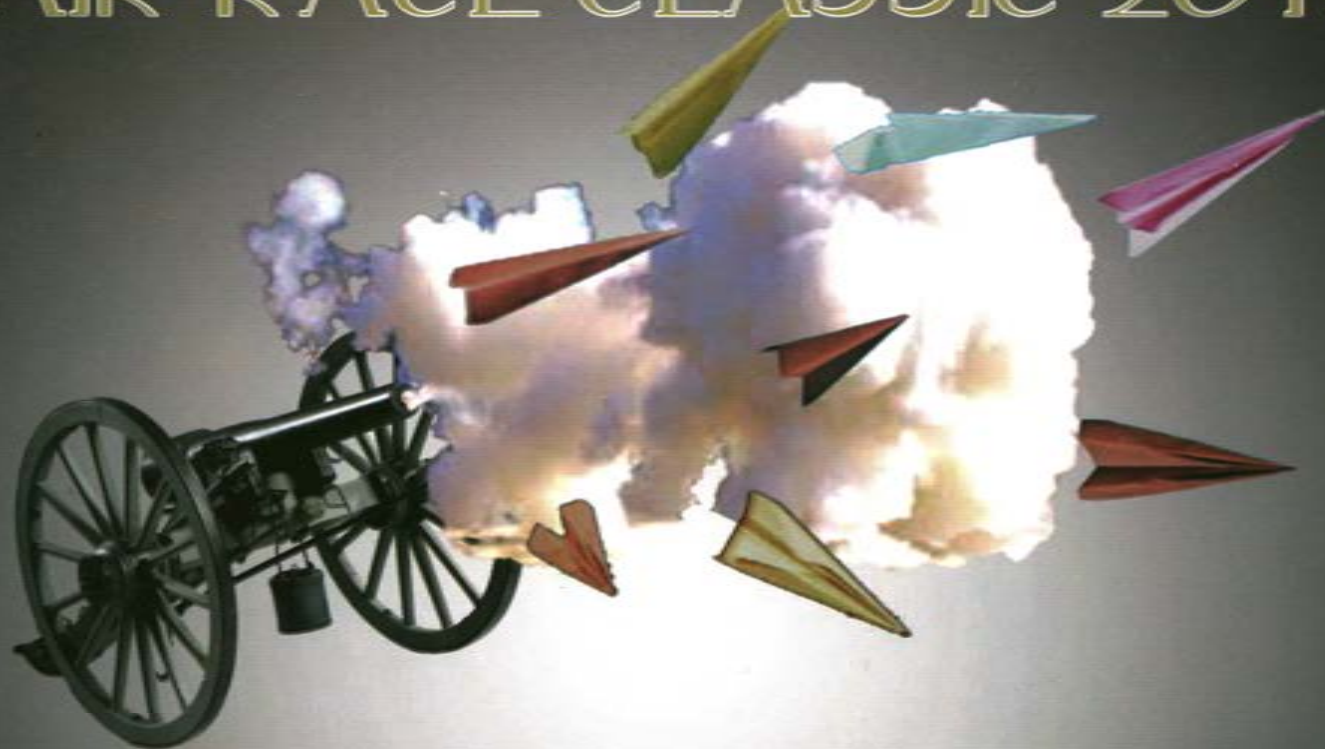


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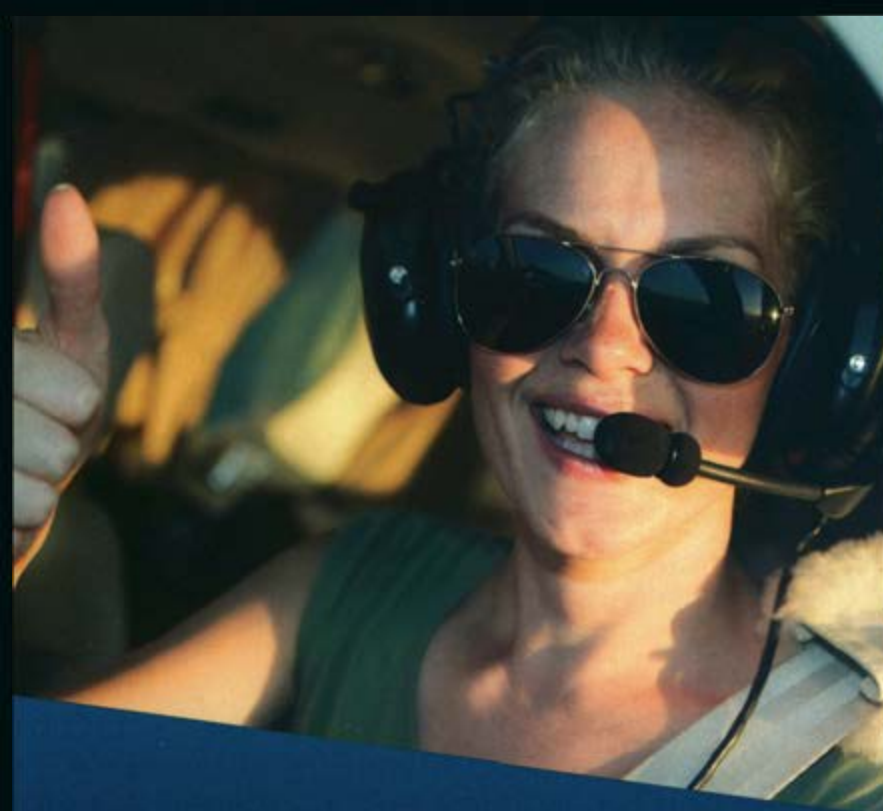


