



The Windsock

Published by: The Ninety-Nines, Inc.
International Organization of Women Pilots
Santa Clara Valley Chapter
November 2022

Push To Talk

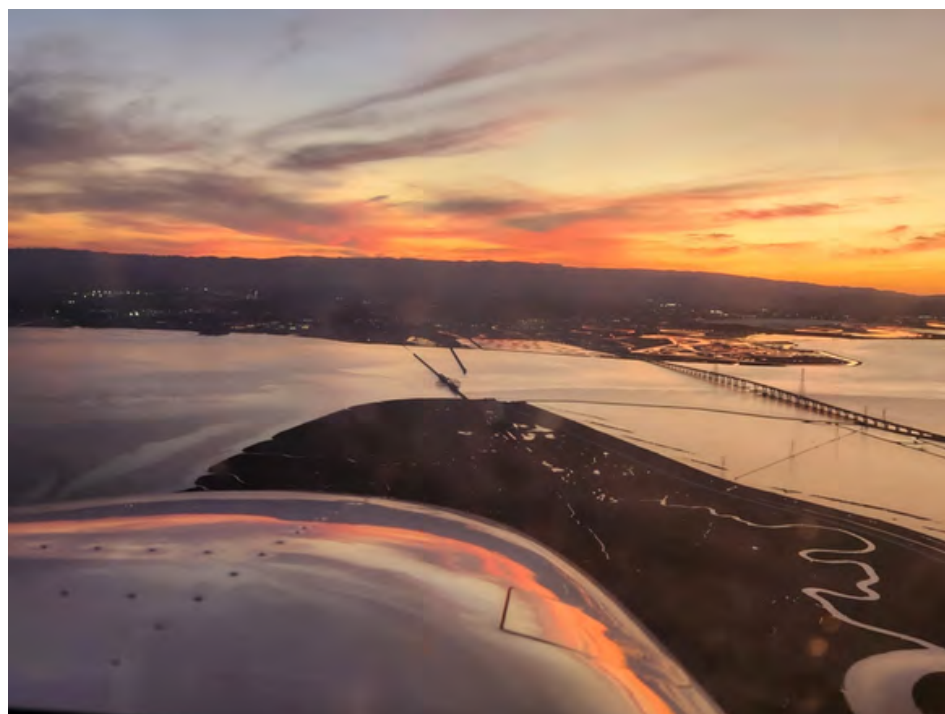
As we are approaching the holiday season, we are looking forward to seeing you on Thursday December 8th at our Annual Chapter Holiday Party. It will be at Three Flames Restaurant in San Jose from 6:30 – 9:30. This will be our first “in-person” Holiday Party at a restaurant since pre-COVID. Our meetings are always a great chance to catch up with old friends and meet new members. (See announcement)

Our November fly-in will be to Woodlake Airport (O42) on Saturday, November 12th, hosted by Pat Gregory. I don't recall a fly-in to this destination with the chapter, so this should be fun and a new experience for many.

If you have ideas for chapter aviation activities or meetings, please don't hesitate to speak up.

Sue Ballew
SCV Chapter Chair

Sunset - arriving from the East into Palo Alto Airport





Santa Clara Valley Chapter Board 2021-2023

CHAIRMAN: Sue Ballew

VICE CHAIR: Louise Mateos

SECRETARY: Patricia Gregory

TREASURER: Maki Honda

DIRECTOR: Debby Cunningham

PAST CHAIRMAN: Sue Ballew

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Mary McEnroe, Carol Munch, Laura Del Favero

