

International Women Pilots

Santa Clara Valley Ninety-Nines
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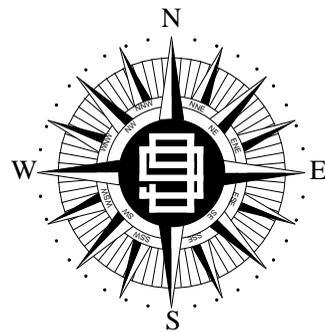
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The Santa Clara Valley Ninety-Nines



*We enjoy spreading
the joy of flying to all
women.*



Come fly with us!



The Ninety-Nines, Inc.

In the fall of 1929, a call went out to the 117 licensed women pilots in the United States to form an organization for their mutual support and the advancement of aviation; 99 responded.

At the first meeting, November 2, 1929, the group was named for the number of charter members – the Ninety-Nines, Inc. Amelia Earhart was elected the first president in 1931.

Today the organization includes over 6,500 licensed women aviators from 37 countries. Ninety-Nines fly all kinds of aircraft from light planes to helicopters, airliners to the Space Shuttle, and yes, even balloons.

The Santa Clara Valley Ninety-Nines

Chartered in 1954, The Santa Clara Valley Chapter (the SCV 99s) has been an extremely active group. Currently involving about 70 pilots, the SCV 99s Chapter includes professional airline pilots, flight instructors, FAA personnel, and women who work in other fields and fly for fun. Our members are also active in other aviation organizations, including CRAMP, Civil Air Patrol, Santa Clara County Airmen's Association, EAA, NCAAA, Angel Flight, and California Aerospace Education Association.



The Santa Clara Valley 99s Chapter

Wind blown we are... from all over the Santa Clara Valley, This is the SCV 99s Chapter Mascot –the lady holding the ‘Windsock’ is also seen on our monthly newsletter.



The Santa Clara Valley 99s Chapter Activities

Chapter Meetings

The Santa Clara Valley 99s Chapter usually meets on the third Thursday of each month at the Palo Alto Airport, Advantage Aviation facility, at 7:00 pm. The usual format includes hangar flying – so typical of any gathering of enthusiastic pilots – a guest speaker, business meeting, and refreshments.

Student Pilots

Women student pilots are welcome to attend all SCV 99s Chapter activities. We encourage students throughout their training, and we can help show them what to expect and what to do with their skills upon receiving that hard-earned pilot certificate. Student pilots can also join the 99s as Future Women Pilots, which brings them many of the benefits of full membership in the 99s.

Airmarking

Have you ever over flown an airport and been grateful to see markings that identify it? That is one of the many services that the 99s provide the aviation community. At an airport management’s request, 99s paint its runways with its name, frequency, and elevation for aerial passersby!

Aerospace Education

The SCV 99s Chapter promotes aviation education to the pilot community and the general public. We organize and present a Flying Companion Seminar every year, help set up safety seminars and airport tours, provide pilots to speak to organizations and schools about aviation careers and aviation basics.

Local Aviation Support

The SCV 99s Chapter assists with the organization of many local aviation activities such as the Palo Alto and Reid-Hillview Airport Days, often with booths at these events. We also have members who serve on airport boards and committees, and we award local towers with appreciation certificates each year. And each year we provide support, financial and other to the young pilots of the San Jose State Precision Flight Team.

Scholarships

Scholarships are available through the Ninety-Nines International organization to help a 99 further her aviation goals by paying for a rating. Scholarships are also available to help Future Women Pilots earn their pilot certification.

Air Racing

One reason that the 99s originally formed was to provide races for women pilots. The SCV 99s Chapter members have been racers throughout the Chapter’s history. Members participate in the local Palms-to-Pines Race from Santa Monica, CA to Bend, OR, and we often have members flying the Air Race Classic, an annual cross-country race for women, as well as other local races.

Annual Flight Proficiency Contests

Every year, the SCV 99s Chapter hosts a proficiency flight contest, either a mystery flight or poker flight. We also schedule monthly fly-ins to local (and sometimes distant) airports.

Newsletter

The SCV 99s *Windsock* is one of the best newsletters of any aviation organization. With descriptions of chapter activities, news of upcoming events, and great flying stories, the *Windsock* is sent to all members and to other local aviation organizations.

Web Site

<http://www.santaclaravalley99s.org>

The SCV 99s Chapter provides an informative Web site to help members and interested parties follow upcoming and past events, track membership information, locate other members, garner 99s history, and find links to other useful aviation sites.

Other 99s Events

The SCV 99s Chapter has always been active at the International level of the Organization. Our members look forward to attending and participating in

the International Conference, usually held every July at various locations around the country, continent, and world! And the SCV 99s always have members who are active in the Southwest Section, our regional organization of the 99s Inc. Section meetings are held semi-annually.

Why join the SCV 99s?

The major goal of our chapter is to support and encourage all women pilots on a personal level. Through friendship, financial support, and aviation education, we enjoy spreading the joy of flying to all women!

- Enjoy a camaraderie with other women pilots
- Further training through education
- Support the local aviation community
- Establish new friendships
- Share our experiences and information to promote safety
- Contribute directly to fellow women pilots’ aviation careers

THE 99s PROVIDES EACH OF US WITH A SENSE OF MEMBERSHIP IN A HIGHLY REGARDED, ACTIVE, AND PRODUCTIVE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION