



Santa Rosa Ninety-Nines International Organization of Women Pilots

WINGS AND THINGS

November/December
2013 Newsletter

December Monthly Meeting

Please join the Santa Rosa 99s for our Annual December Dinner Meeting!

Date: Sunday December 8th

Time: 5:00 pm

Place: Roberto's Restaurant, 4776 Hwy 12, Santa Rosa CA 95409

RSVP by: Tuesday December 4th

Cost: \$30 per person

Spouses and guests welcome! Bring a gift (\$20) to participate in our annual spirited gift exchange.

Pay for dinner online at www.santarosa99s.org or make checks payable to Santa Rosa 99s and mail to:

Judy Knaute
c/o Wyvern Restaurants
575 W. College Ave. Suite 201
Santa Rosa, CA 95401

Fly In at Woodland Watts

Date: Saturday December 7th

Where: Woodland Watts Airport (O41)

Details: this is a pleasant trip between the Holidays while the weather still promises to be good. Lunch is across the lawn at the famous country club, the Yolo Fliers Club. Fly in at noon and meet at the tie-downs.

Reservations have been made for those who have responded, if you can join, let Betsy Nilson know (betsy.nilson@sbcglobal.net ; 650-941-8269). There will be members of the Santa Clara Valley 99s, the Santa Clara County Airmen, and the Motor Glider Touring Group. Great Company!

Calendar

December 7th: Fly-In at
Woodland Watts

December 8th: SR99s
Christmas Meeting/Dinner

December 31st: SB99s
Scholarship Due

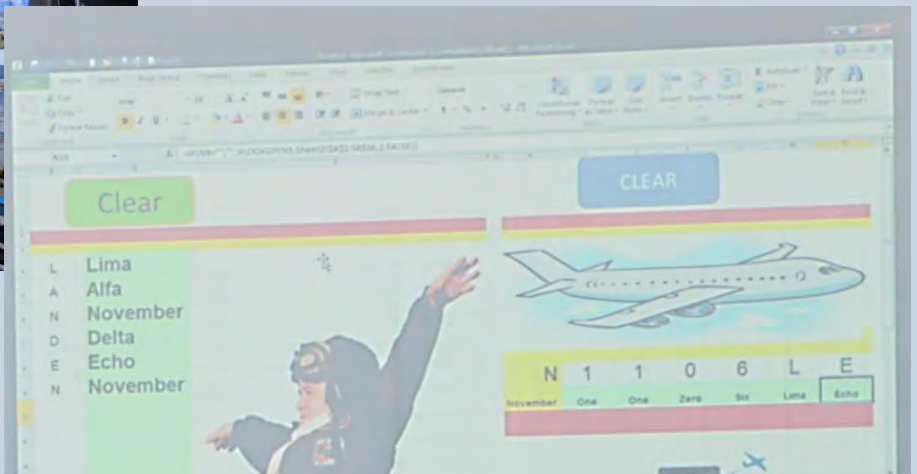
April 5th: Expand Your
Horizons Event

April 25-27th: Spring Section
Meeting (Ontario, CA)

July 2014: International
Meeting in New Orleans, LA

SONOMA JET CENTER OPEN HOUSE

We had a great day at the Sonoma Jet Center Open House. The 99s had our own booth where we taught the young and future pilots all about Morse Code and the Phonetic Alphabet. We had lots of kids interested in our booth and lots of helpers too. After the kids completed writing their names using the phonetic alphabet, they were entered into a raffle to win aviation themed alphabet books. We had quite a crowd gathering around when we announced the winners. Another special thanks to Joan for designing the activities for the kids to do.



An example of how kids could type their name and see how to read it using the Phonetic Alphabet. Also, each kid was able to make their own tail number using their birthdate and initials



Judy, Val, and Hannah helping out at the booth. Also volunteering were Joan, Marielle, and Patty.

HAYWARD AIR RALLY – Celebrating 50 Years!

The Hayward Air Rally is celebrating its 50th Year Anniversary in 2014 by staging a 3-day Rally July 23rd through July 29th from Hayward, CA to Madison, WI. The race continues on the Air Venture the next day. The Rally accepts aircraft with traditional instruments and aircraft with glass panels. Pilots of all skill levels are welcome. Visit our website for more information at <http://www.hwdairrally.org/index.shtml> or you may contact:

Chris Verbil
Chair, Hayward Air Rally Committee
info@hwdairrally.org
408.533.9357
Facebook: Hayward Air Rally

The Hayward Air Rally is a 501(C)3 non-profit organization whose purpose is to promote aviation safety and education. The Hayward Air Rally will award 7 scholarships to the EAA Air Academy in 2014.

50th Anniversary Hayward Air Rally
July 23-29 2014

Going to EAA AirVenture? Have fun on the way!

Legs are scored on time performance, fuel calculations, and checkpoint navigation.

Cash Prizes!
Trophies!
Merchandise!
Trinkets, Doodads, and Gizmos!

