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# President's Column

A hearty thanks to a most gracious and enthusiastic Northwest Section for a wonderful "Fun and Friendship" weekend. Amid showers and low ceilings the gals from the Section came by every mode of travel to Bellingham, Washington, to meet and greet, to re-establish old friendships and make new ones. What fun and what an important aspect of our organization. The very capable Transportation Chairman, ILOVENE POTTER, met me at Seattle and with HILDA ELIOTT, of Boise, and RANDY HILTON, of Cody, Wyoming, we IFR'd it up to Bellingham where a contingent of greeters and press met us and whisked us away to the Leopold Hotel, Headquarters for this Fall gathering. Weather caused a slight delay in arriving but our arrival was timed well for attending the Chairmen's meeting. You can't imagine what an opportunity this gives your President to get to know you better, to learn of your projects, problems and objectives. At the Business Session on Saturday after an explanation of NIFA (National Inter-Collegiate Flying Association) and International aims in this direction by GENE NORA JESSEN the Section voted to start a fund for a donation to NIFA in December. The Spring Meetings of NIFA will be in Bozeman, Montana, and the girls were all enthused about the prospect of their involvement. I hope you will all have the opportunity to hear about this College Program and follow the lead of PAGE SHAMBURGER from the Southeast Section and GENE NORA JESSEN and the Northwest in making both monetary and moral commitments. GENE NORA is our International NIFA Project Director and PAGE is on the Senior Advisors Committee for NIFA and they will be spearheading an activity you will all feel proud to be a part of.

I feel like a talent scout on my trips, always looking for new talent and ideas for our active and growing membership to pursue. Such a vast reservoir of talent and skills we have in the Ninety-Nines. The Northwest Section is most fortunate in having MILLIE SHINN as Governor. She has the happy faculty of blending her skills with the talents of her flock and I

expect great things from the Northwest. Really didn't seem quite right to be in that part of the country and not see GINI RICHARDSON. GINI, I know I speak for all of us when I say, "A Speedy Recovery." We miss you. LYGIE and her very busy husband managed to finally get off for a vacation so couldn't find out how easy it will be to spend our money. Oh, well!

As I write this I am high above the clouds winging my way back home feeling much the richer for my "Fun and Friendship" weekend with the Northwest Section. Thanks to all who made it so.

BERNICE T. STEADMAN

## Coming Events

**OCTOBER 10-13, 1969**

New England Air Derby  
Air Race-Treasure Hunt  
See Air Meets section for details

**OCTOBER 11, 1969**

Pacific Air Race  
San Diego, California  
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**NOVEMBER 1, 1969**

Kachina Air Race  
Phoenix, Ariz.

**NOVEMBER 1, 1969**

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## HEADLINES from Hazel

Last month's issue was anywhere from 10 to 14 days in getting to you after it was mailed from the printers. I can only blame the POST OFFICE for this. This issue may never get to you and I can only BLAME ME, YOUR EDITOR, who somehow thought she was super human. I not only am not super human, cannot walk on water, but am one week late in getting this issue in the mail. Boss, I'm sorry, I let you all down. I really thought I could get it all done, but I didn't. I just got a nasty note from headquarters that I somehow failed to get my dues to them also. Oh brother, will this month never end!!!

I have gotten numerous requests about the DBA cards. Let me repeat. Anyone is eligible for any race for any year. Just send me a stamped envelope and I will forward your card to you. I must have a stamped addressed envelope from you. Please advise also how many cards you want (like one for your co-pilot). We have some rather illustrious "honorary" members. DR. HARRY GIBBONS, CAMI, FAA; COL. BERNIE FISHER, Medal of Honor winner; HOWARD KIDWELL; ARNOLD PEGLER who designed the card; ZENON C. R. HANSEN, Chairman of the Board and President of MACK Trucks Inc.; ARVIN BASNIGHT, Director Western Region FAA; to name a few. If you have a special friend who you would like to so honor, let me know and I will forward a card to you.

### NOVEMBER-DECEMBER ISSUE WILL BE SPECIAL

The November-December issue will be celebrating our FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY and I hope will be a special issue. I have asked some key people to make special reports on our heritage and history. I urge all chapters to write your report carefully with this in mind. I also urge ALL CHAPTERS to report. I have hoped that for at least one issue we could have one

hundred percent participation. I can not think of an issue that this would be more timely than our ANNIVERSARY ISSUE. PLEASE ALL CHAPTER CHAIRMEN, GET YOUR REPORTERS TO REPORT. All reports must be in my hands by November 20th for inclusion in the anniversary issue. This gives all of us a long time and I would like nothing better than to be sandbagged with a report from everyone. Lots of pictures. REMEMBER WE HAVE NO OCTOBER DEADLINE BECAUSE THAT IS THE MONTH WE PUT OUT THE ROSTER . . . so reporters you have a vacation next month and then back to work for the November issue. Let's make it a meaningful issue suitable for saving. Something that reflects the old and the "new" us.

As we approach the winter months, let's get APT; attend a weather refresher course on the problems of winter flying; participate in aviation activities; have fun; get involved; make waves; and then tell us about it. REMEMBER OUR THEME FOR THIS YEAR IS "FUN AND FRIENDSHIP".

#### TO ALL NINETY NINES:

For those who would like to have a souvenir of the Ninety Nines' 40th Anniversary International Convention, there are a limited number of these souvenir programs available.

This is a beautiful issue of 60 pages, with many interesting items, including a Ninety Nine History by Page Shamburger, pictures of Charter Members and Past Presidents who attended and also many Salutes to the Ninety Nines from the Aviation industry.

The price of \$2.00 includes postage and handling. Order from Julie vom Saal or Doris Renninger, 1969 Convention Chairmen. Addresses are in Ninety Nine Roster.

## Backward Glance Column

By Virginia Thompson

Since our charter members are the ones who conceived, developed, and nurtured our Ninety-Nine Organization, one will be featured in every other issue of our News. Many of these early history makers have been flying continuously for over forty years, a remarkable feat. They will be featured first but in no particular order. Since each charter member was and is a link in forging our history, each one is just as important as the other.

### BLANCHE NOYES

BLANCHE began her life as a public figure in the theatre and movies as a dramatic leading lady.. She gave this up to marry an airmail pilot, DEWEY L. NOYES, who taught her to fly in December 1928. After 3 hours and 45 minutes of dual instruction, she soloed and has been flying steadily ever since. She was the first woman pilot in Ohio and one of the first women transport pilots.

In 1929, she competed in the First Women's Air Derby of the National Air Races, Santa Monica, Calif., to Cleveland, Ohio. It was during this event that her plane caught on fire over the desert. Undaunted, she landed, put out the fire with sand and later took off over the mesquite. This resulted in bending one side of the landing gear forcing her to make a one wheel landing at Pecos, Texas. Never one to give up easily, Blanche repaired the plane herself, continued in the race, and eventually won fourth place.

During the National Air Races that same fall, she flew and won a number of closed course races. During the International Balloon Races in 1930, she gave the audiences many thrills by her precision aerobatics, setting a record which still holds for the greatest number of consecutive turns in a spin.

When the Bendix Air Race, N.Y. to Los Angeles, was opened to women in 1936, LOUISE THADEN and BLANCHE, both charter members of the Ninety-Nines, teamed up to win the race which included some of the world's finest men racing pilots.

That same year, she set a speed

examiner. TERRY VASQUES offered her experience as a Senior Research Engineer with General Dynamics in the Electronics Division and a past member of the AWTAR Board. The well-known Charman of the AWTAR Board, KAY BRICK, brought to the committee in addition to her executive ability an intense interest in aviation education.

JOYCE CASE represents Cessna Aircraft Company's marketing division, currently demonstrating the new aerobatic 150 nationwide while calling on her extensive experience as the three-time National Women's Aerobatic Champion. Then there is VIRGINIA CUTTER, co-founder, officer and partner in one of the country's larger aircraft distributorships in Albuquerque, Phoenix and El Paso longer years than she would like to admit. ALICE FUCHS, well-known aviation writer whose "special" specialty among many is soaring and who spends much of her time ferrying Pipers from Lock Haven.

And BARBARA JENISON, whose special passions are proven through long service to the Civil Air Patrol and in aviation matters for her own State of Illinois. PAT JETTON, the South Central Section's immediate past Governor who owns and operates a mushrooming flight school in Dallas. And South Carolina's best known fixed base operator, FRANCES MILLER, President of, and FAA Pilot Examiner for, Miller Aviation.

DIDI MOORMAN, another product of the WASP who until recently was with Miami-Dade Junior College. And finally, only because she's a "W", ANN WOOD, the Public Affairs Manager—New England for Pan-American World Airways. ANN ferried aircraft in England prior to WWII as a part of the British Air Transport Auxiliary.

They add up to impressive company and challenging cohorts. But the well is far from dry. As this is written, a new group joins the ranks though their names have not yet been announced. You will be interested in hearing about them and we will all be curious which programs WACOA pursues and what new areas they decide to dissect.

I'm retired, sad but true. ALICE FUCHS, you're the professional writer of the current group. I pass the reporting duties on to you.

# From CHECKPOINTS to WAYPOINTS

## HOW AREA NAVIGATION WILL CHANGE THE TRAFFIC PICTURE

The most promising solution to overcrowded airways appears to be some form of area navigation that will allow use of off-airway airspace without requiring additional ground facilities. FAA has been evaluating commercially developed area navigation systems over the past year, and has laid down specific guidelines for the certification and use of these systems.

The need for obtaining greater utilization of the basic VORTAC system has been apparent for some time. There are 885 VORTACs in the United States, usually located near or on airports, but there are over 10,000 airports. It is patently impossible to "fly the OMNIs" without flying a zigzag course. In a transcontinental flight a pilot may add a hundred miles to the tapeline distance between two cities.

Also, the pilot who is flying from VOR to VOR may sometimes find it necessary to detour around storm centers. Unless he is assisted by radar vectors, he is likely to have difficulty plotting a course which does not take him many unnecessary miles away from his intended flight path, unless he is able to use some form of area navigation.

Area navigation is by no means a new concept. It has been practiced for years by pilots who use VOR-DME to establish a number of checkpoints along a course line plotted directly from their departure point to their destination. What is new about the area navigation system is that it adds to the VOR-DME instrumentation an airborne course line computer that is capable of guiding the pilot to his checkpoints, referred to as "way points" in the system, just as the OMNI needle guides him to the VOR stations.

### Way Points Limitless

The way point is defined by FAA as a geographical point determined by airborne and ground-based aids or by a self-contained airborne navigational system (such as an inertial platform system which reads out latitude and longitude coordinates).

Way points are identified by geographical name, bearing and distance from the reference facility (usually a VORTAC), and latitude and longitude. The number of possible way points

is infinite, although only those identified on proposed FFA IFR charts may be used on IFR flight plans.

A succession of way points make up an area navigation course, which can be programmed into the computer component by the pilot in advance and changed en route in order to fly around weather cells. Or, instead of being vectored around a storm by radar controllers, the pilot may be given a detour course in terms of a number of way points which he can dial into his system.

The VFR pilot already has available VFR planning charts specially designed for area navigation, such as the "Jepeco Avigation" charts. These charts locate all VORs and all VORTAC's and give their radio frequencies as well as mileage indications along their four primary radials. Latitude and longitude coordinates further assist the pilot in plotting his course, and obstruction or terrain clearance altitudes are provided.

Pilots using such a chart may simply draw a straight line from airport of departure to their destination and establish a number of way points along the line with reference to appropriate VORTAC's. If the airports he is using do not have VORTAC's, he can nevertheless establish way points directly over the runways.

FAA has evaluated a half dozen area navigation systems, ranging in price from \$5,000 to \$90,000: Butler VAC, NARCO, Hughes, Decca Omnitrac, Litton and AC Electronics (the latter two are inertial systems and have the highest price tags; they are designed primarily for long distance and over water flights).

For instrument flight, FAA is preparing an IFR area navigation chart which will establish a number of specific way points to be used in controlling IFR traffic, and for approaches. By increasing the number of reporting points, and by not being limited to ground-based facilities for location of the points, the air traffic system will greatly improve its capacity to handle instrument traffic.

To meet FAA standards, the area navigation systems will have to provide course guidance accuracy equivalent to that provided by VOR airways.



## Members-at-Large

RECEIVED FROM  
RHONDA R. FRASER  
PO Box 244

Upper Hutt, New Zealand

The picture of me presenting to our P. M. Holyoak the aerial album on behalf of the 99's. On the left is MR. ROLPH—(Pan Am) and between myself and P. M. Holyoak is the USA Ambassador here in N.Z. MR. HENNING. The other group photo is of some of us N.Z. Air-Women's Assn.; at Invercargill, last Oct. 1968. Myself on the left (x) and on outside right Thelma Bradshaw; she and her husband Brad own the Mk.5 Proctor. They flew it home from the U.K. 2 years ago, having 27 stops. Before starting out they had Kiwi painted on either side and on each cowling the words "Kiwi Wanderers". They said they had a wonderful trip and were treated well at every landing spot.

The other aerial photo is of the outskirts of Invercargill city and then Bluff and in the very background is Stewart Island. I took this one while up in the Proctor.

For the past 17 years I have done acetylene welding (for occupation) but now I am having a complete change from oil, dirt and noise of industry. I am now attached to the Upper Hutt Post Office as a Post-woman. It will be a wonderful job in good weather. If any of the 99's are ever visiting or passing thru Wellington I do hope they will try to contact me. I am now residing on some country property I have—it is about 1 hours drive from Wellington and 6 miles out of Upper Hutt which has recently gained city status.

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# AWTAR POWDER PUFF DERBY

By MARION ANDREWS

The welcome mat is out for two new members of the AWTAR Board of Directors: HELEN MENNITTO of the Florida Gold Coast Chapter and BARBARA RIGGS of the Eastern New England Chapter.

We are sorry to lose PAT WILSON of the Greater New York Chapter and BETTY WHARTON of the San Diego Chapter whose resignations were regrettably accepted. We are very grateful for their past services. Both have promised to continue to help in the future.

The 1970 Powder Puff Derby will take off on July 3rd from Monterey, Calif. Impound deadline will be Mon. June 29, Take-off Banquet July 1st. HELEN SHROPSHIRE of the Monterey Bay Chapter will be Start Chairman assisted by an enthusiastic chapter. Monterey is celebrating their 200th Anniversary and the Powder Puff Derby Start is scheduled as part of their celebration. The race will end at Deland, Fla. Details of the terminus and the route next month.

Entries open April 15, 1970 and close May 27th postmarked no later than midnight, so start planning.

1st Winner this year took \$3285.00 cash, a wrist watch, and a round trip for two to Paris, she may be there right now. 2nd Place took \$1775.00 and 3rd Place took \$1175.00. Besides the fun of flying the race, THIS ALMOST MAKES THE RACE WORTH WINNING.

MARGARET MEAD was seen nation-wide on the "Hollywood Squares" TV Show where she won \$2100.00. Each day she was introduced to the TV audience as a the winner of the 1968 Powder Puff Derby. According to STOP CHAIRMAN LEE ROCK, it as discovered that there were at least 20 girls with or on their way to getting their pilots licenses at Huntington, West Virginia. A new 99 Chapter will be forthcoming there.

THE SEPTEMBER ISSUE OF "AOPA PILOT" MAGAZINE CON-BY DUANE E. BEST ENTITLED "POWDER PUFF DERBY". Many



"Here are airports eager to welcome Ninety-Nines to New England next July," Pat Maek (left), hard at work on transportation for our international convention at Bretton Woods, N.H., tells Jean Batchelder, Northern New England Chapter's immediate past chairman, pointing to Whitefield (3500 ft. paved) and Twin Mt. (2700 ft. paved) minutes away from the Mt. Washington Hotel.

articles have been written about the Derby, however this is one of if not the best. The excitement, the joys, the distappointments and the planning and judgment of flying the race have been captured here by the author. We give a big hand to Duane Best.

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SEND CLIPPINGS INCLUDING COPIES OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED ARTICLE AND JULY, 1969 "AIRFACTS" FOR SCRAPBOOK AND

## NOTAMS



Garden State Chapter Sale Item — Shoes . . . soft navy leather with white 99 on tongue flap. Sizes 4 through 11 in narrow, medium and wide widths. Price . . . \$11.00 PP. Checks made payable to Garden State Chapter, Doris Dolce, Beverly Rd., Burlington, N.J. 08016.

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## COMMITTEES REPORT

# National Intercollegiate Flying Association

By GENE NORA JESSEN

The NIFA Award Committee listed in the Roster usually provokes the simple response, "what's that?" THAT is what has emerged large on the 99 horizon for the coming year.

The NATIONAL INTERCOLLEGIATE FLYING ASSOCIATION is composed of colleges and universities all over the United States meeting annually for the purpose of intercollegiate competition just as in football. Any school which recognizes a flying club or program is eligible for membership.

The Ninety-Nines, Inc. has supported NIFA for years at its annual air meet. The All-Ohio Chapter gives a large and beautiful rotating trophy called the Arlene Davis Memorial Award to the top female pilot of the air meet. The international organization donates annually a modest sum of money which is used primarily for a trophy for the girl who wins the Ninety-Nine tray accompanying each trophy. Several 99's serve each year as judges for this award.

The NIFA has grown from a handful of midwestern schools into very nearly a nationally-represented group. The group used to call a small midwinter meeting for planning purposes though the major activity for the membership was the spring air meet. As the organization grew, those who attended the midwinter planning meeting held a little informal competition among themselves. Now the midwinter meet has become almost as large as the spring air meet with formal competition.

This year's midwinter NIFA meet is early and scheduled for Southeastern State College at Durant, Oklahoma October 2-4. Though we do not present any trophies at this meet, the Oklahoma 99's have already made plans to be on hand to help with the meet. (We hope they'll write a report on it for the News.) The Spring meet will be hosted by Montana State University at Bozeman May 7-9.

Several 99's have "discovered" NIFA and have become instrumental in moving our support of this tremendously worthwhile activity off dead center. Page Shamburger has been covering collegiate flying news

for AIR PROGRESS for several years now and waxes eloquent on their behalf. Our President, B. Steadman, attended last year's spring meet in St. Louis and was sold by the students themselves through their wholesomeness and dedication to flying and their aviation goals. Lois Feigenbaum has spread the word to anyone who would listen.

Page approached her own Section, the Southeast, about expanded 99 support for NIFA. They generously donated \$100 on the spot from their Section treasury. Convention delegates rallied 'round at NYC in July and authorized the Treasurer to seek additional funds from our international budget. I returned from the Northwest Section Meeting last night rather overwhelmed by their response for support for the NIFA. The membership voted \$50 from the Section Treasury and passed the hat in the meeting room collecting an additional \$49—isn't that great, \$99! They voted to go back to their chapters and request chapter support with a goal of \$1 per member to be added to the \$99 for our Section donation.

My plea to you as Sections and Chapters is for financial support, no matter how modest, for our youth. I feel handicapped here because Hazel won't give me another three pages to tell you why they're so deserving, and I have enough reasons to fill up those pages. Your check made out to NIFA can be sent in my care and I will see to it that it goes to the proper person. I must emphasize that this is a shoestring activity as the kids sleep in sleeping bags and skip meals for "one more hour" of flying time.

My plea to you as Chapters and individual 99's is even more important than the monetary one, and more difficult to do; that is to give of yourself. Get acquainted with the faculty sponsor of a college flying program in your area. I confidently predict you will find him to be a dedicated aviator donating long hours free to his students. Find out what you can do to help them.

I predict you will receive more than you will give.

## WHAT KIND ARE YOU?

Some members are like wheelbarrows; they need to be pushed.

Some are like canoes; they need to be paddled.

Some are like kites; if you don't keep a string on them, they'll fly away. Some are like footballs. You never know which way they are going to bounce next.

Some are like balloons; full of wind and likely to blow up unless handled carefully.

Some are like trailers; no good unless pulled.

Some are 100% members; regular in attendance and very cooperative. What kind are you????

(author unknown)

Webster defines a member as "a person constituting a group or organization; a distinct part of a whole". Are you a distinct part of a whole? Do you attend regularly and participate in your Chapter's projects? Do you voice your opinion to the group or do you sit back and mumble to yourself?

You know, you're the loser if you aren't a 100% member. You're losing the chance for some lasting and warm friendships; you're losing the opportunity of enjoying the camaraderie of fellow 99s while working on a project. We lose too, when we don't have the opportunity of knowing you; but we do gain the fellowship of the other 99s who do participate, and you don't.

Do you really want to lose all that????

Pat Jetton

## AIRMARKING

Hats off to the Tip of Texas gals!

For completing 500 Air Markings in one year, they are an inspiration to all 99's — Air Markers — who are aviation enthusiasts with a concern for the disoriented pilot.

No words of praise or plaudits I can print here could ever be satisfactory reward for their accomplishments. But, each and every girl who participated in that GREAT program receives her own special reward when she flies over "her" marking.

I speak for BLANCHE NOYES (Chief, Air Marking Staff, FAA and 99 Charter Member) as well as myself when I say how pleased we are to be receiving these reports.

To PAULINE GLASSON, who is

tireless in her aviation activities and who participated in some way on every one of these junkets, a special round of applause.

Commendable, tremendous, fabulous—those adjectives are just not descriptive enough to exploit you girls who truly uphold the Texan tradition of doing everything in a BIG way.

By now, the Certificates of Appreciation you so richly deserve, that have been chasing you around the country since Convention, should be comfy-cozy at home on the walls of your headquarters.

Congratulations to you all—and to 99 Chapters everywhere—Let Tip of Texas be your guide!

Jerry B. Roberts  
Air Marking Chairman

**PROJECT APT  
FLYING ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE  
Garnett Hastings, Chairman**

Important notice to all Chapter Chairmen! Now is the time, if you haven't already done so, to appoint an APT Chairman for your Chapter for the year 1969-1970. Let's exert lots of effort to promote our Pilot Upgrading Program this year—plan a meeting to get each and everyone of your members APT. This is a self-imposed proficiency exercise aimed at making us all safer pilots and more at ease in our every day flying.

Some of you who have instructor ratings, I'm sure will be happy to ride with your members, or perhaps you can secure the services of some FFA instructor. Remember—each time you secure a new rating, have your instructor sign one of our forms signifying you are currently APT. A supply of forms was mailed some time ago to every Chapter Chairman, but in the event they are not available now, I will be most happy to send any amount you need to take care of this very worthwhile program.

When these forms are completed, do not send them to me—or to Headquarters. Give them to your APT chairman, who will submit to me your name, and the date and type of the ride which was completed. This is a great program—let's give it all we've got. A note recently received from a CFI from Florida read, "My hat's off to you 99's. This is a very good program."

I wonder which Chapter will be the first to have 100% participation during the coming year?

## SECTIONAL MEETINGS

### SOUTH CENTRAL SECTION FALL MEETING

By Edna Wright, Reporter

The Fall meeting of the South Central Section took place at the Habana Inn in Oklahoma City on September 19th and 29th, 1969.

Sixteen members who were on the ball in replying attended the FAA Physiological course and pressure chamber ride. The writer did not have the opportunity to avail herself of this event but all who participated in it spoke very highly of it.

As the conventioners arrived, we tarried or later adjourned to the In-

ternational Headquarters at the Will Rodgers Airport. They have done a fantastic job with the Headquarters and we recommend to all who have not seen it, by all means do so.

In the evening we attended the Sky Fillies Follies of 1969 and we would strongly advise the Hollywood producers to come and audition this group of entertainers made up entirely by the Oklahoma City Girls. They are certainly missing a good thing and we want to compliment you girls on your production. It was just great!

The setting changed from a theatre and all of a sudden we were in the

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Hazel McKendrick, Editor

gambling hall of "Harold's." Pseudo money flowed freely at the Black Jack tables, Keno, and Crap tables as people moved from table to table to recoup or further their wins or losses. Personally, I think the bank did better than anyone. Again the setting changed and we were at an auction bidding for all sorts of goodies with our ill-gotten gains. Again the setting changed and we were in a restaurant being served a very delicious and I must say hearty breakfast. The group party broke up into many individual parties and then regretfully had to retire to replenish our energies for the meeting and goodies planned for Saturday.

The Fall meeting of the South Central Section officially opened at 8:45 with 142 members present and almost all of the Chapters were represented with Dallas having the largest number (26 in all) present. We were honored with the presence of our International President, BEA STEADMAN; and past Presidents DONNA MYER, BRONETA EVANS, DEEDO HEISE RUTH DEERMAN, LOIS FEIGENBAUM and LORRAINE McCARTHY were present for the Grand Opening of our Headquarters.

Charters were presented to the Santa Fe Area Chapter by RUTH DEERMAN and to the Chaparral Chapter by PAT JETTON. The Golden Triangle Chapter's Charter will be presented to them at a later date.

The Officers' Reports were read, duly accepted and recorded as were the Chairmen's reports of the various committees.

The Chapter Charimen or their representatives gave their respective reports on the progress and activities of their Chapters.

The Section voted to give a donation to the NIFA Fund which they found to be a very worthy cause.

DAISY DIMWIT approached the head table, took over the mike and gave a dilly of an invitation to all the Section to attend the Spring Sectional in Tulsa. After her presentation, it was voted upon that Tulsa would be the site for the Spring Convention, but between you and me, we had all better arrive by car, covered wagon, or on foot. I don't think the Tulsa Tower Boys will welcome us.

The meeting adjourned and presto we were back in the restaurant business again. This time we had a de-

licious lunch which was topped off by lots of door prizes delivered by the prettiest bunch of Okies.

DR. HARRY GIBBONS introduced COLONEL BERNIE FISHER, who told of his interest in General Aviation and also spent quite a few interesting minutes recounting some memorable episodes of his tour of duty in Vietnam. DR. GIBBONS of the FAA ("Friendly Aviation Administration") told about the medical aspects of flying. His presentation kept us in stitches but the message was loud and clear.

Literature was passed out concerning an exciting trip to Europe sponsored by the Houston Chapter.

The evening festivities started with the Invocation followed by a most delicious dinner. Members of the OSU Student Entertainers held us entranced while Ed Foley sang and led the members in three part harmony. CAROLYN BOULDIN was marvelous as a dancer and the 49½ers who did the Hula under her direction were keen competition to the Can Can gals.

MAX CONRAD was introduced as a special guest. BEA STEADMAN and PAT JETTON were made Honorary Okies SUSIE SEWELL, ARLENE WALKUP and MARTHA THOMASON presented awards to the brand new South Central Section Honor Roll. RUTH McADAMS was awarded the Most Hours Pilot-in-Command Trophy. BEA STEADMAN presented the Chapter Achievement Award to Shreveport and Dallas won the Attendance Trophy. PAT JETTON installed the following new officers of the South Central Section \*(in her own inimitable way).

DOROTHY WARREN—Governor  
Vice Governor—MARILYN COPELAND

Secretary—MARY ABLE  
Treasurer—BRENDA STRICKLER

The weather briefing (?) was given by TINNER LAPSLEY and Farewells were said by one and all.

Had a most wonderful time in Oklahoma City. You gals who were no-shows don't know what you missed. Tulsa in May—tentatively May 1, 2, and 3, 1970.

See you there.

#### THE FALL SOUTHEAST SECTION MEETING

Cy Beers, Reporter

The Fall Southeast Section Meeting was held at the Holiday Inn in Knox-

ville, Tennessee September 12-13, 1969. It was indeed a wonderful weekend skillfully arranged by the Tennessee Chapter even down to ordering perfect fall weather.

A Cocktail and Buffet Dinner Party was provided at the lovely home of FRAN DAVIS in Holsten Heights, which overlooks Knoxville. Drinks and dinner were served around Fran's beautiful swimming pool. Highlight of the cocktail hour was the unique shrimp tray, a huge rock which had a hollowed out place in the top. This was filled with crushed ice on which had been piled delicious plump shrimp around a bowl of cocktail sauce. My mouth still waters when I think about that wonderful Buffet Dinner. FRAN isn't a Ninety-Nine yet because she is still working for her license. Hurry up, FRAN we need talented girls like you.

The Fall Meeting was held at 9:30 a.m. Saturday morning at the Holiday Inn. 1970 officers of the Southeast Section were announced. They are:

Governor—PAGE SHAMBURGER  
Vice-Governor—RUTH THOMAS  
Secretary—CY BEERS  
Treasurer—DOTTIE BIRDSONG  
Nominating Committee — BETTY McNABB, Chr., JAN WARRICK, PEGGY McCORMICK, SARAH DUKE

(Ed Note: Luv the Gov—How's the Snoopy painting caper?)

A very informative and interesting tour of the Air National Guard was planned for Saturday afternoon, which included the opportunity to fly their simulator. Some of us preferred to drive up in the mountains. Two, I know, went mountain climbing to find a waterfall and found one too. They killed a baby diamond back rattle snake on the way back down and are now wondering what they would have done if his mother had shown up. Lucky for them they weren't stopped by the police when the drove back to Knoxville. They might have had some trouble explaining the contents of the trunk of their borrowed automobile and it might have been a "dry" cocktail party that evening.

The Fall Southeast Section Banquet was held at the Holiday Inn Saturday evening, preceded by a good fellowship hour. Believe it or not the menu included Fillet of Mignon. After dinner a local quartet of the SWEET ADELINES, who call themselves

"THE FOUR FLUSHERS," serenaded us with what they choose to call BG's and TJ's. Speaker for the evening was BILL KIRSHNER who writes Aviation Manuals. He had us holding our sides from laughing so hard. I'm sure each and every pilot in the room found him so amusing because they could remember similar incidents. This was all climaxed by GENIE O'KELLEY'S husband DAVE showing slides of the moon landing. DAVE O'KELLEY is one of the 12 Scientists who inspected the moon rocks. He answered questions about the moon's atmosphere, radiation, etc.

