



# The Windsock

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## Push To Talk

I hope everyone is enjoying the summer and catching up on all of the things you like to do. We have a fun flyout coming up to Santa Maria with lunch at Pepper Garcia's on August 20th. Plan to attend and bring friends and other 99s who may need a ride. If you haven't flown for a while, this is a great opportunity to get back in the air and remember why you got your license.

What are you doing this summer? In addition to flying almost 5 days a week, as many of you know, I am an avid hiker. A week ago I went hiking AND camping in the Eastern Sierras for the first time in a zillion years. It was a great experience camping at 9600' and hiking up to 10,700'. The scenery was beautiful with lots of water in the lakes and streams, great weather, and tons of tiny fish. All of the big ones must have been hiding or already fished out. Last year I returned to bike riding after many (many) years, and am having a blast with all of my outdoor activities.

Let us know what you are up to.

And remember we need all of you and your participation to keep our chapter alive and viable. When is the last time you volunteered to help at a monthly meeting, attended a flyout or planned a flyout, worked on or created a fundraising idea for the chapter? We are open for new and creative ideas for aviation related activities.

Sue Ballew  
SCV Chapter Chair



**Save the Date**  
**The Santa Clara Valley Holiday party will be Thursday**  
**December 8, 2022**





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## Chapter Member Donations

Our fiscal year is June 1 to May 31. The 2021-2022 chapter contributions are being accepted at \$15 per year. Please indicate the year(s) for which you are contributing. An asterisk by your name confirms your contribution for the following year(s) as well.

The following list is current as of August 6, 2022. You may pay via PayPal or by check. Make check out to SCV99s. Email Treasurer Maki Honda for PayPal instructions or mailing address: [nowasabiplease@gmail.com](mailto:nowasabiplease@gmail.com)

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## 2022 International Meeting, Charleston SC

by Marcie Smith

Nancy Sliwa and I were very happy to be able to attend this year's International Conference in Charleston, SC. It was so nice to be able to see people in person again after 2 conferences cancelled due to Covid. I had never been to Charleston and was looking forward to learning about it (although not thrilled with the weather forecast – east coast heat and humidity all week). I was lucky to be able to travel with Nancy in her Vision Jet so the trip was very comfortable. On July 4th, Nancy flew from Minden, NV to Hayward, CA to pick me up. The fog had mostly burned off by the time of my leg from Hayward to Santa Fe, NM and we had good weather until we got to SAF, where a large Thunderstorm was hovering near the airport. Fortunately, the wind was such that we could stay away from it on landing. We had a lovely evening at Susan Larson's before the 3 of us headed east on the morning of the 5th. In the jet we were able to do the trip with only one stop in Little Rock, AR where we ate lunches that Susan had packed for us. The thunderstorms on the east coast were widely scattered and Nancy had no trouble getting in to Charleston. A 99 met us at the airport and drove us to the conference hotel. As we arrived, many 99s were arriving – and it was our first taste of how great it would be to see familiar faces.

Santa Clara Valley was represented by Nancy and me, Laura Del Favero, Carol Munch, Leslie Ingham and Pat Forbes.

The hotel was downtown and we were able to walk around town to eat at local restaurants and do a lot of window shopping. Nancy and I did a tour the next morning – the Magnolia Plantation - which was a rice plantation before the Civil War and became a tourist attraction afterwards. It had a lovely garden with ponds (with alligators) and the old rice paddies. Some of the old slave quarters were still standing, and the vision of them living there in those conditions in that heat (it was 90° with heat index of 106° that day) was terrible.



Arrival at KJZI



Sunset Cruise in Charleston Bay



## **2022 International Meeting, Charleston SC - continued**

After an afternoon nap, we went on our next tour – a sunset cruise in Charleston Bay. The weather was cooler and the breeze made it very pleasant. It was a nice chance to meet some new 99s while enjoying the ride.

