer, Pat Forbes, and her husband Dave. With sponsorship from Olympia Beer, the plane was dubbed "Olympia Swallow."

in the high 70s with light winds most of the time.

At one point during the Saturday afternoon Unlimited contest, four of the race planes either called Maydays or made early landings because of airplane problems. Fortunately, no one suffered anything more serious than bruised egos and bent airplanes, and all but a couple planes were able to compete during Sunday's finale.

Mile High Derby results

The 5th annual Mile High Air Derby was won by Jan Clemen and Bob Barton in a 1976 Mooney M20F. Both of Fort Collins, Colorado, the pair took home the first place trophy and a check for \$1000. Clemen had experience air racing, although her partner, a student pilot, was taking part in his first race.

The second place trophy and \$500 went to Ian and Chris Bentley, of Littleton, Colorado, in their 1979 Piper Dakota. Third place finishers were Mike Seavall and Bob Crowley, of Longmont, Colorado in a 1966 Beech Bonanza. Final scores of the top three finishers were separated by less than one point, making for a very exciting finish.

In the non stock category, Charles and Jan Perry of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma flew their newly modified 1967 Mooney M20F to edge out Ann Luce of Boulder, Colorado in her 1968 Beech Bonanza. The Perry's were awarded a lovely eagle trophy for their first place finish.

As a test of navigational skills, the race route proved a greater challenge this time than in past years. The mountainous terrain and gusty winds required continuous adjustments of altitude and course. Winners were able to locate each checkpoint with minimum zigzagging over the course.

Next year's Mile High Derby is scheduled for September 15, 16, and 17. For more information write 14437 W 32nd Ave., Golden, Colorado 80401. (303)278-4435.

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Informed voting needs *all* the information

Delegates to the organizations' business meetings -- section and international conventions -- have frequently inquired as to their voting rights and requirements. As you know, under international bylaws, representatives to the international business meetings are accorded one delegate for every five chapter members, one for every five section members, and one for every five members - at - large, with each delegate having one vote. Sections have differing delegate structures, but the same procedures apply.

Chapters are encouraged to discuss measures to be voted on at business meetings but to give their delegates the right to make the final decision as to how

to vote based on all of the chapter discussion and all of the additional discussion and information presented at the meeting itself. This is because much information is presented at conventions that is not available to chapters at the time of their initial discussions.

Delegates are frequently distressed at their inability to make a decision based on information they receive at the meeting itself, because of instructions by a chapter which had only limited information. In the interests of a free and **informed** vote, members are urged to allow their delegates to make decisions at the time a vote is taken.

If, however, chapters wish to bind their

delegates to vote according to the chapter's preference, then they must do all of the following things: 1) take a vote of their chapter, 2) record in their minutes that 2/3 of their members (if bylaw changes) or a simple majority (if other than a bylaw change) present and voting registered an affirmative or negative vote on the issue, and 3) record in the minutes that the delegates are instructed to vote at the international meeting in accordance with the vote taken in the chapter. If these procedures are not complied with, delegates are assumed to be free to make a choice based on ALL information available -- that received at the chapter level and that received at the convention.

CORRECTION: We regret mistakenly reporting of the death of Charles Bordner in the September, 1988 issue. Deepest sympathy goes to Mr. Bordner at the death of his mother.

GLENDALE, AZ - Glendale Air Center's Steve Hutton wrote to say "...we are sponsoring the Kachina Doll Air Rally. We are looking forward to seeing more 99s at our FBO." At a newly renovated airport, the Air Center is a full service FBO with eventual hopes of establishing an international flight college with an A&P school. Transients will find hospitable surroundings and 100LL for \$1.65. For more information call (602)872-1368 or write Glendale Air Center, 6841 N Glen Harbor Blvd., Glendale AZ 85307.

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NEW ZEALAND SECTION - A cute story by Pam Collings appeared in the August newsletter: "Maybe you saw the recent Crime Watch program appealing for information on the drug-related murder of a Martin Reid near Oxford in May. A few days ago while driving through town on my lunch hour, I heard on the radio about a mysterious Z shaped marker held down with boulders, found by a farmer on a lonely country road. It was thought to possibly have a connection with the murder, and the evening paper ran a story and photo.

"I immediately went to the police and confessed that I had placed the marker out to add a bit of precision flying observation technique for the Canty Aero Club navigation competition. What with moving house and then the AWA Rally, I didn't get back to pick it up for a few weeks and by then it had gone—however, the police have now given it back! I'm not sure what the moral of this story is, but I am sure there must be one."

EULESS, TX—Diane Tunnell says, though a member of the Kitty Hawk chapter, she is living in Texas working for American Airlines, and her department is interviewing. The job entails writing training programs for CBI pilot training programs.

"I talked with my supervisor about all the capable and qualified women who would love to know about this job," Diane writes. "He simply said, 'Why don't you tell them then?' ... so this is my attempt to share the information." Diane will be glad to talk with anyone interested. Call her at (817)571-5356 work, or 355-5251 home.

NOVEMBER

5 SANTA MONICA, CA
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Rachel Bonzon, LA 99, 947 9th St, Apt. 8,
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7 WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA
Ron Manos and Western Pennsylv-
ania chapter host safety seminar at Bea-
ver County Community College.

11-17 NEW DELHI, INDIA
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19 **ARCADIA, CA**
Seminar: Jeppesen IFR charts
hosted by San Gabriel Valley chapter, 9-12
at Mount San Antonio College, Walnut, CA.
Info: Margaret Lawson (818)442-7371.

MEETINGS

10/21 **MEETINGS**
NY **New York/New Jersey, Rochester**

10/22 New England, Waltham MA.

11/10 International BOD, Oklahoma City
OK.

PRESIDENT'S

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to know she's licensed too."

Undoubtedly the problem was with the word "membership". Perhaps if we had thought up a name, such as the Rotary Anns, the JCettes or the Lady Lions, we wouldn't have gotten off on the wrong foot.

Auxiliary members as proposed were in no way Ninety-Nine members. They couldn't wear the pin, vote, hold office or participate on an international level. All they could do was support us with their \$40 dues and their elbow grease toward our projects. My strong support for an auxiliary probably comes from 30 years of volunteering for the National Intercollegiate Flying Association. There are many women who've worked alongside Ninety-Nines for years at NIFA air meets with the college youth, who feel a strong affinity for Ninety-Nines, and who would enjoy participating in their own community on our service projects. Why not accept both their labor and financial help? We need to broaden our base if we are to expand our programs and support a general aviation drifting in the doldrums.