All in all it was a wonderfully enjoyable weekend and will be a hard one to top. I know the Alabama Chapter, who will be Hostess to the 1970 Spring meeting of the Southeast Section will try.



An invitation to all in the South Central Sec. to join us for the tour through the NORAD complex in Cheyenne Mountain. It is Nov. 5th and transportation can be provided from the airport. We must have names by Oct. 25th and they must all be over 18. Contact me, chapter chairman at,

65 McBurney Blvd.  
Colorado Springs, Colo. 80911  
Telephone: 392-3615

**ABILENE CHAPTER**  
Joy Ramsey, Reporter

Abilene is back in the news . . . with Big News! It's the opening of our beautiful new airport Saturday, October 25th, and it promises to be a day to remember. The Abilene 99's are acting as hostesses for the day's activities which begin with a fly-in breakfast from 10 until 11. The ribbon cutting will be at 1 P.M., followed by a spectacular air show. In addition, a variety of aircraft will be on display throughout the day. Prizes are in store for our flying guests, ranging from awards to the oldest and youngest pilot and the first female pilot to land, to a "surprise prize" for a yet to be announced accomplishment.

It's the beginning of an eventful year for the Abilene chapter, and we're hoping for the support of all our South Central 99's. And a note to those with many miles to travel: there's even a prize for the pilot who covers the greatest distance to share our big day! (Editor's Note: If you send in 3 reports it becomes a habit. Try it! So glad to hear from you.)

**ARKANSAS CHAPTER**  
Margarite Nielsen, Reporter

Arkansas Chapter officers for the coming year: RUTH GRAY, Chairman, DELORES MITCHELL, Vice Chairman, RAMONIA SLOAT, Secretary, MARGE MCLEAN, Treasurer, and BEVERLY HARP, Membership. Ninety Nine of the month in Arkansas Chapter is MARGE MCLEAN. Last month's Ninety Nine was RUTH GRAY. Arkansas Chapter now has a news letter for chapter members, edited by BEVERLY HARP, who does a great job, & the newsletter is appreciated by all.

RAMONIA SLOAT, DELORES DEAM, & SALLIE SIMMONS attended a covered dish dinner at the home of MARGE NIELSEN. Others attending the diner are members of W.N.A.A. DELORES DEAM is new Pres. of Ft. Smith Unit W.N.A.A. & is editor of "The Message", newsletter of Ft. Smith Unit W.N.A.A. DELORES is also a new member of Ft. Smith Zonta. PAM STOWELL has moved to Chicago, Ill. & is greatly missed.

RAMONIA SLOAT flew in to Adams Field LIT for a 99 meeting. MARGE NIELSEN flew in to Mountain Grove, Mo. for the annual fly in, discovering Mountain Grove has greatly improved the airport, & has lots of aviation enthusiasm there. MARGE competed in the flour bombing contest flying the Luscombe 8E, met some old friends there, made some new ones, found a licensed lady pilot who doesn't belong to 99's yet, & won a beautiful ceramic dish at the Country Store. DELORES MITCHELL represented the "Youth Derby" at a meeting with Beechcraft in Wichita. Upon landing at Cushing, Oklahoma this week, MARGE NIELSEN found they have a very lovely, completely restored Stearman in the hangar which was flown in from Guatemala.

Happy Flying to you all, from the Land of Opportunity.

GET APT!

**COLORADO CHAPTER**  
Deedo Heise, Reporter

The new officers of our mile high chapter who will be leading us for the coming year are: SARALEE FISHER heading the list as chairman, as her right hand and Vice-Chairman will be GRACE MAYFIELD. Busily taking minutes and recording our activities we have LYN PFLEEGER and in charge of our vast (?) treasury MARGARET DWELLE.

Attending the South Central Section Fall Roundup will be immediate past president of the 99s DONNA MEYERS. EULALIA NICHOLS and FAY GREEN, and DEEDO and HERMAN HEISE and I think some others I have not been able to ferret out.

MARION TANKERSLEY has finally parted with her beloved' Stinson and is flitting around in a Cessna 182.

DONNA MYERS has been asked to serve on the Board of Visitors of the Civil Air Patrol headquarters at Maxwell Air Force Base in Alabama September 24 and 25.

JAN GAMMELL has asked SARALEE to be her Co-pilot October 11 competing in the Pacific Air Race which will originate in San Diego.

Soon the Aspen should be turning golden and the oaks their deep red. If you have never seen them from the ar do try and fly over this way. It is a picture you will always remember.

**DALLAS CHAPTER**  
Janie King, Reporter

Because of very special news, I am taking over as chapter reporter a month early. PAT CLARK, our reporter for the last year, and her husband FRAN, received a call from their son DAVID who is stationed in Okinawa. His year's tour with the Marines in Viet Nam is up. PAT and FRAN flew to Los Angles to meet him on September 11. Now that DAVID is out, he hopes to spend a year touring Europe.

BETTY HUNDLEY, BEVERLY TAYLOR, LIL TAFEL, and PAT CLARK spent September 4 beautifying Lancaster Airport with their presence and the holly they set out.

DEE and BOB LOWE bought a J-3 Cub and have put a new chrome 65 Continental engine in it. BOB is bouncing it in preparation for solo.

At the September meeting, our new officers—Chairman, PEG ONG; Vice Chairman, HELEN WILKIE; Secretary, LIL TAFEL; Treasurer, MARY KITCHENS; and Executive Board,



Left to right: **THE SANDBAGGED EDITOR, SLEEPING GOVERNOR DOT WARREN**, new Board of Directors **BILL BROWN**, Dallas Flight Service, and **KATHY CASTON** representing **LONGVIEW PIPER**, all were attending the **NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AIR TRAFFIC SPEC CONVENTION** in Las Vegas. Dot was there on behalf of **FLIGHT PLANS INC.**, a computerized flight plan service.



Dallas Chapter officers for the coming year: **PHYLLIS DUKE, LIL TAFEL, HELEN WILKE, PEG ONG, SUE WIEMANN, MARY KITCHENS.**



**BETTY HUNDLEY** putting the finishing touch to our Airport beautification program at Lancaster, Tex. Airport.

**PAT CLARK, PHYLLIS DUKE, and SUE WEIMAN**—were presented with lavender throated blue orchids after the installation ceremony.

**PAULENE WINTHROP** and **49 1/2er JACK** attended a fly-in and air show at Watonga, Oklahoma. After a filling breakfast, they watched **MARY AKIN** from Augusta, Kansas demonstrate the aerobatic 150. They also flew to Rockford, Illinois in the latter part of August for Experimental and Antique Annual Convention.

**DEE LOWE, ELINOR JOHNSON, PHYLLIS DUKE** and her **49 1/2er GLENN** attended a three day FAA Instrument Instructors Clinic at Euless which was sponsored by the Texas Aeronautical Commission. Both **DEE** and **ELINOR** received a gold seal on their instructors ratings.

**LIL** and **BOB TAFEL** flew to Michigan, Illinois, Iowa and all the states between here and there. In Michigan they visited with their son and daughter-in-law and their three children.

**ROWENA BURNS** and daughter **EVELYN** flew to Seattle on vacation in August. The high point was getting to see the Boeing 747 fly. They also took a ferry to Victoria, Canada where they visited the Butchart Gardens.

Dallas won the attendance award at the South Central Section Meeting in Oklahoma City—How 'bout us!

#### **EL PASO CHAPTER**

**Mary Olmstead & Lois Hailey, Reporters**

The Las Cruces 99's hosted a picnic in August at University Park for the El Paso Chapter. Since the thunderheads were forming, only a few courageous souls used the Skyway—the

rest used the Hyway. WANDA, JOHN and KIRK GARSON arrived in their Musketeer from El Paso. DELORIS DYVAD flew their Cessna 120 with copilot LARRY, her 49½er. Pilot JOHN OLIVER, with 2 66's—LOU OLIVER and JEAN COWARD, member SHARON DENICK and pilot friend LT. COL. FRANCIS MCKEEVER, also from Alamogordo arrived in a Commanche.

The hosting was done by MARGE and TED BLUE, KAY BOND, LELA CARWARDINE, MERNIE WARNSMAN and IRENE FREY who supplied tables, chairs, ice tea, barbeque beef and rolls. The rest of us brought salads or desserts. And it was all so good.

Vice Chairman NORMA MC REYNOLDS presented WANDA GARSON with the spot landing trophy—having been the only 2-time winner and that trophy will be displayed in the Garson's new home in Florida. DELORIS DYVAD, who was given her 99 pin by NORMA MC REYNOLDS, won the booby prize in the spot landing contest—a can of spot remover.

The El Pasoans attending were JUANITA and TEX BURDICK, RUTH and CHARLIE DEERMAN brought BETTY ROGERS and RUBY TATMAN, DORIS SHREVE brought MARILYN PITTMAN, a prospective member, MARY FRAN and HANK SEIDL brought three of their five children, JACKY FAGIN, NORMA & MAC MC REYNOLDS, and OLMSTEDS.

Attending from Deming were RENE HIRTH and her daughters RYNDIA and CYNDRA; CONNIE and HOWARD ROSE, FRANCES SLAPE and three of her four children, RENE, RUTH and CLAY. FRANCES' 49½er, DEWEY, is in Caracas, Venezuela on business so FRANCES is carrying on the family business at home. Deming pilot, HURSELL STROUD accompanied the family to Las Cruces. From Frances we learned that our first Cessna N5001A is based in Lordsburg, New Mexico with a new owner.

"Flight Activities"; CHERI SPIER flew herself and her two sons to Fort Worth—left one there to go to college.

NEVA and HOWARD PETERS and VIVIAN and WALTER CUSHMAN had a 7 day trip to East Texas, exploring Corpus Christi, Houston, San Antonio, Austin, Waco, Ft. Worth & Dallas—flying their Ercoupes. WALTER later had a trip to Huntsville, Ala. He reported that the Oak Grove Airport, south of Ft. Worth was a most interesting place—the airport owner's col-

lection of old and acrobatic aircraft is well worth a visit.

RUTH DEERMAN attended the International Convention in New York as our delegate.

Sat., Sept. 13, RUTH DEERMAN installed the new officers for our Chapter at the installation luncheon held at the Empire Club. There were 20 members and 5 guests present. Besides our new officers, the following appointed members will be carrying on the work of our Chapter this coming year: HESTER OAKES, Membership; EMMA UDOVICH, Program; CHERI SPIER, Scrapbook & Publicity; NORMA KUDIESY, Air Marking; RUTH DEERMAN, APT; LOIS HAILLEY, Newsletter; MARGE BEARD, Amelia Earhart; SHARON DENICK, Flying Activities; EMMA UDOVICH, Mama Bird; MARY FRAN SEIDL, III Eagle; ELLEN JANE ANDERSON, Airspace Education.

Our heartiest Congratulations go to the Las Cruces and the Santa Fe-Los Alamos girls on the organization of their new chapters. The Charter presentation-luncheon was held at the LaCasa Simpatica at Radium Springs on Sunday, Sept. 14.

The Las Cruces Chapter will be known as the Chaparral Chapter. PAT JETTON, our governor, presented their Charter and gavel to KAY BOND, chairman. MRS. JIM HALLINAN will serve as vice chairman; MRS. HOWARD ROSE as treasurer, and MISS MARIANNA WARNSMAN as secretary. There are 12 charter members, of which 7 with their 49½ers were present.

RUTH DEERMAN presented the Charter and gavel to MEG GUGGOLZ, the chairman. They are to be called the Santa Fe Area Chapter. There are 9 charter members—4 from Santa Fe, 4 from Los Alamos and 1 from Albuquerque. All 9 started down to Radium Springs but 1 plane turned back due to plane trouble. There were 5 with their families there.

Guests also, included DOROTHY WARREN from Dallas, MARY FRAN and HANK SEIDL, RUTH & CHARLIE DEERMAN, EMMA & JOHN UDOVICH, NORMA & MAC MC REYNOLDS, SHARON DENICK and DELORIS DYVAD all from the El Paso Chapter.

NOEL and MARY OLMSTEAD are on a short vacation in Colo. They went via hyway instead of the skyways.

## FT. WORTH CHAPTER

Tony Page, Reporter

VERNA STUBBS (49½er, JOHNNIE) ranch strip drew PATSY HENNING (BOB 49½er) in their Bonanza; BETTY JO PARSONS (49½er JOE ED) in their Skylane, and EDNA GARDNER WHYTE with her student JEAN LEMMON, Cessna 150, September 14th, for the covered-dish-fly-in.

Weather was bumpy, cloudy, rather cool under the spreading Oak Trees on the Ranch grounds, where all sat around and hangar flew, tasted goodies and held a meeting on the very same Stage Coach stop of the early 1900's.

Some of us drove: ANITA (AL 49½er) REILLY; JEAN PRICE; YVONNE and (DR. THOMAS 49½er) TURNER; BARBARA (J. D. 49½er) MCEACHERN; MARY (GEORGE 49½er) KAHAK; CAROLYN MERRITHEW, NEW, NEW, NEW to our group; DR. DORA DOUGHERTY STROTHER (LES 49½er) and TONY PAGE.

Business of the day, new officers, for '69-'70. Elected (small RR involved): BARBARA MCEACHERN, Chairman; YVONNE TURNER, Vice Chairman; MARY KAHAK, Treasurer; ANITA RILEY, Secretary; BETTY JO, Membership; JEAN PRICE, Reporter (after this issue).

Dates of meetings, as close to the 2nd Wednesday of each month, as possible.

TID BITS: MARY KAHAK and EDNA WHYTE took their annual TAC/FAA annual instructors refresher course; EDNA bought a ranch near Denton, plans a strip; STUBBS 10 year old dog, whipped his one year old sheppard son, over a stick and BETTY JO just missed seeing JIMMY KOLP in Bombay last winter. Three members are off to Oklahoma City for the SC-Sectional meeting. All is calm on the Fort Worth scene. Happiness is being together, flying together and other peoples garage sales.

(Editor's Note: Ty for telegram. See you soon.)

## HOUSTON CHAPTER

Allie Bush, Reporter

Houston's 99's climaxed a year of achievement with their installation banquet September 12 at SONNY LOOK'S Sir Loin Inn. It was a gala affair in which the husbands were not forgotten. In a special ceremony, the husbands were presented with a certificate of the 49½er oath prenotarized by mem-

ber MABEL EDITH OLIVER. In order to fully commit them, the slightly intimidated gentlemen were requested to sign the certificate before leaving the dining room. If anyone is in doubt about where they should be placed in the home (the certificates, that is), I suggest they be hung next to the 'God Bless our Happy Home' plaque.

Installed as chairman was SALLY COX, vice chairman MAYBELLE FLETCHER, secretary ADELLE BAKER, treasurer CAROL MOORE, and corresponding secretary, BETTY FRITTS.

Five achievement awards were presented this year: First place to MARY ABLE, Second place MAYBELLE FLETCHER, Third place MARY JANE NORRIS, Fourth place ADELLE BAKER, and Fifth place JACKIE KELLY. MARY JANE was also awarded a beautiful trophy from the Petticoat Pilots for her work as chairman of that organization the past year.

The Bring 'Em Back Alive campaign being waged by the AAA this year was ably supported over the Labor Day weekend by 99's who flew as aerial traffic observers. As we looked down on crowded freeways, accidents, and traffic tieups, it sure was good to be flying.

Happy flying to Oklahoma City.

#### KANSAS CHAPTER Eleanor Knott, Reporter

Our September meeting was the installation of our new officers. The meeting was held September 12th at the Wichita Country Club for 99 members and their 49½. Installation of the new officers was at 6:30, cocktail hour at 7:00 and dinner at 8:00. It was an exceptionally delightful meeting. Good food, good drinks, beautiful surrounding and great company.

The new officers are Chairman, GARNETT HASTINGS; Vice Chairman, CHARLOTTE PARKER; Secretary, OLIVE KEMPER; Treasurer, MARTHA GILES; New Executive Board Members, ALYCE BLACKHALL, JUANITA HATTAN.

We all think that we are lucky to have these girls as officers for the coming year.

MARILYN COPELAND and PAT MCEWEN gave a two hour talk on the 99's and the Powder Puff Derby to the Aero Space Workshop class at Newton, Kansas. The Aero Space class at Newton consisted of about 25 people and they all thoroughly enjoyed the talk.

JOYCE CASE had an air show at Yukon, Oklahoma on August 24th and one at Marysville, Kansas on the 7th of September. JOYCE has been going all over the country demonstrating the aerobic Cessna 150.

HERB and ALICE DODD had a great flying vacation, they flew to ELY MINN and pick up their oldest son KENNY, from there they flew to Flint Michigan, then on to New York City where they spent time sight seeing and going to some plays. After leaving New York they flew to Washington, D. C. and spent a few days seeing all the places of interest then home to Wichita. ALICE says that after flying on the east coast you know what people mean when they say Kansas is the Clear Air Country.

EVELYN FIELDS and her husband GALEN flew to Canada this summer and visited Jasper and Banff National Parks. Later this summer they flew to Miami Beach for still another vacation. In between all this EVELYN stayed with her daughter in Hutchinson when her daughter presented them with their second grandson.

CHARLOTTE RUSSELL and her 49½ and small son took a flying trip to Alaska. They spent some time in Fairbanks, a city that CHARLOTTE liked very much, and then on to Juno. CHARLOTTE said that they were real lucky weatherwise except for the trip from Fairbanks to Juno, which was rough and murky. When they left Juno the weather was beautiful and they were able to fly back along the coast and Charlotte says that is one very beautiful sight.

MARY AIKINS gave two speeches last month, one at a Lions Club luncheon and one at a Kiwanis luncheon. MARY has been busy flying airshows her latest was at Watonga, Oklahoma on the 7th of September.

MARY JO OLIVER has received a letter asking her to serve on the Presidents Womens Advisory Committee on Aviation.

#### NEBRASKA CHAPTER Marion Larmon, Reporter

With mild weather and clear skies across the state, 14 members and 7 guests met at PAULIE PERRY'S hangar for our monthly meeting September 13, 1969. On hand to greet all arrivals besides PAULIE were DOTTIE AD- COCK, McGrew, and PEGGY STROMER, BFF. Arriving at BFF not for

the meeting, but on their way cross country, was 99 PAT DUKICK, Idaho Falls, Eastern Idaho Chapter, and husband in their Cessna 180—Duki Bird .

. . . YELLOW BELLY TETON TOPPER! A special guest was Nebraska's first licensed woman pilot, STACIA BURTON, from Alliance licensed in 1938. We were all fascinated with tales of her experiences as a test pilot for aircraft her husband constructed, as a parachute rigger and jumper and her newly acquired interest in helicopters. Stacia has also won awards in aerobatics.

Our projects chairman, JAN HEINS, told us what the committee including JUDY WESTBROOK and JEANNE GIVEN is planning . . . but details will be announced when they are more complete, so watch for an interesting development!

Air marking committee, headed by VERA BARTUNEK, completed the second air marking for the year. This report is included as a separate article—A National Forest Gets Air Marked!

More flight safety clinics sponsored by the Nebraska Department of Aviation will be held throughout the state with Nebraska 99's assisting. Tentatively they are Scottsbluff, November 18 and 19; Norfolk, January 21; Lincoln, February 17 and 18; Omaha, March 24 and 25; and Valentine, April 22.

We are happy to present a membership application to JUDY KAUFMAN, Cozad. JUDY was awarded the 99 Woman's Achievement Award this year and we are proud to have her with us.

Lunch was served at the Scottsbluff airport restaurant where our hostesses had decorated the tables with fall flowers and had made favors for each of paper airplanes (bi-wing) complete with pilot (peanut) and scarf (yarn). Each pilot who flew in was presented a goodie-box . . . they're always fun to discover. It was such a delightful way to spend a day, no wonder we traveled a total of 11,264 miles to attend and return home!

On the very next day, September 14, with good weather still with us, seven members flew to Harlan, Iowa to assist with their airport dedication and fly-in breakfast. Did you know Harlan was the very first place in the country to hold a fly-in breakfast? We guestimated more than 150 planes were accommodated. Flying from the farthest distance was MARION LARMON, MC



Nebraska 99's meet at Scottsbluff, Nebraska . . . September 13, 1969. Pictured left to right: MARY CONLEY, Nebraska City, guest; MARION LARMON, McCook; MIMI HAWORTH, Lincoln; PEGGY STROMER, Scottsbluff, holding KATY, and ERIC at side; JUDY KAUFFMAN, Cozad; EVILYN SEDIVY, Lincoln; DOTTIE ADCOCK, McGrew; MARY HEINS, Lincoln; PAULIE PERRY, Scottsbluff; JAN HEINS, Lincoln; KATHY HEINS; MILDRED BARRET, Lincoln; JEANNE GIVEN, Omaha; JEFF BRUCKNER, and MARION BRUCKNER, (almost hidden) Omaha; BETH HOUCHIN, Omaha; STACIA BURTON, Nebraska's first licensed woman pilot, Alliance; PAT WOLFE, Omaha; AGNES QUINNETT, Scottsbluff, guest; and CAROLYN CHRISTIE, McCook, guest. Missing from picture Donna Brummer, Lincoln.

K, 290 miles, next was new member DEBBY FURSTENBERG, a student at Hastings College; then MIMI HAWORTH, JAN HEINS, and EVELYN SEDIVY, all from Lincoln; and JEANNE GIVEN and BETH HOUCHIN from Omaha.

And now we are anticipating attending the fall sectional at OKC. BCNU.

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**NEBRASKA SPECIAL REPORT  
A NATIONAL FOREST GETS  
AIR MARKED**  
by Mimi Haworth

The Nebraska girls are "getting their feet wet" in air marking—and their hands—and their seats—and their hair (all in Federal Yellow)! They have completed the second marking this summer. The second project presented some peculiar problems since it was at the Nebraska National Forest at Halsey. The landing strip was 17 miles from the painting site which meant

using some ingenuity to cover that distance. VERA BARTUNEK and EVELYN SEDIVY solved the problem by landing at North Platte and driving the rest of the way. MILDRED BARRETT and MIMI HAWORTH, being the adventurous type, elected to take their chances with the good neighbor policy of mid-Nebraska and hitch-hiked. Can you just picture two gals sitting on paint cans at the side of the road by an airport drinking coffee, eating doughnuts, and "hitching" a ride? It worked, and they were on the last letter when VERA (our air marking chairman) and EVELYN arrived! VERA and EVELYN then got the job of doing the circle, arrow, and mileage. They received lots of good advice from MILLIE and MIMI who have found a comfortable spot in the shade.

It was lots of fun, and an important lesson was learned—a few people can get a lot done in a short time if they just get right on the job.

**OKLAHOMA CHAPTER**  
Deloris Pasierb, Reporter

Our September meeting held at the home of RITA EAVES was one of the best attended meetings of the year with 34 members present. This was the final meeting before the South Central Section meeting and it was delightful to have the co-operation of all the members to assist with this project.

An application blank was presented to MARGE HUDSON of Oklahoma City. Guests attending the meeting were SHARON YOUNG and BARBARA ATTEBERRY both of Oklahoma City.

Results of the election of officers revealed as officers for the coming year: MARTHA THOMASON, Chairman; ANN CATLIN, Vice-Chairman; JAN MILLION, Secretary; BEBE BARRETT, Treasurer.

The Oklahoma 99s have been invited to participate in the National Intercollegiate Flying Association meet to be held in Durant, Oklahoma October 2-5.

Several gals are going down to assist with registration, transportation and introduce some of the female participants to the Ninety-Nine Organization.

NANCY ORCUTT was hostess recently to some visiting pilots and toured them through the FAA facilities. They were most impressed with the vertigo they have no doubts about the con-simulator experiment. Needless to say, sequences of quick head movements during the flight. NANCY is planning a trip to the West coast this fall with stops in Los Angeles, Seattle and Yellowstone.

MARTHA THOMASON and ARLENE WALKUP along with their 49½ers flew to Las Vegas this month. They had much to report about that unusual town including their reunion with the Thunderbird Flying team.

Just barely making it before summer ended, NORMA WYNN and DR. NEIL flew to Miami, Fla in their Cessna and from there flew commercial to Puerto Rico, Antigua, Jamaica to mention a few places. Part of this vacation was taken on a Schooner (Windjammer) and the WYNNs highly recommended this part of the world for a relaxing temporary retreat.

Our thoughts are with SHARON JACKSON who was recently involved in an automobile accident. Word comes to us she is making an uneventful recovery and we anticipate her making the trip to Oklahoma City for the Sectional meeting.

#### OMAHA AREA CHAPTER

Georgiann Rynearson, Reporter

Time really rolls rapidly when one is busy. Hardly seems possible that a year has gone by since we received our charter, but the Omaha Area Chapter observed its first anniversary at the September meeting at the home of ROSEMARY BLOCK, with VERDAYNE MENZE as cohostess. Additional members present were INEZ STOCKER, LUCILLE ULEMAN, BETTY JARVIS, JAN BESCH, JAN CLEMENT and GEORGIANN RYNEARSON, and two 66s, LAVONNE GILBERT and Judy Kohler.

Our new officers for the coming year are actually "old" as all the former officers were re-elected—Chairman, ROSEMARY BLOCK; Vice Chairman, JAN BESCH; LUCILLE ULEMAN, Secretary-treasurer. To keep from getting into a rut, ROSEMARY shifted various committee duties. BETTY JARVIS and JAN CLEMENT will

work with the 66s and try to increase our membership. EDNA FERRELL will be in charge of aero-space education; BARBARA KREJCI, ways and means; JOEY KUBESCH, scrapbook; JANICE KNEIFL, flying activities; VERDAYNE MENZE, publicity; SUE RYAN, Amelia Earhart scholarship; GEORGIANN RYNEARSON, newsletter; INEZ STOCKER, air marking. A flexible program was set up for the coming year and it sounds like much fun and flying will be added to our business.

The Poker Party planned for October 12 we hope will provide all three, so come one, come all for some fun, fly-in' and a reward to four fortunate pilots. If you are lucky at cards and can land on the spot, this will be for you.

We are sorry to lose two of our members. Since ANN PRINGLE'S husband, MAJ. ANDY PRINGLE, has been transferred back to Westover Air Force Base in Massachusetts, we have lost ANN, but we know she will be an asset to the chapter there YVONNE HAMILTON has moved to Fargo, North Dakota, where her husband, DR. CLIF HAMILTON, has set up a practice. AS there is no chapter there, we are hoping that YVONNE might fly down to some of our meetings. She has convinced husband CLIF that flying is great and he is now working on his private pilot's license.

We are proud of ANN PRINGLE, who added another rating to her list, that of instrument instructor. From what we midwesterners hear of flying conditions on the east coast, Ann will have no trouble getting students.

JAN BESCH and husband, KEITH, both of whom are C.F.Is, spend some time each month in Hebron, instructing. They also made a flying business, pleasure trip to Chicago last month. Labor Day week-end saw VERDAYNE and DICK MENZE winging their way to and from Laredo, Texas, to visit their Air Force son and family, and INEZ and HERB STOCKER making their annual visit to the Ottumwa Antique Air Show. LAVONNE GILBERT attended the Rockford, Illinois Air Show. JAN and ROGER CLEMENT flew to Colorado Springs last month for a vacation, and ROSEMARY and MAX BLOCK did their flying in the opposite direction—to Worthington, Minnesota.

The highlights for September are the Fall Sectionals. VERDAYNE MENZE

is an ambitious one, planning to attend both the North Central Sectional at Lake Okeboji in Iowa, and our South Central meeting the following week. Five of us plan to get to Oklahoma City so we'll see you all there.

#### PIKES PEAK CHAPTER

Marion Hein, Reporter

A long spiral climb up Ute Pass brought members of the Pikes Peak Chapter to an altitude of 8,000 ft. and the mountain home of MARION HEIN, on the north slope of Pikes Peak, for the August meeting. We all enjoyed hearing about the Powder Puff Derby from our contestants, LUCY SHATTUCK and PAULINE MEIGHEN. BILLIE JUNE ARBUTHNOT flew in for the meeting with one of her students from Springfield, Colorado. JANIE OESCH has scheduled a tour of the Air Force Academy followed by a luncheon at the Falcon Grill on September 22nd. The Colorado and Spanish Peaks Chapters have been invited.

September 5th we mixed business with pleasure and invited our 49½ers to the meeting at the home of LUCY SHATTUCK, followed by a most enjoyable social hour. Election of new officers was held and the new slate for the coming year is as follows: Chairman, LUCY SHATTUCK; Vice Chairman, RHEA ALLISON; Secretary, LINDA WATSON; Treasurer, MARIAN GABRISH. LUCY appointed DOROTHY MEYERS as Membership Chairman and MARION HEIN as Public Relations Officer; JANIE OESCH, Reporter.

We have an air marking project at Limon, Colorado, in eastern Colorado, on October 4th—hope we will have good weather! The 49½ers have promised their help on this much needed project.

Our chapter is looking forward to a good year coming up and are happy to announce that we have increased our membership 70% so far this year.

#### SHREVEPORT CHAPTER

Patricia Gustine, Reporter

The Shreveport Chapter has really "made the news" lately. We were featured as a chapter, in a news story by a local T.V. station and individual members have been featured in newspaper stories.

Our August meeting was a luncheon at which our newest member TAVIE COLVIN, a senior at Louisiana Polytechnic Institute in Ruston, Louisiana

and a private pilot, was introduced to the membership. After the luncheon, a local T.V. station sent a camera crew to the Downtown Airport to film all of the members who own their own planes taxiing out to take off. SARAH HENLEY, our out-going president was filmed in the CAP's T-34. JERE SAUR, our in-coming president (who has just passed her commercial written exam), was shown pinning the past president's pin on SARAH. One of the news reporters was given a short joy ride. We felt very proud to be representing our city and all 99s in commemorating National Air Week.

