



99s: Women Pilots of Eastern New England

Next Meeting - May 21, 2016 **Falmouth Air Park, Falmouth, MA**

Because of several aviation events on May 14, the May ENE Chapter meeting has been scheduled for May 21.

10:00 Coffee

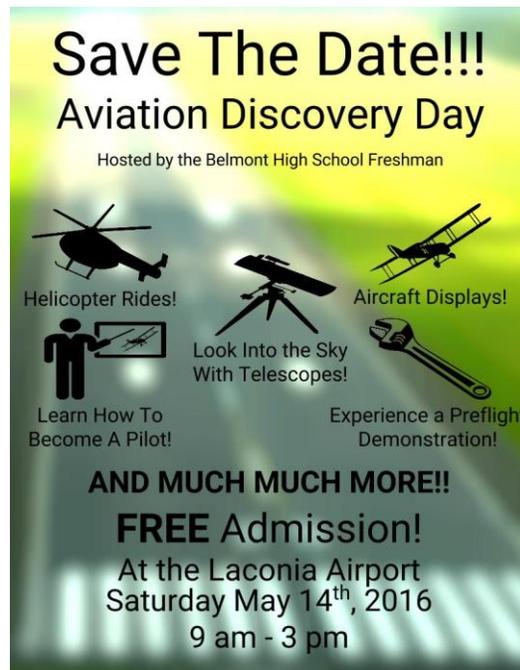
10:30 Meeting

12:30 Barbecue supplied by Candie Oldham at her house at the Airpark

We need to settle on a date and place for the Fall Section meeting, which we are hosting. We can settle the other details later, but we have to provide this information to Headquarters ASAP. Please attend and make your opinion known!

Women Interested in Aviation Airport Open House and Fly- In, May 14 at KLEW

Join the Katahdin Wings Chapter at the Auburn-Lewiston Airport (KLEW) on Saturday, May 14 from 8 a.m to 2 p.m. as they offer a day of hands-on learning about aviation, women in aviation history, careers in aviation, EAA Young Eagle flights as well as free intro flights for girls and women, open cockpits and aircraft displays, women aviation professionals, how aviation fits into our world today and more! But we need YOUR help – this is a day focused on encouraging women and girls to explore aviation and we need



Save The Date!!!
Aviation Discovery Day
Hosted by the Belmont High School Freshman

Helicopter Rides!
Aircraft Displays!
Look Into the Sky With Telescopes!
Learn How To Become A Pilot!
Experience a Preflight Demonstration!

AND MUCH MUCH MORE!!
FREE Admission!
At the Laconia Airport
Saturday May 14th, 2016
9 am - 3 pm

Discovery Day, May 14 at KLCI

Laconia Airport will be holding a Discovery Day for people interested in aviation on May 14 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be helicopter rides, aircraft displays, and information on how to become a pilot, among other events. The 99s will not have a booth, but ENE Vice Chair Vanessa Blakeley will be a speaker at the event.

Squawk 99 May 2016 Issue

The May issue of Squawk 99 was sent out this week. You can access it

here: https://gallery.mailchimp.com/8f1693d56698349f3356ded0c/files/Squawk_99s_MAY_2016.pdf

99s flying their aircraft to this event if possible. You are invited to join in the “Fly It Forward” flights introducing women and girls to your aircraft and taking them on a short flight, or even just having your aircraft on display would be great. No aircraft – no problem. Katahdin Wings is small chapter, so just having more New England 99s present will make an impact on the community. Please consider becoming part of this fun day of aviation outreach and education. **Contact Lori Plourd at 207-253-9533** or piperpilot2003@yahoo.com



Congratulations to New Section Officers

Billie Downing installed the following new officers (right to left) at the Section meeting:

Glenna Blackwell (CT), Governoer
Margot Cheel (ENE), Vice Governor
Constance Castillo (CT), Secretary
Georgia Pappas (ENE), Treasurer
Sue Lin (ENE), Director
Candie Oldham (ENE), Director



Section Meeting, April 29-30

The Section meeting is well documented in Squawk. Here is a picture of many of the attendees, taken at the Gouveia Vineyards in Wallingford, CT.