Thursday morning there was an excellent talk by Brian Schiff (Barry Schiff's son). I really enjoyed his talk and the logistics worked well even though he couldn't travel and the talk was over zoom. Afterward, we walked to the market and made some small donations to the local economy. The market is famous for handmade baskets made in the traditions of the African slaves which were lovely, but expensive. There were lots of things to look at and the fresh lemonade was delicious in the heat. In the afternoon we had signed up for a bus tour of the city that transitioned to a boat ride to Fort Sumpter. The bus tour was interesting and we learned about the unique architecture of Charleston. We ended up doing the boat ride the next morning (it was noticeably cooler then). Fort Sumpter is the site of the first shot fired in the Civil War. It's on an island in Charleston Bay and has a nice museum and tour guides to tell the story of the fort.

Friday, after the Fort trip, we walked the shopping district and then relaxed before heading out on bike taxis to dinner at the a great restaurant, Magnolia's with Susan, Laura and Carolyn Dugger and her husband.

Saturday was the business meeting, run by our International President Corbi Bulluck. The meeting was very well run, with a lot of discussion on the proposed by laws (modernization changes passed; write-in vote change failed). It's always good to hear about the great things the 99s are doing. About 130 attended in person with about 30 attending on line. The new suite of officers were installed, and Robin Hadfield of the First Canadian Chapter is our new President. After the meeting, we were able to enjoy a very nice lunch for Life Members. This was the first year for such an event, and it was thanks to an anonymous donor. Saturday night was the Awards Banquet. I won't list all the award winners here, but as in the meeting, it's inspirational to hear of the amazing people who support the 99s.

Sunday morning, departures for everyone. We got a ride to the airport and headed to Johnson City, TN for lunch with Nancy's brother. I enjoyed getting to know him a bit and it was nice to see Nancy and him catch up. Nancy had landed in the rain and I got to take off in the rain but there weren't any Tbs. The coast was clear so we had a lovely view of DC as we headed to Cape May to stay with my brother for 2 nights. There was a presidential TFR in Delaware but we had no issues going through the outer rim on an IFR flight plan. In Cape May we stayed with my brother and his wife. My other brother was there also so it was a mini-family reunion. We had lovely weather there, not too hot and muggy and I was able to get my annual dip into the ocean, just lovely! Unfortunately, on Monday, Nancy tested positive for Covid so she stayed in her room or on the porch most of the day and we had to cancel our jet recurrency scheduled for later that week. Tuesday we flew back to Nancy's (dodging Tbs over the mountains – extra fun when GPS went out for about 10 minutes). Again, very nice to be in a jet – we had stops in Decatur, IL and Pueblo CO (a very nice FBO there that everyone should check out) but made it back to Minden in one day. On Wednesday, Nancy's husband Steve helped me back to Hayward. I tested positive on Friday (with generally cold-like symptoms) and we have since heard that about 40 people who attended the conference got it. Luckily, it's not as dangerous as it was. But it shows that we're not over this yet!



## Registration Open for Fall SWS Meeting



The Utah 99s are excited to welcome you to the Fall Southwest Section 99s Meeting in September! Reminder: The dates are Thursday September 29-Sunday October 2, 2022.

We've made every effort to make this event extra fun and super affordable for ALL members to attend, and have extended the early registration rate of \$75 to next Monday, August 1st. After that, registration will be \$145. Please Register NOW for both you and your guest to join us for an incredible weekend.

### \$75 Registration Includes:

- An Event T-Shirt
- Welcome Packet
- Wild West theme BBQ on Friday night with games, live music and free drinks
- Silent Auction
- Fly Market
- Bi-Annual Business Meeting
- Educational Seminars
- Tour of the SLC Air Traffic Control Center
- Tour of the SLC Airport Tower
- Morning Yoga
- Transportation between events
- Awards Banquet Dinner with keynote speaker, Captain Valerie Walker
  - Captain Walker was one of the very first female pilots hired by Western Airlines, and is a retired Delta pilot. She will be sharing her experiences as an early pioneer of women in commercial airline flight decks.

Fly commercial into the Salt Lake City International Airport, SLC, or fly yourself to the South Valley Regional Airport U42 where The Wild West BBQ, Business Meeting, and Awards Banquet will be held.

The Fly Market, Educational Seminars, Yoga, and Accommodations will be just 5 minutes away from the South Valley Regional Airport at The Hampton Inn & Suites West Jordan, at 3923 W. Center Park Drive.

- The room rate is only \$109/night including breakfast and free parking.
- You can make your room reservation now with just a credit card to hold it, and the ability to cancel up to one day prior to check-in using the following link: <https://group.hamptoninn.com/2pshnw>

## Chapter Fly-in Schedule 2022



Please help plan our chapter fly-ins.

Below is a list of dates and airports. Just notify Pat at [plowers@pacbell.net](mailto:plowers@pacbell.net) and let her know what month you want to coordinate and what airport you want to fly to that month. Also, if you want a day other than the third Saturday, that's fine too. The list below is what we have so far. Please feel free to add to the list of airports - be sure it's a paved runway and there is food on or very near the airport. Also having fuel would be good since we all fly different sized planes.

We have also included a list of 'backup' places that are almost always accessible and easy to fly to in case the chosen one is not available that month. Please add your name and your suggested airports to our lists: send to [plowers@pacbell.net](mailto:plowers@pacbell.net)

### Airports:

Red Bluff  
Willows  
Minden  
Ukiah  
Sonoma Valley  
Little River/Mendocino  
Lampson Field/Clear Lake  
Fresno Chandler  
Merced/Castle  
Oceano  
Sacramento Executive  
Columbia  
Woodlake  
Booneville  
Hollister  
Shelter Cove  
Pine Mountain lake  
Kern Valley

### Backup Airports:

San Luis Obispo  
Harris Ranch  
Paso Robles  
Watsonville

Here is a list of who has volunteered so far (please add your name to this list) and send to [plowers@pacbell.net](mailto:plowers@pacbell.net)

| Date             | Organizer        |
|------------------|------------------|
| August 20        | Sunni Gibbons    |
| September 17     | Louise Mateos    |
| October 15       | Laura Del Favero |
| November 12      |                  |
| December 10      |                  |
| January 14, 2023 | Pat Gregory      |

## Flyout to Auburn



On May 28th, 6 of us flew to Auburn for a nice get together over lunch. Tiffany Chao Bebb, her son Teddy, and her dad Bob, flew in a Cessna 182T. Diane Gaskill flew her Cessna 182.

And I flew with my student Dominic in a Cessna 172S. We had great weather with high clouds between 7 and 10k and unrestricted visibility. Please join us in the months to come as we have many more flyouts planned.

Sue



## SAVE THE DATE, Saturday August 20 for our next Fly-out: to Santa Maria.

KSMX is about 30 minutes SW of KPRB depending on what you are flying and whether or not you go through or around the MOAs adjacent Paso.

Atis 121.15 Ground 121.9 Tower 118.3  
Runway 02/20 5100 ft 12/30 8001 ft  
Approach 124.15

Meet for Lunch at noon at Pepper Garcia's Mexican restaurant in the Terminal building. Ground will give you the appropriate parking.

Ask Tower for a right downwind to Runway 30 to see the newly painted 99s compass rose! AND, Not to be missed—we'll take a quick trip to the Santa Maria Museum of Flight to see the new 99's corner as well as the Memorial Garden and mural dedicated to Aviation's Heroines. We can taxi down to the non-movement area next to Diane Pirman's hangar (instructions to follow) or some of us can catch a ride with Diane or Patti Lynn. Be there for the fun!

RSVP to: [sunnig40@comcast.net](mailto:sunnig40@comcast.net) by August 17 if possible so we can make restaurant reservations. Expect some Santa Maria 99s to join us.