Chapter Committee Chairs

Membership: Mary McEnroe

Windsock Newsletter: Laura Del Favero

Flying activities: Pat Gregory

Student pilots: Mary McEnroe

99s News reporter: Carol Munch

Legislative: Penny Blake

Hospitality: OPEN

Scholarships: Debby Cunningham

Forest of Friendship: OPEN

Website/ GOOGLE DRIVE: Brittany Sabol

Social Media: Maki Honda

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

Carol Munch****

Janet Hitt

Joyce Willis*

Kristen Tarabetz*

Laura Del Favero

Lisa Corsetti**

Louise Mateos ***

Marian Harris

Patricia Forbes**

Tiffany Chao*

Sue Ballew*

Debby Cunningham*

Kathy Groves*



Fall Section Meeting West Jordan Utah

by Pat Gregory

The section meeting in Utah September 29 through October 2 will long be remembered for great food, good camaraderie, and a record short business meeting. U42 was the local airport; a GA airport with a nice long runway and lots of parking area, very friendly FBO and line folks and a real pleasure to fly into. Leslie Ingham and I flew in our C182, 618MK and had an amazingly clear, non-turbulent flight from San Jose (SJC) with a short fuel stop at Elko. Fabulous tail winds got us there in record time.

Once the plane was tied down and the fuel order given, we were whisked away by the local 99s to a Hampton Inn about 5 minutes away. Got checked into our rooms and found the registration desk where we were again met by friendly, helpful 99s. The most fun is always reconnecting with other women pilots, old friends and new. The program for Thursday night was a trip to see the new Top Gun movie (I declined so can't tell much about it but did not hear of any disappointments). Friday was an early morning trip to the town of Park City for some of us and to the ski slope for others. Chair lift rides, slides down the hills were enjoyed by many, while visiting the shops and enjoying a delightful lunch was for others, myself included. Once back at the hotel, we found the Section Board Meeting informative and followed by the Chapter Chair meeting. The evening was rounded out with a cowboy themed party that included a live band and really good food. It took place in a very large hangar at the U42 airport, which afforded us wonderful views of the Wasach Mountains.

Saturday's business meeting was superbly run by Governor Pat Chan and actually ended over an hour earlier than scheduled. There was nothing to vote on and no controversial issues. The most difficulty was setting up the Zoom portion which required long extension cords, personal hot spots, and more. The hangar setting worked better than expected since we had the addition of microphones and large speakers as well as a pop-up background screen. Cudos to everyone who jumped in to help with that setup. We learned a lot from this meeting and can see an easier future for hybrid meetings. Robin Gartman and Pat Gregory are working on a 'roving' hybrid setup for our section. The meeting was attended by just over 100 members and an additional 17 on-line. Keynote speaker at the banquet was one of the very first ever woman commercial pilots. Her stories were entertaining as well as informative. Many thanks to her and her coworkers who truly paved the way for today's women to fly in all arenas.

There was a contingent of Ukrainians helping with the meeting; most of them had only been in the US for a few months. The children were very cute and so delightful and the adults did an amazing job feeding all of us, including peach cobbler and vegan cake! Our hearts went out to them over the plight of their own country.

Sunday morning included a debriefing for the next event which is our Winter Workshop in January. Another meeting was held for the hosts of the next section meeting in the spring of 2023. Most of us departed early, many to Salt Lake City for commercial flights and a large number to U42 to fly our own planes home. The return flight was also graced with clear skies and lacked bumpy air. This time we stopped at Silver Springs near Reno for fuel. It's a lovely little airstrip with an easy self-serve fuel station that offers quite inexpensive avgas (I think it was 6.25/gal). There were port-a-potties and there is an office but it was closed (we flew on Sunday). We got back to SJC just fine around 1pm. All in all, it was a very fun, well-run section meeting and if they host again, you should definitely consider attending.



Fall Section Meeting West Jordan Utah

The section meetings was so good, we need two reports! Thanks for the pictures Carol.

by Carol Munch

Despite the predictions of thunderstorms for several days before our meeting Thursday, September 29, 2022 dawned clear and with almost no wind. Debby Cunningham, Sunni Gibbons and I met at SJC, loaded up Debby's Cessna Citation and were in the air just after 9am.

We had smooth sailing until we reached the Wasatch Mountains within sight of our destination at South Salt Lake County airport. Just after unloading Pat Gregory and Leslie Ingham arrived in their C182. We were transported to our hotel just across the airfield and settled in. The Airhearts Utah members were ready for us with T shirts and goodie bags and the hospitality suite open. Whitney Holcomb was present everywhere making sure that all was going well.