Sherry Grobstein First to Complete the Fly the Bay State Challenge

Sherry was the first person (other than the organizers) to complete the Fly the Bay State Challenge, which is designed to encourage pilots to fly or drive to all 39 of the participating airports in Massachusetts, as well as attend at least one FAA safety seminar. Congratulations, Sherry. More information is available at www.flythebaystate.com.



Award of Merit to Martha Dunbar

Congratulations to Martha Dunbar, winner of the 2015 Award of Merit for outstanding contributions to the New England Section of the 99s. Georgia Pappas presented the award in the absence of Katharine Barr, Award of Merit Chair.



April ENE Chapter Meeting, Held at North Central Airport in Rhode Island

Several new members and members who have not been able to attend Chapter meetings were at the meeting at North Central - nice to see you all! Several members went out for lunch after the meeting. Thanks for the above picture, Olga Mitchell!



AOPA Safety Seminar, April 26 in Waltham

Five ENE members and a potential member, ranging in age from 35 to 90, attended the AOPA Seminar in Waltham on April 26. Above, Desiree Kocis, Lois Jordan, Olga Mitchell, Margot Cheel, Sue Lin, and Jen Sensigalli. Thanks

99s May Headquarters Dispatch

The *May 2016* issue of the *Headquarters Dispatch* is now available in the "Members Area" of the International web site and on the mobile app.

Highlights this month are:

Proposed Bylaw/Standing Rule Amendments

Reminder! (about reports for Conference)

again, Olga!

Delegate Slips for Conference

Webinar Schedule

Section Statistics

2016 International Conference

Calendar

Reminder About Directory Updates

The direct link to the Dispatch on the website is

<https://www.ninety-nines.org/members/index.cfm/Dispatch.htm>.

After you log in, you may select any Dispatch from the last several years. If you have trouble logging in to the Members' Area, please contact Headquarters.



New Member Profile: Desiree Kocis

Linda Horn

Dispatch Editor

Desiree Kocis (35 years old) started dreaming about flying after attending an airshow in Pensacola, Florida and witnessing a female pilot doing tricks in a little red plane. While her friends were hanging out at the mall after school, she was

Karen Johnson Solo Scholarship

The Ninety-Nines and EAA will award a \$3,000 Karen Johnson Solo Scholarship to provide a young woman (age 16-20 at any time during 2016 calendar year) who wants to learn to fly with financial support for flight training through first solo and beyond. The winner will also receive a

sneaking off to the National Naval Aviation Museum to get her fix. The dream lingered for twenty years before she was able to finally take her first lesson. Still a student pilot, Desiree has about 40 hours and was just endorsed for her solo cross country. When not buzzing about up in the skies, she spends her days working 50 feet underground in a bunker as a GIS (Geographic Information Systems) Coordinator for the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency. Mother of two amazing children, Jamis and Anna, Desiree also enjoys reading and collecting old books, traveling around the world, meeting new people and not taking a second of this life for granted.

King School flight training course to prepare for the written exam and check ride. The scholarship will be awarded during WomenVenture activities at EAA AirVenture in Oshkosh on July 27, 2016. The application deadline is July 1, 2016. Additional information about the scholarship rules, how to apply for the scholarship, scholarship FAQs and a scholarship flyer can be found at www.kjsoloscholarship.com <<http://www.kjsoloscholarship.com>> .

Since we first awarded this scholarship in 2013, we received applications from over 150 young women with a passion for aviation, many of whom have since joined the 99s. If you know of any eligible young women who want to learn to fly, please tell them about this scholarship opportunity.

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Last month, Desiree was featured by three news agencies (including CNBC!) about the work she has done to develop technology to keep the Boston Marathon safe.

Medium: <https://medium.com/@Esri/what-runs-behind-the-scenes-at-the-boston-marathon-b45a00e76dfc#.yeegyw7b9>

NBC: <http://www.nbcnews.com/tech/tech-news/how-boston-marathon-using-security-technology-n557706>

Esri ArcNews

Magazine: <http://www.esri.com/esri-news/arcnews/spring16articles/arcgis-online-runs-security-at-boston-marathon>

Desiree is very proud to have made such a meaningful contribution to this event.

Thanks for the picture
and bio, Desiree!

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