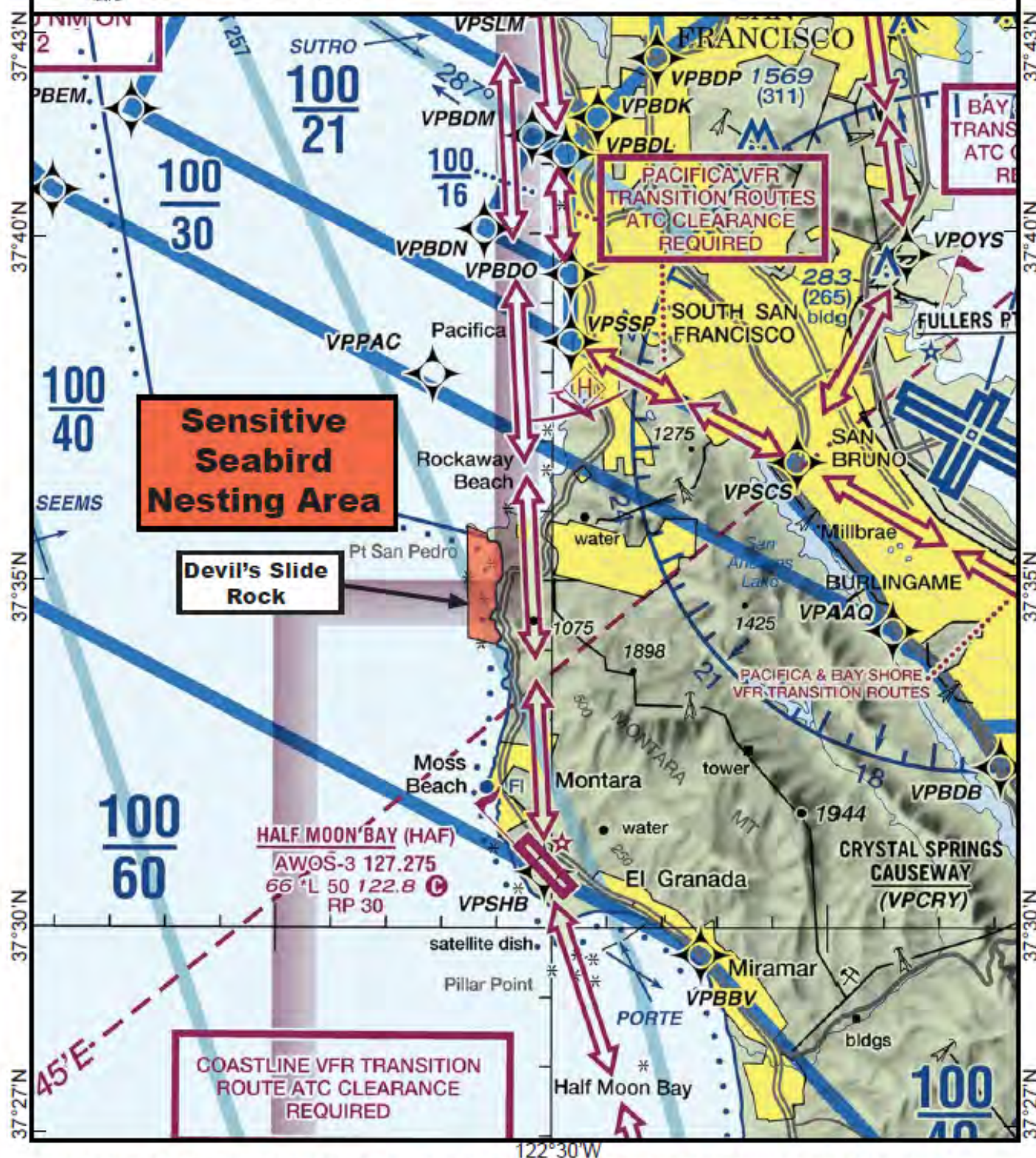
# Santa Clara Valley 99s

NINETY-NINES – INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF WOMEN PILOTS



Wildlife in the Devil's Slide Rock seabird colony are particularly sensitive to aircraft disturbance. Regulations of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration prohibit disturbing wildlife with aircraft.

NOAA requests that all aircraft fly the sensitive seabird nesting area above 1,000' AGL to avoid flushing birds.



This is an altered digital representation of the Federal Aviation Administration Visual Flight Rules San Francisco Terminal Area Chart. Not intended for navigation or legal purposes. To request copies of this map, contact: [CaliforniaSeabirds@noaa.gov](mailto:CaliforniaSeabirds@noaa.gov)



## Oregon International Airshow

by Marcie Smith

This year's Oregon International Air Show, held May 20-22, had all women airshow pilots, announcers, and Air Bosses. The theme was "She flies with her own wings". The Misty Blues skydiving team jumped to open the show. Performers flew a Stearman, Extras, C17, F15, F16, F18, F35A, T38. Static displays included an Osprey CV-22, a P-3, two helicopters and the two Canadian Hawk jets, all with women (and men) there to show them to the crowd.