I hope you will discuss this in your chapters and let your directors know your feelings about some sort of auxiliary support group to The Ninety-Nines. Non pilots have never been considered for membership in this organization of licensed women pilots, and are not being considered now. Shouldn't we allow aviation enthusiasts who want to work for our scholarship program, Forest of Friendship, safety meetings or the introduction of aviation to school children give us a hand?

SECTION

NEWS

EAST CANADA

Maple Leaf

Members in Southwestern Ontario have enjoyed a busy summer flying production, antique and ultralight aircraft. Their enthusiasm is reflected in a 38 percent increase in membership!

Although last minute complications cancelled a June airmarking in Brantford, undaunted chairman Karin

welcomed and prospective Grace Morfitt and former chapter member, Darlene Reid, joined the revelry. We had the chance to review our chapter scrapbook, and preparations were made for the upcoming poker run and convention.

Karin Williamson, Nancy O'Neil-Holden and Grace Morfitt attended convention while Pat Crocker and her trusty assistants



ULTRALIGHT 99s—Maple Leaf Chapter members (l - r) Susan Wilkins, Thery Preston and Pat Crocker at the Ontario Skies Ultralight Flying Club. In the background are member Marie Spence's Tiger Moth and Chipmunk.

Williamson organized her C-172 and Susann Wilkins' Chipmunk to take Cheryl Wheatley, Grace Morfitt (66) and Pat Crocker to meet Barb Bruder in Brantford. The group borrowed a pickup truck for sightseeing, and headed for the Alexander Graham Bell homestead. They quickly discovered he was more than just the "father of the telephone." They learned of Bell's early aero experiments, inventions, and of research and development he did for the hearing-impaired. Bell also played a role in founding the National Geographic Society.

They relished every bit of their day as an example of a well known secret, the flying excursion.

The chairman's annual pool party was fun, as always. Newest member Betty Ellison was

stayed at home gathering booty for the poker run.

A great summer despite the heat and haze!

NEW YORK — NEW JERSEY

...Boat cruise enjoyed
...Convention attended
...PC flight planning observed
...Kamp finds roots in Russia...Members speak out—

New York Capital District

We started the season with a dinner boat cruise on the Mohawk River September 17. It was dinner for 14, and a great time as we cruised toward Schnectady, New York, under the approach to Albany Airport. Current chairman Barbara

Fioravanti presented Florence Dooley with a circular gold - filled pin engraved with a 99. On the back were engraved a gavel, her name, and dates of her chairmanship spanning the last three years.

Long Island

New member Linda Langerfeld had room in her Lance so she invited Dotti Campbell and Gloria Bryant to join her for a flight to Oshkosh. Naturally they accepted and had a marvelous time.

Nine of us flew to Oklahoma for the annual convention. Gloria Bryant, Dotti Campbell and Joyce Malkmes arrived in their Cessna 172. Pat Bizzoso flew in from Florida. Doris Abbate and 49 1/2 Ronnie, Ruth Dobrescu, Mae Smith and Bozena Syska took airliners. Linda Langerfeld joined the group on the second day of the convention, sadly without her Lance.

We sponsored Star Search Night, with a rousing opening "raisin" act. In the end we received a standing ovation and 15 minutes of fame in which to bask. It could never have been pulled off without the expert direction of 99 friend Lilaha Bolen.

Finger Lakes

At this writing we're very busy putting the finishing touches on what promises to be an exciting, interesting Section meeting.

North Jersey

October boasts a full schedule. We planned a display at the 60th anniversary of Newark Airport, assistance to the Mid-Atlantic IAC chapter at its annual contest, airmarking at Morristown Airport, and sponsorship of an FAA seminar about flight planning with personal computer and CompuServe.

Central New York

Two new members, Jody Spier and Heather Bettig, are welcomed. Dorthea Clark and Ida Rowe, both former 66s, have just received private licenses.

Eight of us manned (or is it womaned?) a booth at Syracuse - Hancock's Air Expo. We collected back copies of various flying magazines to give out, along with pamphlets on flying and information on the 99s.

Marilyn Kamp was in the group that visited Russia, and records a very special trip. She was able to visit the town where her father was born, and found relatives still living there. She and husband Bernie were guest speakers at the September Central New York Pilots Assn meeting. Marilyn will speak about her trip to Russia and Bernie will tell of experiences running a private airport. The chapter is co-sponsoring with the Albany FAA office a safety seminar at Whitesboro Middle School on October 27.

Garden State

The annual Pennies - A - Pound took place September 25. Results will be reported later.

We also participated in the Air Fair at Allaire, Wall Township, New Jersey on Labor Day weekend.

MIDDLE EAST

...Feldman named FAA regional director
...100 Cessnas fly in
...Pennies a pound planned...Children offered aviation education—

Eastern Pennsylvania

Our July monthly meeting was at Maysie Hentotin's beautiful home and was enjoyed by 20 members, two husbands and Bebe Teichman's nine week old

daughter Amelia.

Congratulations to Arlene Feldman. She is now the FAA's director of the New England Region, based in Burlington, Massachusetts.

Margot Eld, Gayl Henze and Sylvia Merritt attended the American Bonanza Society annual convention in Nashville, Tennessee. They reported a good time, saying the highlight of the exhibits was the FAA's Vertigon (similar to the old Link trainer) which can be programmed to induce vertigo similar to what can happen on instruments under certain conditions. The FAA plans to tour the country with the Vertigon within the coming year.

Mark, Yvonne Macario and Barbara Reed flew to Monticello, Iowa, where they met other Classic Cessna Society members and flew in a 100-airplane formation to Oshkosh. Eileen Reider and Dennis flew to Oshkosh; Kate Macario, Anne Shields and Ann Daly drove.

Hampton Roads

Linda Hollowell and Connie Zook represented us at the international convention. Connie was also a hit in the talent show with her "country clogging" dancing.

Our annual picnic was held August 27 at Hampton Roads Airport. It was well-attended, and everyone enjoyed the delicious food. We are planning now for our annual pennies-a-pound at Suffolk Airport October 8-9.

Virginia

We had a bulletin board display at the EAA booth during the Expo Fair July 19-23. Also, we are in the process of developing creative ideas to help children gain more "Air Age Education" knowledge. Mary and Russ Horner and Ethel and Hoyle Garber attended the 36th Annual EAA Fly-In Convention in Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

West Virginia Mountaineer

Nancy Henry, Cathy Hickman, Mary Lou Lewis and Jean Pickering attended the international convention in Oklahoma. We all congratulate Morgan Hapeman. She has

completed training on the Jetstream and is flying several routes for Presidential Airways.