At 5pm the group gathered for the movie "Top Gun" – the new version. Most agreed that it was as good as its predecessor. And made a fun beginning to the weekend.

A yoga class led by a Ukrainian instructor (Eugene) began at 7:30am on Friday. He taught us an unusual form of yoga which he said was ancient. It got us limbered up for the day ahead which featured a trip to the Park City ski resort where we had the choice of taking a chair lift to the top and walking around there, taking a toboggan ride or a zip line or just going shopping. I chose to ride the chair and walk around the top with Leslie Prellwitz and Irene Engard. The weather was picture perfect for outdoor activity with the fall color gracing the whole mountainside. Too soon we headed back to the hotel for the Board meeting and seminars. At 6pm we were whisked off to a hangar at the airport for a Wild West themed welcome reception. Many were dressed for the occasion, in Western garb, some including moustaches which had been provided in our goodie bags and which led to much laughter. A photo booth was on hand to capture portraits which should be sent to us. A buffet dinner followed. Then our Ukrainian yoga instructor introduced the group to some Ukrainian games which were lots of fun and brought lots of laughter. It was a fun evening. The spanking clean hangar proved a good venue with a breathtaking view of the sunset on the purple mountains

On Saturday morning, following a second yoga class, we again headed to the hangar where the Business Meeting was held. Very few committee reports, awards and other business was introduced. No applications had been submitted for Pilot of the Year. 11 of 17 applicants for AE scholarships won them. Leslie Ingham spoke about Tax Compliance and Andrea Garcia requested us to consider becoming potential nominees for Section positions. There was no unfinished business or new business so after thanks to the Airhearts Utah, especially their organizer Whitney Holcomb, and the visiting Ukrainian family who did most of the set-up and clean-up for both the Friday and Saturday events we adjourned to a Mexican lunch buffet. The afternoon included seminars in the hotel on Back country and Mountain Flying and a panel of ATC members from Salt Lake City who presented their views on the problems flying into and out of that area, answered our many questions about terminology, deviations from flight paths, emergencies and in general provided excellent information for flying around Utah. Following the seminars it was back to the hangar for a banquet with local beer and wine on tap. Our speaker of the evening was...Captain Valerie Walker who regaled us with anecdotes of her flying career with the airlines and how she handled sexist remarks with humor.

Both planes from San Jose departed early on Sunday and encountered smooth flights with one stop enroute home. Very few flying insects required removal from the aircraft's wings and windows upon arrival so we all got home before mid afternoon after a very pleasant and relaxing trip. Kudos to Debby for excellent flights!

Fall Section Meeting West Jordan Utah



SANTA CLARA VALLEY 99S

ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2022



We will have our wonderful Eloise and Sue musicians to set the mood

We will have our fun gift exchange - please bring a wrapped gift (value under \$20)

Bring an unwrapped toy to donate to needy children

Bring your friends and family, re-connect with friends, and have a delightful evening!!

THREE FLAMES RESTAURANT
1547 MERIDIAN AVE SAN JOSE 408-269-3144

RSVP TO PAT GREGORY WITH YOUR NAME AND NUMBER OF GUESTS.

MEAL CHOICE(S): (PLEASE INDICATE HOW MANY IF MORE THAN ONE PERSON IS ON THE RESERVATION)

____ THREE FLAMES SPECIAL STEAK
____ MOSTACHOLI (VEGETARIAN)
____ SALMON

ALL MEALS INCLUDE SALAD, BREAD, VEGGIES, AND COFFEE

**TO CONFIRM YOUR SELECTIONS, SEND \$45 PER PERSON;
MAKE CHECKS OUT TO SCV99S AND SEND TO:**

**PAT GREGORY
1478 PRIMROSE WAY
CUPERTINO, CA 95014**

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 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

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

Date	Organizer
November 12	Woodlake (O42)
December 10	
January 14, 2023	Pat Gregory

August Flyout to Harris Ranch

by Pat Gregory



The SCV October flyin was to Harris Ranch. Attending were Pat and Leslie in 618MK and Louise in her C182. Even though we were small in number, we had big fun - dining in the bar area was delightful.