Our members featured in news stories were HELEN HEWITT, HELEN WRAY, and JACQUELINE SMITH.

HELEN HEWITT, a student of aerobatic flying was pictured with C. M. "BUD" PORTS, her instructor and 49½er of DOTTIE PORTS. HELEN, who is both a flight and ground instructor, was voted as our outstanding member in promoting aviation in the community and will be featured in Who's Who of South Central Section at the Fall Sectional.

HELEN WRAY, who is flight and ground instructor at Louisiana Polytechnic Institute's department of professional aviation at Barksdale Air Force Base, was also featured in a news story. This aviation program at La. Tech has become so popular that it is growing by leaps and bounds. Started on a trial basis, the program has been extended for the next three years and gives every appearance of being a permanent program. Helen says that of all her students her prize student was 49½er CHARLES who has recently received his CFI rating.

JACQUE SMITH is the first woman to earn a degree in aviation at Louisiana Polytechnic in Ruston, Louisiana. She is 21 years old, so short (5 Ft.) that she sits on a cushion to see out, and is already a good flight instructor.

Our whole chapter is proud of and congratulates those members who "made the news".

We have more ratings to report—that rarity of ratings in our part of the country—a seaplane rating was earned by JENNY MCWILLIAMS and 49½er DON. They both got their ratings this past month down in Florida.

Rumors are being circulated that a seaplane base may be opened on Toledo Bend Reservoir, a huge new man-made lake recently opened in our area. I, for one, find the idea of getting a seaplane rating most intriguing and

give heartiest congratulations to Jenny and Don.

SARA and GENE CALDWELL are the proud parents of a brand new son, RALPH EDWARD, who was born on September 6th. This is their SECOND SON and we feel sure both boys will someday become pilots as both Sara and Gene enjoy flying so much.

DOTTIE AND 49½er BUD PORTS were off to the Cleveland Air Races, in fact, they flew into town only to change suitcases before leaving for the races.

As this chapter's brand new reporter I feel proud to have had so much good news to announce about our group.

#### SOUTH LOUISIANA CHAPTER

Shirley Bernhardt, Reporter

We have elected new officers for the '69-70 year and everyone seems full of ideas and anxious to "do". Our new chairman, PAT WARD, is more so than ever since she's just spent six weeks recuperating from major surgery in July. She's had lots of time to think and plan.

Our vice-chairman is SHIRLEY BERNHARDT (yours truly) and I am looking forward to a very active year. I spent the month of July in Frederick, Maryland where I had my first soaring flight. What a great sport! I can't wait to go back for more.

Our secretary, CAL MEREDITH, has a Skyhawk that has trouble finding its way anywhere other than to Crowley. But we have found that plane and pilot are more than willing to try and we lucky gals in the Houma area give both every possible opportunity. In August, Cal flew BEVERLY TITZER and SHIRLEY BERNHARDT to the grand opening of BERRY BROTHERS Aviation in Patterson, La. where she came away with the door prize; a VHF radio.

JANE KIMBALL, our new treasurer,

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flew to Rockford, Illinois in Aug. with husband, JIM, in their Tri-pacer to the EAA fly-in. They viewed hundreds of home-builts and had a great time.

GINNY and LANKY SMITH are leaving for a tour of Europe on October 19. They will return the second week of November with a stop-over in New York to see some shows.

DEE and BILL COMEAUX are leaving November 1st for three weeks in Europe. They have just returned from a 6,000 mile trip to the West Coast and Mexico.

JAN PHILLIPS is currently in Illinois on a vacation trip.

MARGARET RUTH and LORNA WHITNEY spent the event of Sept. 4 with weathered-in 99s from El Paso, Texas; WANDA GARSON and FRAN SEIDL. They were invited along to a surprise baby shower for 99 Lorna who is expecting this month.

BEVERLY TITZER reports she is enjoying having her "wings" again after such a long time. She is with KCLL radio and is our new public relations gal.

In June we airmarked the Eunice. Many went away with aching backs and sunburns but it was great fun. Later in June we flew 2 cents a pound ride at A&M Flying Service's grand opening in Baton Rouge.

In August we had a rummage sale in Lafayette. Fifteen girls showed up to help out. Our September meeting included an informal lunch at the home of Cal Meredith. The new officers took over the meeting and our three past chairmen, PAT WARD, DEE COMEAUX, and MARGARET RUTH, each were presented with a gavel charm engraved with the appropriate dates.

This reporter recently flew with an FAA inspector as a representative for our local approved flight school. Everything went well but I must confess to a nagging "what if ----" type of feeling during preflight.

Our chapter is turning out "en masse" for the sectional this month. OKC, here we come!

#### TIP OF TEXAS CHAPTER

Catharina Biehn, Reporter

IRENE YOUNG, from Harlingen, and MARIAN BURKE (San Antonio Chapter) decided at the last moment to race in AWTAR and came in 7th. We saw IRENE at our last meeting, Aug. 1, and she told us she had a very nice flight and the tea at the White House was very wonderful. TIBBIE

ADAMS rode up with her for our meeting in Corpus. We had lunch at Cottons Bar B Q.

ELOISE NASH, her husband, and son went to the U.S. National Soaring Contest from June 24 to July 3rd. They lent their sailplane to a New Zealand pilot and ELOISE and her son crewed for him at Marfa, Texas.

ARDATH MCCREERY and family are flying to Idaho for the month of August on vacation. MERLE DUNNAM, along with 40 other friends, had a bus trip through Washington, Oregon, and California for 3 weeks. LOUISE CLARKSON and husband are in Europe of business and vacation. BOBBY BAKER (our member at large) is enjoying her new home on Prince Edward Island.

ELAINE NEEDHAM, now teaching school in Ojai, California has been on an extended camping trip. MACE WISS and husband flew their twin engine plane to Alaska. They liked it so well up there, they decided to move to Shelton, Wash., so they can be closer to Alaska, which they are planning to see a lot of.

Our sympathy to MERLE DUNNAM on the sudden death of her husband.

#### WICHITA FALLS CHAPTER Nan Park, Reporter

The Wichita Club was the scene of our lovely installation luncheon on Saturday, August 23, 1969 with LOU ELLEN FOSTER hostess, RUTH RENTON, Chairman conducted a very witty ceremony installing: LOU ELLEN FOSTER, Chairman; VIRGINIA HOLMES, Vice Chairman; NAN PARK, Secretary; MARILYN O'NEIL, Treasurer.

Fund raising is a necessary evil of any organization and we are all excited with the unique bazaar we have chosen. BAZAAR INTERNATIONAL, to be held on Saturday November 1, 1969 in the home of MARILYN O'NEIL, 3309 Robin Lane, WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS, IS A GIGANTIC OFFERING OF MERCHANDISE INDIVIDUALLY SELECTED ALL OVER THE WORLD BY TRAVELING MEMBERS OF OUR CHAPTER. THE COLLECTION INCLUDES BRASS, FABRIC, WEARING APPEARAL, DECORATOR ITEMS TO NAME A FEW, RANGING IN PRICE FROM A FEW DOLLARS TO SEVERAL HUNDRED. Many import shops



Left to Right: Mrs. Jake Holmes, Mrs. Pat O'Neil, Mrs. Richard B. Gantt and Mrs. Jimmie Kolp. The Wichita Falls Chapter presented a skit at 3631st Pilot Training Squadron, wives club, Sheppard Air Force Base. It depicted humorously the fashions and progress made by women pilots. It also was a sneak preview for the Bazaar International to be held Nov. 1, 1969. See Wichita Falls Chapter report for details.

would be envious of the items we have secured for BAZAAR INTERNATIONAL. We hope you will join us 3:00-8:00 P.M. November 1, 1969 to make our first BAZAAR INTERNATIONAL profitable and memorable. Transportation to and from Airports will be furnished and we would be pleased to have you

as our house guests if a Flying Weekend to Wichita Falls could be in your agenda.

Our September 12, 1969 meeting was in the home of MARILYN and PAT O'NEILL, 3309 Robin Lane, Wichita Falls, Texas. A busy business meeting and an enjoyable evening was

shared by fifteen members, two guests and 49½er Pat O'Neil.

JIMMIE KOLP attended the International Convention in New York City and upon her return entertained an Australian 99 with a cocktail party. Wichita Falls area pilots had a great time "Hangar Flying" with her.

RUTH RENTON has been appointed to the FAA Accident Prevention Council.

BAZAAR INTERNATIONAL, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 1969, 3:00-8:00 P.M., 3309 ROBIN LANE, WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS.

### TOP OF TEXAS CHAPTER

Jane Moore, Reporter

Our September business meeting was held at the Ingram Flying Service at Dalhart. PAT POWELL made all the arrangements for the meeting and the luncheon. POLLY SORELLE and JEAN BAKER flew in from Dumas, BILLIE HOLMES and CARMEN LEWIS from Borger, ANN MENTZER and JANE MOORE from Amarillo. Four guests and prospective members, HALEY JEAN STANFIELD, MAYOE RIDLEY, HILDRED DENNEY and SUE VESTAL flew in from Guymon.

MR. OTIS SMITH, the Safety Expert of GADO in Lubbock, presented our program. MR. SMITH is one of the FAA good guys with the gold coat and white hat.

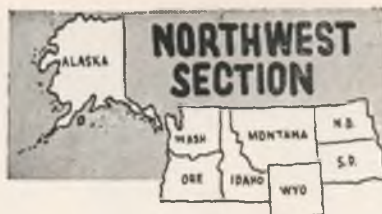
Our new officers are: Chairman, PAT POWELL; Vice Chairman, HARVEY JOHNSON, Secretary and News Letter Reporter, JANE MOORE; Treasurer, POLLY SORELLE; Membership Chairman, BILLIE HOLMES.

BILLE HOLMES son KEVIN, AGE 14, is in the Boy Scouts and working on his "God & Country" award and has just earned his Aviation Badge.

ANN MENTZER sure stays busy, she is now planning to go to Pueblo, Colorado to teach at the AOPA Clinic September 17th-19th.

PAT POWELL has bought a new home in Dalhart and is in the process of fixing it all up. She wouldn't even give us a preview showing. She says wait.

JEAN BAKER moved to Dumas from Plainview in February. Her plane is still hangered in Plainview. She says this certainly curtails flying and has high hopes of getting herself and the plane at the same place before long.



### ALASKA CHAPTER

Catherine Kippenhan, Reporter

If EDITOR HAZEL could allow this reporter an entire issue of news, it still would not be sufficient room for all Alaska news this month. (Since Alaska is the largest state in the union, don't you think we should be entitled to at least twice as much space in the Newsletter?) HAZEL has problems enough without adding to them—so, if I have left anything important out, please, fellow Alaskans—understand.

Chairman BLANCHE KRAGER and this reporter attended the NW Sectional in Bellingham, Wn. It was unfortunate that 1968-69 Chairman MARY GANGE was unable to attend as well. As we took off for Seattle, Sept. 9th, MARY was seen boarding a bush flight for Bethel. Sitting with ILOVENE POTTER, having dinner at the Space Needle at Seattle Center that evening, I couldn't help but think of MARY—probably sharing the inevitable ham and eggs dinner with the ubiquitous construction crews at one of the interior Alaska villages. As busy as MARY is with her career, she deserves a big Thank You for her work in the last two years on behalf of the Alaska 99s.

Convention news will be reported in full to those attending the October meeting (time and place to be announced). It is indeed a rare experience to spend six full days traveling and come home with not a single unhappy experience. The Alaska delegation of two was welcomed to Seattle by ILOVENE and her invisible red carpet. We did not take our feet from that carpet till we were back on Alaska soil. The Seattle area girls have unmatched warmth and sincerity. There is not room here to share this unforgettable experience with those of you who had to stay home. The only possible way we can truly show our gratitude to everyone who attended the Bellingham Sectional is to try to duplicate this hospitality when they all come to Alaska for the 1972 N.W. Sectional. The highlight of our trip was having the privilege of meeting International

President BEA STEADMAN. Her theme for the year, "Fun and Friendship" certainly was launched in style in Bellingham.

JANET LIVINGSTON of the Hudson Valley Chapter (New York) toured Alaska again this summer and took the time to call and say hello. JANET is an enthusiastic pilot and must be a real asset to the New York 99s. Speaking of assets, we Alaskans will gain a new member when the transfer forms are completed on LIZ FELLA-BAUM of the El Paso Chapter. Liz is an experienced private pilot who is working on her commercial in Anchorage. A warm welcome to you, LIZ, from all of us. It was good to see PAT GILDA'S friendly face at the early September meeting. PAT spent much of the summer in the South 48 and for that reason had to miss the Bellingham Sectional. Everyone at Convention asked about PAT—who has been Alaska's ambassador to these affairs for many years. BLANCHE and BILL KRAGER just got their season's moose and caribou tucked away in their freezer before BLANCHE took off for the Sectional. The food in Bellingham was outstanding, but BLANCHE'S mouth was watering for moose when she arrived home. HELEN DURHAM of the Western Washington Chapter will be in Alaska moose hunting on Kodiak Island sometime in September. We are hoping to see her in Anchorage.

VICE CHAIRMAN PAT MC GEE is organizing a Bon Voyage get together for 49½er EINAR PEDERSON (he and INGRID are still living in Stockholm) and his crew. They will take off this winter in a light twin for an attempt to fly around the world via both poles. Pat will let us know where and when—wish we could hold the party in Stockholm!

Congratulations to MARIE RICHARDSON, newly elected Governor of the Australian Section. We are proud to feel that MARIE is an unofficial honorary member of the Alaska Chapter.

CHAIRMAN BLANCHE has declared this year to be a Flying year for the arrives at the same time as the news Alaska Chapter. This pronouncement that my 125 Lyc faces a major. Anybody need a co-pilot?

Alaska girls—please repeat these words: Flying, Fun and Friendship. Let's live up to BEA STEADMAN'S expectations. To those girls in the "south" of the NW Section, remember—Alaska '72!

## COLUMBIA-CASCADE CHAPTER

Ethelyn M. Opheim, Reporter

Columbia-Cascade chapter most heartily congratulates the hostess chapters for our Northwest Sectional at Bellingham, Washington, September 12-14—Far West, Puget Sound, and enjoyable and successful Sectional! The Western Washington—for a completely Sectional was superbly organized—and with such thoughtfulness, graciousness, and care, not to mention all the fun, too! Our warmest thanks! Columbia Cascaders who attended were: Chairman JO CLARRIDGE, LUCY DRUCKED, JO-NEAL HARRIS, DR. VIRGINIA GILLILAND, MARION BUSBY, ETHELYN OPHEIM, LILLIAN LEWIS, MARCELLA OTHUS, BARBARA DAUFEL (N.W. Section Secretary), and BETTY PRAKKEN. One of the biggest thrills of the Sectional was the presence of our International President, BEA STEADMAN. How wonderful and thoughtful of BEA to come all that way to meet us and talk to us.

Skimming over our summer's chapter and individual activities:

We thoroughly enjoyed DR. GILLILAND'S ranch in June, where, after conducting business, we roasted weiners over an open fire. Chairman JO CLARRIDGE, BETTY PRAKKEN, MARION BUSBY, ETHELYN OPHEIM, JO-NEAL HARRIS, ANN BROWN and daughter WENDY, DOROTHY MERCER, and DR. "GILLY" attended.

MARCELLA OTHUS hosted our July meeting at her lovely home on "The Alameda". Guests were: MARY HAAS, JO ANN SHAFFER, and DIANA ALVEY. Members attending were: Chairman JO CLARRIDGE, MARCY WOLFARD, SALLY STUDDARD, VIRGINIA GILLILAND, JO-NEAL HARRIS, KATHY SMITH, FRANCES CHAPPEL, ETHELYN OPHEIM, BARBARA DAUFEL, ANN BROWN, LEA PARK, MARCELLA OTHUS, BETTY PRAKKEN, LILLIAN LEWIS, MARION BUSBY and DOROTHY MERCER. From MARCELLA'S house, we converged upon a Chinese restaurant for dinner.

DOROTHY MERCER invited us to her charming home overlooking the Columbia River for our August meeting. We sat in her yard, trying to conduct business in the distracting sunshine and scenery. By unanimous ballot, the present slate of officers, with the exception of SALLY STUDDARD, Treasurer (at her request), were re-elected for 1969-70. Officers for 1969-70 are: Chairman, JO (MRS.

GLENN) CLARRIDGE; Vice Chairman, LILLIAN LEWIS; Treasurer, LEA PARK; Secretary, DOROTHY MERCER.

Entrants in the Petticoat Derby from Columbia Cascade Chapter were: LILLIAN LEWIS, who copiloted for SUE SMITH (they won 1st place); MARION BUSBY, copiloted for FRIEDA BUNTING from The Dalles, Oregon (they won the spot landing contest); and SALLY STUDDARD and DOROTHY MERCER who flew SALLY'S Bellanca in the Commercial Division.

JO-NEAL HARRIS and 49½er, DR. HOMER, are owners of a marvelously equipped, brand-new Cessna 182. JO-NEAL and her family have been putting miles on it—just returned from a trip to Los Angeles.

LEE WRENN has announced her affiliation with a realty firm, and we wish her all success.

DOROTHY MERCER soloed in a genuine Oldtimer biplane—goggles, helmet and all! ETHELYN OPHEIM and MARION BUSBY have been getting some time in a Hughes 300 helicopter.

## EASTERN IDAHO CHAPTER

Diane Jex, Reporter

One sunny afternoon last June, BEVERLY LEDBETTER stopped at DIANE JEX'S house to get acquainted. BEV is a Ninety-Nine from Havre, Montana. After a somewhat hectic move from Montana, the LEDBETTER family are new friends and neighbors of the GLEN JEX family. Moving always presents its headaches, but the LEDBETTERS had some unexpected ones. However, life is more peaceful now, and BEV and DIANE find they can smile when they discuss these moving events. A. J. LEDBETTER is flying for the local flying service here and the two Ledbetter children are settled in high school. BEV is a lovely person and it's great, just great to have another flying friend.

VIRGINIA FINKELNBURG spent three weeks at Havre, Montana attending a summer workshop. She will resume her teaching duties again in September.

DARLENE and BOB SCHIERS just returned from a flight that took them to Boise and Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, on to Missoula, Anaconda and Livingston, Montana. Then over Yellowstone National Park to Jackson, Wyoming and back to Pocatello. They visited with friends and relatives along the way.

LOIS and DICK BAUER flew to Las

Vegas for a week-end and then went camping in Idaho with their family.

PAT CHASE is beaming with pride lately. Her son recently received his Commercial License. Just 18, he is the youngest Commercial pilot in the state of Idaho.

ONITA HOFF has had MR. and MRS. MAX CONRAD among her list of summer guests.

ELAINE and CLARK PARTRIDGE have been busy moving their business to another location in Pocatello.

PAT and MICKEY DUKICH have a lovely new trailer home and left on a flying trip to the East, last week. They will be gone two weeks.

Eastern Idaho Chapter is planning a fly-in to Ogden, Utah on September 20. More about that next month.

Fall days are here and in Idaho that usually means warm, calm days, cool nights and good flying weather. Happy flying!

## EASTERN WASHINGTON CHAPTER

Mary Jane Becker, Reporter

CONGRATULATIONS in great big letters to MILLIE SHINN on being re-elected Governor and to her "crew" and best of luck to each and everyone of the hard-working gals. Our August meeting was held at the Town and Country Restaurant in Spokane with ALBERTA, TERRIE, MINNIE, LEONA, FERN and MILLIE attending, along with FERN'S guest. The new section officers were elected. Congratulations to ALBERTA ANDERSON, president, IRENE ANRODE, vice-president, LEONA HEBERLING, secretary, TERRIE BECKER, treasurer, FERN LAKE, Membership and IRENE ANRODE, reporter. ALBERTA and IRENE flew to Bellingham in IRENE'S Commanche and MINNIE flew over solo in her Arrow and then went Island hopping with MILLIE on the way home through the San Juans flying into Roche Harbour, Blakely, Orcess and Friday islands. They RON'd on Blakeley Island and had dinner with 99'er BONNIE HANSEN. All the girls enjoyed visiting with JEAN CAROON and her 49½er, PETE, during the sectional socials, who had come down from VanCouver, British Columbia. Our Northwest Section felt honored at having our International President, BEA STEADMAN attend.

ROD and ALBERTA had flown up to Jasper Park Lodge in Canada for a week while LEONA and BOB were having a great time checking out their new Cessna. GINI RICHARDSON is

making a nice recovery in her home after having surgery. Hurry and get well GINI, we miss you. MYRA HETTINGER has a new permanent address in Santa Ana, California . . . it is 1671 Indus Street, Santa Ana, California 92707, where she is practising pharmacy. IRENE ANRODE is instructing for the Sky Roamers Flying Club at Felt's Field and FERN LAKE is instructing at Hayden Lake and has moved into her new home. LYGIE and CORNIE flew to Colorado Springs after returning from Mexico City. MINNIE will be flying her Arrow across the Cascades to the West Coast for the Flying Farmer Convention later this month. TERRIE BECKER flew to Stanford having started to work on her Multi-engine rating in a Beech Barron.

Those of us, who could not attend the sectional enjoyed hearing about the wonderful time all the girls had and do send our thanks to the Bellingham chapter and all the girls.

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#### **FAR WEST CHAPTER** **Elene Duncan, Reporter**

The members of the Far West, Puget Sound and Western Washington chapters were pleased and elated with the attendance of 75 members at the Northwest Sectional in Bellingham in spite of low ceilings and poor visibility. Some members flew commercially, others via private plane and many by auto or a combination of both modes of transportation. It was a pleasure to have as our special guest, International President, BEA STEADMAN of Ann Arbor, Michigan who spoke to us about future plans of the Ninety Nines, Inc. including the establishment of a museum in Oklahoma City showing contributions of women pilots to the field of aviation. Governor MILLIE SHINN, husband SHIRL and their daughter who attends the University of British Columbia drove over from Spokane. SHIRL enjoyed several days of sailing in Puget Sound with friends from Montana while Millie presided at various meetings. CATHY KIPENHAN and BLANCHE KRAGER, representing the Alaska chapter, flew to Seattle where they were entertained by some of the Western Washington members before attending the Sectional.

At the Thursday evening buffet dinner, MARY HILLAIRE of the Lummi Indian tribe, displayed her wood carvings and spoke on the differences between the Indian philosophy and that of

their white neighbors. In keeping with the Indian theme, wood carvings and artifacts by Morrie Alexander were displayed in the lobby of the Leopold Hotel. The Lummi Indian Red Wing Dancers entertained us at the luncheon with tribal dances performed by members of the Sam Cagey family. One of the Stomish Festival princesses was present in tribal dress. The Western Washington chapter decorated the tables for the luncheon with attractive totem poles and silk screened place cards with an Indian design. The luncheon speaker, MR. TOM GLENN, gave an interesting and thought provoking talk on "The Individual's Mental Health as a Pilot" including the problems of air pollution, overpopulation and how it affects individuals and suggested that we take time out for activities such as flying which estranges us temporarily from the pressing problems that confront us on the ground. Door prizes were presented to all members attending the luncheon.

Members of the Far West Chapter were hostesses for the banquet and small fir trees were used for table centerpieces with small Indian dolls for favors. The focal point was the very large totem designed and constructed by Mary Kochanek which appeared to be a part of the decor as it graced a pair of wall hangings with hand made large panel behind the head table. Two Indian designs hung on either side of the totem and Mary generously contributed one pair as a door prize. PAUL MITCHELL of Emco Helicopters was master of ceremonies and special guests were MAYOR and MRS. REGINAL WILLIAMS and MRS. THELMA BURLEIGH JOHNSTON who is a charter member of the Ninety Nines and presently resides in Arlington, Washington. LT. COMMANDER JOSEPH ENTRIKIN spoke on "Operation Deep Freeze" and gave an entertaining and informative account of his experiences as the first pilot to actually fly to Antarctica from a land base with a group of scientists for a study in connection with the International Geophysical year. He mentioned that two days after leaving Antarctica, the entire airfield broke off and floated out to sea.

Two charters were presented to new chapters, Mt. Tahoma and Greater Seattle chapters. CHARLOTTE KAMM received the achievement award pre-

sented each year to a member in good standing based on a point system and previously won by IRENE ANRODE of Eastern Washington chapter.

On behalf of the Far West Chapter, I would like to express our sincere appreciation and thanks to all of the members of the Puget Sound and Western Washington chapters who so generously assisted us with the Sectional and helped to make it such a successful meeting. A special thanks to cochairman MARGARET LAYON, VAN ADDERSON and LYNNE MAHLBERG who did a very excellent job of planning in advance to make it possible for everything to run smoothly. To BARBARA LA RUE, president of the Far West Chapter, who coordinated all the activities and Mary Kochanek for her artistic posters and designs, JO BURKHART for handling the publicity and TOMMI BRINSON, ILOVENE POTTER and CHARLOTTE KAMM for arranging transportation, to MARGARET AMES for manning the hospitality room and the Puget Sound Chapter for hosting the breakfast. MR. BILL DENT of Gardiner, Washington sponsored the take-off breakfast and we know he would appreciate a note of thanks from those who attended. We hope everyone had a wonderful time and will look forward to the Sectional in Idaho next fall.

We were very sorry to hear that GINI RICHARDSON was ill and unable to attend the meeting and know that everyone missed her.

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

The Greater Seattle Chapter of the Ninety-Nines—has a nice ring to it don't you think. We are proud of our fledgling chapter and hope you will be hearing great things from us in the future. We are fifteen members strong, all previous members of the Western Washington Chapter. We have varying amounts of flying experience from some fairly new private licenses to an ATR. In order to use our flying skills regularly, and have a lot of fun too, we will be having fly-in meetings every month. Here in the "grey northwest" that may be easier said than done, but we're going to give it a try. Since our unofficial organization in April 1969, we have flown to Kelso, Wash., Victoria, British Columbia, and Troutdale, Oregon.

By way of introduction to the other chapters, this reporter plans to include an interesting member in every issue.

**GET APT!**

The logical one for this issue is the gal who has put a tremendous amount of time and effort into organizing this new chapter. She is our chairman, CHARLOTTE KAMM. Charlotte has been flying for six years. She learned to fly here in greater Seattle at Renton field. Her husband ART is a long time and very active pilot. Her two sons are learning to fly, so here is an aviation-minded family.

CHARLOTTE joined the Western Washington Chapter of the Ninety-Nines in 1966. She served as treasurer of that group. In 1968 she flew in the Petticoat Derby and won it the first time out! Her co-pilot on that flight was another of our members, BERTHA McMILLAN. This year, by the way, eight of our members flew in the Petticoat Derby; ILOVENE POTTER, IONA FUNK, JOY ANDREASEN, THORA MORGAN, BETTY KRAMER, HELEN DURHAM, BERTHA McMILLAN, and CHARLOTTE KAMM. CHARLOTTE and ART own a Comanche which she used to get her Commercial license last March. With her ideas and leadership, the coming year promises to be exciting indeed.

We hope to be an active group and to start things off right fourteen of our fifteen members are planning to attend the Northwest Section meeting in Bellingham, Wash., September 12 and 13 when we will receive our chapter charter. With participation like that we can't go wrong.

#### IDAHO CHAPTER

Eula Logsdon, Reporter

Idaho Chapter's new Chairman, GENE NORA JESSEN, held an organizational meeting of the Executive Committee in her home in order to plan our activities for the coming year, and to appoint additional Committee Chairmen.

New committee chairmen not reported previously included Scrapbook, HELEN HIGBY; Hospitality, FRAN BROWN; Nominating, EULA LOGSDON, JACQUE BATT and VELDA BELL; and APT, GENE NORA JESSEN.

The first activity of the year will be a work party with Idaho Department of Aeronautics group on the runway at Cascade Reservoir. The 99's are to serve lunch. This is scheduled for the weekend of September 20th and 21st.

JACQUE BATT, VELDA BELL, LUCILLE TAYLOR, FRAN BROWN,

MONDY STOKER and GENE NORA JESSEN gathered at the airport for luncheon the first part of the month with ROCHELLE JENSEN, a former member of our chapter who now lives in the San Fernando Valley.

LYN CLARK has her advanced ground instructor rating. Congratulations! JACQUE BATT'S son is now a Private Pilot in the family Comanche and is off to Oberlin College. LUCILLE TAYLOR dusted the cobwebs off her plane and tried her wings lately. Your reporter took a short trip through Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Parks. Never saw the Tetons so beautiful!

Latest reports are that our Charter Member and first Chairman, BARBARA HORNBACK is back in the hospital. We all express our best wishes and prayers for her. It was just 15 years ago that BARBARA sparked the beginning of the Idaho Chapter and without her push and enthusiasm for the first few years we might not have survived.

We are happy to report that BETTY HUBLER of Caldwell has rejoined our ranks.

Our two Chairmen attended the Northwest Sectional Meeting in Bellingham, Washington, September 11th to 14th. Our outgoing Chairman, HILDA ELLIOTT, and our incoming Chairman, GENE NORA JESSEN, represented the Idaho Chapter.

#### OREGON CHAPTER

Charlotte Dodson, Reporter

We are pleased to announce our officers for 1969-1970. PAULA OCCHIUTO, Chairman; DOROTHY PARKIN, Vice Chairman; and SUE SMITH, Secretary-Treasurer. We look forward to a busy and interesting year.