SOUTHEAST

...Fly-in to oceanfront home for lunch and snorkeling—

Florida Goldcoast

We held a fly-in August 21 in Marathon, Florida. Barbara Silcox, recently transferred from Eastern PA was our hostess. She and husband Tom fly a Beech Baron B-55. Fly-in activities included lunch at their spacious beach-front home and snorkeling in the ocean, just a few feet from their doorstep. Several husbands who are also pilots accompanied their "99er" wives. The weather was hot and sunny, so no hazards to the flight.

NORTH CENTRAL

...DC-3 fly by...Chicago Tribune features women pilots...Oshkosh visited ...56 participate in Chicago poker run ...Decatur airmarked ...Soaring rally—

All-Ohio

Eight planes flew in to Martha Valesky's Jamestown grass strip on a beautiful day for our August meeting. Captains from Hogan Air gave a slide presentation about the DC-3. After a potluck lunch, we enjoyed a spectacular fly-by.

Pat Fairbanks was named 1988 Flight Instructor of the Year for the Cincinnati Area. She has been a member of our chapter since 1964.

Many of us were in Oshkosh to enjoy the sights. Margaret and Les Bryant attended the Civil Air Patrol convention in Washington, DC. Joyce Warger received her associate degree in flight technology from Florida Institute of Technology.

Aux Plaines

Even the weather could not prevent us from attending the EAA Fly-In in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. Anna Osborn's Cuby was on display. Dee and Chuck Davis flew a Piper Apache to the event, only to learn it was too young to join the display. Dee says our friendship tent was



OKLAHOMA BOUND—Members attending the dedication of the new Ninety-Nine Building in Oklahoma City are (l - r) Lee Orr, Louise White, Tence Rhea, Madeline Kennedy and Dot Penney. Following the dedication ceremony, the group attended the International Convention in Shangri-La, where Lee Orr was awarded the AE Scholarship. Lucy Young, Anne Mitchell and Joyce Akers were North Georgia's representatives to the convention.

more popular than ever this year.

Our chapter and the 99s as a whole were featured in an article on aviation and women pilots in an August issue of the Chicago Tribune. We were involved with publicity for the United Down Syndrome Airshow August 27-28 at Campbell Airport in Grayslake, Illinois. About eight members of the chapter were scheduled to assist at the show.

Central Illinois

A breeze was what kept us alive that hot August day we spread 35 gallons of paint to airmark Decatur, Illinois. Linda Schumm arrived via Cessna 172 with parachute pack, sleeping bag and paint roller; she skipped the day's jumping session. Jan Bucinski, our newest member, was introduced to airmarking. Virginia Butler, Jean and Bob West, Kathleen Wood, Wanda Whitsitt and Barbara Jenison all assisted.

Virginia is excited about ideas she gained at the Middle East Section meeting for flying activities and generating interest in general aviation.

Chicago Area

We're welcoming five new members: Evelyn Kruger, Bev Frier, Margaret Bryant, Joyce Moran and Liz Kay.

Our poker run brought 56 participants. Winners are the following: Fred Bruggmann, Joyce Moran, Joe Krauthramer, Ruth Rockcastle, Madeleine Monaco, Joan Kerwin and Joe Moran.

Beverlee Greenhill did a fine job coordinating.

Our monthly fly-in was a fun filled day at Door County, Wisconsin. A tour guide shared the area's history. We shopped in quaint towns, saw scenic harbors, bicycled and attended an evening fish boil.

Pat Thomas served as timer at the Kankakee, Illinois stop for the Air Race Classic this year.

Beverlee and Bruce Blietz attended the American Bonanza Society Pilot Proficiency weekend in Nashville, Tennessee. They earned Phase IV wings and took biennial flight reviews. Sue Kulik and Ed Beaulieu were speakers.

Ilene Helfand completed her Phase V wings.

Greater Detroit Area

Six of us were present at the convention in Shangri La to receive the International Safety Award, which we'll proudly display with our Section Safety Award. We continued our safety efforts by co-sponsoring a safety seminar August 16.

Folks needing information got it from us for five hours during the Oakland-Pontiac Airport open house. Following our meeting, a potluck hangar party was held in Gini Southerland's hangar, and we were joined by the air traffic controllers after their duty time.

Air Bear Chairman Jerry Kemichick is hard at work setting schedules.



WHERE FRIENDS GATHER—Greater Kansas City members at the Forest of Friendship on June 18. Front: Babs Tuley, Kathy Zimmerman, Bev Huffman, Darla Gerlach. Back: Ginny Pacey, Marj Engelmänn, Janet Mason, Sharon Foster, Micky Pinkston.

Greater Kansas City

Micky Pinkston took newspaper co-publisher Aggie Turnbaugh on a cross country as part of the AOPA fly-a-reporter program.

Mirjana Ivanovic, a 99 at large, visited Ruth and Sheldon Stafford. Mirjana was ferrying a turbo Arrow to Manchester, England.

Ruth Stafford recently returned from ferrying a Piper Seneca II to Prestwick, Scotland.

Six of us returned with briefings on the international safari to Shangri La.

Greater St. Louis

Led by Debbie Klein, we set up and staffed an information booth in the St. Louis Aviation Museum hangar for the Classic Airplane Rendezvous August 13-14 at Creve Couer Airport in St. Louis, Missouri. Turnout was good despite area thunderstorms.

Our August meeting was a family barbeque and tour of the Historic Aircraft Restoration and St. Louis museums. Nine members of our Explorer Post (9499) also attended as well as visitors from Aloha and Bay Area chapters.

Indiana

Nellie Reynolds of Indianapolis, Indiana, hosted our August meeting. Reports on the international convention were

given. Vice Chairman Nancy Warren presented to Nellie a plaque for her service and dedication as our past chapter chairman.

A group of 14, led by air-marking chairman Anne Black, painted a compass rose at Columbus Airport. This is our third compass rose so far this year.

Two of our members have become international pilots. Marcia Gietz made her first transatlantic flight to Germany. Nancy Warren will be part of a DC-3 crew flying to Africa.

Leann Anthony has earned her phase II wings.

Indiana Dunes

We have had a busy month! Gail Schroeder and Courtney Bargerhuff organized a one-day bus trip to the EAA Fly-In in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. It was a long day and a long trip but much fun. Charlene Falkenberg worked in the friendship tent and gave four seminars. Courtney Bargerhuff worked in the International 99 booth each of the eight days she was there. Joy and Vern Rickel attended several seminars and T.J. Shaum worked in the Fly-Market for Plane Stuff.

Several of us attended dedication of the new headquarters building in Oklahoma City and then went to the international convention.

Several of the Chicago Area chapter and their 49 1/2s joined us at Charlene and Walt Falkenberg's home August 20 for our annual picnic. Following a short business meeting, a delicious pot luck dinner was served.

T.J. completed her Phase II wings and biennial flight review.