The 99s were a big part of the organization of the show and had a big presence. At their tent, we met Col. Merryl Tengesdal (retired), an African American U-2 pilot who was promoting her book: Shatter the Sky. An amazing woman who spent all day signing books and talking to everyone interested.

Nancy Sliwa and I flew up in her Vision Jet on Friday and were met by Nancy's friend Wendy Whitsell, a member of the Columbia Cascade chapter, who hosted us in style. We parked in the GA parking and met the local 99s setting up their tent. After lunch at the Whitsells (which had a beautiful pink dogwood in bloom), we spent the afternoon at the Multnomah Athletic club – an amazing club, founded in 1891, now with 29,000 members, 3 swimming pools, 8 indoor tennis courts, 3 restaurants, and most importantly, what Nancy and I did while Wendy worked out: massages! Friday night, Wendy and her husband took us to a James Beard dinner at the Town Club, a woman's club founded in 1928 that is housed in a beautiful mansion. Delicious!





Before hitting the airshow on Saturday we visited the Portland Farmer's market to pick up strawberries and snacks. And then the airshow! First one I've been to in a while and it was wonderful. Perfect weather, a terrific crowd. The 99s took a group picture by the B-25 which I hope shows up in the 99 News. We met several women on the B-25 team, including one of the few people who still have a B-25 type rating.

The 99s were invited to the Saturday BBQ dinner for the performers, hosted by the local FBO. We met one of the Extra pilots (I'm sorry I forget her name) and the several of the ground crew for the F35 – one of whom had brought his family from Salt Lake city. All very happy to talk to everyone.

All in all, a lovely weekend!





**After a 3 year hiatus, our Flying Companion Seminar is Back!**

**Everyone be sure to save the date:**

**Saturday, November 5th 8:30 - 4:00**

**Location: Tradewinds Aviation at Reid Hillview**

A Little Background (in case you don't remember! 🤖)

The Flying Companion Seminar is a full day workshop we provide for non-pilots. Most attendees have a pilot in their life who takes them flying. The workshop teaches them about what is going on in the cockpit (e.g. what are all those instruments?) and why we do things as we do (e.g. structure of how we say things on the radios). We also try to alleviate fears about things like turbulence what happens if their pilot is incapacitated.

## **Ways to Help**

Spread the word

Go ahead and start sharing the date with friends, other pilots, community groups, whoever you think might be interested. I will be updating the website and creating other promotional materials in the next few weeks.

Giving a presentation

These are 30-60 minute talks on one topic (Flight from the Right Seat, Radio procedures, Navigation, Instruments, and How and Airplane Flies) We have slide presentations already made for you. Because our audience is non-pilots we are focused on very basic information so you do not need to be a CFI level expert (e.g. for radios it is things like how to tune a frequency and why do we say things like Alpha and Bravo.)

Pre-flights

At the end of the day (around 3:00 pm) we divide the class into groups of 2-3 and they go with one of the 99s out to a plane and see what we are looking for when we pre-flight. This works best when you are using your own plane (or one you commonly rent). We can usually borrow a plane from Tradewinds if needed but then it is good to be familiar with C-172 glass cockpits.

Day of Logistics

This is set up, clean up, etc. I'll send more details about this closer to the workshop.

Please let me know if you have any questions or if you want to help with a particular part of the day.

Thanks

Brittany Sabol



## Member Milestones

Lilian Shen passed her private pilot checkride in June.



Maki Honda passed her Instrument checkride in July.