The Oregon Petticoat Derby is now past history but it is far from forgotten. July 19, 1969 dawned bright and clear, the weather man smiled down upon us. Eighteen planes with thirty three staunch 99's as pilots and co-pilots came to the Salem, Oregon Airport to take part. There were entries from every Chapter in Washington, and Oregon as well as Esther Grupenhagen and Elizabeth Shattuck from the Orange County California Chapter. The Petticoat Derby is not a speed race but a Fun in Flight safety, navigation contest. The route was planned with the help of three very dedicated men, SAN YATES, chief of the Portland FSS, RALPH McGINNIS, assistant

Director of the Oregon State Board of Aeronautics and DON WANNA-MAKER of American Federal Insurance Co. These men worked many hours above and beyond the call of duty with Paula Occhiuto, 1969 Petticoat Derby chairman and myself to plan a safe and what we hoped was an interesting contest. They not only helped plan they served as judges, taxi service, speakers and every other way they saw fit. The route in latitudes and longitudes for the Airports designated as stops or flyovers—in verse form yet—was given to the Pilots the morning of the Derby. They were to figure their E.T.E.'s between each leg as well as magnetic course and a few other items. Each pilot was given a question sheet to test their pilotage enroute. We didn't want them to get bored. Oh, yes, there were a couple of spot landings along the way. The final step, to make sure there were no ties, SAN YATES conjured up a little quiz to be given at the finish. From all reports the gals were kept busy and were far from bored.

Winners were: Private Pilot first place, SUE SMITH, Beaverton, Oregon with LILLIAN LEWIS, Portland as her co-pilot. They flew a Piper Cherokee.

Commercial Pilot first place IRENE ANRODE, pilot and MARGE FRAZIER, co-pilot of Spokane, Washington flying a Piper PA24.

Second place honors went to BARBARA LARUE, Port Angeles, Washington flying solo in a Tri Pacer. She carried home the Private Pilots second place award. Commercial second place was taken by BETTY GLINES, Coos Bay, Ore. with EVELYN MORELAND, Reedsport, Oregon as her co-pilot in a Cherokee PA28. There were numerous leg prizes.

The help we received from 99's and non 99's along the way at each stop and fly over was tremendous. We are now looking forward to our 1970 Petticoat Derby. Elimination of some errors and applying what we learned it is hoped you will all come back and bring a friend next year.

PAULA OCCHIUTO, LILLIAN BILINGS and I attended the Northwest Section meeting in Bellingham September 12-13. Our hats are off to the Far West, Western Washington and Puget Sound Chapters for a well run convention. By the attendance increase it shows that the 99's realize

the value of these Section meetings. You not only meet old friends and make new ones you learn what is happening in other chapters as well as at International level. You come back to your members with many new ideas. We were honored to have our new International President BEA STEADMAN present. This in itself tends to bring International closer to the Chapters.

The Oregon Chapter wishes to congratulate the incoming International officers for their dedication and many hours of labor put forth in our behalf.

**WESTERN WASHINGTON**  
Priscilla Cook, Reporter

The Seattle Flight Museum at the Seattle Center has been manned every Wednesday by various members. IONA FUNK was in charge during May and June. JAY LAWRENCE was in charge during July and August. The following gave of their time: VAN ADDERSON, JOY ANDREASEN, PRISCILLA COOK, DOROTHY DAUB, IONA FUNK, JOYCE HARDING, DELLA KOSS, JAY LAWRENCE, BERTHA McMILLAN, THORA MORGAN, SANDY SULLIVAN, MARY EDMARK, HELEN GIVENS, BETTY McCULLOUGH, MARION MORTON, JAYNE-ALICE PIKENEN, MARION BARRITT, THEDA BRENTSON, GINNY ANDREWS, BETTY KRAMER, KAY STERNS, IMOGENE CHAMBERLAIN. Special thanks to JOYCE HARDING, HELEN GIVENS, MARION MORTON, VAN ADDERSON, BERTHA McMILLAN who were on call and gave extra effort. We also appreciate the efforts of MAXINE BLUMER, LEILANI JACKSON, BEVERLY CURTIS and BETTY PORTNOY of the Mt. Tahoma Chapter.

TERRY KELLOGG and ILOVENE POTTER flew in Ilovene's beautiful twin Comanche to Yakima, Washington to visit GINI RICHARDSON who had just returned home following serious major surgery. Both TERRY and ILOVENE thought GINI looked very well and showed her usual amount of courage but urge all her friends to drop her a line. She would love to hear from all of you.

New officers for the coming year are: JAY LAWRENCE, chairman; DELLA KOSS, vice-chairman; THEDA BRENTSON, secretary; JOAN DAVIS, treasurer.

A luncheon at the home of PRIS-

CILLA COOK with IONA FUNK, JOYCE HARDING, JAY LAWRENCE, DOROTHY DAUB and GINNY ANDREYS attending honored BLANCHE KRAGER and CATHY KIPPENHAN of the Alaska Chapter who were down for the Sectional.

The Sectional convention at Bellingham, Washington was attended by many of our members. We wish to thank all of those who worked so hard to make it such a great success.



**LAST FLIGHT**  
**BETH WRIGHT**  
**AUGUST 22, 1969**

**ALOHA CHAPTER**  
Dorothy Read, Reporter

Aloha. By the time you read this, we will have had our third fly-in. This should be the most exciting one yet—with an overnight stay at Hana, Maui. SANDY LeDREW has been working hard arranging this. JANE KELLEY flew the Arrow down to Hana with SANDY, MARGUERITE WOOD and IRENE ROGERS for a day of checking into recreational facilities and overnight accommodations. The report they brought back should encourage a good turn-out.

Our studious members are working for some impressive ratings. PAT DAVIS, DOROTHY KELSEY and IRENE ROGERS should be instrument pilots soon; IRENE just passed her written, and DOROTHY and PAT are preparing for check rides. BETTY MILLER is working for her ATR. She just took the written exam but no word yet on results.

MURIEL and WALLY LELAND should be congratulated for their fine work at the recent CAP encampment; WALLY instructs and MURIEL cooks and many youngsters learn to fly. A worthwhile summer project, and the hard-working volunteers deserve praise.

MARY KING, with 49½ LEN, is visiting LEN'S family in England.

We enjoyed a visit from LORETTA GABRIELSON of Bay Cities chapter at our last meeting. This is the second time LORETTA has come. We hope to see more of you at our meetings. When in Hawaii, give us a call. The first Friday of every month is when we meet.

DOROTHY KELSEY recently flew NORMA BELLE-ISLE, PAT and BUD DAVIS, and PAT'S daughter and son-in-law to Hawaii Island where they enjoyed the incredible buffet dinner at the Mauna Kea Beach Hotel. The Apache had to strain to get all those extra calories air-borne. (The research going into our guidebook requires many such self-sacrificing field trips by Aloha Chapter members.)

The traffic controllers at Honolulu International Airport are laughing at a recent female flyer's conversation with the tower as follows: (First, Pearl City is the point where one must contact HNL tower to enter pattern.) One busy afternoon the controller became aware of an incomplete transmission—incomplete in that it was being interrupted by others calling the tower. All the tower could get was a female voice saying "Pearl City . . ." Finally the controller asked who was calling from Pearl City.

Female voice: Janet.

Pause, presumably for some unprofessional laughter.

HNL: What is your number?

Female voice: 949-3565.

(I later got the story from her instructor, who was with JANET in the plane, that she really did say "JANET" but did not give her phone number. However, the story has spread so far that no one will believe any other than the controller's version.)

That is all from us Islanders. Aloha.

**BAY CITIES CHAPTER**  
Kathy Marquardt, Reporter

October is Fowl month for Bay Cities . . . Fowl Dinner that is. JEAN TINSLEY will again be our gracious hostess. We'll tell you more about it next month. Meanwhile JEAN has been busy attending an "updating clinic" last month. All sorts of news from Hawaii this month. LORETTA GABRIELSON sent a postcard to announce that 49½ ER LEE has made First Officer with Pan Am. GERI HILL vacationed in Hawaii on Maui

and was there to attend Aloha Chapter's August meeting.

Congratulations to FRAN GRANT on passing her aviation medical once again. Three back operations take fortitude and patience. FRAN is now on a trip with 49½ NORM. They are taking a freighter from Vancouver to Victoria Island, and then down the coast to Oakland. While in the area she attended the Northwest Section Banquet.

MARGARET GERHARDT missed our last meeting—she was seeing daughter, LOIS, off 'o Pembroke College in Providence, R.I. The Gerhardt Chalet at Tahoe was the gathering place of many 99's over Labor Day. Soaking up the sun and fun were: FRAN and GUS GUSTAVSON (Reno Area), ANITA and JACK WOREL (Redwood Empire) GERRY MICKELSON (Sacramento Valley) and BETTY BOYD (Ex-Sacramento Valley).

RUTH JACQUOT is leaving the Naval Air Station, Alameda, where she is the only woman mechanic, after years of service. She received the Superior Accomplishment Award for outstanding work (Discrepancy free work, saving government money, instructing others, ability, and attitude) a check for \$150 accompanied the award. Her husband, LYLE, has been transferred to Stockton. A new home is being built in Lodi—due to be occupied Oct. 1st by RUTH, LYLE and the children.

CAROLINE SCHUTT and JUANDA BIGELOW started to Sedona, Arizona on a direct flight from Oakland. Approaching Friant Omni, CAROLINE decided to land for an engine check because it was not performing at its usual smooth level. Fortunate decision. While losing altitude they lost oil pressure. CAROLINE made a beautiful dead stick landing at Fresno Air Terminal. RUTH MAGILL and JOE JOE flew to Richfield, Idaho for Labor Day. This is a small dirt field in good condition. Flying over town before landing brings someone to pick you up. They also flew to Mott Field, Dismuir, Calif. and took the bus to McCloud where they rode the Huff and Puff Train up Mt. Shasta with the Aircraft Pilots of Metropolitan Oakland. The Nut Tree is ever popular and BARBARA LA POINT flew her hairdresser there for lunch. SUSAN KREN on two occasions has had friends from Detroit. One of her

guests, MARISA REALE, a non-pilot, was delighted with her afternoon flight to the Nut Tree for lunch.

HELEN KELTON spent July doing the grand tour in Europe. The weather was hot, the people interesting, the scenery beautiful and everything else lots of fun. Your reporter took 2½ year old ALLISON HARPER for her first—non jet—ride. She thought that "flying" the airplane was all right. Her mother, KAY, doesn't share her enthusiasm but would like to go again. Most of my flying this month has been around a classroom. Til next month Happy Flying.

### COACHELLA VALLEY CHAPTER

Jean Patane, Reporter

While on a recent business flight to Sacramento, SHIRLEY JUNKER and husband DICK added a pleasure trip to Eureka. Flying into and out of Eureka SHIRLEY brushed up on her Bush Piloting 800' agl. The JUNKERS fly weekly between Burbank and Palm Springs where DICK has the Aero Engineering & Mfg. Plants. SHIRLEY is official Pilot of the operation. They also flew to San Diego to participate in the San Diego Country Club Invitational Golf Tournament.

ILIA MAE CAROSELL and husband NICK fly occasionally to their ranch in Grass Valley. While there on their vacation, they flew to Elko, Nevada and visited the Wild Horse Indian Reservation. From there to Dutch John, Utah and then to Vernal, Colorado site of the World's largest Dinosaur Graveyard. Then back to Grass Valley to relax before flying back to the cool desert breezes of Palm Springs.

JEANNE SCOTT Piloted a Piper to Monterey to attend her son ROBERT'S graduation from Basic Training. He has graduated from ATC and is now in Helicopter Training at Keesler AFB in Mississippi. A recent flight took JEANNE and her husband SCOTTY to San Luis Obispo for a relaxing weekend at the Madonna Inn.

CLARA DWYER COMBS and husband LEONARD enjoyed an interesting and exciting air tour of Canada and Alaska in his 21 year old Funk. They attended a Fly-Inn in Alaska and came away with several trophies.

Early in the summer this reporter went on a tour of Spain, Portugal, Majorca and Morocco by air, coach and boat. Flying from Palma, Majorca to Valencia, over the deep blue Mediterranean, I was in the cockpit with

the pilot and co-pilot and enjoyed a most interesting conversation about flying, what else. During a long delay in take-off from Lisbon I went up in the Tower . . . a room upstairs in the Terminal. The equipment was rather meager and I was told that a new Tower was forth coming. Procedure is quite different from FAA. Tried to contact two members at large in Tangier and Lisboa without results.

GAIL GLASS and young sons CRAIG, WARD and BLAINE spent the summer in Land O' Lakes, Wisconsin at their summer home on an Island in Lake Mamie. ZADDIE BUNKER, Palm Springs Flying Great Grandmother, and former member of Coachella Valley Chapter, took her last flight August 21, just eight days before her 82nd birthday.

### EL CAJON VALLEY

Anna Christensen, Reporter

New officers for the ensuing year: Chairman: LYNN COULTHARD, Vice Chairman: ANNA CHRISTENSEN, Secretary: MARGE BROWN, Treasurer: VI CHAMBERS.

LYNN flew her first PPD this year, working on the instru ticket and doing committee work for the PPD and squeezing in map study for her first cross country trip in her 172.

TAR 56 ziggled-zaggged back to home territory (El Cajon) leaving the Convention by way of Virginia to Michigan, to Texas, Arizona.

The local El Cajon paper has featured stories on this gal—who finds time to assist on tours of the Gillespie Field operations and speak to the Lemon Grove Lyonnesses' first regular meeting, combining the review on Dental Hygiene with a summary on the PPD, Ninety-Nines and general flying.

Treas. Vi, off to Texas this month, has been flying two years, owns a 182 and is currently working on her instrument ticket.

MARGE BROWN has sat down—just long enuf since her trip to Europe this summer to be elected Secretary and not long enough for an interview.

The Airmarking Trophy was awarded ECV at the Sowest Sectional in SAC. The biggest job was the airmarking of the Naval Air Facility at El Centro, and thanks to 49½er DICK CAMPBELL (DOTTIE) for the letter in the FAA Aviation News June issue



**OFFICERS FOR THE EL CAJON VALLEY CHAPTER: Left to right . . . Lynn Coulthard, Chairman; Anna Christensen, Vice Chairman; Marge Brown, Secretary; Vi Chambers, Treasurer; Photo by Dottie Sanders.**

and the picture that appeared.

Those that flew to SAC were DOT-TIE SANDERS, LYNN COULTHARD, VI & LARRY CHAMBERS, and ROAD RUNNERS DORIS & CHUCK TAYLOR.

DORIS RITCHEY'S curriculum for the summer session of grade school teaching included the basic math and sciences, but based on flying situations. The field trip to the Gillespie Field Tower and facilities climaxed the "ground school" for over 60 youngsters.

DOTTIE CAMPBELL is combining instru study with "equi estamos amigos, orta vez" studies to increase her enjoyment and efficiency with the Flying Samaritans who fly into lower California on aiding missions.

MAC HUNINGTON, who drives stock races as a hobby is continuing in her quiet manner to aid the CAP youths in ground school study.

(ED. NOTE: I wish you wouldn't write in a foreign language as long as you have a uneducated editor.)

#### **LONG BEACH CHAPTER**

**Joan Dilley, Reporter**

We have been involved establishing our new chapter newsletter and with our 99 News editor MARY and BOB PINKNEY soaring in Europe with daughter Liza, we seem to be miss-

ing deadlines lately. So, I'll lay down my gavel and try to recap what our girls have been doing.

Welcome to the fold to DIXIE MILLIE, who holds Multi Engine and IFR ratings, as well as FLO OHL who just bought a 182 with husband ROBERT. Joining in June were BARBARA HEMMING and DOROTHY both comm. pilots. They join new member SUZANNAH WALKER, a comm. pilot who has returned to college in Wisconsin. Also we have a transfer BETTYE FRYE from Palomar chapter and is also a comm. pilot and staffer for Gan (Green Sheet).

This summer found RUTH GAY vacationing in S. D., MAE SHARP in Mont., DORIS and REX MINTER touring Texas to Canada. New bride ELE ROBERTS and 49½'er JACK left in his plane for Ohio (she had one also). KAY and LESLIE DE MOTT report vacationing in Mexico while Pert Avis zipped to Bahamas. Meanwhile DORIS and BOB LOCKNESS were fishing in the High Sierras and VICKIE GUTZWILLER was backpacking in the Mt. Whitney Area. RUTH and JOHN NITZEN put 1400 miles on their Bonanza flying to B. C. to fish at Hoopy Lake. LEE and WIN TITLE are back from Europe after flying different planes over the Alps including gliders.

CLAIRE WALTERS made her love-

ly flight school available for a most enjoyable pot luck gathering. We are so proud of our Vice Governor who has taught so many of us to fly and inspires all of us. After showing her films to almost half the S.W. chapters she has agreed to a repeat performance in Oct. at the request of our 49½'ers.

Our Sept. meeting at MARY WENHOLZ was spotlighted by JEAN SCHIFFMANS delightful account of the AWTAR as co pilot for EMMA MCGUIRE, sharing her experiences made us all wish we could have joined GENE FITZPATRICK, and daughter KAY, along with MARGARET CALLOWAY flying with ISABELLE MC CRAE. Our board member FRAN BERA paired with PHYLLIS WALKER for Fran's 19th race. JEAN had nothing but praise for all the racers and their sportsmanship and especially for EMMA who has introduced many members to racing. Congratulations to MARA and all the girls.

MILLIE KRUEGER is Reno bound for the Air Races, joining PAT and VAN NOBLE and POLLY and LOYD BELL to cheer for JUDY WAGNER who has entered the Cross Country competition. JUDY set 2 new records at Cleveland Air Races and we are looking forward to hearing more about our popular JUDY'S latest feats.

Bouquets to the UP, UP and Away Sectional at Sacramento. From Touch down to Take off, the balloon hostesses made every minute enjoyable. Starting their vacation visiting their daughter in Livermore, GEORGIA and JOHN LAMBERT in 49 Y landed in SAC followed closely by MARY WENHOLZ and LEE TITLE in Mary's "Plane Mary" Skylane, to find they were followed by JOAN and MILAN DILLEY in their "Daffey Dilley" Skyhawk. We were joined at the Wine Tasting Party by earlier arrivals KATIE and GENE MOSKOW and CLAIRE WALTERS. CHRIS HUERTH didn't want to miss any of the fun of her 1st Sectional, arriving with ZONA THOMPSON of SNA. EMMA and RALPH MCGUIRE arrived Saturday in time for their charming grandsons KEVIN and RODNEY CRAMER to tour McClellan Air Force Base and win some prizes.

New ratings include DOROTHY WALTZ, Comm. Glider; BARBARA HEMMING, Instr. Check Ride; WALLY FUNK, Advanced Instr. Ground School.

New officers include JOAN DILLEY, Chairman; MARIE HOEFER, Social and Vice Chairman; JOYCE JONES,

Corres. Sec.; JUDY MATTOX, Recording Sec. Treas.; DORIS MINTER and our Executive Board is headed by ELE ROBERTS.

LEE TITLE has agreed to continue as Skytales Editor aided by GEORGIA LAMBERT, SUE BOLTON, VICKIE GUTZWILLER, GENE FITZPATRICK, JOYCE JONES, MARGARET ROSS, RITA GIBSON, and JANE MARTIN. CHRIS HUERTH will be membership Chm. again.

### MONTEREY BAY CHAPTER

Dolores Boyman, Reporter

Hello out there to all you Ninety-nines. Guess who missed a monthly meeting and is now Chapter reporter for the next year.

I know we'll have lots of things to interest you because we have the PPD start for next year. Our gals are already busy as bees planning and working on all sorts of surprises for you lucky 1970 PPD entrants. You must keep tuned for all the latest developments.

Speaking of PPDs, there's six girls from Monterey Bay still glowing about this years Derby. HELEN SHROPSHIRE and myself (TAR no. 3), JOANNE AIELLO and CONNIE HOOD (TAR no. 4) and TRISH MARKS and DELL HINN (TAR no. 5). No political influences, our TAR numbers were purely coincidental. We all agree that the girls (and the fellows too) along the race route were terrific. Everyone seemed to be having just as much fun as we were. Our warmest thanks to all of you for a memorable race.

JOANNE AIELLO, CONNIE HOOD, TRISH MARKS and DELL HINN went on to New York for a few days. Joanne and Connie spent some time in New Jersey and Ohio visiting friends and relatives. They had lots of fun except I heard JOANNE grumbling about the warm weather back there.

TRISH and DELL stopped at Dutch John, Utah for an exciting raft ride down the rapids of Flaming Gorge. (Reminds me of my parachuting days, except a bit wetter perhaps.)

HELEN and I stopped at Rockford, Illinois where I deserted ship and stayed to visit long lost relatives (17 years) for a few days before flying home.

Other wanderers in our Chapter include: JUNE KNAPP—to Seattle, Washington; RUTH HUSTON—to Santa Rosa and Quincy; AUDREY MIRANDA to Nut Tree and Truckie; MARY

PAINTER attended the Antique and Experimental Aircraft show at Reid Hillview in San Jose. She also flew to Lake of the Woods in Oregon. JUDY DRAKE to Fall River in Mills; JO DIESER to Marysville and SUE JOHNSON to Fresno, Paso Robles and Nut Tree.

GERI HALFPENNY accompanied the Monterey Bay girls to San Diego for the race start then flew home later with her hubby. She was also busy recently conducting a tour of the Salinas airport for 65 third graders.

JOANNE AIELLO has been highly praised for her four very successful aborted take-offs from Salt Lake City. Our TAR 4 girls had some problems with the door latch on their Debonair. We all felt for them but they were able to keep smiling in spite of their bad luck. They did finish the race and JOANNE says at least now she knows how to properly abort a take-off!

Flying across country I noticed there are an awfully lot of unmarked airports. Our Chapter really enjoys air-marking—wish we could work our way across the U. S. with our paint and brushes!

Until next time—safe and happy flying to you all

### NORTHERN ARIZONA CHAPTER

Helen Lawrence, Reporter

There will be no attempt by this newly appointed news reporter to catch up on all the news from Northern Arizona, but we want you all to know we're still going strong in spite of the fact that our last report was too many months ago.

September's luncheon meeting held at the Flagstaff Airport saw election of JEAN KNOTT, Chairman; DOT WARD, Vice Chairman (both of Flagstaff); and PENNY CARRUTHERS, Secretary-Treasurer. PENNY now lives in Sedona, Arizona, and is a transfer member from the Florida Suncoast Chapter. We feel quite fortunate to have Penny as a member, and an officer. Congratulations to all, and we pledge you our support. Other members present at this meeting were RUTH SMITH, Flagstaff; JEAN DECK, Winslow; and HELEN LAWRENCE, Flagstaff (all three past chairmen of this chapter—sounds like a record!). We had guest 99 from Phoenix Chapter, JUANITA NEWELL. We've seen her often on her visits to Flagstaff this summer and consider

her ours. The meeting turned into a fun work afternoon, addressing letters to all school teachers in this district for our Pennies A Pound Airlift, which is to be held September 28th. Our very capable chairman of this event, DOT WARD, assisted by JEAN KNOTT, have this event so well organized it's a pleasure to be helping with it.

Our airlift this year will help finance the BETH WRIGHT Aviation Scholarship (in addition to our other scholarships and air age educational materials we furnish our schools) which was set up last month in BETH'S honor. BETH was one of our charter members and before her long illness was active in aviation throughout the state. She and her husband TEX operated Wright Flyte Service at Pulliam Airport in Flagstaff for many years and BETH had the majority of this chapter's members as students.

Education and aviation seem to go hand in hand and your reporter will take time to editorialize. After spending the last two years depriving self of most active flying, attending Northern Arizona University as a more than full time student (I did goof off on homework for three weeks last year and got the much wanted instrument rating), yours truly got her B.S. in Elementary Education this summer and is back at N.A.U. getting the Master's Degree at night, doing substitute teaching days; and strictly because of aviation background has already substituted as shop teacher in junior high, and as principal-teacher out on the reservation; tomorrow is scheduled to teach geometry and algebra in one of the local high schools and next week physics and aviation science in both of the local high schools—all that and my newly earned teachers certificate is in "elementary" education. I am proud to be in education and aviation.

Two other members are back in classes at N.A.U.—Chairman JEAN KNOTT went through registration with me last week (I was going to help her register—you guessed it, we got separated in the first 30 minutes and I was still looking for "LOST JEAN" when she found me, she was completely through and it took me three more hours!). She's taking an art class, and her artistic talent is paying off for the cause already. She's making all our posters for the airlift next week.

DOT WARD and 49½ husband

WAYNE have enrolled in night scuba diving classes at N.A.U. and I can accurately forecast future flying trips to pursue the adventures of the Flying Ward Family. Younger son GREGG is a student in the high school aviation science class and a future pilot. DOT wins hands down as our most active flying member—her most recent flight was IFR to Fullerton, California. Her most satisfying one this summer was a CAP search and rescue mission in the T-34 in which a car accident victim was located. The injured tourist had wandered in shock for over 12 hours and was spotted miles from the scene.

We've recently learned that our Holbrook member, MARY ELLEN LIKEN, is moving to Albuquerque, New Mexico. We're sorry to see you go, MARY ELLEN, and want to know you and 49½ Warren will be missed.

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#### ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER Virginia Flanary, Reporter

Newsletter By-line is share by two of us this season and it's appropriate for me to do number two issue because MARA may be inclined to feel she has to be a little modest. MARA has run away with a fantastic amount of the glory this year . . . and . . . she is still running!

When MARA CULP, JANA KOERSELMAN, SHIRLEY TANNER and THELMA MICKELSON landed at Executive Field, Sacramento, for Southwest Fall Sectional they were met with T.V. Cameras. The T.V. replay wasn't seen though, it was shown during barbeque time at Lake Folsom. JOYCE NASH, MITZI RINEHART, DARLENE BRUNDAGE and MARGO SMITH met less publicity as they arrived in JOYCE'S 206, (I think JOYCE preferred it that way) but they were treated royally. MITZI got to compare the aerobic show techniques with her own training. THON GRIFFITH and MARGE BOLTON flew up in the Bolton's Comanche, bringing along GEORGE and VERN as added pleasures. THON, (you should hear her rave about the skewered beef) midst all the pleasures, lost her roster. Anyone seeing THON'S "right arm" lying around please return it to her! MARGE, a newcomer, praises the friendliness of everyone and the nut factory, she's anxious to try out the Almond recipes. ZONA THOMSON UAL'd in Friday after work and BILL

and ALVA KEIM flew up Saturday in their 172. All hands praised SAC Chapter, from the way transportation was handled to the beautiful original aeronautical decorations. Guest speaker was MIRA SLOVAK who charmed with his talk of everyday life, i.e. . . . escape from the iron curtain, flying a 36 H.P. glider across the Atlantic, three trips to the hospital, etc. Climaxing his talk with a "Here you are . . ." he handed the Sectional Pilot of The Year Award to . . . you guessed it . . . MARA CULP.

The last of summer vacation found us scattered across the compass rose. Hope EVELYN and BILL GUNNING will stop by some day and tell us about their trip to the Orient. BILLIE NESSELROAD airlined to Ohio for two weeks. THELMA MICKELSON'S farthest point was Idaho in her Arrow. Yes, MARGO SMITH made it back from Canada, raving all the way about her float plane lesson. Another to try glassy water takeoffs was ELIZABETH SHAT-TUCK when she and DENNIS were in Washington. JANA KOERSELMAN, after driving to Iowa with BERNIE, rented a Cherokee 160 to see the territory in a more familiar way. DELIA and CLIFF started out in Canada and Washington and somehow ended up in Texas where they crossed paths, but never met, VIRGINIA and TRAVIS FLANERY who were touring the Lone Star State in a 337. MITZI and HOWARD RINEHART got to Las Vegas, Nevada and VANGIE and FRANK STILWELL Bonanzed more upstate to Tahoe and Reno. Also in Reno, JOAN RAGBOURN. MADINE and DENNIS CARPENTER galavated too much for this jealous reporter to repeat, but the far places were overshadowed by their attending the Astrofeat. How much farther can you go than to get to rub elbows with our Lunarnauts. CLAIR REEDY is in Mexicali setting up a business with husband PAUL. BETTY SHERRY and BEN met this terribly nice couple in Ensenada, boated around with them quite awhile before realizing that KY WALLACE'S wife JANICE was also an Orange Co. 99. Honestly! is our chapter that big?

Staying home concentrating on ratings were ESTHER GRUPENHAGEN, CFI written and Basic Ground Instructor; JANICE WALLACE, Instrument Written and MADGE JOHNSON, her Pilots. NORMA OJSTEADS feather

in her CAP is she is now rated Civil Air Patrol Mission Pilot. Meanwhile, back at Fullerton, OYCE NASH has a start on a private Gym in her home to build strength for 206 handling!

Our new members are MADGE JOHNSON who showed us her new pilots ticket and was voted in the same evening. MADGE'S other activities are centered around golf, being Sec. Treas. for Phi Tau Omega, and her husband THAIREL. SHIRLEY TANNER has her private and 150 hours. She flies out of Orange County and we wonder if her kindergarten class knows she practices barrel-rolls in her Citabria. HELEN SMITH began flying in 1936, among her friends was AMELIA EARHART'S mechanic. Her children are 24, 21, 19, and 16. Her 16 yr. old daughter is a glider pilot. Her husband learned to fly one year ago. We are sorry to report that he was a passenger on Allegheny Airlines during their recent tragedy.

Seen at the Labor Day Air Show at Orange Co. International Raceway were stiffnecked THON GRIFFITH, TIG PENNOCK, HANA HENDRICKSEN, and DARLENE BRUNDAGE. ZONA THOMSON flew in a Cub and MARA CULP had her picture taken with PANCHITO BARNES.

BILLIE NESSELROAD placed 12th out of 41 entries in the Jim Long Labor Day weekend race ending at Tucson. Getting ready for the Pacific Air race are JANA KOERSELMAN and SHIRLEY TANNER, MITZI RINEHART and BONNIE KEIFER, MARA CULP and 15 yr. old student pilot DEBBIE HERMAN. MARA will tell you all about it . . . next issue.