Lake Erie

We welcome two new members, Deborah Kowalewski and Wilma Ann Grootegoed. Deborah is an aviation major at Southern Oklahoma State University. Wilma got her start after a pinchhitter course; she's now working on her instrument rating.

Evelyn Moore represented our chapter at the international convention.

Minnesota

The Iowa chapter joined us as Marcy Glaesemann hosted our August meeting at her FBO on Albert Lea Airport, also the site for the first Minnesota soaring rally that weekend. Members of the Red Wing Soaring Assn. of Benson Airport, the Albert Lea Gliding Club and the Minnesota Soaring Club of Stanton helped make our day a tremendous success with a short ground school and the opportunity to soar.

Milaca Airport was airmarked by our crew chaired by Debbie Sorrenson.

Minnesota's Red Cross lifeguard flights have been tripling over the summer. Eighty-five flights were scheduled for June; 64 were completed.

North Central

Nita Fineman, Immediate Past Governor, expressed her appreciation to the Section committee chairmen by co-sponsoring with Charlene Falkenberg the wine and cheese party at our Spring section meeting in Moline, Illinois. All 22 of the section's committee chairmen completed their two year commitments during her term of office. Charlene, chairman of the section nominating committee, expressed her appreciation to all candidates who volunteered their time and talent to be future leaders in our section.



WELCOME—Lake Erie welcomes new member Deborah Kowalewski.

SOUTH CENTRAL

...Safety seminar
successful...Amigo Airsho
planned...Paper
airplanes flown
...Medicals discussed
...Balloon rally—

El Paso

We sponsored the fly-in breakfast at West Texas Airport August 20, serving 67 outdoor breakfasts to pilots and guests flying in our early morning west Texas sunshine.

Congratulations to newly licensed pilot Yvonne Garibay!

Along with the FAA and AOPA Air Safety Foundation, we sponsored an aviation safety seminar at Eastwood High School August 16. Bob Cathers instructed on safe use of our complex airspace and Troy Ball discussed precautions to avoid a midair collision.

The 99s chalet at Amigo Airsho October 15 and 16 is in the final stages of planning, with most tickets sold for two fun days of airplane watching and food eating.

Lubbock

In June, we met at Angela Boren's home at Biggin Hill. Janie Bailey and Doug Boren arranged a Pro-flight contest that was educational, as well as enjoyable. Guest Tracey Walkup won first prize.

We had a paper airplane contest, so everyone built a paper flying machine. Mona Roberts won first for distance. Brenda Rogers had the best looking, though nonflying, plane. 7

Northeast Kansas

Welcome to new member Dottie Martin, from Lawrence.

Ingrid Nestler and Virginia Colbert furnished a breakfast of coffee cakes and fruit for the July meeting held at Wamego. Attending were Virgene and Vince Smolik, Virginia and Jack Colbert, Marge Wahle, Ingrid and John Nestler and son Brian, Brooks Powell, and guests Suzanne Cline, Connie Goodnow, Joyce Russ, Paul Costello and Rose Whinery.

Colorado

At our August meeting, Dr. John Harris spoke of the importance of current medical certificates, disqualifying medical conditions, guidelines for regaining lost medicals and related questions.

Pat McFarland has moved to Washington. Her willingness to pitch in and work hard any time, and her bright smile and abundant cheerfulness will be missed.

Dallas

Welcome to new member, Benetta Rusk, an internal auditor for Trammel Crow Corp. She flies a 152 and/or 172.

Nine of us met for lunch at Texoma State Park on August 27.

Holly Barr gave a lively report on all events of the international convention. Highlight of the week was when Peggy Goll and Holly won the Safari Air Race! "The trophy," says Peggy, "is so big it's almost obscene!"

The September meeting was mechanic Larry Shellenberger, who us maintenance we can do for ourselves, emergency procedures for certain types of mechanical problems, and gave recommendations on basic emergency equipment.

The Great Dallas Chapter Poker Run is set for October 15 (rain date October 22). Fun for all and valuable prizes, hands are \$5 each.

Oklahoma

Welcome to new member Bonnie Carlson Robinson.

Congratulations to Lu Hollander, elected to the international board of directors.

8 Thanks go out to our 49 1 / 2,

Phil Mitchell, for the use of his truck, and loading and transporting of 99s luggage during the headquarters dedication.

Shirley Brown, Poochie Rotzinger, and Carolyn Grider helped Sue Halpain represent the chapter in the hospitality room at the international convention.

Working hard on Star Search Evening were Diana Burton, Charlene Davis, Carolyn Grider, Leda Hedglon, Helen Holbird, Sherry Kelly, Susie Mitchell, Helen Moulder, Jan Perry, Poochie Rotzinger, Norma Vandergriff, Shirley Brown and Sue Halpain.

Chapter members attending Oshkosh this year were Rita and Leonard Eaves, Susie and Phil Mitchell, and Jan and Charles Perry.

The first annual Warr Acres balloon rally was a big success. Pilots Edna Thompson and Sally Dutton will probably pray next year for southerly winds, instead of going east and landing in some very interesting places near the capital complex. Pam Jones helped crew and promote the 99s. It was the experience of a lifetime for student balloonist Pam Jones, who logged her first balloon inflation. In addition to Edna and Sally, Donna Jackson also had a wonderful flight. Diana Burton got a ride and crewed. Nancy Rienhardt, our past scholarship winner, joined us for the festivities on a visit from Texas.

Congratulations to Norma Vandergriff who became an International Flying Farmer Duchess and Diana Burton, new chairperson for ways and means!

Purple Sage

Though tired after last month, this is the month to really get down to the nitty-gritty of sectional planning. All the big things are taking shape. Now for the details ...which, as many of you know take hours and hours.

We sponsored another FAA Back to Basics safety seminar. We haven't missed a month this year. Is this some kind of record?

Mary Alice Tidwell and JoAnn Price attended the convention at Shangri La.

We observed the crash-disaster drill at Midland International Airport. Pat Schneider, our

representative on the airport's planning and development board will sit in on the critique and bring the info back to us.

San Antonio

We ended a fruitful year that consisted of five new members, three safety seminars, celebration of our thirtieth anniversary, flying to Wharton and lunching with Coastal Bend chapter, aerospace programs at local schools and complimentary donuts and coffee for instructors and students at a local FBO. John Karger, director of *Last Chance Forever* bird of prey sanctuary and rehabilitation spoke on how we can assist him with our aircraft.

The new year began with an installation dinner. Bruce Hoover, aviation consultant for Palo Alto College, spoke on a new aviation program approved for the college. Virginia Spikes was honored for her work on the planning committee, and received a plaque from the college.