Rally proceeds benefit EAA Air Academy scholarships for deserving youth in all seven rally cities.

Rally schedule:

July 23	Hayward Registration, Impound, and Briefing
July 24	Hayward CA - Silver Springs NV - Wendover UT
July 25	Wendover UT - Lander WY - Rapid City SD
July 26	Rapid City SD - Montevideo MN - Madison WI
July 27	Madison WI - Oshkosh WI
July 28	EAA AirVenture opens
July 29	Air Rally Awards Dinner at Oshkosh

Participants may depart OSH on their own schedule.

The Rally accepts aircraft with traditional instruments or glass panels. Pilots of all skill levels are welcome!

www.hwdairrally.org

Expand Your Horizons

Expand Your Horizons will be back in April and Joan needs your help! If you would like to volunteer, please let her know.

A little information on EYH: *Our mission is to encourage young women to pursue science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) careers. Through Expanding Your Horizon (EYH) Network programs, we provide STEM role models and hands-on activities for middle and high school girls. Our ultimate goal is to motivate girls to become innovative and creative thinkers ready to meet 21st century challenges.*

A Conversation with the Ninety-Nines of Nepal

See below for a conversation between Santa Rosa 99s member Peg Thompson and her sponsored Nepal 99s member Sonam Choki. Check out Sonam's FaceBook page for pictures of her flying!
www.facebook.com/sonam.chuki

Hello Sonam

Welcome to 99's! Enjoy!

I am a private pilot with an instrument rating only. Just started flying after retiring from working at Intel Corporation for 30 years. I live in a gorgeous part of California, among the redwood trees, overlooking the river. It is beautiful to fly out here as we have the rugged coastline, wine country with its patchwork hillsides criss crossed with vineyards, and the golden rolling hills dotted with lakes and trees. We are sooo lucky that it is not crowded in the skies here, not like Los Angeles or San Francisco. And soon, in the Autumn, the leaves on the grape vines turn purple, red, orange, and brown the hillsides look BEAUTIFUL from the sky! We love to take other people flying just to see this.

Do you fly for the airlines? If it is not too time consuming can you tell me about your flying? If you are too busy, please do not worry about responding, your thanks is enough :-). I am retired, so I have plenty of time to write this. I understand the hectic paces work life and family create.

Thank you for writing Sonam! :-D

Peg

Omg! I'm soo glad to receive a reply that too such a nice and detailed one. I got my CPL from the Philippines and it was almost like you described. Flying along the coastlines. They were the best days of my flying. Here my country is completely landlocked and hence no coastlines the only water we see are a few rivers. Yet it's beautiful to fly here.

I have been jobless for a year now. The airline I was flying for went bankrupt and closed down. An unfortunate event but I have seen my fair share of the Nepalese sky and it was amazing. We used to have early morning mountain flights in which we take tourists for a sightseeing flight till Everest and return back to Kathmandu, our capital. The mountains look breathtaking I don't think any picture does justice to the actual view. We cruise at 25,000ft and fly as close as is safely possible. We let the passengers come to the cockpit and take pictures so they get a pilots view. I used to love interacting with the people. My picture taken by a Japanese even made it to one of their travel guides. And when Japanese tourists recognize me they made me sign and take pictures with them. It was humbling and hilarious at the same time >_<

Apart from the morning one or two (in tourist season) mountain flight rest of the day used to be trunk routes of not more than 35 mins airtime. Short routes and very routine. We have only one international airport here and the capital city is over populated and hence the frequency of flights too are too much. I haven't flown now for a year (August) so I'm free too ☺

I've applied to few other airlines here but too many pilots here and we require a strong jack (any influential people we know) so the ones who've got a strong jack will get their job done. It's like that here for any work private or governmental.

Since I went for flying straight after finishing my 12th class I'm now completing my bachelor's degree from an open college. I'm doing my second year for which my exam is in December. I love dogs and have 5 of them. So I now spend my time usually with them. I'm waiting for a response from somewhere.

Hope you aren't bored reading my not so well written mail ☺ Was so excited to hear back from you, that too immediately. If you would like to see few pics of the mountains and my dogs I have posted them on my facebook profile. Do add me if possible ☺ facebook.com/sonam.chuki

Bay Cities Winging Party to Lodi

Marielle and Joan had a great time flying to the Bay Cities Winging Party in Lodi, CA. After lunch they were even able to fly over Marielle's new house being built and snap a couple scenery pictures!

Here is a picture of the crew from the fly-in! ->



FLY NOW Scholarship Available

The Fly Now Award (formerly New Pilot Award) is a progressive award given to Associate members with a need for financial assistance to become licensed pilots. We've expanded the scope of this award to provide up to \$3000 toward completion of the Recreational Pilot, Sport Pilot, or Private Pilot certificate, or non-US equivalent, in any aircraft. This award will be given progressively to winners AFTER they complete four milestones in their training. The next scholarship will be available in March 2014.