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#### PHOENIX CHAPTER Betty Smith, Reporter

Congratulations to our newest 99's—MILLER MILLER, BECKY BEAUDOIN and NANCY THATCHER.

JUANITA NEWELL, RUTH REINHOLD and MRS. JOHN WELSH flew to Flagstaff for the Art Festival. JEAN KNOTT and DOT WARD of the Northern Chapter furnished them with transportation on their visit. JUANITA also visited her dog while in Flagstaff which is in training.

MELBA BEARD attended National Convention in New York as a charter member. Melba flew her 1928 Bird bi-plane to the first invitational bi-plane meet at movieland of the Air

Museum at Orange County Airport, Santa Ana, California. About ten bi-planes flew in for the two day meet and MELBA reports a wonderful time. Round trip was ten hours and coming back 49½ ER, BILL, airlined to Blyth and they flew the last leg together, a big thrill to Bill; maybe he will be in the air more now.

JUNE BONESTEEL flew to Torrance, California for a couple days vacation. Spent one whole day at Marineland. Had a delightful trip flying a Cherokee 140.

HARRY and LELIA REGER and children flew to San Diego for four days in August—much fun was had.

ERNA and BILL BLATT had a 31 day (only 2 of us) trip to the East in June—spent most of the rest of summer at home at San Carlos, Mexico. Biggest news!! Daughter, AMANDA, age 20, has been learning to fly—instructor LIZ ENGLISH.

MARY LOU BROWN worked with joint Department of Transportation and Department of the Interior Task Force to study effects of the proposed Dade-Collier jet port on the total environment of South Florida and the Everglades National Park. Made one trip to Miami via Commercial Jet for discussions with officials of the Dade County Port Authority, FAA, National Park Service and other agencies. Made a second trip in the U.S. Geological Survey Beaver to collect photographic data. Co-Pilot and camera operator was BEVERLY POWELL. Flying time Phoenix to Miami in the Beaver (dodging thunderstorms) was 18 hours. It was very rewarding to be a part of such a project.

BETTY WIXON'S husband, GUY, had ground breaking ceremonies on his new building for Aircraft Plating Co. with the assistance of MAJOR GRAHAM and CHARLOTTE and RUBY SHELDON. GUY and the MAJOR flew from Sky Harbor via helicopter and landed on the property to break ground.

SUE and BILL HARPER took off July 29th for Pasadena for a Naval Change of Command Ceremony. Back to Phoenix and then August 2 on their month's vacation to the east coast with their four children in their rented Cherokee 300.

MARY VIAL re-elected Secretary of Southwest Section.

MARY & GEORGE VIAL, SUSAN & Joe STORM and BETTY & ALLEN



Ground breaking for Aircraft Plating Co.—Left to right—Orville Wixon, Chuck Cockran, Guy Wixon, Betty Wixon, Mayor Milton Graham, Charlotte Graham, Rubby Sheldon, Bill Stergen.

SMITH attended the Southwest Sectional meeting in Sacramento. Sacramento's hospitality was great—we did have a most enjoyable trip.

REMEMBER NOVEMBER 1ST — KACHINA DOLL AND ROADRUNNER AIR RACE!!

#### RENO AREA CHAPTER Jo Cromwell, Reporter

The August meeting was held at Lois Brown's lovely summer home at Lake Tahoe. Enjoying the sun and sand were ELAINE BROWN, PHYLLIS AHLWEDE, DORIS EACRET, LOIS BROWN, FRAN GUSTAVSON, DOROTHY STAUFF and JO CROMWELL.

Officers elected were ELAINE BROWN, Chairman, PHYLLIS AHLWEDE, Vice Chairman, Treasurer LOIS BROWN again, LOIS WILLIAMS, Secretary, and yours truly was appointed reporter.

The Treasurers report included \$50.00 sent to the AWTAR.

We talked about a race with the Salt Lake Chapter to take place next year and terminate in Elko. Everyone loves to go to Elko. Wonderful place to RON.

Our chapter is working at the air race office again this year. By "air race" I mean the National Championship Air Races at Reno Sept. 16 through 21. As this is being written, FRAN GUSTAVSON, ELAINE BROWN and some of the other girls are at the office getting things in order. Regular full time work-

ers will be FRAN, ELAINE (49½ ER STAN is on the board of directors) DORIS EACRET, LOIS WILLIAMS and PHYLLIS AHLWEDE. The rest of us will help out as needed. Things should be much improved over the varelly controlled chaos of last year. Now we have some idea what we are in for! So—maybe it won't take a whole season to recover.

Hope to have seen you at the races!

LOIS WILLIAMS and 49½ DAVE are planning to fly the AlCan highway to Alaska . . . When, LOIS?

HAZEL HOHN, besides caring for husband WERNER and children and writing for various magazines is taking seven credits at the University of Nevada this year. That gal really believes in killing time by working it to death!

Members attending the Sectional from the Reno Area Chapter are KATHY GREY, ELAINE BROWN, and PHYLLIS AHLWEDE.

99s to visit the Fallon Airport lately were DORIS BAILEY, San Gabriel Chapter on her way home from the Derby, JEAN STEINBERGER, Santa Barbara Chapter, ditto, BETTY BOYD, Sacramento Chapter, ANITA WOREL, MYRTLE WRIGHT, BETTL SMITH, RAYE JEAN NORTON all from the Redwood Empire Chapter, MARGARET GERHARDT, Bay Cities Chapter and HELEN DICK from the San Diego Chapter.



Left to right: Mary Pearson, Wanda Miller, Pam Van der Linden, Betty Kitchens, Evelyn Ashton.

**PALOMAR CHAPTER**  
Skip Darwin, Reporter

The Palomar Chapter of 99's celebrated our third birthday this month, with a dinner get-together. Husbands and guests were invited and lots of hangar flying was done. Our outgoing chairman was away (in Europe yet) and also BETTY and CLAUD WHARTON, who usually do the honors in installing new officers and welcoming new members and 49½ers, were unable to be with us. But our very first chairman, MARY PEARSON did a lovely job of installing WANDA MILLER as Chairman, PAM VAN DER LINDEN as vice, BETTY KITCHIN as our Secretary and EVELYN ASHTON as Treasurer. We look forward to another very productive and rich year together.

**SAN DIEGO CHAPTER**  
Ruth Eby, Reporter

Herewith Chapter II of the travels of some of our members to Alaska and/or Canada:

MARGARET and JIM MOODY did cross the Arctic Circle (their goal) to land at Ft. Yukon, 8 miles beyond. (Correction: They took just one daughter with them, so the Tri-Pacer wasn't quite so crowded as it seemed in the last Newsletter report.)

BONNIE and STEVE ADAMS didn't

go so far north, but did other interesting things. On their way to Fort St. John they encountered an unexpected thunderstorm, night fell, their ADF was inoperative in that area, St. Elmo's fire was dancing around the prop; they were hunting for the airport when suddenly they saw the beacon; on call, the Aeradio operator put runway lights on; still, they couldn't see the airport; on second call, all lights were turned on high intensity, and the airport blossomed out of the dark. When they got to Anchorage, STEVE went hunting and got a caribou.

BETTY and ART LAMBERT and youngest son, ALAN, flew in their 310 by way of Northway (Betty's advice: Don't land there on Sunday; if you're the only one that day, you'll have to pay \$60.80 in customs fees.) Other info—The FAA Station has provided a picnic and camping area there. (Unique?) They saw the MOODYS at Northway, the ADAMSES at Anchorage, and other San Diego area couples

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when they visited several lakes. They circled Mt. McKinley at 15,000 feet.

LOIS and HARRY BARTLING flew to Vancouver, B.C., for the Labor Day weekend.

All the Alaska-Canada travelers raved about the scenery, the friendliness of the people and the courtesy and consideration of the Canadian airport personnel, Aeradio station operators and airline pilots!

Another Labor Day trip found MARTHA and JOHN MULLEN, VIRGINIA and ED SEAVER, and BETTY and CLAUD WHARTON sharing a sedan for 300 miles to see Yellowstone after they had flown in to Jackson Hole, Wyoming, from three different places (the SEAVERS from Roosevelt, Utah) at different departure times and arrived within a few minutes of each other without having planned an arrival time.

MARIAN and GERRY BANKS returned from a trip to Japan, Hong Kong and Hawaii (her postcard indicated they had a grand time), paused very briefly, then jetted to Oklahoma City for a seminar for FAA Medical Examiners (GERRY is going to be an Examiners' Examiner).

On the home front:

BETTY WHARTON AND TWO OTHER PILOTS GAVE PLANE RIDES TO 21 CEREBRAL PALSID YOUNG ADULTS FROM THE CEREBRAL PALSY FOUNDATION.

PAT OSMON has her multi-engine rating.

Our officers for the coming year are:  
Chairman—MARGARET MOODY  
Vice Chairman—EVELYN TRIMBLE  
Secretary—PAT OSMON  
Treasurer—ELEANOR RICHARDSON

Membership Chairman—BONNIE ADAMS

Newsletter Reporter—EVELYN TRIMBLE

Public Relations Ch.—ELEANOR RICHARDSON

News of our newest members:

Within the past month MARIE LEWIS and 49½ER JACK flew to Oakland; they were diverted around a forest fire at Castaic (north of Los Angeles). They also flew to Orange County Airport for business in Santa Ana.

FRAN ROSE, recently transferred from Nebraska Chapter, is an instructor at Gibbs Flying Service at Montgomery Field. Her recent non-routine

flying includes a charter trip to San Clemente Island in an Aztec, a jaunt to San Quintin, Baja California, in a Cherokee 6 and vacationing to Nebraska in a Cherokee 180.

LYNN (NEE MILLIGAN) is now MRS. ROBERT GREER. He is a pilot also, and they were married September 7, residing at 9319 El Tejado Rd., Las Mesa 92041.

L BARBARA THISTED, just transferred from Eastern Washington Chapter, flew commercial this summer to Chelan, Wash., where her husband met her; then they flew in a Cessna 182 to Spokane and back to San Diego.

STELLA HARDIN (representing our Chairman), THELMA BISHOP, LYNN BRIGGS, and BETTY GILLIES (not all in the same plane, but three separate ones) attended the Fall Sectional in Sacramento. They had a fine time: thoroughly enjoyed the picnic at Folsom Lake and MIRO SLOVAK speaking at the banquet, were impressed by the decorations and goody-bags. STELLA brought back a good report of the business meeting.

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#### SAN GABRIEL CHAPTER

Marion Marriott, Reporter

ROSEANN FORD, our outgoing Vice Chairman hilariously started our installation meeting after 32 members and husbands had enjoyed their steak dinner at BETTY SANFORD'S picturesque Griswold's Inn. VIRGINIA WEGENER introduced our new committee members: MARGARET LAWSON, Chairman, MARGARET GAMBLE, Vice Chairman, JEAN GILLINGSWATER, Secretary, and MARIE CAWYER, Treasurer. We regretfully retired DOROTHY GEDDES who had been plagued with ill health during her chairmanship. Her impressive accomplishment during her chairmanship was incorporating our San Gabriel Chapter.

Our guest, CLAIR WALTERS, treated us to a film and description of her recent trip to Central America. Her teen age children and companion, MARGARET ROSS, kept the trip from being anything but routine. The photography during the trip from her Skylane was outstanding and made many a member want to head south. CLAIR WALTERS had many excellent shots of the Central American runways—and centerline landings too!

Our Chapter had more than one reason to celebrate that Thursday night.

VIRGINIA WEGENER came flying home with second place in the Jim Long Race. VIRGINIA has really demonstrated her outstanding flying ability and made us all proud.

The Fall Sectional in Sacramento was represented by several of our members. MARGARET and DAVID LAWSON and family, MARGARET GAMBLE, ROSEANN FORD, DOROTHY GEDDES, VIRGINIA WEGENER, and POLLY STOEHR.

PORTIA CORNELL is still pacing the floor trying to find a suitable fly-in for October. For November, she has planned a joint fly-in with the Orange County gals to Pismo Beach. The plans are a swap picnic lunch and a get acquainted fun day.

Vivacious MARILYN NORTON has joined the ranks of a career girl and is helping VIRGINIA WEGENER at the flying school—being an ambassador, "hand holder", counsellor and what have you for student pilots.

MARIE and EARL CAWYER just returned from a picturesque flight to Victoria, Canada. Their trusty 210 purred like a kitten the entire trip.

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#### SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CHAPTER

Thelma Hansen, Reporter

Our chapter is proud of our two enthusiastic Powder Puff entries, HELEN MCGEE and her co-pilot LAVERNE GUDGEL, coming in fourth place—the airplane a Piper Cherokee P A 28 - 235 h.p.. Their sponsors, the UNION DEMOCRAT CORP. OF SONORA AND GUDGEL'S AERO-AG SERVICE OF CHOWCHILLA, CALIFORNIA. We thank you all for making us proud to be members of such an enthusiastic group of women pilots. Bravo!

Our September meeting was held on JEAN and HARLEY MURRAY'S houseboat (the Queen Murray). SON DOUGLAS MURRAY was our pilot for the day taking us from Windmill Cove to South Spud Island where we ate a delicious luncheon prepared by JEAN and transported to the houseboat for our pleasure. JEAN'S other son, DAVE, was out flying, preparing for his check ride the following Saturday. JEAN said she hadn't been doing much flying this summer but had spent a lot of time on the river in the houseboat. Talking to several of the other 99's found out that she had attended our fly-in-pot luck lunch at

Quincy and Chester and the business meeting at ELAINE SMITH'S.

DIANNE KAUFMANN and friends took a 10 day trip in a Cherokee 6 to Canada. They visited Reno, Nevada, Lewistown, Idaho, Smithers B.C. returning thru Victoria B.C. Dianne was navigator for the total of 22 hours flying time. She has been flying locally during the summer. She attended the Chester fly-in with HELEN MCGEE.

ELAINE SMITH has been grounded this summer due to a slow healing break in her ankle. Will make up for lost time by flying (commercial) to the Orient for a two month trip, returning thru Australia and resting in Tahiti, getting home in time for the children's return from college. Elaine didn't miss much with her broken ankle she attended an overnight fly in at Covelo, her husband Lewis and son Steve and a guest enjoyed the two days at Sportsman's Lodge. She also prepared a good lunch and meeting place for our August meeting her guest was Dot Sandburg.

SHIRLEY MILLER has attended all the 99's functions arriving at the Chester, Quincy pot luck luncheons, the August meeting at ELAINE SMITH'S and the two day fly in at Covelo, where Wild Boar and Long Horn Sheep are raised for hunting parties.

CHARLOTTE RYAN stated that she hasn't been anywhere but upon further questioning broke into smiles to tell us about her planned trip to Hawaii, Kawaii, Oahu and Maui islands—a three week trip—sailing on the S.S. Lurline and flying back commercially. She then admitted to two flying trips to Reno, Nevada. Poor girl, she never goes anywhere.

LAVERNE GUDGEL, besides being co-pilot in the Powder Puff Derby for HELEN MCGEE, has attended all 99 functions and has had several charter flights to Red Bluff, landing on a stockyard strip that looked like a cow trail. Poor little Debonair. It also saw Quincy and Yreka last month on charter flights. BOB has LAVERNE doing duetime in a Twin Commanche . . . busy girl. LAVERNE and HELEN MCGEE were so pleased to place so high in the Powder Puff Derby. They were Best in H.P. Class 200-239. Their first and last leg of the trip were both good. The Carney to Mt. Vernon leg brought them in 2nd place due to unforecasted tail winds . . . that's the kind of good

planning we like to see . . . Elaine Smith's meeting was graced by Laverne as was by Jean Murry's meeting. Her guest was BERTIE HARGIS from Chowchilla.

CHARLENE KIRK has done much local flying to luncheons and picnics in such places as Quincy, Clear Lake, San Jose. CHARLENE and BOB have stayed pretty close to home since BOB'S back surgery (Glad he mended well). BOB is working on his Instrument and CHARLENE her Commercial. The middle of September they will fly to Pendleton, Oregon to see the Annual Round-up. As I understand this is a must (at one time or another) for all pilots to see.

HELEN McGEE as you know flew her Piper Cherokee 6 in the Powder Puff Derby and came in fourth. Married off a daughter. Became a grandmother. Her son Tim, two nieces and a nephew attended the Quincy pot luck with her. Chairmanned the August meeting at ELAINE'S, and the September meeting on the Murray's Houseboat. MARIE McDOWELL attending the Quincy pot luck with a friend, BILLIE WYATT who flew with her.

Our two newest members GRACE McCHESNEY and MARCI BARNET were at the August meeting only to tell us (much to our regret) that they would be dropping from our chapter to form a new chapter 'San Luis Obispo Chapter' the first meeting to be Sept. 10, 1969. They will have 15 members (charter). We'll miss them, but wish them all the best of luck for their new chapter.

RENEE NEALON, DOT McALLISTER and guest GINNEY COLLINS enjoyed the pot luck at Chester. RENEE doing as much under-the-hood work as she can with THELMA HANSEN and DOT McALLISTER as her observers. She handles 'SAM' the Nealon Bonanza like a real professional. Never gets excited—well hardly ever—unless you call getting into the plane in the hangar, getting the seat belt fastened, and then remembering that she has to push the plane out . . . who's excited? The NEALONS make many trips to their Tahoe Chalet and summer. RENEE has taken up golf and it's tough to get her off the course.

Our yearly election of officers went smoothly, with all the incumbents being (RAILROADED) oops—re-elected for another year. All kidding aside, these girls have done a fine job for

us and we owe them a vote of thanks. A unanimous yes vote was given our new corporate by-laws. Our thanks to this committee, EVELYN JOHNSON, BILLIE WYATT and JEAN MURRAY. Many many thanks to MARY LOU FLAGG for her professional advice on these by-laws.

THELMA and ELWOOD HANSEN took their 'little Robin Red Top' Cessna Skymaster on a threeweek camping trip into the beautiful Northwest, Oregon, Washington, Montana, Idaho. You lucky people who live in these beautiful areas. Do you know that the State of Idaho has beautiful sod strips some 300 feet wide and 3800 ft. long just for the private pilot? We talked to CHET MOULTIN and his wife (he is head of Aeronautics for the State of Idaho) at Johnson Creek Airport in Idaho. He believes in safety for all pilots and has taken over small unsafe mountain airports and improved them and the State maintains them as a safety factor for the sportsman pilot. Each airstrip has camping facilities within 100 feet of tie-downs. Good clean restrooms. Either spigot water or the stream is a few feet away. Beautifully built wood cook stoves and chopped wood is at your disposal, camp tables and benches are clean and sturdy, shade trees or sunshine for your tents. Nearly all airports in Idaho, not just the mountain areas, have courtesy cars. (To be used to close-in trips for supplies etc.) (A small contribution can be placed in the container supplied in each car.) The tie-downs are in sunken steel boxes to keep the chains below ground when not in use. What do they expect in return for all these wonderful conveniences? Nothing except to clean up after yourself. Chop and replace the kindling you have used.

After two weeks camping in the mountains we flew to Yellowstone—What a busy place—people camping on top of people—No beautiful stream outside your tent, no solitude, just people. (I'll admit the park is beautiful.) We did a full day of sightseeing and then back to the mountains. Our first camp was on Priest Lake, near the Canadian Border (Cavanaugh Airport). Great trout fishing, beautiful lake, but must admit we needed a mosquito repellent in the evening. After three days, and weakened by loss of blood, we traveled to Johnson Creek 35 n.m./n.e. of McCalls. There

were many places to visit on our mini Honda trail bike. We were in time to see the salmon spawning, our first encounter with this fantastic phenomenon. Salmon fishing was a 'no no' but we did replenish our food supply with trout. Our next stop was Cascade Reservoir just 5 minutes flying time to McCall. Here we inflated our small boat, put on the motor and tried our luck at trolling — our luck was good if you call 12 squaw fish good. It's too bad they're not good eating. From then on it was a good thing we had a supply of canned beans along, for we caught no more fish. Our last stop was into a primitive area—a United States Forest Service airport at Indian Creek. A lovely sandy beach to camp on, good new restrooms, no stoves, but tables and benches. Here you were allowed to build campfires. While there, a three barge 'float party' came down the middle fork of the Salmon river and camped for the night. We lucked out again—they invited us to join them in their spaghetti feed.

This is a great trip to take your planes on, but, a word or two of warning. First never, never fly after 10 a.m. as the air gets very unstable in the mountains, second, be sure you know your short field take off and landing procedures, as all take offs and landings are short field, at or above 3500 feet elevation. The strips are from 3500 feet to 5000 feet long, the weather is warm. Our trip sounded like so much fun that DOT McALLISTER and MAC borrowed our books and away they went the next week.

Hope all 99's have as much fun flying as we Westerners.

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**SANTA BARBARA CHAPTER**  
Margaret Mead, Reporter

Once again those famous women pilots in Santa Barbara have gotten together and pledged to be active in their capacities as members of the Ninety Nines! Our September meeting was held in the home of MRS. ERMA CHRISTIAN, newly elected chairman. Thanks to the efforts of ANNLOUISE SWANSON, Vice-Chairman, and JOAN (BITSY) STEINBERGER, Membership Chairman, members and interested persons from the Santa Barbara and Ventura-Oxnard areas were contacted and a total of seventeen gals attended the meeting. New applications for membership were submitted

by HELEN BECK and MARIAN FICKETT.

I don't mean to say that its been a long time since our chapter has met, but here are some excerpts from conversation at the gathering: ". . . Since the last meeting of the Santa Barbara Chapter, great strides have been made in aviation . . . CHARLES LINDBERG has successfully crossed the Atlantic. . . the Boeing Aircraft Company has a hot new single engine airplane in production called the Stearman . . . Taylor sold his aviation interests to Piper . . . and, on the local scene, CLAIRE WALTERS soloed her first airplane!"

Just kidding, of course—it hasn't been quite that long since we met, but it certainly was nice to get the chapter together again after an absence of regularly scheduled meetings.

Some members have enjoyed recent aviation activities including participation in the Jim Long Trophy Race by our own hero, JOAN (BITSY) STEINBERGER. ANNLOUISE SWANSON won fifth place in that same race as well as the awards for best low-time pilot and best Piper entry. MARGARET MEAD recently completed a three-day ground school and flight check-out at the Aero Commander factory in Oklahoma City in the Hawk Commander (a pressurized bird with turbine engines).

Now . . . Here's a request from the gals who are reading our chapter's news this month. If you have ideas for chapter activities that have proven helpful in sustaining interest among your members, please let us know. Also, if any of the chapters in the central or southern California areas would like to join Santa Barbara in a fly-in event or a special aviation project, call or write "yours truly". We are fervently hoping to keep this chapter airborne with activities, interest, and enthusiasm.

(Ed. Note: This may be a record edition. Now that you have gotten your feet wet, keep it up.)

#### SANTA CLARA VALLEY CHAPTER Bonnie Seymour, Reporter

Our members have been very busy doing pleasure flying and participating in projects that distinguish women in aviation. Member BETTY HICKS, Curriculum Director for Aviation Training, is in the final stage of arranging and preparing a three-day IFR course that

will be taught around the United States, beginning Sept. 26th at San Diego. JEANINE CECCIO, EVELYN LUNDSTROM, KATHRYN GRUPE, and VERA ARNOLD have been helping her with those inevitable paper shuffling tasks necessary to organize such a project. DAVID MCELHATTON, 49½'er, and KCBS newscaster did the narration for the various tapes to be used, and IRENE LEVERTON will help teach the course.

IRENE LEVERTON has just recently completed a pilot evaluation at Nasa, of a new zero-zero landing system. The purpose of the test was to evaluate the Microwave Sensor Display for approach, flareout, touchdown, and roll-out. IRENE says that there was no other instrumentation in the simulator cockpit except approach lights, and runway lights, with an airplane and horizon superimposed. She felt that this was a great experience and a very important and worthwhile tax paid aviation project. The potential of this project is three-fold: 1. A low cost IFR approach system that can be installed at any airport. 2. A zero visibility (category 3) manual approach and landing system. 3. An independently derived visual back-up for a fully automated landed system. It was a definite honor that Irene was chosen to be one of the two general aviation CIFI's asked to be subject pilots.

If you wonder what IRENE does in her spare time, she has been busy organizing the first convention of the WOMEN AIRLINE TRANSPORT PILOT'S ASSOCIATION. The convention will be held in San Jose, California on October fourth. IRENE also teaches aerobatics and considers that more fun than work.

Some of the pleasure flying done this past month took the gals to the Fall Sectional Meeting held in Sacramento. EVELYN LUNDSTROM, PAT APPEL, MARION BARNICK, NATALIE BOSIO, JEANINE CECCIO, and JEAN COLLINS were some of the members attending the Sectional. MARY SMITH, HELEN MURPHY, JEANNE MCELHATTON, TONI KUHNS, and BARBARA KNAPP also attended. It was reported that Santa Clara Valley Chapter's membership is ¼ of the total international membership! We're a pretty big group. Our chapter took third place for both pro and non-pro flying time this year.

PAT APPEL and TONI KUHNS will be flying in the Pacific Air Race from

San Diego on October 11th. These two gals will be sharpening their team techniques in preparation for next year's PPD. CAROLE LUSHBAUGH, MARION ROBINSON, and perhaps this reporter will be flying in the Annual Cruise and Proficiency Air Meet at Reid Hillview Airport, Sept. 27th. The awards banquet should be a smashing success with all those trophies, plus Max Conrad as guest speaker.

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#### SOUTHERN SIERRA CHAPTER Kay Compton, Reporter

After being officially chartered at our Banquet in Porterville in May, the Charter Members, all eight of us, looked at each other and said "Now What." Without much haggling the decision was made to increase our numbers. Consequently our April meeting was held at Tulare Airpark where we invited local lady pilots to join us. It was a luncheon meeting with BERT COE, BARBARA JAMISON, and JO STAFFORINI flying over from Porterville. We are still working on this membership drive, and plan to invite more licensed pilots to our luncheon meeting this month at Porterville Airport.

The weekend of May 31-June 1 was definitely a "work weekend" for our small group, this being the annual moonlight fly-in date set by our local P.A.P.A. (Porterville Area Pilots Association), at the Porterville Airport. We ran an ice cream booth for the two-day event and enjoyed meeting the various 99 members who flew in and came over to chat with us. It was hot, so we had good sales. Meanwhile, BERT COE used her Apache for airplane rides while BARBARA JAMISON sold tickets for these rides. BERT was flying pretty steadily for the two days too—another financial success! Our service to the sponsoring organization consisted of manning the Unicom. This year no temporary control tower was set up as in past years, and of course, everyone was too busy with other activities to answer the unicom. Except the newly-formed Chapter of Ninety-Nines. So we donned our blue skirts and white blouses, complete with the 99 patch, and took our turn at the mike, keeping communications open as long as airplanes were arriving or departing. It was indeed a busy weekend, but we felt we made our mark on the flying community.

The next meeting was a potluck at

KAY COMPTON'S home (on the river at Springville)—a family type affair including husbands and kids. Swimming, fried chicken and watermelon was the order of the day. Some fishing too! Anyhow, the idea was to have a social get-together instead of working so hard! What else can you do when the temperature stays about 105 degrees for a month straight!

The very latest activity, just reported to me before this deadline, was the flight to Sacramento for the Sectional. Four of our members attended: BERT COE, BARBARA JAMISON, JO STAFFORINI and PHYLLIS TAGGART, and they came home with the trophy for the largest percentage of the Chapter in attendance. How many other Chapters can send four Ninety-Nines and claim fifty percent attendance? Our members had a ball, and especially commented on the great service they received by the hostess Chapter at Sacramento. Hope we can ALL go to the next one.

#### TUSCON CHAPTER Ginne Cook, Reporter

How sweet it is—seeing all our old friends (and young ones too) at SAC for their yummy fall section. Such a pleasant atmosphere ensures a good time for all. Always did want to see "the world's largest almond factory" anyway. Now I don't feel like the only nut in the world. Blue ribbons and red roses to you SAC gals for all your hard work. It was certainly appreciated by all us fortunate guests.

Happiness is getting back to TUS after a vacation in cool San Diego, like the RAY & MAGGIE SCHOCKS, LUM & VIRGINIA EDWARDS, KEN & VIRGINIA COOK, BILL & CHRIS RUCKS, and finding it over a hundred degrees here at home?? YUUUUK. SHIRLEY MARSHALL and JANET ROBERTSON are still in Novia Scotia, that's a shame girls.

Happiness is racing! Getting ready to race! Preparing to host the terminus for the Pacific Air Race Oct. 12th. Each plane will be individually, electronically handicapped for this race. So beat your par—and you're in. The finish line will be at a brand new airport, the airport just for pilots, Avra Valley Air. It will be a first "thing" for the airport so they are really helping the Tuscon Chapter to make it a success. A temporary FAA Tower for fly by's three free gas fill-ups, a hangar party with public address system, so we don't



The picture is of the 4 of us who attended the fall southwest sectional in Sacramento where we won this trophy for the largest percentage of membership present. I believe you will find this in the last part of Kay's report. The girls from left to right are Barbara Jamison, Bertha Coe, Jo Stafforini and Phyllis Taggart.

miss a thing while we are partying. A free strobe light drawing at the banquet, transportation, and other goodies are being provided by Byron Hamilton, to make the terminus of this PAR more enjoyable.

Happiness is entering the race as are BARBARA WELSH and VIRGINIA EDWARDS, JAN ENGLEHART and MUFFINS BERNARD, sponsored by "the Flying Dutchman", CHRIS RUCK and JANE HUNTER, sponsored by Ruck Construction, who are also furnishing two trophies, and a floral centerpiece for the banquet, and LORRAINE YOCUM, sponsored by Free-way Airport.