Margaret Cosby earned her phase V wings. She, Gloria Blank, and Joyce Fester are active 2nd Lieutenants in the CAP.

We held a poker run June 25, selling 25 hands and considered the day successful due to possible thundershowers. However, it did not rain on our parade.

Shreveport

We were privileged to prepare the giant aviation trivia quiz which served as a good mixer and get acquainted tool at convention. It took the entire year, plus lots of research and head scratching to gather those

questions in all their various categories and as you can imagine, we now feel updated and current in all areas. From some of the shocked and stunned expressions on the faces of those quizzed, we believe this has been a tremendous learning experience. Thanks are in order to Helen Wray, who prepared the master copies we used and later sold to interested chapters. Besides Helen, we were fortunate to have the following members present and participating: Joan Carroll, Mary L'Herisson, Helen Hewitt, Ray Hardey, Evelyn Snow and Mary Jo Voss. Ellen Herring and 49 1 / 2 Chuck came up on Friday and enjoyed the remaining activities.

South Louisiana

Welcome to new member, Debra Falqana.

Three of our South Louisiana 99s are serving on the board of directors to form the new Aviation Assn of Louisiana. Pat Ward is also serving as acting executive director. She, Jennifer Miller and Gloria Peterson are working to get the AAL flying for Louisiana.

The active Lake Charles members worked on our scrapbook during August, and coordinated airmarking of the Lake Charles Regional Airport in preparation for the September open house and October airshow.

Sandra Leder is working with NASA to get an astronaut appearance.

We also flew a great deal in August. Pat Ward and Marion Brown went to international convention. Margaret Standing went to Oshkosh for the EAA

NEW RATINGS

Nancy Holden-O'Neil, Maple Leaf: commercial ... Barbara Pich, Maple Leaf: CFI ... Ellen Albritton, West Virginia Mountaineer: CFII ... Donna Karp, Chicago Area: CFII ... Debi Kirsch, Greater Detroit Area: instrument ... Jennifer Van Wormer, Greater Kansas City: CFII ... Anissa Berry, Greater Kansas City: instrument ... Anne Marie Morrissey, Greater Kansas City (66): private ... Robina Whitney, Greater St. Louis: commercial ... Marcia Gietz, Indiana: commercial, multiengine ... Joan Thomas, Minnesota (66): private ... Linda Fetsch, Oregon Pines: CFII ... Doris Lockness, Cameron Park: rotorcraft; gyroplane, commercial ...

CONGRATULATIONS ALL!

Fly-In. Gloria Peterson and her family flew to California in their plane, then took TWA to Hawaii.

Sandra Leder is working on Phase I safety wings and will speak to the Kiwanis Club about aerospace education activities.

A recruiting party was scheduled for Baton Rouge in September.

Waco-Cen-Tex

Chapter meeting was held in College Station August 6 at the Texas A and M Flying Club building. Dr. Nolan Shipman gave a program entitled, *Flight Surgeon - Friend or Foe*. It was a useful presentation, highlighting the standards that have to be met in a physical, requirements the flight surgeon has from the FAA and information on how to proceed when a pilot cannot meet the minimum standards for the exam.

Jennifer Noel was planning to begin work on her glider rating the end of August. Our thanks to her for work on recruiting new members. Edna Rankin and Nancy Birdsall attended the international convention.

NORTHWEST

...Mountain flying clinic held...B-1 bomber fly-by...Airmarking postponed in Wyoming due to forest and range fires...
...Oregon Science Museum visited and benefitted—

Oregon Pines

In aircraft ranging from a mighty Seneca to a jaunty little Ercoupe, Oregon Pines capped the summer season with a dinner flyout to Takeena Lodge at Albany. Among three guests was Mary Jo Parent, who just earned her license.

Chairman Ginger Simmons distributed air safety information and route plans for the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry (OMSI) flyout. Chapter pilots included Ginger, Linda Fetsch, Jane Roach and Trish Hanna.

Betty Wittmer reported on the 27-hour round trip flight she and Lorraine Gabel took in Lorraine's Archer II to attend

Safari to Shangri-La. Betty carried the Oregon flag in the Parade of Flags at closing ceremonies of the convention.

Trish Hanna won the Oregon Pilots Assn. (OPA) *Snoopy and the Red Baron Award* for the year's most interesting and exciting flight. (Her 49 1/2, Ron, was named co-winner of OPA's "Pilot of the Year award.")

Lorraine Gabel's birthday party-meeting, with surprise aviation games, ranks as a must-repeat event. Bobbi Krause, a 66, hosted us one evening and displayed new aviation T-shirts. Loran C training and Carol Clark's transcontinental race tales have instructed and entertained us at other recent meetings.

Eastern Idaho

We met at the Flying B Resort Ranch in the middle fork of the Salmon August 26-28 for our annual mountain flying clinic. Bob Jones, our favorite mountain flying instructor, attended again this year. He spent all day Friday and Saturday giving dual instruction to 99s, 49 1/2 and friends. Despite smoke from the Yellowstone Park fires, as well as numerous others in the region, the instruction was valuable. Pilots flying in and out of the Flying B had the "opportunity" (!) to use their instrument ratings, or at least to get a feel of what it's like to fly in Los Angeles or Chicago.

Wyoming

Airmarking of North Big Horn County Airport at Cowley took place on schedule, and with temperatures again in the 90s. A planned campover and airmarking of South Big Horn County Airport at Greybull had to be postponed due to the many forest and range fires burning in Wyoming (Yellowstone and Teton National Parks included). South Big Horn Airport is a slurry bomber base and heavy bomber traffic prohibited any activity on the taxiway for airmarking.

We were in Gillette August 20 for the annual Powder Basin Airshow, where we sponsored the spot landing contest in which all aircraft which landed between

IN MEMORIAM



VERNE SIEMON

We express our deepest sympathies to Beatrice Siemon, Chicago Area chapter, on the passing of her 49 1/2, Verne.

EVELYN LORENCE

Oregon Pines chapter mourns the death of this charter member, following a long illness.

Evelyn earned her private pilot's license in 1979. She and her husband, John, also a pilot, lived at Independence Air Park and were active members of the flying community there. She is survived by her husband, one son and two daughters.

WALTER A. "HOOT" GIBSON

Longtime 49 1/2 Walter A. "Hoot" Gibson, husband of Ethel Cook Gibson, Florida Suncoast chapter, died February 21, 1988. "Hoot" was an ardent supporter of the 99s. He made the blue 99 placard holders for convention in Puerto Rico, and helped with many chapter activities. He was an active, licensed pilot.

MARY ABLE

Born in 1927, Mary Able died August 18, 1988, in Houston, Texas of congestive heart failure. She had fought a long battle, and was one of the only women in the world to receive two heart transplants at the Texas Heart Institute.