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## SCV Annual Picnic

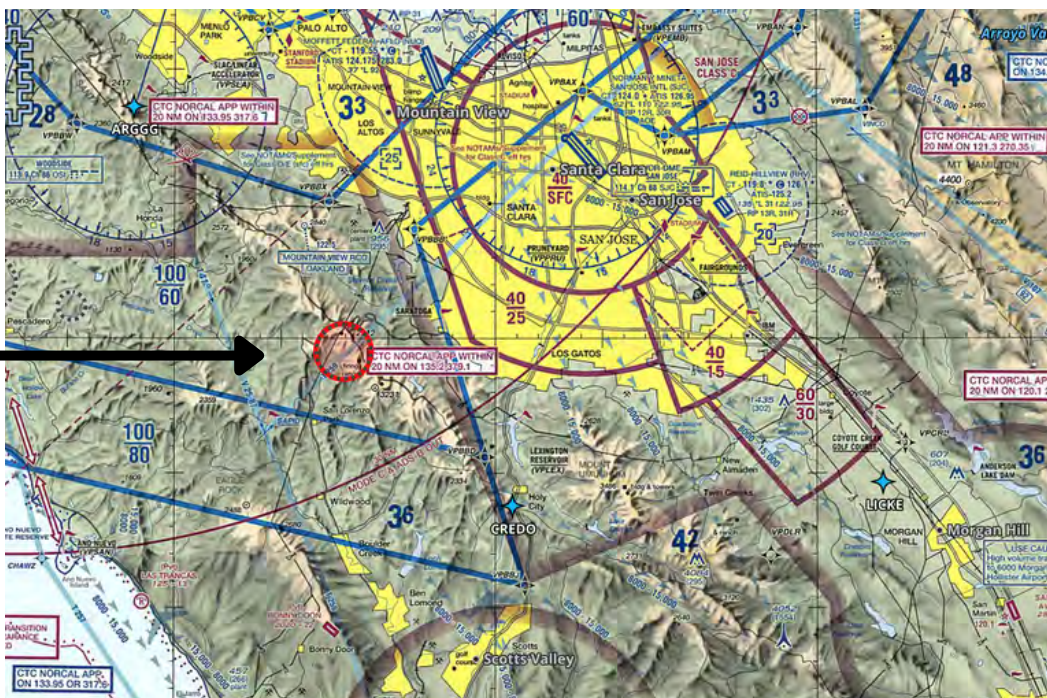
by Pat Gregory

Our Annual chapter picnic was held on July 28 at the Portal Park in Cupertino. It was attended by 18 people who brought a great potluck of food to share. The weather was perfect, the park delightful and it was so good to see long time flying friends again. Catching up with everyone was delightful and we also held a short meeting. The top item on our agenda was giving the Woman Pilot of the Year award to Laura Del Favero.

Laura is a highly respected and active Angel Flight pilot; she also has served on the board of our chapter for several years and is currently on the Southwest Section board. She has attended almost every flyin we have, often hosting them. Laura is a regular at our meetings, section meetings and International meetings. Laura is also active the DART program for our chapter. Please congratulate Laura next time you see her for this well-deserved award.



[https://www.faa.gov/files/notices/2022/Jun/Los\\_Altos\\_Rod\\_and\\_Gun\\_Club.pdf](https://www.faa.gov/files/notices/2022/Jun/Los_Altos_Rod_and_Gun_Club.pdf)





## Calendar of 99s Meetings & Conferences

| Dates                          | Meeting                  | Location/Host         |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| September 30 - October 2, 2022 | Fall SWS Meeting         | Air Hearts, Utah      |
| Dec 2022                       | India Section Meeting    | Delhi                 |
| January 28, 2023               | Winter Workshop          | LA 99s                |
| April 2023                     | Spring SWS Meeting       | Long Beach            |
| October 30-November 3, 2023    | International Conference | Jordan                |
| Fall 2023                      | Fall SWS Meeting         | Ventura Co.           |
| Summer 2024                    | International Conference | Vancouver             |
| Fall 2024                      | Fall SWS Meeting         | Aloha Chapter, Hawaii |
| Summer 2025                    | International Conference | Burlington, Vermont   |

For more information on the 2023 International Conference in Jordan, contact Arabian Section Governor Alia Twal [twalalia@gmail.com](mailto:twalalia@gmail.com)

### Upcoming SCV99s Meetings

We have resumed in-person chapter meetings at a new location, the West Valley Flying Club on the Palo Alto Airport. Chapter meetings will begin at 6:30pm with a business meeting followed by the general meeting at 7:00pm. We will host the chapter meetings in a hybrid online/in-person format.



## The Windsock Information and Deadlines

We need your articles and input!!

To our members, please give me your ideas and most of all...articles and photos for all to enjoy.

### Article Due Dates:

- The Windsock is delivered bimonthly
- Due date for articles is the **last day** of even numbered months (**Feb, Apr, Jun, Aug, and Oct**)

### Content Format

Please provide to me with Word docs (preferred) or text within an email. Graphics as .jpg preferred.

Thank you,

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