#### UTAH CHAPTER Barbara Dunkley, Reporter

At our monthly meeting at the home of NANCY REULING, the following officers were elected for the new year. VIVIAN YARDLEY, Chairman; JOAN WILLIAMS, Vice Chairman; BARBARA BARLOW, Secretary, and GINNY STREETER, Treasurer. Lots of luck in the new year, girls.

Those in attendance at this meeting were WILMA NICHOLS, LILA FIELDEN, BARBARA HANSON, MARGERY PETERSON, VIVIAN YARDLEY, JOAN WILLIAMS, ELOISE WILCOX, NANCY REULING, ALBERTA NICHOLSON, JANE PATTERSON, KAY HOWELLS and BARBARA DUNKLEY.

We heard a most interesting report from ALBERTA NICHOLSON on the Powder Puff Derby. According to Alberta, she and her co-pilot MAUREEN RICHARDS ran into lots of "big black things", which we assume were clouds. They had a lot of fun, even though they were eventually forced down because of weather.

KAY HOWELLS has been trying her hand at horseback riding and is convinced that flying is a much better mode of transportation.

Two plane loads of gals from Salt Lake and one from Ogden had a beautiful early morning flight over to Manila a couple of weeks ago to do an air-marking, but when we landed we discovered chipped gravel covering the runway, so were unable to mark it. We half-heartedly attempted to sweep it off, but decided that was above and beyond the call of duty, so we had a cup of coffee and flew home again. I was so shaken by flying all that way to no avail that I forgot to write down the names of those present. The only one I remember is Melony By-The-Way.

LILA FIELDEN has been flying an instructor to Dugway to teach a class in criminology. Sounds interesting!

VIVIAN YARDLEY, with her 49½, co-piloted the Twin Beech to Rawlins, Wyoming and the Black Hills.

Our heartiest congratulations go to

JANE PATTERSON, who soloed in her plane, "Old Silly". How many times does this make, JANE?

MAUREEN RICHARDS has spent the summer on the golf course and tennis courts, and has made several flying trips to Salt Lake City, but she says they don't count. She and her family took a lovely trip by car to Denver, Colorado Springs, Black Canyon and Gunnison. She is at the present time involved in organizing a 2 cents per pound airlift, which benefits will go to the Weber County Sheltered Workshop for the Physically and Mentally handicapped persons. It sounds like a very worthwhile project, and worthy of everyone's support.

Have you ever heard of anyone backing their car into their own hangar doors and causing damage like you wouldn't believe? I have, but I'm not giving out any names!

JO ANNE WINTERING and her 49½, SKIP, flew their former Pastor, RONALD SHIFFLETT to Phoenix recently and sent their kids by commercial plane. They stayed at the Grand Canyon one night, then stayed in Phoenix for three days. Their children, KITTIE and LAURIE flew home with them in their 170 in what JO ANNE describes as a "hands off" flight.

VIVIAN YARDLEY and her 49½ JIM, LILA FIELDEN, NANCY REULING, MARGERY PETERSON and her 49½ and another couple and ALBERTA NICHOLSON all attended the Fall Sectional last weekend in Sacramento and said they had a marvelous time.

I know for a fact that ELOISE WILCOX has been buzzing around in her Super Cub, although she didn't give me any details.

We are entering the most beautiful season of all here in Utah, at least in my opinion, and we have lots of plans for flying, but I'll have to wait until next month to report our whereabouts.

At a recent press interview, JANE PATTERSON was asked if we girls would be wearing our goggles for a picture for our local newspaper! Sure we will—along with our helmets and white scarves!

Happy Flying Gals.

#### EL CAJON VALLEY CHAPTER

Isabelle G. McCrae, Reporter

Several of the El Cajon Valley girls attended the Pot-Luck dinner at the lovely La Jolla home of Aileen Freeman on Saturday, July 19th. The dinner was a combination AWTAR Start

Committee and Powder Puff Derby Contestant reunion, in order to hash over the events of the past year or more—and especially the experiences of the contestants. A delightful time was enjoyed by all. Present from the El Cajon Valley Chapter were: Dottie Sanders, Leah Liersch, Vi Chambers, Ann Christensen, Lynn Coulthard, Dottie Davis, Isabelle McCrae and of course, Aileen.

Speaking of Powder Puffers—three of our chapter girls participated as pilots in the race—Lynn Coulthard with Co-pilot Lynn Briggs, of San Diego, failed to finish because of weather and became members of the DBA Club; Dottie Sanders with Co-pilot Betty Wharton of San Diego placed 23rd; and Isabelle McCrae with co-pilot Margaret Callaway placed 15th.

Be sure and write Sept. 12, 13, and 14 on your calendar for the Fall Sectional at Sacramento. Sounds like fun from all the things they've planned.

Sorry our chapter was not represented at the 40th Annual International Convention in "Fun City", due to unforeseen circumstances.

Chapter Chairman Dottie Campbell and 49½er Dick are on a flying vacation to Texas to visit son and family.

Dottie Sanders' 49½er Bob, Starter for the P.P.D. this year has recently had surgery but is back on the job.

Ida Gay has received a promotion in her job at Sears—she has advanced to Secretary to the Group Mgr., and has moved her office to El Cajon.

Chapter members are busily preparing for the Start of the Annual Pacific Air Race from Gillespie Field on Oct. 11th. Dottie Sanders is Co-Chairman with Eleanor Richardson from San Diego Chapter. All you racing pilots plan to head for El Cajon in October—we'll be waiting for you.

The PAR will be held in conjunction with annual Aircade Oct. 11-12. Barbara Hill has been named chairman of the 2 cents per pound flight on these 2 days. Impound date is Oct. 9th and the race route will be Gillespie Field to Tucson via Lake Havasu (either stop or fly-by).

Aileen Freeman and 49½er Al are off to the Orient for a few weeks—with stops at Tokyo, Taipei, Bangkok, possibly Saigon to visit son Frankie on duty there—, Singapore, Indonesia, etc.

A letter this week from one of our Indian girls, Rabia Futehally who

states that her 49½er Sadig is being for 2 years. Rabia and children will transferred in his job to Osaka, Japan accompany him. New address:

%Mr. Sadig Futehally,  
Futehally Cotton Co., Ltd.,  
No. 27, Koraihashi,  
5—Chome,  
Higashi — Ku,  
Osaka, Japan.

Doris Ritchey has been very active in a summer program concerning aviation activities with elementary school children.

Local chapter girls were very thrilled to be entertained at the White House for tea with Mrs. Patricia Nixon. Mrs. Nixon was charming and the tour of the White House was most informative.

A visit to the Mexican Embassy where I met two of my home town friends, proved to be delightful.



Janet Ferguson, Reporter

Sorry I missed the September issue (the first we've missed) as I didn't receive the July/August edition in time to note that we were going back to news every month.

Anyway, here goes with this one: SHEILA SCOTT is hitting the headlines once more. This time with record flights to East and South Africa and participation in the East African Air Safari. At the time of writing she has made the London-Nairobi Section of the record bids in 48 hours 3 minutes—only 3 minutes more than the time she had hoped for, in spite of a last minute re-routing via Malta instead of Benghazi because of the political situation in Libya. She is now getting ready for the East African Flying Safari on September 12-15, and before she left London SHEILA wrote: "I am looking forward to meeting the South African Ninety Nines once again and also am entering the East Africa Flying Safari Race, which sounds great fun and is two days flying, run just like the famous East Africa Car

Safari." The handicaps for this race are the same as the AWTAR and SHEILA is not very optimistic about her chances. She follows the race with more record attempts—from Nairobi to Cape Town and then from Johannesburg back to London at the beginning of October.

ELIZABETH OVERBURY reports a most interesting meeting on June 3 with Japanese Ninety Nine YAE NOZOKI who is the Director of the Japan Branch of the Women's International Association of Aeronautics. ELIZABETH drove down to Japan Air Lines to meet YAE after a night flight and as she had to get some sleep before another night flight Japan Air Lines had a very attractive Japanese interpreter so that YAE and ELIZABETH could get through their discussions in as short a time as possible. YAE spent two days in London en route for the Paris Air Show. She presented ELIZABETH with a most beautiful Japanese fan and a tie pin of the Japanese Aeronautical Association.

DELPHINE GRAY-FISKE now has her Airline Transport Pilots License in addition to her many other qualifications, thus making a total of four British Section members holding—and using—this elusive license: GILLIAN CAZELET, DELPHINE GRAY-FISKE, ELIZABETH OVERBURY, and YVONNE POPE. (In addition, BERYL SANDERS and BEATRICE PAUL passed the ATPL written exams a couple of years ago, qualifying them for the Senior Commercial Pilots License, as they didn't quite have the full complement of hours required for the ATPL itself.)

I'm just back from taking a de Havilland Dove to Djakarta in Indonesia, and in the present lull I hope to make the election meeting coming up next week and catch up on some more news from our reticent members!

## EAST CANADIAN SECTION

**FIRST CANADIAN CHAPTER**  
Heather Sifton, Reporter

Most important recent news was the election of our new chapter executives for 1969-1970. They are as follows: Chairman, BARBARA BROTHERTON; Vice-Chairman, HELEN



**British Section Governor ELIZABETH OVERBURY meets Japanese 99 YAE NOZOKI. L to R: Manager Japan Air Lines, Yae, Elizabeth, and interpreter.**

BARTER, Secretary, HEATHER-SIFTON; Treasurer, ELAINE MAGEE.

In June, NEIL and SHIRLEY MACDOUGALL participated in the Second Annual Wyoming Air Tour. The tour attracted sixty-two planes from twenty-two states and Canada. From Cheyenne, the capital, the week-long tour went to five Wyoming centres and made aerial tours of scenic areas like Flaming Gorge Recreation Area.

The activities included picnics, rodeos, visits to museums, tours of National Parks and of course hangar flying.

One stop was Thermopolis, said to have the largest hot springs in the world and a very interesting airport. One end of the runway is one hundred

and fifty feet higher than the other, so take offs must be made to the north and landings to the south regardless of the wind.

The 1969 National Air Rally for the Governor General's Cup was held at Drummondville Municipal Airport. The event attracted forty-one airplanes. Each pilot was allowed an observer, who was given a list of seventeen checkpoints to be identified over the one hundred and fifty mile course.

KIN MARTIN flew as observer for her husband CAL in their Citabria CF-SOL and SHIRLEY MACDOUGALL flew as observer with NEIL in their Cessna 172 CF-UGZ. The MACDOUGALLS and MARTINS came in eighth and ninth.

July brought us beautiful weather

and a most successful fly-in-luncheon at Muskoka which is one of our many lovely Ontario resort areas. Twenty-five members and friends enjoyed lunch then twelve members relaxed and had a very informal meeting under the sun.

We were delighted to have AIR MARSHAL and ANESIA PINHEIRO MACHADO—member at large from Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, with us for lunch as the guests of EDITH DENNY.

EDITH recently while in Finland was in touch with three women pilots. Through Finnair she was able to contact these women and they have sent in their applications for membership in the 99's. They feel that there are about fourteen probable members and maybe they will be able to form a Section. EDITH found out that there is quite a bit of light airplane flying in their country.

Early in September fifteen of us had the pleasure of having dinner with ESTHER MATHER from Australia, MIRAN DAVIS from Florida, chairman of the Angel Derby and CONNIE STAFFORD also from Florida. WE FOUND OUT THAT EVENING THAT WE WILL HAVE THE START OF THE 1970 ANGEL DERBY IN TORONTO. This is certainly very exciting news for our chapter.

Entries will arrive on May 1st and official take off will be on May 4th. So do plan to come and see us all in Toronto.

#### MAPLE LEAF CHAPTER

Jacqueline Frampton, Reporter

When you read this the old Canadian Section will be no more. Following the (last) Annual Canadian Section meeting in Brandon, Manitoba on Sept. 27th, there will be two Canadian Sections. As I write this, the official titles for these two new sections are still unknown. Next month we'll have more news about the happenings at this momentous occasion in our history.

A 99 money making project! Collect pennies for a worthy cause for every mile walked or driven by a pilot to a meeting. This thought was prompted by our August IFR meeting at the Windsor Flying Club. One 99, ESME WILLIAMS and husband JOHN, flew IFR from Toronto in their



The new executive of the First Canadian Chapter for 1969-1970. From left to right, HELEN BARTER Vice Chairman, ELAINE MAGEE, Treasurer, HEATHER SIFTON, Secretary and BARBARA BROTHERTON, Chairman.



First Canadian Chapter members and guests at the August meeting had the pleasure of relaxing around the pool of Esme Williams.

Skyknight. The rest of us had to just come, and come we did until we totaled 32. Many members from the Michigan Chapter came. We enjoyed the company of such illustrious 99's as MARY VON MACH, one of the original 99 Charter members and BEA STEADMAN, our new International President, who came with her husband and son. Other Michigan 99's to come were MARJE HATFIELD, ADELE BINSFIELD, ELSIE KARASINSKI, HELEN WETHERILL, WINNIE DUPEROW, and PEG SULFRIDGE MATISON. It was a pleasure and a privilege to meet with the interesting pilots and later to go to lunch together. Don't forget the Michigan Small Race Oct. 3-4-5. We're hoping all of the girls have this event marked for lots of fun, friendship and flying experience. The credits for this meet-



After a special luncheon for Aviation Day at the Canadian National Exhibition 99's (L to R) ESTHER MATHER (Australia), BARBARA BROTHERTON, ESME WILLIAMS, JEAN MacDONALD, IRMA SELING and HILDA DEVEREUX enjoyed the cool of a member's pool.



Esther Mather of Australia with Niagara Falls, Ontario in the background during her recent visit to Canada.

ing go to BERNICE ESKRITT and HILDA DEVEREUX of the Maple Leaf Chapter and MARCIA WILFORD of the Windsor Flying Club. They arranged for some lovely newspaper and radio coverage by MARCY ARBOUR of the Windsor Daily Star and DORIS DICKSON of radio station CBE, in addition to the meeting.

Maple Leaf Chapter held its First Annual Meeting September 6th at the Holiday Inn in London, Ontario. The officers elected in June were re-elected unanimously for the continuing year. (See July-Aug. edition of the 99 News). JEANNE McEACHERN of Sarnia was named Airmarking chair-



Marcela Wilford of the Windsor Flying Club (left) greets 99's Bea Steadman (centre) and Hilda Devereux (right) at the Maple Leaf Chapter's Aug. meeting.

man and MARIA LINDSAY of Aylmer was selected as Achievement Awards co-ordinating chairman for the upcoming busy year. JEAN McDONALD, Vice-Governor of the Canadian Section, flew into London to be our guest for the day which included lunch, a swim in the sparkling patio pool and lazing about in those crazy tippy lounging chairs at the poolside.

Saturday, Oct. 18th at 1:00 p.m. at Sarnia Airport there will be a joint meeting of the Maple Leaf Chapter and Chapter 199 of the Experimental Aircraft Association. A desire to further General Aviation and a mutual interest in fun flying and aviation education are among the reasons for a joining of forces with other aviation oriented groups to create an atmosphere for sport and safety in flying. Guest speaker, ROGER DAVENPORT, president of EAA Chapter 250 from Aero Park, Wisc. and Aviation films from Experimental Aircraft Association Headquarters at Hales Corners, Wisconsin are on the program for an interesting and informative meeting. Anyone wishing to join us, is welcome to come and meet our guests, see the movies and do a bit of hangar flying for the afternoon.

FAY GARDINER and her committee are busy arranging a meeting for Nov. 8th at the London Flying Club with an Air Traffic Controller as the guest speaker. This will be our chance to find out more about what is on the other side of that radio!

All of our best wishes go to HILDA DEVEREUX on the purchase of her new Commander Darter, may you have many, many hours of happy flying and may all your problems be little ones.

For any of you who have been talk-



After admiring Esme and John Williams IFR equipped Skyknight, Maple Leaf Chapter members and guests get together for a picture. From left to right are Bea Steadman of the Michigan Chapter and new International President, Joyce Moore, a new Maple Leaf Chapter member, Fay Gardiner, Hilda Devereux, (Maple Leaf chairman), Jackie Frampton, Bernice Eskritt, Esme Williams, (First Canadian Chapter chairman), and Bertha Snelgrove.

ing to young people interested in a career in aviation there is free information available from ADMA, 1900 ARCH STREET, PHILADELPHIA, PA., U.S.A. 19103. NAEC, ROOM 310, 806 15TH ST. N.W., WASHINGTON D.C., U.S.A. 20005. ATAC, ROOM 701, 116 ALBERT ST., OTTAWA, ONTARIO, CANADA.



#### ALBERTA CHAPTER Doreen Wright, Reporter

The Alberta Chapter met for their Annual Chapter Meeting on September 13, 1969 in the lounge of the Edmonton Flying Club. The turn-out was excellent, however the exact number slips my mind.

One of the first orders of business was the introduction of the new officers for the forthcoming year. Our congratulations go to the following members:

JEAN BLENKINSOP—Chairman

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DOREEN WRIGHT—Vice-Chairman  
RETA SINCLAIR—Secretary  
MARG BADMINGTON—Treasurer  
This was also the time to say farewell to the old officers. At this time we would like to say a special thanks to ELEANOR BAILEY who has led the Alberta Chapter through its ups and downs in the two years since the Chapter has been formed. ELEANOR has done a tremendous amount of work getting the Chapter on its feet and her serving as Chairman for the past two years is greatly appreciated.

JEAN was unable to attend the meeting as she had just been released from the hospital. We would like to wish her a speedy recovery.

Summer has been busy for most of the 99's. JEAN BLENKINSOP and GINA JORDAN placed 11th in the Powder Puff Derby. We are very proud of them. Our congratulations also go out to MILDRED BEAMISH who has recently obtained her Commercial License. ELEANOR and IRMGARD RECH attended the International Convention in New York and, from the pictures, it looks like they had a ball!

The next meeting is planned for October 18 in Lethbridge. We hope to see all the members out and, hopefully, a few members from Montana. Until then, safe and happy flying.



**CONNECTICUT CHAPTER**

**Cynthia G. Kemper,  
Temporary Reporter**

The Connecticut Chapter is starting out a new season of activities with Installation Dinner to be held at Waverly Inn, Cheshire, Conn., on September 19th. Our new officers are: Chairman, MARY NEIL; Vice-Chairman, NINA HETMAN; Secretary, BOBBIE HERBERT; Treasurer, ROSE CRIM. Our guest speaker is DMITRI VINER, early helicopter test pilot and nephew of Igor Sikorsky.

Several Connecticut members attended the convention in New York and it was really great!!! We absorbed all the ideas we could for the New England Convention July 12-16, 1970, at Mt. Washington Inn, Bretton Woods, New Hampshire. This will be an ideal family vacation spot with sports and special events planned or just plain relaxing! Keep these dates in mind for your trip to beautiful New England next summer!

We were very happy to see CHRIS WINZER at the convention. CHRIS is really accomplishing great things at Ohio State University where she is head of Adult Education Flight Training Program. Her description of her work sounds challenging, and shows what some of us gals can do. We are proud of CHRIS. She won an Amelia Earhart Scholarship in 1936 and less than two years later earned her ATR rating. Her address in Ohio is: 5013 Godown Rd., Apt. F, Columbus, Ohio.

In July we marked a roof in Salisbury, Conn. This is the second roof (the first one being Canaan, Conn.) that our energetic Air Marking Chairman, NANCY TIER, has found for us to mark this year. We did this on a hot day and were glad some clouds covered the sun most of the time.

In place of our annual AWNER (All Women New England Race), this autumn we hope many 99s will participate in the New England Air Derby, which is sanctioned by National Pilots' Association. This will be held October 10-11-12-13 at Barnstable County Airport, Hyannis, Mass. There will be

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**Cake sale at Airshow held at Monroe, Conn. Airport on June 1, 1969. We made \$84.00 for our convention fund.**



**Roof marking at Salisbury, Conn. July 25, 1969—Mary Neil on left, Bobbie Herbert on right.**



**Roof Marking at Salisbury, Conn. July 25, 1969—NANCY TIER, Charter member of 99s and Conn. Air Marking Chairman. "Smiley" from State Dept. of Aeronautics. In background on right, Lyn Wiley.**



**Roof marking at Salisbury, Conn. July 25, 1969—From left to right—Bobbie Herbert, Cynthia Kemper, "Smiley" from state Dept. of Aeronautics, Lyn Wiley and Nancy Tier.**

a pilot proficiency air race on Sat., Oct. 11 and a treasure hunt on Sunday, Oct. 12. Fees from planes flown by 99 members will be turned back to us to be placed in our convention fund.

The Connecticut Chapter, along with two other chapters in New England Section, is concentrating on making plans for our convention. So think New England in 1970!! You will be hearing more details in future Newsletters.

**EASTERN NEW ENGLAND  
CHAPTER**

**Katherine Tompkins, Reporter**

Our year began Friday, September 12 with a tremendously successful In-

stallation Dinner at the Sheraton Lexington Motor Inn. We could have listened all night to speaker FRANK KINGSTON SMITH "FEARLESS FRANK, SCOURGE OF THE SKYWAYS" as he calls himself. Spiced with many a hilarious anecdote, his message of "sell the sizzle" to the laymen of aviation came through loud and clear. The evening will not be easily forgotten and the unfortunate few who couldn't make it have our sympathy. PEG DAVIDSON was our guest, flying in from Connecticut, and BETTY and MORGAN VIGNERON flew over from the far Western reaches of Massachusetts. They recently completed a fine trip to Nova Scotia in their Cherokee Six. We're delighted to see them again.

Retiring chairman MILLIE DOREMUS pinned our newest members as

her last official duty. They are GAIL RICHARDS from Hopedale, and JUDY GILLIS who flies out of Hanscom. Our member count comes currently to forty eight and MILLIE reported that we've received twelve new in the last two years. The job of chairman is difficult and often thankless but we want MILLIE to know that we're very grateful for her endless hours of service. She was presented with a beautiful Amelia Earhart Medal as a token of our appreciation for a job well done. ISABEL BLODGETT presented FRANK KINGSTON SMITH with our gift of a set of cocktail glasses for which he insisted upon a big kiss, and gave us a great picture for our scrapbook.

Saturday it was a bit of a struggle out of the old sack but bright and early dawned the Worcester Air Show where we were to help out with an information table and as hostesses. VIRGINIA BONESTEEL mustered her forces and produced a very handsome display of trophies from our members, Ninety Nine literature and many pictures and articles of women pilots and their activities. The instigator of this project, to whom we're all grateful, was MARIE LEPORE. HARRIET FULLER was the early bird who worked very hard setting up the display. Assisting also during the day were MARY SHEA, MONA BUDDING, MILLIE DOREMUS, RIPLEY MILLER, HELEN RHODES, DOT BUTLER, DORIS PRESTON, CHRIS SEAVER, GEORGIA PAPPAS, and yours truly, KATHY TOMPKINS. The climax of the day was the BILL SWEET Air Show which was spectacular.

The BONESTEELS held another of their wonderful parties on August 23, this time in honor of the hard working cookbook committee. A special champagne toast was made to the tune of a fine ballad written by VIRGINIA, the cookbook editor. Those lucky enough to share the champagne were MONA and MALCOLM BUDDING, MILLIE and BUD DOREMUS, RIPLEY and KEN MILLER, BILLIE and STU DOWNING, CORA CLARK, HARRIET FULLER, LOIS AUCHTERLONIE, HELEN RHODES, GENE and STU WOODWORTH, KATHY and RICK TOMPKINS. THANKS TO THE ABOVE, "WINGS IN THE KITCHEN" IS NOW IN PRODUCTION. ORDERS MAY BE SENT (WITH \$3.25) TO

VIRGINIA BONESTEEL, 45 OLD BILLERICA RD., BEDFORD, MASS. 01730.

Our August meeting was a fun one at the DOREMUS camp on Lovewell Pond in Fryeburg, Maine. Attending were CHRIS SEAVER, MONA BUDDING, KATHY TOMPKINS, JUDY GILLIS, CORA CLARK, RIPLEY MILLER, BILLIE DOWNING and guest ARLA PHELPS. After flying in and being driven to the camp by our genial cab driver, BUD DOREMUS, we watched a DeHavilland Beaver seaplane land and taxi right up to the Doremus beach. It was the Maine Forestry Service coming for lunch. Swimming and a picnic lunch was enjoyed by all after the meeting.

BILLIE and STU DOWNING flew down to New Bedford with their guest from Stockholm where they enjoyed talking with the air traffic controllers. The flight was to have been to Martha's Vineyard, Nantucket and Hyannis, but the weather didn't cooperate.

No new ratings to report this month but HARRIET FULLER is making rapid progress in her latest venture, soaring at the Sterling Airport and Kathy Tompkins has soloed in the Citabria and is continuing in the aerobic course at Tech. Aeroservice. Fly-in lunches are the thing to do when you have a yen for a fly. The Bonesteels and the Tompkins flew Cessna 150's to Hopedale Draper airport for a picnic lunch one dull working day and were delighted to find there HARRIET FULLER, MARTHA DUNBAR, DOT BUTLER and HELEN RHODES.

Those clear autumn days are upon us again and we're looking forward to the burst of New England color which will soon be upon us and there is no better way to view it than from the air, so polish up your wings and let's fly.

#### NORTHERN CHAPTER Alma Smith, Reporter

Three fly-able fly-in meetings in a row, Northern Chapter really hit the

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jackpot this summer. Our September meeting at Burlington International Airport in Vermont rounded out one busy year and launched another, with 1970 Ninety-Nines Convention one month nearer.

Airport Manager BILL SHEA, our host for the day, was on the ramp to greet each arriving Nine'y-Nine aircraft at Burlington, scene of three All Woman's New England Air Races.

Coffee was served courtesy of the airport coffee shop. Our meeting was in the FAA training room. Chairman JEAN BATCHELDER presented MR. SHEA who spoke of the growth of Burlington as an international airport and its future in the age of supersonic jets, VTOL and STOL. Burlington is in fourth place in New England in traffic but gaining fast on presently third place Providence.

Convention at BRETTON WOODS next July was the number one point of discussion at the business meeting.

The report of the nominating committee was given and the slate elected: JEANNE BENNETT, chairman; CATHERINE HOSMER, vice chairman; DORIS WURSTER, treasurer, and JOY BRICKER, secretary.

LOIS CHESTERLEY brought SHIRLEY RUDMAN of Nashua who has a brand new private pilot's certificate to SHIRLEY'S second chapter meeting. We are to have a new member. JEAN BATCHELDER just happened to have an application.

JANE DEMERS who has been flying for five years and lives in Burlington was a guest of HOPE RIEHLE, winner of last year's AWNEAR.

Old friends of DRUCILLA SCHNEIDERHEINZE, long a Ninety-Nine member, were delighted to find her at Burlington to welcome us.

The chapter is happy to have MAD-ELINE BLIDBERG back from Reno where she worked last year as a nurse and added a commercial pilot's certificate and an instrument rating.

Our new Chairman JEANNE has named her newly purchased home at the north end of the runway at Post Mills, Vt., "PLANE VIEW," and she has a kitten named "OMNI ROSE."

Airport Manager SHEA arranged a tour of the radar center and other airport facilities after lunch.

Next meeting will be Sunday noon, Oct. 12, at Hyannis, Mass. airport being held in conjunction with the New England Air Derby.



**GARDEN STATE CHAPTER**  
Mary Rose Myers, Reporter

Well, here we come forth with some chatter-patter from the Garden State Chapter. Even with the hectic summer, our chapter has been a busy one.

Garden State's first Poker Run was quite a success and was very ably chaired by CLAIRE KURICA and ALMA HITCHINGS. Now we are looking forward to a Treasure Hunt.

Saturday, June 28th dawned a beautiful, hot, sunny day . . . just perfect for our airmarking of Bader Field in Atlantic City. Wielding paint brushes were DONNA WILLARD, JUDY MELTSNER, VIRGINIA HAMMOND, JANE MARTIN, FLO WALSH, JERRY ROBERTS, MARY ROSE MYERS and SEGLINDA MAYER. Our next airmarking is Penn Ridge Airfield on October fourth.

The convention days were busy ones for delegates JANE MARTIN, FLO WALSH and JUDY MELTSNER. BARBARA CUBBISON worked the convention in her capacity as Stenotypist.

Our August meeting was held at Skyport and with the lovely weather, there were quite a few fly-ins. Attending the meeting were, ALMA HITCHINGS, CLAIRE KURICA, ALICE HAMMOND, MARY ROSE MYERS, VIRGINIA HAMMOND, ELAINE WILSON, a guest from the Washington, D.C. Chapter, FLO WALSH, JUDY MELTSNER, JANE MARTIN, JERRY ROBERTS, EDYTHE FINE, VON ALTER and DIANE RODRIQUEZ . . . The nominating committee submitted the slate of officer candidates that was voted upon at this meeting.

Installation of officers will be September twentieth at the Flying W Ranch. The new officers to be seated are as follows . . . Chairman, FLO WALSH; Vice - chairman, JERRY ROBERTS; Treasurer, DORIS DOLCE; Recording secretary, ALMA HITCHINGS; Corresponding secretary, JANE MARTIN.

ALICE HAMMOND was the proud recipient of two trophies flying the Powder Puff Derby . . . one for being the first Grandmother to Land at Las

Vegas and one for being the second plane to land at Las Vegas. Our happy congratulations to ALICE on winning her two trophies.

JERRY ROBERTS and her 49½ER HAROLD are entrants in the New England Air Race.