Mary founded M. Able Aviation at Andrau Aiport, in the Houston area. She was an airline transport pilot, accident prevention counselor, and the fifth woman in the world to attain a Learjet type rating. She served on the Women's Advisory Committee on Aviation. As a Ninety-Nine she held many chapter and section offices, and was both an international board member and secretary.

Mary was also a race pilot. She competed in the powder puff and angel derbies, and many local races within Texas. She was great story teller as well, from swapping "war stories" and recounting adventures in the sky. Mary will be missed by her husband, Connie, her children Conover, Jr. and Gary, grandchildren Conover III, Corinne, Gary, and Whitney, and many friends in the 99s. She was a great lady, a great pilot and a great Ninety-Nine.

7 am and 9 am that day were automatically entered. Winner of the first place trophy landed dead center on the mark with his Aeronca Champ.

We staffed a booth with a display about the 99s and sold sun visors, caps, chamois and beautiful glass suncatchers with airplanes on them.

Highlighting the day were low and high speed -- all low level -- fly-bys by the B-1 bomber. AWESOME!

Columbia Gorge

Mid-Columbia, Central Oregon and Columbia Gorge chapters met jointly in The Dalles to plan for the Northwest Sectional in Sunriver in 1989.

On August 24 Jeanne Hillis and Dora Mae Pizzalato met the OMSI plane, and donated some of Jeanne's art work and a box of fruit by Dora Mae for the upcoming Oregon Museum of Science auction.

Chairman Donna Davidson returned from Alabama, where she visited her husband Ben, who is taking some training there. Donna hosted a fly-in, drive-in barbeque at the Hood River Airport for members and friends.

Intermountain

With cooperation of 18 of us and our 49 1/2s, plus a well-organized setup by Betty Bailey the Bonners Ferry, Idaho airstrip 9

was airmarked August 6. Honorary 49-1/2 Bob Doty again helped lay out the letters and numbers the day before, making the job easy, fun and fast! Afterward, the corner sandwich shop was filled to capacity with happy, though tired and paint splattered pilots, and a few bewildered locals.

Betty and Bill Bailey's cozy cabin on Coeur d'Alene Lake at Windy Bay was the site for our August meeting. Weather was CAVU for the potluck, and Bill's infamous hamburgers. And we enjoyed a video of the air-marking from the week before.

Columbia Cascade

Dorothy Mercer, Betty Raakken, Pegge Blinco, Mary Hill and Mary Wohlgemuth, spent the "Just Plane Crazy" weekend, a special section activity at Silverwood, Idaho in June.

New member Karla Verbeck, Joyce Hunt and 49 1/2 John showed up in their Pietenpol Aircamper for our July meeting, a luau at Betty Prakken's on Dietz Airport. Laura Schneider, just transferred from Willamette chapter, was introduced to the group.

Pegge Blinco, Mary Wohlgemuth, Shirley Twigg and 49-1/2 Leland represented our chapter at international in Shangri-La. Mary and Peg also attended the dedication of the new 99 headquarters in Oklahoma City.

Our August meeting at Joyce Hunt's home was a "town hall" discussion with moderator Florence Lee on *What Do You Want From Your Chapter?*

Willamette Valley

Eight members and two guests flew over the beautiful Cascades for the August meeting. Everyone enjoyed a delicious lunch at the Trout House overlooking the Deschutes River.

Chairman Lori Hewitt passed the gavel and duties over to incoming chairman, Lola Skirvin, who presented Lori with an engraved tray from the chapter for her leadership of the past two years.

Plans were announced to airmark the Creswell Airport in October.



HAWAII'S FIRST—After two years of dealing with state bureaucracy to get permission to paint the 99's compass rose on Dillingham Field on the island of Oahu, the OK was given and Aloha Chapter members went to work. Under the untiring perseverance of project chair Lois Russell, the compass rose was completed with the Aloha Chapter providing the paint as well as the volunteer labor. Now that it's done, the state's department of transportation thinks it's a good idea, suggesting that the 99s put the compass rose on other airports. Top photo—work gets under way in April 1988 with Lois Russell, standing, in charge. Next, final touches are put on the blue and white compass rose. Finally, the finished product on the tarmac of Runway 8.

Video depiction planned

Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship Fund

Encouraged by the delegates at our recent convention, the trustees of the Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship Fund are moving ahead with plans to produce a video showing the diversity, strength and power of women in aviation today. The scope and impact, on both the careers and the individual women in aviation, of The Ninety-Nines scholarship program will be portrayed. A side benefit will be to provide members with an understanding of how their scholarship program functions, giving a deeper appreciation of the far reaching rewards of a career in aviation.

The video will be professionally produced by The Ninety-Nines, and will

feature members and other women in aviation. Copies will be available at a reasonable cost, for showing at chapter and section meetings as well as to outside service organizations.

Projected budget for the film is \$15,000. At the convention, delegates were shown a sample of what is planned, and enthusiasm ran so high \$4000 in checks was collected. Now in a special bank account, that money is a great start toward the amount needed before production can begin. Can you and your chapter help this project become a reality before the next convention?

Remember, contributions are fully tax deductible. Make checks payable to AEMS Video Project. Mail to Thon Griffith, Treasurer, 1901 Leeward Lane, Newport Beach, CA 92660.

SOUTHWEST

Aloha

Welcome to new member Jean Cowper. She and husband Leonard own American Flyers Club at Kahului Airport.

The compass rose at Dillingham Field is finally complete. Four years of planning and hard work will culminate with dedication of the compass rose this month. Special accolades go to Lois Russell, chairman of the event, Nona Meinen, Barbara Teague, and Eileen Lambert.

Bay Cities

Joyce Wells and Bev Romero won a leg prize in the Palms to Pines air race. Joyce then went on to take 11th place in the Air Race Classic.

Daphne (Van Doy) Shubin and her husband Dann are the proud parents of Sarah Danniell, born five weeks early.

A ballooning trip at Lodi is planned for this month.

Cameron Park

A newcomer to our chapter, Randi Beutler, was welcomed to our group.

Mary Bovee, Misti Flaspohler, Betty Kohler, and Doris Lockness shared photos with the chapter of the international convention.

Eleven flew in four airplanes to Lampson Field at Clearlake, California for a dinner fly-in. Then on to the Robert Taylor Observatory at Kelseyville to study the skies and camp. This being our second trip, we were glad to have Evelyn Norton again as our inspirational guide and teacher.

Doris Lockness holds another rating, this time in an Air and Space 18A Gyroplane, a three tailed rotorcraft with a 3 blade pusher prop and three rotor blades on top. She accomplished this feat between flights to seven airshows in her WWII L-5 this summer.