For more information visit www.ninetynines.org

Congratulations to our Sue Ballew!

See below for an article mentioning Sue Ballew, a past Santa Rosa 99s Scholarship winner!

"A small group of Bay Area flight instructors have been recognized for their excellence in flight training by the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA). 69 flight instructors from across the United States were nominated by their students and colleagues and earned a spot on the AOPA Flight Training Excellence Awards Flight Instructor Honor Roll.

Four of these instructors teach out of San Carlos Flight Center, a local flight school based at San Carlos Airport. These four instructors are:

*Andy Geosits of Burlingame
Sue Ballew of Redwood City
Brian Eliot of San Jose
Dan Dyer of San Francisco*

In addition, San Carlos Flight Center is one of eleven flight schools in the US to be nominated for Outstanding Flight School."

SUTTER BUTTES 99S - \$1,500 SCHOLARSHIP

- Open to any 99 within 99 miles of Yuba City (by air)
 - o Advanced rating: must have completed at least 5 hours toward rating requested, must have 25 hours flight time within last 6 months (from 12/31/12)
- Essay required telling how funds will be used, goals and other relevant information
- Two letters of recommendation, including one from a flight instructor who has flown with applicant
- Finalists will be interviewed by a committee including at least one non-99 from local aviation community
- Payments will be made directly to flight school
- Flight training must be completed within one year of notification of award
- Applications must be postmarked by December 31, 2013 – Winner will be announced March 31, 2014

Sutter Buttes Chapter of
THE NINETY-NINES, INC.
International Organization of Women Pilots



November 1, 2013

Objective of this Scholarship:

To help a woman pilot, who is an active 99, continue in her quest to better her flying skills. The pursuit of a further rating/certificate need not be career driven

The Sutter Buttes chapter of 99s is offering a scholarship in 2014 to any 99 belonging to a chapter within 99 air miles of Yuba City, California

\$1,500 will be awarded to the winning applicant to be used toward a certificate or rating.

To be eligible, the following is required:

You must have been a 99 for at least one year from 12/31/13

You must have completed at least 5 hours toward the rating requested

You must have 25 hours flight time within the last 6 months

The Application Package Consists of the Following:

1. Official Application Form
2. Copies of licenses and medical certificates
3. Copy of logbook entries showing minimum 5 hours instruction toward requested rating and 25 hours of flight time within last 6 months
4. One page, double-spaced, typed personal essay addressing the following questions:
 - List your ratings, certificates, experience in aviation
 - What are your aviation goals and what are you currently doing to achieve these objectives?
 - What is your financial need and how have you financed your flying?
 - How would you use the Sutter Buttes 99s Scholarship to give back to the 99s and/or your community?
5. Two maximum 1-page Letters of Recommendation—one from a flight instructor who has flown with you and another from a non-relative who knows you well

Finalists will be interviewed by a committee including at least one non-99 from local aviation Community; financial need will be considered in the selection of the recipient; you do not need to be pursuing a career in aviation, but must justify the use of the rating/certificate you are pursuing; award money will be paid directly to flight school/instructor upon receipt of invoice from instructor and must be used within the 12 months following notification of award.

Send Applications to Carol Andrews, 13760 Laurel Hill Loop, Penn Valley CA 95946

postmarked by Dec. 31, 2013

Selection of Recipient will be announced by March 31, 2014

For further information: Carol Andrews (530)432-2827 email: charley.alpha@theunion.net

Sutter Buttes Ninety-Nines
Aviation Scholarship Application 2014

Please fill out all items in full, typing or printing legibly in ink.

Name _____ Chapter _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ email: _____

Certificate/Rating sought: _____

Have you had minimum 5 hours instruction toward this cert. /rating? _____

Total flight time: _____ In last 6 months _____

Ratings, if any _____

Airman certificate number _____ Date issued: _____

Date of last flight review: _____

Medical class and expiration date _____

Employer _____

Marital status/family _____

Education level achieved: _____

Date you joined the 99s (month/year) _____

What chapters have you belonged to _____

Have you attended any 99s International Conferences/ Section meetings? _____

When/where? _____

What offices have you held at chapter/ Section level? _____

Chapter activities you have participated in _____

Other Aviation/professional organizations you are a member of _____

Flight School/Instructor you are flying with: _____

Contact Phone/email _____

Omit the use of binders and covers of all types.
Original and two stapled copies to be submitted to
Carol Andrews, 13760 Laurel Hill Loop, Penn Valley CA 95946
By December 31, 2013

APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 31, 2013

Season's Greetings

Santa Rosa 99s

December Meeting

December 8, 2013 5:00 pm

Roberto's Restaurant

4776 Sonoma Hwy, Santa Rosa, CA 95409

\$30 per person

RSVP by Dec 3, with payment to Santa Rosa 99s

Mail check to Judy Knaute, 575 W. College Ave.

Suite 201, Santa Rosa, CA 95401

Pay online at

www.santarosa99s.org

Gift exchange \$20 maximum