The first week of September had our Chapter quite busy again. First working as greeters and on transportation at Bader Field and Atlantic City Municipal Airports during the AOPA Plantation Party that convened in Atlantic City. On hand for the greeting, transportation duties at the beginning of the conclave and transportation for the departure were DIANE SHAW, MARY ROSE MYERS, BARBARA CUBBISON, FLO WALSH, JANE MARTIN, JERRY ROBERTS, STEVE GRESTEDT and BARBARA WESSIL. STEVE and BARBARA WESSIL are our Sixty-Sixes, soon to be full-fledged Ninety-Nines. The Garden State's blue dress-alikes with the Ninety-Nine emblem in white brought very favorable compliments on the neatness from both Ninety-Nines who flew in for the Plantation Party and from attending AOPA-ers along with promises of getting home and helping their wives to speed up their lessons to licenses and having them join the Ninety-Nines in their area.

On Saturday, September seventh, Garden State Chapter again worked as greeters and helped on the Penny-a-pound . . . the event was the second anniversary of Ocean County AirPark at Toms River, N.J.

Have two sad notes at this time. DICK YOUNG, Husband of our Charter member FLORENCE YOUNG, took his "Last Flight". Dick was very well known in aviation circles and was a very long time pilot. Our Chapter was saddened to hear of the accident of Ocean County Freeholder ROBERT MILLER, who is also manager of Ocean County Airpark. ROBERT MILLER and his pilot were severely burned when their plane crashed and are now patients at the University of Pennsylvania Hospital. Our prayers go for the speedy recovery of ROBERT MILLER and his pilot. ROBERT MILLER is a very great friend and exponent of the Ninety-Nines.

The Garden State has been approved to submit a sale item for the roster. NEAT, COMFORTABLE FLYING SHOES ARE ON SALE ITEM OF

GARDEN STATE. THE SHOES ARE OF SOFT NAVY LEATHER, WITH A WHITE 99 ON THE FRONT TONGUE FLAP. THE SHOES GO EQUALLY WELL WITH DRESS OR SPORTSWEAR. SIZES ARE 4 THROUGH 11 IN NARROW, MEDIUM AND WIDE WIDTHS. THE SHOES ARE PRICED AT \$11.00 PP. CHECKS ARE MADE PAYABLE TO GARDEN STATE CHAPTER, DORIS DOLCE, BEVERLY RD., BURLINGTON, N.J. 08016. SEE NOTAMS.

The loss of Garden State Chapter will be the gain of the Maryland Chapter BARBARA CUBBISON will be moving to Rockville, Md. JIM CUBBISON has received a promotion in his FAA position which necessitates their move to the Washington, D.C. Area. We all shall miss the CUBISONS very much.

Well it's time for me to release the mike button on this transmission . . . do have lots of flying fun and fun working on your respective Ninety-Nine projects.

**LONG ISLAND CHAPTER**  
Joan Fleischmann, Reporter

Although the Long Island Chapter has been hampered by generally poor flying weather, we did manage to have a couple of get-togethers.

In June we had a fly-in meeting and Clam Bake at the CAPTAINS MARINA at Montauk Point. This was arranged by our activities chairman NINA CLAREMONT. Besides NINA, 49'er HUGH and daughter SUSAN, those attending were: IRENE and DICK HENRY and son PIP, DORIS ABATTE and husband RONALD with friends, THELMA BAKER, MARGE GRAY, HELEN and AL MOXIM, JO and JIM O'BRIEN, VIVIAN and LESTER KAHAN, DAISY and BOB POSS, and DOTTIE and BOB BOCK. The meal was wonderful, and a good time was had by all.

In September the 99's were honored at the Suffolk County Air Force Base. This special day was conducted by the Long Island Early Flyers Club, to commemorate the 40th Anniversary of the 99's. Those attending from the Long Island Chapter were ANNA DIETRICH, ELLIE McCULLOUGH, DOTTIE BOCK, RUTH and CHARLES DOBRESCU, SHERRY and JACK O'KEEFE, DAISY and BOB POSS, and VIOLA GENTRY. Also one of the gal early flyers ELEANOR SMITH.



99s in Eden — Western New York, that is! Standing (l. to r.)—49½er OSCE ROBERTS, FREDDY ROCHE, NARLETTA KAULL, JEAN VALVO, ETHEL FEDDERS, KATHY POCZAK and FRAN WILSON. Seated—AGNES DENLER, NAOMI ROBERTS, DORIS CULP, CECELIA KENNY and TERRI PIRRUNG.

From the Greater New York Chapter DORIS RENNINGER, and HERB FISHER. Among the activities of the day was a film about the issuing of the Amelia Earhart Commemorative Stamp, and the gals that flew the stamps from Atchison, Kansas to their various state capitols. This was followed by a delicious dinner with the 99's the guests of the Long Island Early Flyers.

DONNA FLAUM our AMELIA EARHART Scholarship recipient working very hard on her multi-engine rating.

Ditto IRENE BRUNKS on her helicopter rating.

SHERRY O'KEEFE studying for her Commercial and Instrument Ratings. SHERRY and 49er JACK and son off to Norway for a vacation this month.

So far we have two airplanes entering the New England Air Derby. THELMA BAKER flying MARGE

GRAY, DOTTIE BOCK and THELMA'S friend CHET HUNT. The second aircraft piloted by ELLIE McCULLOUGH with ANNA DIETRICH. Hope the weather is great, and they have a wonderful time.

NINA and HUGH CLAREMONT enjoyed the recent Plantation Party at Atlantic City.

HELEN and AL MOXIM and JOAN and ARTHUR FLEISCHMANN flew to Nantucket. The weather was perfect at Nantucket, but we just managed to get back home before IFR conditions got us.

Happy flying to one and all!

#### WESTERN NEWYORK CHAPTER Doris Culp, Reporter

The lovely wooded setting of CECELIA KENNY'S summer home in Eden was the scene of our summer picnic in August. CECELIA'S gracious hospitality again this year could only

be exceeded by her excellent chili, and we thank her most heartily for another relaxing and delightful visit. It was especially enjoyable since our 49½ers were invited and added considerably to the atmosphere and conversation from their "box seats". Those attending were Guests of Honor NAOMI and OSCE ROBERTS, our hostess, CECELIA KENNY, AGNES and ALAN DENLER, KATHY and HENRY POCZAK, TERRI and ED PIRRUNG, JEAN and BURT VALVO, FRAN and KEN WILSON, FREDDY and DON ROCHE, NARLETTA KAULL, ETHEL FEDDERS and DORIS and HERB CULP. We were all sorry to be saying "so long" to NAOMI and OSCE ROBERTS who have since moved to Mt. Kisco, N.Y. (about 10 miles from Westchester County airport). NAOMI has been such an ardent worker and has contributed so much to the Western New York Chapter's

progress during her years in Buffalo that we shall truly miss her at our regular meetings. Our loss, however, is New York area's gain, and we can at least look forward to hearing from NAOMI often. She can be justifiably proud of her 17 year old son, JIM MEEKER, who has been flying around the country this summer in his very own Taylorcraft, attending flying school at Meacham Field, Ft. Worth, Texas (working on Commercial and Instructor) and will be attending Texas A & M this fall. Best wishes to a most ambitious young man.

An exciting time at the Waldorf was reported by our gals who attended the Convention in July. JEAN and BURT VALVO, KATHY and HENRY POTOCZAK, TERRY, ED and TOMMY PIRRUNG, CECELIA KENNY and ETHEL FEDDERS all were impressed by the effort and organization that made the Convention a success. We all wish we could have been there, of course, to see the special 99 Award given to our own CECELIA KENNY as a Charter Member and also the presentation of the Amelia Earhart Award from the Western New York Chapter in recognition of the many active years she has spent in aviation and the devotion, loyalty and cheerful enthusiasm she lavishes on our chapter. Congratulations, CECELIA.

After the convention, ETHEL FEDDERS vacationed in Washington, D.C., Maryland and Virginia for a couple of weeks, swimming in the Chesapeake. ETHEL rarely misses a meeting so made sure she was home in time for our August picnic.

JEAN VALVO reports that BURT finally got tired of the right seat and has been taking flying lessons. Last we heard he successfully completed his first solo cross country, so they should soon have two pilots in the Valvo family—with 3 girls and a boy to go. Meanwhile, JEAN says she is still plugging away under the hood and the Instrument Rating seems one hundred years away.

AGNES DENLER—you guessed it—has another rating. This time its Instrument Ground Instructor, and she says she is looking for victims. Get in line!

This summer has been a busy one for ARLENE BRAY instructing part-time at Jamestown, N.Y. and Arcade, N.Y. It's the long drive from Arcade

to Jamestown on bad days that keeps this gal in the air!

In September our election meeting was held at the Airways Motel, and I'm pleased to report that the efficient slate of officers of '68-'69 were unanimously re-elected: AGNES DENLER, Chairman; ARLENE BRAY, Vice-Chairman; KATHY POTOCZAK, Secretary-Treasurer; ETHEL FEDDERS, Membership. The area was well represented at this meeting by FRAN MURRAY (all the way from Potsdam), BETTY WALKER, JODY LAMMERTS, GERRY PAINE, PEG PIEPER, AGNES DENLER, TERRI PIRRUNG, CECELIA KENNY, NARLETTA KAULL, ETHEL FEDDERS, JEAN VALVO, JOANNE KOHLER and DORIS CULP.

An attractive 172 Cessna has been keeping FRAN MURRAY busy, and she has logged 50 hrs. in it. Her husband claims it the rest of the time! A Fly-In is planned at Potsdam's new airport September 27, and FRAN invites us to enjoy the luxury of landing on their brand new runway.

TERRI PIRRUNG (our traffic report pilot) is working diligently on her Instrument Instructor Rating and getting a little right seat time in the Navajo. Wonderful to see JOANNE KOHLER who is attending Syracuse University and studying political science with a law degree as a goal. Making Dean's List doesn't leave much time for flying, but it does make good lawyers. Which reminds me—JEAN and BURT VALVO attended the Cleveland Air Races over Labor Day week-end. Enjoyed them very much and were really glad to see the gals take the Class A & B Stack Pylon races both days.

Good news—GERRY PAINE received her Private Rating June 30 and at present is working on a 1946 Aeronca, trying to get the thing down pat (landing, that is). FRAN WILSON and ETHEL FEDDERS attended the "Fun Day" Swim Luncheon given by ESME WILLIAMS, Chairman First Canadian Chapter, at her lovely home in Islington, Ontario.

Prospective member news: MARY OSHEI will soon be ready for her Private written exam. FREDDY ROCHE is planning her first cross country from Royalton. A hearty welcome to JODY LAMMERTS and PEG PIEPER. JODY has already had an interest in airplanes and those who fly

them for 5 years. Her goal—Lear Jet type rating. PEG started flying at her pilot husband's suggestion and now finds herself spending all of her spare time either at Prior Aviation or talking flying. Sound familiar to anyone?

The hostesses for our Fall Section Meeting will be the new Hudson Valley Chapter on Oct. 18—so mark a circle around that date and plan to attend. Until next time—fly like angels!



#### EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER

Kate Macario, Reporter

Sorry I missed last month's column but I didn't know it was to be monthly again. I hope this one isn't too long . . . Aug. 16th was the annual Fly-In to the DIEMANDS for a cook-out, swim and meeting. Among those who flew in were BETTY WAY in her Muskeeter, MURIEL and RUDY CHALOW in the 182, ALICE and RAY MEISENHEIMER in the Navion, MERLE and BOB STARER making a beautiful approach in their Cessna 401, and prospective member ADELE PARSONS accompanied by her husband, DR. SID PARSONS, their son and MARSHA IVINS, who is now attending the University of Colorado. ADELE and MARSHA are planning to fly in the AWTAR next year. Adele is working on her Commercial and Marsha has her Comm/Inst. Four new members were given their applications that day: BETTY WAY, GINI MERRION, DR. LAURELLA McCLELLAND and MARSHA IVINS, and four prospective members attended for the first time: DOTTIE and BUD MILLER who fly out of Perkiomen Valley Airport and both earned their Private license within the past year; TRUDI BAWDUNINK, an executive secretary who has her Instructors Rating and flies out of Turner Field; JOAN ZAHARFY is a 4th Grade teacher in S. Phila. and got her Private at N. Phila. Airport; and ELEANOR SMITH, a student pilot also at N. Phila. Airport.

Among the familiar faces was one our chapter hadn't seen for a long time, ARLENE FELDMAN of the San Antonio chapter, from which she just transferred. Her husband, MAJOR ARNOLD FELDMAN, left in June to



Left to Right: John Shaffer, Administrator, FAA, William Kraham, Executive Director National Association Air Traffic Specialists, Hazel H. McKendrick, Editor and Board Member NAATS, and Ann Shields, FSS specialist, Philadelphia FSS. The Occasion was the awarding of the "Outstanding Specialist of the year" to Ann Shields for her work in the field of aviation education both for the FAA and the Ninety-nines. The award was made in Las Vegas during the bi-annual convention of NAATS.

serve a year at Long Binh, Vietnam where he is Commander of the 93rd Evacuation Hospital Detachment. ARLENE and her children are living with her parents in Phila. during this time. BERTIE PETERSON, whose son just returned from Vietnam had much to discuss with ARLENE. ANNE SHIELDS, after working a 12 to 8 shift at the F.S.S. came with HELEN ZUBROW, and GINI MERRION, KATE MACARIO and ANNA SPIVEY plus the other officers completed the group. An informal meeting beside the swimming pool was held by BARBARA FARQUHARSON, the minutes read by ELYSE CHAPMAN with the Treasury report coming from HELEN

ZUBROW. The amount now in our treasury will have to hold us over til spring, since the Penny-A-Pound we usually have in Sept. was cancelled with the expectancy of holding it in May, instead. Since BARBARA has completed two years as Chairman, this was her final meeting as such. The new officers elected are:

MERLE (CHALOW) STARER, Chairman, ELYSE CHAPMAN and ANNA SPIVEY continuing as Recording Sec. and Corresponding Sec. respectively, and our new Treasurer, CAROL BOHACH. Thanks to our gracious hosts, NANCY and BUZZ DIEMAND, we had another wonderful day at their place.

PERSONAL PATTEN: Congratulations to ANNE SHIELDS FOR BEING SELECTED THE OUTSTANDING AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL SPECIALIST FOR 1969 BY THE NATIONAL ASSOC. OF AIR TRAFFIC SPECIALISTS (NAATS). Anne will be flying to Las Vegas, Sept. 21 to receive the award which will be presented to her

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by the F.A.A. Administrator John H. Shafer . . . Our sympathy to LOUISE SACCHI who broke her right arm two months ago and has been slightly out of commission but hopes to be ferrying planes again by next month. LIBBY DUVAL and NANCY DIEMAND accompanied LOUISE on two of her overseas flights and were literally her "right hand". . . ELYSE CHAPMAN now has her multi-engine rating and gets around in that Aztec of hers . . . MERLE STARER has an Aero Commander 200 which she flew in the Cleveland Air Races over Labor Day. She won \$700 in her s'ock class and expects to participate in the Ft. Lauderdale races next Feb. . . . BETH STURTEVANT and BARBARA FARQUHARSON attended the CAP FAA Seminar in Atlantic City. They heard all the speakers, took part in all the classes and thought the whole seminar was excellent . . . HELEN ZUBROW and ANNE SHIELDS entered the Poker Run held by the Central Pa. Chapter and HELEN was the bandit who stole 1st prize, an FM AM Transis'or radio, by collecting five fours.

. . . GINA and JOE MERRION headed their Cherokee towards Alaska the week of the AWTAR. The IFR weather (JOE'S working on that Instrument) forced them to change their itinerary, but they had a wonderful, interesting trip through the northwest country . . . Received a letter from Sr. MARGARET MARY BOREK and she is still at the Retreat House in Kendall, Florida. She has been to several 99 meetings and flown with a woman instructor she met at Tamiami Airport. PEGGY doesn't know when she will return to the convent in Media, Pa.

. . . BEVERLY HOWETT spent a day at the National Aviation Day Exposition at Dulles International Airport where the "big" attraction was the Lockheed C-5 . . . BETTY WAY flew commercially to Greece and Paris, spending three weeks there. She is now back to teaching her Art class in Springfield H.S. . . . Congratulations to MARIE D'ALTERIO for graduating from Practical Nursing School and receiving the Citizenship Award for the one who worked hardest for her class.

. . . KATE and TOM MACARIO with 3 of their boys flew in a Bonanza and a 150 with camping gear aboard to Rockford, Ill. to spend a week at the EAA International Fly-In.



### CAROLINAS CHAPTER PS, Reporter (& New Gov.)

What a swell Section mee'ing the Tennessee Chapter hostessed for all us-all in Knoxville September 12-14. Starting with the "Early Birds" feeding, seeding, (and drinkin') at FRAN and CHARLES DAVIS'S home up the side of one of those mountains and lasting through the business session, an afternoon with the National Guard's refueling gang, and a banquet highlighted with funny, funny speaker BILL KERSCHNER—and Tennessee's own RUTH THOMAS and three OTHER "FOUR FLUSHERS," Tennessee's 99s really had a winner. Our sincere thanks to one and all of them. Us two Carolinas members—NANCY WRENN, Chap'er Chairman, and this Reporter—had a ball.

Every single chapter in the Southeast Section was represented at this Meeting, and that covers a big chunk of country-side. Many things are a-foot (or a-wing?) for the coming year, and this Section is looking forward to leading the way in the President's pledge of "Fun and Friendship."

Alabama will hostess the Section's spring meeting; we look forward to that one. Now, there's a winning state for fine spots, too!

Carolinas Chapter missed a September Meeting in deference to the Fall Section but plans are firm on a shark-fishing week-end at the beach October 10-12. This one is purely for prac'ice and not in conjunction with the fishing pros—the real Sea Hags. The Beach is Ocean Drive—the State is South Carolina—and the Airport is Crescent Beach's. Come on and join us!

November's meeting is planned for South Carolina, too—at Miller Aviation on Columbia's main Airport. We'll let you hear more about this one—but so far, we hear it's a sailing lesson—boat, that is. Between our two experts, FRAN MILLER and SYL ROTH, perhaps we'll all have BTIRs af'er that meeting? (Boat Transport Instrument Ratings)

We still have a few of those extra-valuable luggage tags available. Custom-made with two lines of print—

like your name and your home town—they say you're 99 members. Send check and name/town to be printed to our sec/treasurer EVIE HYMAN. They cost \$1.50 each and we'll ship back, postpaid.

(Editor's note:) Boy, you sure are getting pushy! You are the only governor who is also a reporter. I guess I will have to adress you as "your governorness" before I git you for something. Congrats ole buddy, you are now busier than I and holler just before you get sandbagged and will help if we can. Luv the Guv)

### FLORIDA GOLDCOAST CHAPTER Helen Mennitto, Reporter

Here we have a new year and a new slate of officers. RUTH FLEISHER, chairman of the Nominating Committee, announced at our September 15th meeting, the following results: Chairman, LOIS PORTER; vice-chairman, SHIRLEY DAVIS, Secretary, FRANCES SARGENT, Treasurer, ANN ROSS. The new chairman proceeded to make these appointments: Membership, MIMI BOND (newly transferred from the Conn. Chapter); A. E. Scholarship Committee, HELEN SMITH; Public Relations, ELOISE RUBY (another new transfer from Fla. Space Port Chapter) and yours truly, HELEN MENNITTO, for Newsletter Reporter.

Our chapter was represented at the Southeast Sectional in Knoxville, September 13 and 14 by outgoing chairman, MIRIAM DAVIS, VIRGINIA BRITT and ANN ROSS who gave an excellent and complete report of the fun and proceedings. They flew up in HUB DAVIS' Navaho, doing that long stretch in 4:07!

LOIS PORTER recounted the highlights of the FAPA annual fly-in the same weekend in Franklin, N.C. ("home of the available gems") called the RUBY RENDEZVOUS. She and LEE AVERMAN had to leave prior to the dedication ceremonies for the Franklin Airport.

Our radar has picked up the fact that CECILE HATFIELD is studying for her ground instructor's rating and that FRAN SARGENT obtained her instrument rating this summer. That ought to warm the cockles of our APT Chairman's heart!

Your reporter spent the last week of August in Tehachapi, Calif. at the Holiday Soaring School taking the transi-

tion course for a glider rating while her daughter DONNA was completing her training for a private glider license (she has no power ratings as yet). We took our tests and passed on the same day—now we can fly daddy's Schweizer 1-26.

We were pleased to meet and welcome as a guest MARSHA ORTON, holder of a private license, recently graduated from Kent State University in Ohio, now working at Tropic Aviation in Fort Lauderdale and working on her commercial.

Did I miss someone's news? Call me and we'll try for next issue!

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#### **SUNCOAST CHAPTER** **Dotty Birdsong, Reporter**

The Suncoast Chapter regular August 13th meeting was plagued by bad weather. The Lakeland fly-in brought two planes that morning but they had to wait out the weather for several hours before returning home in the afternoon.

Guests were MRS. JULIA SMITH of Lynchburg, Va. and sister of MASON LYKES, Chairman and MRS. JOYCE DIAMOND, Washington, D.C., sister-in-law of our member JOYCE DIAMOND. FLORENCE BEEMAN of Largo is our new member. With only seven members present we discussed projects for the coming year and lunched together. Even those of us that drove had difficulty driving home in the IFR.

The September 10th regular meeting was held at ALBERT WHITTED Airport in St. Petersburg, Fla. There were ten members present for the installation of officers. Our new Chairman is ETHEL GIBSON, St. Petersburg, Fla. There were ten members present for the installation of officers. Our new Chairman is ETHEL GIBSON, St. Petersburg, Vice-Chairman, PEARL ALWARD of Sarasota, Secretary BETTY SMITH, St. Petersburg and FRAN BUCHAN, Treasurer, St. Petersburg. Lunch was enjoyed at AUNT HATTIES. I regret having missed the meeting as I was in Atlanta on a business trip with my husband. I was in Knoxville the following Friday for the Southeast Section meeting and a most enjoyable week-end. The Tennessee Chapter went all out for the group. FRAN DAVIS was so gracious to invite the gang to her lovely home for a long Friday evening of relaxation and dinner she prepared

herself with the help of her maid. The regular business meeting was held Saturday morning with elected officers taking over. The Saturday night banquet was most enjoyable with guest speaker BILL KIRSHNER entertaining with his wit and experiences of flying. The "FOUR FLUSHERS" Barber Shop quartet made up of Tennessee girls was excellent with their presentation. Film from the moon landing was shown at the banquet closing. THELMA DAWSON and DOTTY BIRDSONG, the only Suncoast Chapter members, both won door prizes. This was most unusual for me but THELMA walked off with trophies for the largest and most fish at the Kitty Hawk, N.C. Spring Section meeting. The trip home on Sunday with THELMA and TOM DAWSON was most pleasant.

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#### **GEORGIA CHAPTER** **Jean Voyles, Reporter**

There was no meeting in Georgia this month because of the Southeast Section meeting in Knoxville. Your reporter had a wee bit of surgery and antibiotics so could not travel, but BETTY McNABB sent along an account of the activities there. Those of us who could not attend missed a superlative meeting. The Georgia members who did go were ESTHER WRIGHT, BETTY McNABB, and JOYCE SOX. BETTY, ESTHER, and student pilot SHIRLEY NESMITH, flew up in ESTHER'S Cessna 172 and JOYCE went by airline.

PAULINE MALLARY has been promoting the 99's lately with her interview for WSB Radio in Atlanta on women's activities in aviation. She was also pleasantly surprised by hearing from DOROTHY BREWER, 99 from Michigan, who manages with her husband, CAL, the Mt. Pleasant airport—host city for this year's Michigan Small Race. The Brewers were enroute to Fort Lauderdale.

JOYCE SOX was appointed APT Chairman for the Southeast Section. She has been busy in flying recently, having been recommended by ESTHER WRIGHT, her instructor, for the instructor's check-ride, and successfully getting her instructor's rating September 9. She makes the fifth instructor in the Georgia Chapter. And to "keep things in the Chapter," her first student will be CAROLYN

DUNN, working toward a commercial rating.

BETTY and ESTHER were not able to make the Rebel 600 race because of thunderstorms, but PAULINE represented the 99's well by placing 7th and winning the First Place Woman Pilot Trophy and many other nice prizes. PAULINE and husband recently moved into a new home. Do you suppose it was necessary for more room for her trophies?

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MYRTLE THOMPSON CAGLE is back in Macon, we're glad to hear. Her husband, WALT, graduated from the Air Command and Staff College at Air University, Maxwell AFB on June 6. They flew many places in Alabama while living there just as they do in Georgia in their Cessna, named "LITTLE HENRY" and with little daughter, JOY, along.

JEAN VOYLES wedged in some flying trips during the two weeks between quarters by flying to Cincinnati to attend a convention and to St. Simons Island, Georgia, and Lake Wales, Florida for fun.

Those of us who didn't get to the Sectional Meeting missed hearing BILL KIRSCHNER, whose manuals we all study with respect, tell about his school of aerobatics at Sewanee, Tennessee. He talked about some of his flying escapades and had the crowd in convulsions, partly because many of his fluffs parallel some of everyone's experiences.

BETTY and ESTHER had newspix made with Georgia Aviation Trade Association officials and GOVERNOR MADDOX as he signed the proclamation on Georgia Aviation Day. Then the two 99's flew off to hand-carry information packets and safety admonitions to 35 airports in the state regarding the GATA air rally held Sunday, the 14th. Their packets gave the 99's some advertising—they read "The GATA Safety Team, ESTHER and BETTY, 99's."

LILLIAN HUBER has recently become active and DICEY MILLER has moved to Georgia from Alabama. Both are warmly welcomed. DICEY is instructing full-time at Peachtree DeKalb Airport, Epps Air Service. She also delivered the packets described above to four airports.

The October meeting will be in Toccoa on the 19th. SARAH WISE, a new member, is serving as coordinator.

## MEMPHIS CHAPTER

Netta Holden, Reporter

Now that vacation is over and the children off to school, many of us may have more time to "get in the air". Being down on the Gulf Coast and missing hurricane Camille by a week, DOUG and I were unable to attend the gala swimming party held at HILDA and DOYLE SAVAGE'S home in Memphis. The 99's and 49½ers attending and enjoying the delicious foods were: GLADYS ESTES, VIRGINIA PROCTOR, INA and MIKE WALKER, ROSEMARY and BOB WILLIAMS and CAROLYN and JOHN BELL. Everyone said they really enjoyed themselves. Sorry we missed the fun and food.

ROSEMARY and BOB WILLIAMS flew their Bonanza to Mexico. ROSEMARY said they flew between layers of clouds on the way and didn't get a chance to see very much of the scenery.

MARY OLIVER visited relatives in Washington. MARY has been flying locally in a Cessna 172.

SYLVIA LUCAS flew commercial to New Orleans, Los Angeles and Las Vegas. Sylvia has been getting flying time in a Cessna 172.

BETTY ROCKWOOD has been flying a Cherokee around the Mid-South.

GLADYS ESTES flew a Cherokee 140 to Walnut, Mississippi.

GENNY COOK and GLADYS ESTES have joined the Cherokee Flying Club in Memphis. Both girls flew to Greenwood, Mississippi to see about glider-flying. Genny is really interested since taking a ride at MARY STANLEY'S in Augusta, Arkansas.

VIRGINIA PROCTOR and yours truly are still working on our instrument rating at Memphis International. Let us put it this way, "it ain't easy chasing that localizer needle".

A fly-in on August 31st was held at MARY STANLEY'S in Augusta, Arkansas. Mary had coffee, donuts and melon for the early arrivals. Flying in from Memphis were CHRIS BROWN in her Cessna, JUNE PENTECOST in her Cessna, GENNY COOK, GLADYS ESTES and MARY HILL in a Cherokee, ROSEMARY and BOB WILLIAMS in their Bonanza, MARTHA and FRANK TOBEY in their Debonair, HILDA and DOYLE SAVAGE in their Mooney and NETTA and DOUG HOLDEN in their Arrow. VIRGINIA

and EVERETT PROCTOR flew in later on their way back from Kansas City. A spot-landing contest was held as each plane came in. To my surprised and very proud co-pilot, 34 Tango touched down closest to the line. GENNY COOK and GLADYS ESTES were next. We three won a glider-ride in a Schweizer aircraft. It was a "quiet" thrill I'll always remember soaring in the air. The scenery was beautiful—no camera. A box-lunch of Bar-B-Que and trimmings was enjoyed by all. After chatting about our summer flying activities, we all winged our way homeward taking melon, preserves and pecans presented by our hosts, MARY and JOE STANLEY. Thanks a million, we all are looking forward to next year.

And, in the meantime—Let's fly.

## MISSISSIPPI CHAPTER

Charlotte Jenkins, Reporter

CAMILLE, to say the least, certainly was not a lady. Not only did she cause millions of dollars of destruction, but cancelled our August meeting. KITTY GREEN and the Jackson gals were planning a marvelous meeting at Fort Morgan, Ala. But we are looking forward to another one there in the near future.

September brought beautiful weather and a wonderful time at the Section meeting in Knoxville, Tennessee. PEGGY McCORMICK, JANET GREEN (retiring Governor) JESSIE MILLER, MIRIAM LOE, MY MOTHER MRS. RUTH HOLDITCH as my guest, and I represented the Mississippi Chapter. Tennessee Chapter, we enjoyed a very well planned week-end and your wonderful hospitality.

Our October meeting is tentatively planned for Greenwood. We are looking forward to a full, fun filled year with the installation of the new officers, and are hoping for lots of good weather. (Especially on meeting dates!)

## TENNESSEE CHAPTER

Ruth W. Thomas, Reporter

Wanna touch a Tennessee 99? They ordered bee-yoo-tiful weather for the Fall Southeast Section Meeting and the order came through in flying colors—CAVU.