Fullerton

Evelyn Craik and Sylvia Paoli went to visit Jan Morris in her new home at Chandler, Arizona. Jean Eslinger was recently named Fullerton Woman of the Year for her dedicated service in counseling children.

Seven of us attended dedication of international headquarters. We also displayed membership and sales booths at the Hawthorne Air Show and LaHabra Fashion Square Aviation Expo.

Jackson Gold Dust

Dorothy Benker, Betty Brandson, Rosalie Pryor, Gloria Kovacevich and 66 Gretchen Kingsburg--our expert edger--all helped airmark Westover, along with the help and expertise of members from the San Joaquin Valley chapter. After four hours of hard work we all enjoyed a brown bag lunch in the shade. A barbeque and potluck dinner was held at the Benker's home. Joyce Farrell and Guest Carol Kennedy showed slides of their camping trip to Alaska in Joyce's C-150.

Las Vegas Valley

Chapter pilot of the year awards went to Vicki Paluzzi and Barbara MacDonald in the nonprofessional category, and Connie Francis and Charlotte Place, professional category. Linda Gagnon was a guest of the Air Force for a flight to a UNLV aerospace education presentation at the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs. She then went on to give a talk and build a rocket at Nellis, Edwards.

Mission Bay

The installation of officers was thoroughly enjoyed by all, especially with Betty Wharton as mistress of ceremonies. Pilot of the year award went to Anna Bledsoe. Boo Bergman shared her appreciation at being honored in the Forest of Friendship. Doris Ritchey was presented the first Individual Aerospace Education Award at convention.

Members are on the go, from concerts with Sweet Adelines in Balboa Park, trips to Australia, camping in the Sierra Madre mountains, Oregon family reunions, tours to Canada and Portugal, to attending the Bonanza Society meeting in Salt Lake City, then on to Glacier National Park. Final preparations are being made for the Pacific Air Race. Upcoming is an all San Diego chapter meeting in conjunction with the Zonta Club of San Diego.

Mount Diablo

We spent seven hours repainting Concord's uniquely detailed compass rose, which has artwork depicting the FBOs and groups based there. Six members attended a potluck and spoke to the Livermore EAA on the benefits of flying. Betty Dunn took a French foreign exchange student on an educational flight

and tower - ground school tour. We're establishing a video and materials lending library to be used as a mini-refresher and educational tool.

Mount Shasta

Of five entries in the Palms to Pines Air Race, three took home honors. Bev Romero and Eleanore Scott won third; Donna Harmon and Jane Lamar, fourth; Suann Pregmore and Jan Cowan earned 11th place and a second leg prize. An "emotion" party was held where we presented Bev Romero with a whip (!!!), chair and Shasta Bear.

Orange County

Our Pilot of the Year Banquet honored Kim Wilks. The new member outstanding pilot award went to Elle Adams. Beverly Allen and June McCormack finished second in the Palms to Pines Air Race. Also competing were Charlene Hengesh and Beverly Niquette. Jessica Hatfield was awarded an Amelia Earhart Scholarship and Captain Diane Myers was given a certificate of appreciation at the Airlines Appreciation luncheon, both during international convention. We were on hand with an information booth at Martin Aviation Open House, celebrating their 65th anniversary and National Aviation Day.



ANOTHER ROSE BLOOMS—Members of the Mt. Diablo Chapter freshen the paint on this faded beauty at Concord. The paint party happened August 6.

Phoenix

A group of 20 airmarked Mogollon Airport, a private airstrip. Over one entire weekend, everything was painted, including the numbers and centerline to the displaced threshold markings, and name and elevation.

The first educational ground school study for our 66s was held at the home of Jimmy Hall, who tutored participants and offered support where needed.

We enjoyed food and hangar flying at our recent Prescott Picnic. Several attending explored the stream. Teams from Prescott and Phoenix chapters went to four area airports for fundraising pancake breakfasts. Stellar Airport was led by Nancy Rogers (who fed the most), Falcon Field by Kitty Pope, Glendale by Jane Jugenheimer and Kathleen Bowne, and Deer Valley by Mary Moseley. Heather Horn, 66, was awarded an A.E.R.O. award -- Attitudes, Effort, and Recognizably

Outstanding -- from Cutter Aviation for the work she did for a pilot who had to return there due to an emergency battery overheat condition.

We are in the final planning stages for the 1988 Kachina Doll Rally.

Placer Gold

June Leebeck visited two of NASA's space centers, one in Huntsville, Alabama, the other the John F. Kennedy site in Florida. Sights included a tour of the Redstone Arsenal where the newest spacelab is being designed, an almost glimpse of the space shuttle and a view of the launch pad to be used on the next shuttle flight. Barbara Walkenhorst chaired the Safety Seminar at Coherent.

Redwood Empire

Janet Allbeck, Jeanne Gibson, Esther Harri, and Nina Rookaird visited interesting displays at Travis Air Force Museum. August meeting highlighted a speaker from Oakland Center to

inform us of the many changes there.

Reno Area

Lisa Schilling and Diann Laing, first time racers, participated in the Palms to Pines Air Race and came in 21st. Plans are being made for an information booth at a Chamber mixer.

Sacramento Valley

Our August meeting turned out five prospective members, three pilots and two students on the verge of license. We took part in the Star Search talent night at international convention with our own rendition of "Sam, You Made the Pants Too Long."

A group of 15 turned out to airmark Sacramento Executive with 30 foot letters.

San Fernando Valley

Three of the 10 participants in our 1988/89 Future Women Pilots program were recipients of \$1000 scholarships. They are Susan Bazar, Catherien Emrani, and Barbara Wellman. The

program consists of free ground school instruction, introductory flights, and support. The purpose of the program is to assist women in obtaining their private licenses.

San Joaquin

Mavis Saul, Pat Titus, George Ann Garms, Jean Murray, and Susan Tarabetz assisted members of the Jackson Gold Dust chapter in airmarking Westover airport. Upon completion we enjoyed swapping stories and ideas. Betty Britton participated in a physiological training program, and it has been decided we will participate as a chapter.

Santa Clara Valley

Chairman Debby Cunningham and Secretary Dee Ramaschandran flew Dee's Cessna 182 to and from the international convention. Our August meeting featured Harry Dewey, a pilot for AirLifeLine, who discussed goals and activities of the organization.



"SUPERVISOR'S" VIEW—Central Illinois members l. to r. are Virginia Butler, controller Jan Bucinski, Kathleen Wood and Linda Schumm viewing work at Decatur, Illinois.



NOW YOU TRY IT—Wanda Whitsitt is instructed by Bob West, 49 1/2 of Jean.