We caught up with each of our activities of late. Louise was doing a long cross country for her commercial rating, which had her fly to Red Bluff and then to Harris Ranch so she could have a 200 mile leg. Pat and Leslie wended their way from SJC to Harris on a beautiful, but fog laden morning. Once out of SJC, and through a large hole in the fog, the flight enjoyed clear but hazy skies and very smooth air. The charming country shop at Harris Ranch provided fodder for our little shopping spree, and of course the beef was fresh, tender and tasty in the restaurant. Please join us in November as we once again host our flying companion seminar.



Our flyin will be to Woodlake in the central valley on Saturday, November 12 (to avoid holiday travel).

Woodlake O42 at the Runway Cafe right on the airport.

Elevation 400 ft; runway 07/25 2203ft fuel \$7.20 self serve 100LL

Contact Pat if you plan to attend. plowers@pacbell.net



Young Eagles Girl's Day

by Marcie Smith

On Sept 24, 2022, EAA Chapter 62 hosted a Young Eagles day for girls on Girls in Aviation Day. Turn out was tremendous, both for girls and pilots. 24 pilots flew 190 girls. The event was covered by KCBS and KPIX as well as the SJ Mercury News.

I have done YE flights on and off for years; this was my second flight this year. I had the privilege of flying the SJ Mercury reporter with one girl for my first flight. Josie Lepe flew in the back seat and took a million pictures. Luckily, my landing was reasonably smooth! Because of all the airplanes, it was busy. On one flight I was # 15 for takeoff and we waited for quite a few landings as well. The radio was very busy and got stepped on a lot. But the event went smoothly. A successful day! (The picture of me with the 99 shirt didn't make the paper but made the on-line feature; I tried!)

I have done YE flights on and off for years; this was my second flight this year. I had the privilege of flying the SJ Mercury reporter with one girl for my first flight. Josie Lepe flew in the back seat and took a million pictures. Luckily, my landing was reasonably smooth! Because of all the airplanes, it was busy. On one flight I was # 15 for takeoff and we waited for quite a few landings as well. The radio was very busy and got stepped on a lot. But the event went smoothly. A successful day! (The picture of me with the 99 shirt didn't make the paper but made the on-line feature; I tried!)





Member Milestones

After getting rained out near the end of my seaplane training course in Alaska in July, I went up to Seattle in September and completed my ASES rating in a Cessna 172 at Kenmore Air on September 8th. Alaska and Seattle were both great training experiences, but very different. Seattle was especially busy since training started on Labor Day with all the boaters out on Lake Washington! Seaplane training was the most fun I've ever had training. If others are interested in getting their seaplane rating or recurrent training, please reach out to me, as I am organizing a few trips next year for groups of women in both Seattle and Alaska.

Mary McEnroe





**SWS Winter Workshop
January 28, 2023
Hosted by Los Angeles Chapter**

Hilton Los Angeles Airport
5711 W. Century Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90045
(310) 410-4000
E-mail: LAXAH_Hospitable@hilton.com

check the SWS website for more details as they become available:
<https://sws99s.org/events/winter-workshop/>

**The 2023 International Ninety-Nines Conference
Jordan
October 27-November 2, 2023
Hosted by the Arabian Section**

Arabian Section Governor Alia Twal is busy finalizing details for our 2023 International Conference. We anticipate that Conference activities will be consolidated over October 27-28. Tour activities under consideration include travel October 27 – November 2 to the Dead Sea resort area, the Wadi Rum desert camp area, Petra, and Amman. Mark your calendars now, but hold off booking flights until we have activated a conference registration page with full details.



Calendar of 99s Meetings & Conferences

Dates	Meeting	Location/Host
Dec 2022	India Section Meeting	Delhi
January 28, 2023	Winter Workshop	LA 99s
April 2023	Spring SWS Meeting	Long Beach
October 27-November 2, 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

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,

EDITOR:

Laura Del Favero

ladelfavero@gmail.com