Planes parked on the ramp at the Municipal Airport made people ask if Tennessee was playing an early

home game. Each of the nine chapters had two or more representatives present.

BETTY McNABB, Georgia Chapter and International Vice President, brought greetings from BEA STEADMAN and elaborated on the theme of "Fun and Friendship" for the coming year. PAGE SHAMBURGER, Carolinas Chapter, accepted the gavel as newly elected Governor and immediately began plotting plans for the year. This reporter was elected Vice Governor.

Tennessee 99s report that they thoroughly enjoyed the Fall Sectional from beginning stages to follow through. The new and prospective members want to know why only two section meetings per year. BILL KIRSHNER from Sewanee, Tennessee (you have probably read one of his books) was guest speaker for the Saturday night get-together. As usual, the listeners stopped laughing only long enough to catch the next hilarious phrase then were off again. He was funnee! On October the 25th, the Tennessee 99s will help EVELYN JOHNSON celebrate her silver anniversary of flying. The celebration will be held at the Morristown Country Club at 7 p.m. YOU are among those invited—just fly in to the Morristown Airport. There will be some one there to drive you to the Country Club.

New Chairman BEE REID will call a special meeting of the Tennessee Chapter early in October to map out plans for the year. Watch for the notice of date and place.



## ALL-OHIO CHAPTER

Marcia Singer, Reporter

WELL! The news is so sparse this month that this reporter could triple space and still not put a paragraph together but . . . we'll try.

The All-Ohio Chapter really shot their wad last month with a very successful poker party . . . the weather was punky . . . but we did have fly-ins, drive-ins and a few drop-ins at the spot landing that was held at the same time.

With the F.A.I.R. coming up this

weekend I don't even have any results or news notes from that . . . but did hear that our chapter president (out-going) CLARA THARPE will be flying the race with CONNIE JONES LUHTA the in-coming pres.

Speaking of the present and past presidents . . . hear that both CONNIE and CLARA made it to the Cleveland Air Races. They saw HELEN SAMMON, JOAN HRUBEC and EDY MAXIM working their wings off.

HELEN, JOAN and EDY, LEE ROCK, CLARA THARPE, PAT FAIRBANKS and JANICE KUECHENMEISTER made it to the sectional.

JO ANN STYPE by this time . . . we hope has fully recovered from her gall bladder operation.

Heard that Cincinnati will be one of the stops on the race from Toronto to Nassau . . . PAT FAIRBANKS will be holding down the fort there!

The newspapers that I work for are sponsoring a "Why I Want to Learn to Fly Contest!" MARILYN COLLETTE our All-Ohio 99 who writes for the Flyer Magazine and does a million other things too has been selected to be one of the judges.

JOAN DANGLE has made several trips to Michigan . . . and back!

Our meeting for the month will be in Findlay, Ohio . . . but since that's the day after deadline, I can't collect any gossip. Sorry that there's so much empty space this month, but guess that our chapter has been too busy flying than letter writing.

See you at the Achievement Banquet! I Hope . . .

Happy flying

#### CAPE GIRARDEAU AREA CHAPTER

Mary Boyd, Reporter

The September meeting of the Cape Girardeau Area Chapter was held on Saturday, September 20th, at the home base of our new chapter chairman, EVELYN BRAESE. EVELYN, with her husband BILL, manage the Dyersburg Municipal Airport and the Air Oasis Cafe.

In attendance were KAREN WILLIAMS, GENE WILLIAMS, MILLIE LIMBAUGH, and MARGE HALL, who drove down from Cape Girardeau; DEMARIS MCGHEE and LORRAINE PAINTER, who drove and ferried over from Kennett, Missouri; NELL RICE and her daughter, KATHY, from Ken-



Members of the Cape Girardeau Area Chapter pose with Nell Rice's bright yellow J-3 Cub after a meeting in Dyersburg, Tennessee. Several members were treated to their first ride in a tail-wheel type plane following the meeting. Shown (l. to r.) are Kath Rice, daughter of Dick and Nell Rice of Kennett, Missouri; Mary Boyd of Dyersburg; Nell Rice; Lorraine Painter of Kennett; Demaris McGhee of Kennett; Evelyn Braese of Dyersburg; Marge Hall, Karen Williams, Millie Limbaugh, and Gene Williams, all of Cape Girardeau; and Charmiane Freeman of Dyersburg.

nett, who flew over from their own strip in a J-3 Cub; and three Dyersburg members, EVELYN BRAESE, CHARMIANE FREEMAN, and MARY BOYD.

We were pleased to have a thank you note from BERNICE STEADMAN who received a sapphire for her Ninety-Nines ring as the gift of our chapter. MILLIE LIMBAUGH gave an excellent report on our sweatshirt sales project with special thanks to MARGE HALL for selling the striking blue sweatshirts at the North Central Sectional meeting. MILLIE reminded us that this is the time of year when a sweatshirt is very comfortable airport attire as well as a good way of telling the public about the Ninety-Nines. They may be ordered by writing MRS. MILLIE LIMBAUGH, 846 Karau Lane, CAPE GIRARDEAU, Missouri 63701. The price is \$4.00 and they come with either short or long sleeves. Specify S, M, L, or XL when ordering.

MARGE HALL told of an excellent way of interesting young people in

flying. When she wants to give a gift to a young graduate or other young person, she presents them with a certificate from their local fixed base operator for a five dollar introductory flying lesson which must be used within four weeks. We all thought it was a grand idea!

The chapter voted unanimously to hold meetings this year on the second Saturday of each month and our October meeting will be held at Cape Girardeau on October 11th.

EVELYN appointed committee chairmen for the year and MARGE filled in on some of the activities at the North Central Sectional Meeting which she and LOIS FEIGENBAUM attended. We missed LOIS at the meeting but understood she was at International Headquarters. Also missed was MARTHA JOHNSON who has just passed her commercial written.

Following the meeting, NELL took several of us for a ride in her J-3 Cub. It was the first experience for several of us to ride in a tail-wheel type airplane and we enjoyed trying

to handle the stick instead of the wheel that many of us usually use.

By the time we all headed for home, the weather and our spirits had improved, no doubt from exhilarating experience of just being part of a group of lady pilots.

#### CENTRAL ILLINOIS CHAPTER

Bobbye Kesterson, Reporter

Sept. 7th we enjoyed pot-luck at Shelbyville where KATHLEEN WOOD and her family operate the airport. She recently saw 99s office in Oklahoma City. Also, now has Cessna 337 rating and looks forward to having "instrument" soon.

JAYNE SCHIEK and BEN got their glider ratings in June. SARAH ALEXANDER and LIBBY DUNSETH also seem to be doing more soaring than flying.

DEED HOLCOMB is very happy with her new instrument rating. Now she can "boss" she says.

JEANNE CROCKER came to Shelbyville with THEO SOMMER in Theo's new bird. They were both delighted with it and now Theo wants to go for a Commercial. ESTHER SALOMONE didn't come along as she is off to Hong Kong and Tokyo.

We were happy to see MARGE and FRED KELLY there, after having missed five meetings.

GLORIA FARR and ROSE ANDREW are both busy at home with sick ones but we hope things work out soon. In the meantime, they both wrote to keep us posted.

My 49½er and his friend started a Taylor-Titch and, when they worked themselves out of their small factory, we built a large garage with central heating and air-conditioning. Nothing's too good for that Home-Built.

We are all looking forward to seeing the Cougar when we go to Macomb next month. They hope to have it flying by then. We will also take a look at the "Termite" they bought while they were in Rockford for the EAA Fly-In.

JEAN READ and MADELAINE LIKE also got to Rockford. ANN PELLEGRENO was there. She is now in Ames, Iowa.

DORIS ANN NORCROSS also got to the Quad City Swim-In and reported to us with pictures.

SARAH ALEXANDER is looking forward to earning a silver badge soon and to soaring regional competition

next summer. Good Luck, SARAH.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, October 4th at Macomb. Lunch will be at 11:30 at the Holiday Inn with guests welcome. Hope HELEN GREINKE, BARBARA JENISON, BARBARA BRUSSEAU, MARTHA McMAHON and the others we haven't seen in a long time can make it.

#### CHICAGO AREA CHAPTER

Louise Kokesh, Reporter

Chicago Area Chapter had their July business meeting at the home of NONA and SKIP GUSTAFSON. Thirty five girls attended along with 49½'s. We had a lovely time and a long meeting. The August meeting will be the air meet on Sunday, August 17, 1969.

HELEN SAILER reported that BOBBY JOHANSEN after twenty three years of wedded bliss is the proud mama of a 5 lb.-4 oz. baby boy—no kidding not adopted—everyone is fine except father keeps popping his buttons. DONALD was born Thursday, July 17, 1969.

MARION JAYNE took off from Elgin airport with her 3 children, PAT, NANCY, CHIP. Stopped at Denver and met DORIS LANGHER who showed them through United Air Lines Flight Training Center. If you are ever Denver way stop in and see DORIS. Visited Disneyland and the San Diego Zoo—sure are a lot of wonderful things to see in California.

SANDY KLOCK and MARCELLA RITTER enjoyed the trip down the Potomac with Ill. CONGRESSMAN GRAY. The receptions at the Mexican Embassy and the White House meeting MRS. NIXON was really terrific. I will never forget it.

GERTRUDE STUPEC flew down to Oklahoma City, spent a little time at the New 99 headquarters. Her husband JOE is spending a few weeks at the FAA headquarters training for Air Traffic Controller to be stationed at Aurora Center.

BETTY RIDDLE brought her WASP reunion picture to the meeting. It was their 25th year reunion.

JUDITH SUIT and 49½ LOU and daughters flew IFR to Denver for a long week-end in a Mooney Ranger.

The August meeting of the Chicago Area was our annual Air race on Sunday, August 17, 1969 at the Aurora Municipal Airport. Eleven planes participated in the Race. We have won-

derful television coverage on all the events. Spot landing took place at 9:00 a.m. with First place Women Spot Landing ROSEMARIE PEPPIN who received a trophy and \$25.00 cash prize. Second Place Spot Landing MARY SHUMWAY who received a trophy and a subscription to Flying Magazine. First Place Men's spot landing was won by JOHN SHUMWAY who received a trophy and \$15.00 cash. Second place men's RALPH KRAUSE. He received a trophy and subscription to PRIVATE PILOT. First Place Cross Country was won by GERRY and RALPH KRAUSE. They received cash award of \$50.00 and trophies for each. Second place was taken by SANDY WESTERHOLM and SANDY KLOCK. They received trophies and a radio and \$10.00 in cash. Tail End Toni was won by LORRAINE and WALLY BRUCHER. After the Air meet we all went to EVA and HAROLD WHITE'S at Naper Aero Estates for a chicken box lunch and swimming. The weather cooperated with us and all had a wonderful time. Many thanks to our Air Meet Chairman CAROLINE and GEORGE SMITH. ROBERT HILL of Elgin was one of the timers and judges. Forty people attended the box lunch party. Many thanks to all the people at the Aurora Airport who gave the Ninety-Nines a helping hand in this air meet. RALPH KRAUSE will chairman this event as they were the winners of this year's event. Hope to have more airplanes participate next year in this wonderful airmeet. Many thanks to Channel 60 in Aurora for the wonderful coverage they gave us on this event. I am sure that any flying event that is you will contact channel 60. they will gladly televise a special event on flying.

#### GREATER ST. LOUIS CHAPTER

Jan Pocock, Reporter

August deadline came and went—totally unnoticed by this reporter, hence, we pick up from about mid-July.

Such a fabulous Luau on the patio beside the pool to wind up our July meeting at GRACE COVYEAU'S lovely home. The combined "farewell party"—meeting was co-hosted by JEAN LENNERTSON, altho she was unable to attend, and was filled to overflowing with 99's sorry to bid farewell to CHAIRMAN MEARL FRAME.

The meeting consisted of tying up some loose ends for the year's projects and voting on the slate of new officers for the year. Unanimously approved by acclamation were: SUE MATHEIS, who will take over the reigns as Chairman, LOIS SHAFER, as Vice Chairman, JOAN LAMB will serve as Secretary, and keeping an eagle eye on our money will be NORMA BRAUCH as Treasurer. These four highly qualified ladies are to be installed at a luncheon meeting in September by our first Chairman, ADELLA SCHARR. Expect them to lead us through another rewarding and busy year. We voted to give everybody a rest by not having an August meeting. Phew! Such a rest! Due to the cancellation of our benefit Aerobatic Show that should have been held the end of July to raise money for the U.S. Aerobatic Team, we had a committee meeting on one night, headed by Sylvia Bloom, to determine if our Chapter should become Incorporated. Seems that not only the weather was against our show (Old Man River really gave us fits at the airport) but, MEARL FRAME'S shattering news as a result of the International Convention about the personal liability of the members when sponsoring such a show, really put the "skids" to the whole deal. So, we immediately set out to take the necessary steps to be certain we are well protected, come the next project sponsored by us. On top of that, our Chairman-elect, Sue, gathered a bunch of us together another evening in August to line up the committees and projects for the coming year. Then, VAL JOHNSON decided to go back to Mt. Vernon, Ill. and have a longer look at the place she "skittered" through during the Powder Puff, and invited the gang to meet her there for lunch. She took Dorothy Clark and a guest with her from St. Clair. Our new member, ROSEMARY ROTH flew in in a darling mustard-yellow Yankee. She, who has been going through ratings like gangbusters! Passed her Commercial practically on top of her Private, and is now working on her Instrument! SUE MATHEIS, JOAN LAMB, JEAN LENNERTSON, AMY LAWS, ERMA MANZO, "TEX" WICKENHAUSER, MARG WALSH, and JULIA FAHLE all flew in to join Val. Would you believe, for most of them, it was a loong lunch hour? Just after getting there,



**Mt. Vernon Revisited, (WX none too changed!) by TAR Soelst, VAL JOHNSON and fellow 99's from St. Louis.**

the front that was "not supposed" to give them any trouble, plopped itself right on top of the airport and caused airport Manager, MAX FIREBAUGH, to prove once again how really first rate he is. The gals tell me he really bent over backwards to see that they were well taken care of. There also was the St. Louis Aero Club Air Race, Aug. 17th, about which RUTH LAKE unashamedly called me to report the results. RUTH'S better half, ED, teamed up with ED HALEY to finish in 4th place, ahem, ahead of her! (Took the Piper Trophy away from her, too!) Besides that, JEAN and RICH LENNERTSON did likewise, coming in 6th, to end a friendly rivalry between them concerning JEAN'S statement that no matter how well they did, RUTH always beat 'em! Can't say RUTH is a quitter, tho. She and FRAN HENKE plan to fly the F.A.I.R. Meanwhile, MARY LOWE quietly passed her Instrument Check Ride, to stay one jump ahead of daughter, SYLVIA, who is now a Private Pilot. Rumor has it that the F.A.I.R. will be crammed with STL gals, including JEAN LENNERTSON and GRACE COVYEAU, as well as GERI HALTON flying with Florida's CHRIS LUDDINGTON.

Lake Okoboji, Iowa, may never re-

cover from the invasion of 99's and 49½'ers for the Fall North Central Section Meeting! Heaven knows, we of STL did our darndest to make sure they knew we were there! Picked our way through the "scattered" clouds on the way home Sunday, feeling mighty proud that the new Section Secretary is our own AMY LAWS, and that VAL JOHNSON will serve on the Section Nominating Committee. Val received untold assistance flying her Bonanza from back-seat drivers, MARY, MARY PETERS, DOROTHY CLARK, and YOUR'S TRULY! Her poor little plane fairly groaned from the "excess baggage". ("Thas me, 250 lbs. of ballast!") JOAN LAMB had only SUE MATHEIS to tell her how to fly her 172, and LOIS SHAFER dialed out the comments of FANNIE JENNINGS, MARY LOWE, and NORMA BRAUCH! ERMA MANZO flew in with her 49½'er, and ex-St.Louisian, HELEN POOLER surprised and delighted us all by flying in from her new home in Iowa, loaded down with her magnificent home-made candy. Our collective Thanks Loads to the Iowa Chapter, and especially to LOIS GRANGE for the wonderful time had by all. Couldn't help thinking that just one year previously, all of us in STL were wandering around muttering to our-

selves in a complete daze, trying to entertain the same bunch. What a personal pleasure to relax and "leave the driving to them"!

Fact is, your reporter is gonna do just that, in nearly every respect, this year! Turning over the paper, pencils, and miss-spelled words to our new reporter, FANNIE JENNINGS. It has been a genuine pleasure to report on such an active, delightful bunch of women, the likes of which can only be found in the 99's. Happy flying, everyone, and lotts a C.A.V.U. (Ed. Note: I shall miss you and your ever kind words of encouragement. This is what makes this job tolerable. Re the music it was guitar. Val and Dinger flew down to the South Central Sectional for dinner with the ole editor. Always good to see them and I am smitten with Dinger! Hope you are back from your sabbatical soon.)

#### IOWA CHAPTER

Claudette Parker, Reporter

Iowa has been busy! Planning the last details for Fall Section at Okoboji. A final meeting was called Sept. 7 at the home of our new Iowa Chairman, PHYLLIS BARBER of Marion. A fine afternoon was enjoyed by all. It was a lovely garden party with gold panning to boot.

My first announcement with congratulations goes to HELENE HOLTON (MARION) and new husband, Prospector JOHN GIUCHICI from Alaska. They were married Aug. 18 in Montana. Prospector JOHN demonstrated the technique of gold panning, and for really trying, we all got to keep our gold and also the pan. He does it so EASY!

LUETTA and JAMES WHITE (Bloomfield) took a "flyin" trip in late August. They visited Virginia and D.C. They crossed the James River just ahead of hurricane "Camille".

Our guest, MARCIA GRISMORE with husband and son flew over from Corydon for the event.

HAZEL SIGAFOOSE (Montezuma) reports her Clip-Wing is "Gyrating" beautifully.

ROBERTA JOHNSON and 49½ flew to Oak Island, Lake of the Woods in Canada.

HAZEL MONROE (Waterloo) left May 28 via T.W.A. for the Isle of Crete in the Aegean Sea. Visiting her daughter SUSAN and son-in-law Air-



Pictured above at the Iowa meeting at the Harold Barber residence is John Giuchici "Prospector John", who demonstrated gold panning techniques to the group. Standing with "Prospector John" L to R: Mary Lou Ballensky, Helen Flaherty, Harold Barber; seated L to R: Karl Haack, David Grismore and Greg Peters. Prospector John took 3rd place in a recent World Gold Panning contest and will soon have a book ready on the Art of Gold Panning.

man VICTOR SEMECA, who is stationed there. HAZEL'S 3 weeks flew by and on her way home spent a day in Athens, Greece. Coming home was an interesting experience. She left Athens in Olympic Airline's maiden non-stop voyage to Chicago. With Olympics V.I.P.'s aboard it was red carpet, all the way.

Happy Flying . . . Bye for now.

#### KENTUCKY BLUE GRASS CHAPTER

Dot Arnett, Reporter

Our August Business Meeting was held at the Administration Building, Bowman Field. Ballot counting revealed newly elected officers for 1969-1970 as follows: VIRGINIA CHAMBERLAIN, Chairman; MARIE REISS, Vice Chairman; RITA LeNEAVE, Secretary and PAT PAULSEN, Treasurer.

The K. B. 99's have traveled all over

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the skies this summer. Norma and Kevin Worland attended the E.A.A. happenings at Rockford, Illinois, BOB-BIE KLETTER to the New England and Wester States, DOT and TED ARNETT traveled west to Los Angeles via El Paso, Las Cruces, Phoenix, Las Vegas for a total of 35 tac hours. Toured Juarez, Mexico, White Sands National Park, New Mexico and Disneyland.

The AOPA recently held a safety seminar in Louisville which was attended by PAT PAULSEN, RITA LE-NEAVE, NORMA WORLAND and DOT ARNETT.

Racing is on our agenda for September. VIRGINIA CHAMBEERLAIN and PAT PAULSEN are entered in the Indiana F.A.I.R. Ladies Race. This is Virginia's 3rd entry and Pat's second.

DOT and TED ARNETT participated in the CAP simulated search mission originating at Seymour, Indiana the week-end of August 16.

#### MICHIGAN CHAPTER

Maretha Simpson, Reporter

Our August meeting at Bay City was just wonderful. MARIAN HOFFMAN and BEV PRICE, who hosted this "pot luck" gathering of the clan, did an excellent job—even the weatherman cooperated with these two gals.

MARGE HATFIELD and LILLIAN SNYDER flew to the North Central Sec'ion Fall Meeting in Iowa, giving LILLIAN an opportunity to work on her instrument flying. MARY CLARK and JEAN REYNOLDS also flew out together.

New officers for the 1969-70 year are: MARJORIE A. HATFIELD, chairman; WINIFRED S. DuPEROW, vice chairman; BEVERLY F. PRICE, secretary; and MARY L. PELTO, treasurer.

Committee chairmen for the 1969-70 year are: MARGOT (JUDY) ROGERS, public relations; LOIS BROYLES, program; MARETTA SIMPSON, newsletter and flying activities; SAMMY McKAY, ways and means; LEAH A. HIGGINS, Amelia Earhart scholarship; and LILLIAN L. SNYDER, membership.

The rumor is going around that WINNIE DuPEROW had her "old" engine overhauled. LIISA DIXON is being checked out in their new 210 Centurion, a beautiful and loaded machine. NED takes good care of our LIISA with new planes.



Pictured above are the Officers and Committee Chairman for the 1969-70 year. L. to R. standing: BETTE ANN DAVIS, Des Moines, Treasurer; LINDA ARNOLD, Ottumwa, Membership; LuETTA WHITE, Bloomfield, Ways & Means; MYRTLE CAMPBELL, Dallas Center, Air Age Education; MARY LOU BALLENSKY, Sigourney, Amelia Earhart Scholarship; GERALDINE WALKER, Cedar Falls, Secretary; HELEN FLAHERTY, Fort Dodge, Vice Chairman; Seated L. to R., RUTH SWANSTROM, Ottumwa, Public Relations & Publicity; LOIS GRANGE, Des Moines, Past Chairman; PHYLLIS BARBER, Marion, Chairman; and CLAUDETTE PARKER, Waterloo, Newsletter.

Ratings and Writtens: JO LEE has acquired her multi-engine rating! MARGE ASHTON has passed her flight check and now has her instrument rating; MARY KAY DeGIORNO has obtained her ground instructor's rating, and 65 LORRAINE HOALT has received her private license.

VIC and ELLEN ZAITZ have just returned from another sudden trip to Albuquerque. MARGE and CHUCK ASHTON flew their Skyhawk to Greenbrier for a long weekend, then to Los Angeles to visit son, TERRY SANDERS, at the Marine base.

DOROTHY LIGON attended the Powder Puff Banquet in Washington, D.C., and then went on to New York to join the Michigan Delegation at the 99 Convention. BECKY THATCHER and MARGARET NAPIERALA also attended. VELMA DeGIORNO made it to the Convention, then on to Fairbanks, Alaska, where she ran into HELENE HORTON of Iowa.

New members of Michigan Chapter: ELSIE KARASINSKI, JANET McDONALD, DOROTHY MEADOWS,

BETTY FINOUT, NANCY HACKSEL, DONNA LAMBERT, and BETTY WODTKE.

PEG SULFRIDGE MATTISON is anxious to get off the ground again and reactivate her flying. She is back to nursing and jumped into Intensive Coronary Care with both feet. She just earned her medical backing to defibrillate (electric shock) and administer emergency treatment in cardiac arrhythmias and arrest.

DOROTHY BREWER and husband, CAL, flew down to Texas to see her mother. They had bad weather all the way down and back — weathered in for two days in Ft. Wayne. LOIS BROYLES and MARTY flew to Arkansas Aero Race and came away with the Tail End Tony trophy. BETTY FINOUT is always looking for sea bases with gas!

DON KRAMER of TV-4 was at Berz Airport to do a short sequence on "Women in Aviation." JANET McDONALD and ELSIE KARASINSKI were at Berz at this time and appeared in the film which was shown

on Channel 4 on July 7th. Both girls are new Nine'y-Nines.

The SMALL Race will be history by the time this gets to press. Watch for news of it in the next writing.

CAROL WELCH and son, CODY, flew to Grand Rapids on August 5, CODY'S 18th birthday; CODY to take his commercial and instrument check rides and CAROL to take her instrument written.

SANDY LANKENAU and family flew their Bonanza down to Homestead, Florida to visit her parents. WILMA FARRAR accompanied her husband on a flying business trip out West.

FAYE KIRK and ADELE BINSFIELD airlined to Washington, D.C. to assist with the terminus of the Powder Puff Derby. From there they went on to New York for the National Convention.

#### MINNESOTA CHAPTER

Florence Robinson, Reporter

Minnesota 99s have had a summer with many hours spent in the air and considerable time spent in related activities. In addition to our meetings we had a weekend of washing airplanes for a fee. Our friend SHERM BOOEN who has the TV show World of Aviation on a local station and who is usually present when something is going on that involves airplanes came out and took pictures of us in action.

Another weekend we made ourselves useful at the air show which was part of the Minneapolis Aquatennial activities. It was a tremendous air show that included a breathtaking performance of aerobatics by MARY AIKINS of the Kansas chapter. Some other, but no more spectacular, parts of the show were BILL and CORKEY FORNOF, a father and son aerobatic team, the Navy Blue Angels, and the army parachute team The Golden Knights. We had our picture taken with the Air Force crew who were displaying a Titan II missile at the show, but because of pilot error the picture was blurred. While the air show was going on SHERM BOOEN who was emcee announced that the astronauts had landed on the moon. So many flying activities in one day was almost too much, but we enjoyed every minute of it.

In August we had a fly-in at Breezy Point with RUBY ST. ONGE as



PLANE WASH—JOYCE FRANCIS leading edge, BETTY KUECHLE top rt. wing, PEGGY JOHNSTONE prop, DOROTHY RYAN cowling, SIMA PERRY front wheel, FLORENCE ROBINSON windshield, JOAN SOMMERFELD lt. window, DOROTHY BOLANDER top lt. wing.

hostess. RUBY'S yard which is alongside the runway was literally filled with airplanes. In addition to a Mooney of a non-99 friend, there was one of those little Yankees which had been flown up by BILL and BETTY KUECHLE, MARION FREDLUND'S Cessna 150, her 49½er RONNIE'S Cessna 210 and the Cessna I had flown in. It was a great weekend for flying. At the meeting we learned that just the day before, JOYCE FRANCIS had earned her seaplane rating. We rejoiced with her.

SIMA PERRY has had some interesting flights this summer. On one trip she flew commercially to Wichita and flew a fully aerobatic Musketeer back to Minneapolis. In August she flew co-pilot in a Mooney Executive 21 from Flying Cloud airport to Brantford, Ontario, Canada. They went through rain showers and dodged thunder storms. The next day they flew over Niagara Falls then circled it for about half an hour because it was so beautiful. From there they flew to Toronto Island airport which she describes as a lovely field. The next day on the way home they had a most anxious moment twenty miles out over Lake Michigan. After notifying Muskegon tower of their position when crossing their field, a Convair came up from underneath them and was climbing. It appeared to be less than

one-half mile away. They contacted Muskegon tower and were told that the Convair was aware of their whereabouts. She thinks Canada is a "very, very pretty country to fly across."

The KUECHLES and the ORRS both flew west and did not plan to get together but unexpectedly made contact when one recognized the identification number of the other.

RITA ORR who has been our chairman has been appointed by the city council of Faribault to the Airport Board. She is the only woman on the board with eleven men who are making plans for re-zoning and expansion.

Our new chairman is PEGGY JOHNSTONE who is already directing our thinking towards the sectional for which we will be hostesses a couple years from now.

I am sorry that I neglected to mention the members who flew in to Breezy Point but were not tied down in RUBY'S yard. They were ONIE LUGER and BARB WILEY who came in Onie's Cessna 172, CAROLYN OLSON who came in a float plane from their lake cottage, SALLY SLOAN and her 49½er came in their Citabria and JANE GOODWIN and her mother came in a Cessna 172.

We hope to have as many planes in the race we are planning to have within a few weeks.

## WISCONSIN CHAPTER

**Katie Conkling, Reporter**

Wisconsin's 99's have shown they have a desire to help others by participation, membership, and volunteer work with organizations dedicated to help youth.

Volunteers for the Experimental Aircraft Association Air Show held recently in Waukesha, Wisconsin, included MARGE DUNN with 49½'er—active members of Waukesha Aviation Club, and KATIE CONKLING with 49½'er and son—active members of Experimental Aircraft Association. These volunteers worked 2 days as ticket sellers and gate keepers.

The air show admitted all children up to 16 free if they were ac-

companied by a paid admission—the kids loved every minute of the show. The entire proceeds of the air show went for the benefit of the Experimental Aircraft Association Air Museum located at Hales Corners, Wisconsin.

PAM and DAN DINDLE of Middleton, Wisconsin, have as their pet project and volunteer work—fund raising for a swimming pool for Middleton. PAM and DAN have worked many hours for donations as well as airplane rides for this project.

RAMONA HUEBNER has enjoyed teaching her ground school class for high school students and adults in Fon du Lac, Wisconsin.

Many of our 99's journeyed to Iowa

for the Sectional—we'll hear all the particulars at our next meeting in October.

JOAN McARTHUR will be hostess for our October meeting to be held in Baraboo, Wisconsin. This will be a good showing for Wisconsin 99's as we will participate in the dedication of the new Baraboo Airport. We plan to meet in Portage, Wisconsin, and fly in a group to Baraboo, landing one after the other as a unit. Our State Governor and DICK SLATIN will be honored guests. Wisconsin's 99's hope to show that general aviation is important to us—that we appreciate airport improvements—and that our attendance at airport dedications state and reinforce this approval.