LETTERS to the editor

Our most sincere thanks to the 99s for inviting and honoring us at your luncheon and awards ceremony in salute to today's women airline pilots.

It was a lovely tribute to our profession and we appreciate all the encouragement and support that your organization extends. For those of you unfamiliar with ISA+21, the International Society of Women Airline Pilots is a group of women airline pilots worldwide who have joined together to exchange ideas and information regarding their profession. The organization was born in 1978 when 21 women pilots from ten U.S.

carriers met in Las Vegas for the first time.

Today, ISA has nearly 300 members and represents 17 foreign countries linking a wide range of aviation backgrounds and experience. Besides supporting one another with their common interests, they are dedicated to assisting women who are entering the profession through its information bank, networking, and service projects. Questions can be submitted to the information bank to request assistance and advice by those in pursuit of an airline career. Our members will be happy to discuss opportunities and offer suggestions. Information on aviation colleges can also be attained. A

scholarship program has been initiated to offer financial assistance to women working on their airline transport ratings. To request information for any of these areas, write to ISA + 21, PO Box 38644, Denver CO 80238.

Lori Griffith, membership chairman
ISA+21

Editor's note: For the benefit of 99s interested in piloting for the airlines, Lori has agreed to submit a column from time to time focusing on that area.

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I enjoyed reading about the Russian Exchange in the August issue of *The 99 News* and Barbara Sestito's message,

Charter 99 helped to make a memorable northwest weekend

One is immediately intrigued, then spellbound, when Bobbi Trout begins to tell her stories of flying in the roaring '20s and '30s ... when men and women who flew were seen as a different breed of people. At 16, Bobbi climbed into her first cockpit and went for a ride. She opened her own gas station at a time when ladies didn't even pump gas, much less sell it. Bobbi flew her Jenny, and counted among her friends Amelia Earhart, Louise Thaden and Florence "Pancho" Barnes. Evelyn "Bobbi" Trout was one of the original seven who organized The Ninety Nines.

Bobbi was in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho recently, to speak and swap stories and sign copies of her biography **Just Plane Crazy** at a weekend meeting of the same name at Silverwood, a North Idaho theme park. The meeting was hosted by the Intermountain Chapter.

In the late 1920s and early 1930s, Bobbi logged several records for endurance tests and aerial refueling. Her first fame came when she set a solo endurance flight record for women, staying aloft for 12 hours and 11 minutes.

In her Kinner powered Golden Eagle



JUST PLANE CRAZY—And that apparently goes for planes of all types. Intermountain chapter's Gladys Buroker stands beside the author and charter 99 Bobbi Trout, seated in glider.

Chief monoplane, she "raced" from Santa Monica, California to Cleveland, Ohio. The

"Where Were All The Pilots?" I hope that a number of copies will be sent to those you did meet, with an invitation for input to our *99 News*, in the spirit of Glasnost. An interchange of Russian women pilot's experiences would broaden our scope in understanding of women's roles in aviation in Russia.

At the end of June, I was in Helsinki and had the pleasure of having Orvokki Kuorti, governor of the Finnish section, fly with me. She was gracious and wonderfully friendly as she helped me find my aerial way around Helsinki from Malmin Lentasema Airport. I am so pleased to have had her sign my logbook after our flight. She is outstanding in her aviation exploits and regarded with great admiration by her fellow pilots.

My compliments to *The 99 News* staff on the format of the news reports.

June Simpson

Hudson Valley chapter

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I was very disturbed by an article I read in a recent issue of *Parachutist Magazine*, the official publication of the U.S. Parachute Assn., and of which I am a member. It seems one of the parachute centers located in Bend, Oregon was having difficulty getting approval to conduct operations at the local airport. One of their leading opponents was the local

chapter of the 99s.

NOW REALLY GIRLS!

How can we expect anyone to support our rights if we are willing to deny rights to others?

There are many aviation activities other than airplane flying. If we want to be able to continue to own, rent and fly our "little" airplanes, we have a responsibility to learn about and help the others involved in aviation. This includes those who fly helicopters, gliders, balloons, ultralights, hang gliders, parachute canopies, and anything else that people fly.

Instead of trying to get some of these people banned from using "our" airports, why don't we invite them to our meetings so they can tell us about their part of the great world of flying? Why don't we get all the various users and potential users of our airports together to work out plans to benefit everyone's activities at the airport? Let's promote understanding and support for each other.

Maybe then we will find these people respect 99s as a real force in aviation instead of thinking of us as a bunch of rich ladies flying around in our husbands' airplanes. The Mode C debacle should have shown us that if we all stick together, we *can* accomplish great things.

Marcy Glaesemann
Minnesota chapter

year was 1929 and the air race, named by Will Rogers, was the Powder Puff Derby. Bobbi was forced to make an emergency landing in Arizona when her engine cut out. Landing in a plowed field, the plane

ended up on its back. She told of other mysterious happenings with several women's planes, and of questions in her mind of foul play.

With Edna May Cooper, in 1931 she circled the sky over Los Angeles for five days, two hours and 50 minutes in "Lady Rolph," a Challenger Curtiss Robin. They refueled and were delivered supplies (such as a birthday cake for Bobbi's 25th birthday) from a plane hovering overhead.

During WW2, Bobbi invented a device to separate rivets, and another that would smooth burrs from the drilling of these rivets. The two inventions provided a lucrative re-sale business.

With friend Carol Osborne, Bobbi has recorded on videotape the memories of many surviving aviation pioneers, from early OX-5 pilots to those attending the "Gathering of Eagles" celebration.

A witness to incredible changes in aviation over the past 60 years, Bobbi's piloting experience has traversed open cockpit airplanes that flew 60 mph, sported a piece of iron for a tailskid, and were considered "instrument" equipped if they had a compass to today's luxurious air-conditioned cockpits, precision instrument panels, retractable landing gear and hydraulic brakes.

Bobbi is now retired and lives in Carlsbad, California. She "flies" over the freeways in her sporty red Porsche, works in investments and continues with her writing.

—Shirley Hauer, Intermountain chapter 13

WITNESS TO THE EXECUTION

The Odyssey of Amelia Earhart



Amelia Earhart, founder and first President of the Ninety-Nines and aviator of worldwide reputation, was lost at sea in 1937 on the last leg of a sensational round-the-world flight. Her mysterious disappearance has haunted historians ever since. Now, author T.C. "Buddy" Brennan reveals his startling conclusions on what really happened to Amelia Earhart following her disappearance somewhere in the Pacific.



The author holds an artifact recovered at his dig site on the island of Saipan. Could it be the blindfold worn by Amelia Earhart just prior to her execution?

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