## 2015 General Information

Airplane Inspections open at Start (All airplanes)	Thursday	June 18	0800–1700 EDT
ARC Credentials			0900–1700 EDT
Start Registration & Hospitality Room open			0900–1700 EDT
ARC Credentials	Friday	June 19	0800–1500 EDT
Aircraft Inspections			0800–1500 EDT
Racers & Aviation Youth Activities			0900–1500 EDT
Racers Arrival DEADLINE			1200 EDT
Airplane N# and/or Color Change DEADLINE			1200 EDT
Airplane Inspections CLOSE			1500 EDT
Abingdon "Clock-tail" Social Hour			1700 EDT
Hangar Party – Meet the Racers BBQ			1800 EDT
Start Registration CLOSE	Saturday	June 20	0800 EDT
Collegiate Racers Meeting MANDATORY			0800 EDT
All Racers Briefing MANDATORY			0900 EDT
Timing Technology & Judging Briefing MANDATORY			1330 EDT
Take-Off Banquet MANDATORY			1830 EDT
Safety Seminar MANDATORY	Sunday	June 21	0800 EDT
Racer Flyby Briefing MANDATORY			0900 EDT
Race Start/Terminus Briefing MANDATORY			1030 EDT
Weather Briefing			1130 EDT
First-Time Racers Clinic MANDATORY			1330 EDT
Race Officials Meeting			1500 EDT
Take-Off Breakfast	Monday	June 22	0600 EDT
All Racers Final Briefing MANDATORY			0630 EDT
Start Take-Off			0800 EDT
Terminus Registration	Thursday	June 25	0900–1800 CDT
Finish DEADLINE			1700 CDT
Racers & Aviation Youth Activities (Adopt-A-Racer, Meet the Kids) OPTIONAL			1100-1500 CDT
Meltdown Party			1800 CDT
Score Sheet Signing MANDATORY	Friday	June 26	0900–1400 CDT
Meet with Judges (selected Classic teams)			0900–1400 CDT
Airplane Inspections (selected airplanes only)			0900–1200 CDT
First-Time Racers Debriefing RECOMMENDED			1500 CDT
All Racers Breakfast	Saturday	June 27	0800 CDT
All Racers Debriefing MANDATORY			0900 CDT
Racers & Aviation Youth Activities (EAA Young Eagle Flights, Meet the Kids) OPTIONAL			1100-1500 CDT
ARC Awards Banquet MANDATORY			1900 CDT

## 2015 Race Route Mileage for Designated Flyby Airports

Airports	Nautical	Statute
RMN Stafford Regional Airport, Fredericksburg, VA (Start)		
MRN Foothills Regional Airport, Morganton, NC (flyby only)	252	290
HKY Hickory Regional Airport, Hickory, NC (fuel, RON)		
VVS Joseph A Hardy Connellsville Airport, Connellsville, PA	265	305
JVY Clark Regional Airport, Jeffersonville, IN	299	344
HAI Three Rivers Muni Dr. Haines Arpt, Three Rivers, MI (flyby only)	216	249
AZO Kalamazoo/Battle Creek Int'l Airport, Kalamazoo, MI (fuel, RON)		
LWV Lawrenceville-Vincennes Int'l Airport, Lawrenceville, IL	213	245
IRK Kirksville Regional Airport, Kirksville, MO	243	280
UCY Everett-Stewart Regional Airport, Union City, TN	279	321
GAD Northeast Alabama Regional Airport, Gadsden, AL	203	234
CQF H L Sonny Callahan Airport, Fairhope, AL (Terminus)	229	264
<b>Total Race Distance</b>	<b>2199</b>	<b>2351</b>



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# Fredericksburg, VA

## **Stafford Regional Airport (RMN)**

**Start Co-Chairs:** Terri Nitz & Bobbi Boucher

**Airport Manager:** Ed Wallis

Air Race Classic participants, welcome to Stafford Regional Airport and the start of the 39th annual Air Race Classic. The Stafford Regional Airport Authority is proud to support and host the start of this great event, and we look forward to meeting each and every one of you.

The Stafford Regional Airport opened its runway for business on December 13, 2001. With nothing but 27 acres of pavement and 525 acres of grass, we began the development of infrastructure and support facilities for the flying community. Now, 15 years later, with many improvements and additions, we are poised to grow and provide superior service to the flying, as well as local, community. The Stafford Regional Airport is located within the fourth largest market in the U.S., and just minutes from our Nation's capital, the Commonwealth's capital, and other northern Virginia business centers.

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Hickory offers year-round recreational opportunities for golfing, boating, hunting, fishing, bicycling, baseball, and much more. Hickory also has had several NASCAR drivers get their racing careers started at the Hickory Motor Speedway. The Hickory Airport offers an on-site restaurant and is also the home of the Hickory Aviation Museum.

With the city's artistic nature in mind, Hickory has the SALT Block complex that offers Science, Arts, Literature Together for the whole community to enjoy. This complex also includes a beautiful planetarium for all ages. Hickory is just the kind of place that might change your life - certainly your perspective.

Good luck on your race. We hope to see you again!!!



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*David Clark (Operations Supervisor), Dillon Paul-Cox (Lineman), Debra Clark (Finance), Doug Moore (Lineman), and Sherry Kirby (Customer Service)*

# Morganton, NC

## *Foothills Regional Airport (MRN)*

### FLYBY / TIMING

**Airport Manager:** Brent Brinkley

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## **Airplane Qualifications, Race Handicaps, and Scoring**

The Air Race Classic (ARC) is an annual VFR all women cross-country event flown in official ARC daylight hours. Airplanes with at least 100 horsepower (HP) and not more than 600 HP may compete in one of two classes: Competition or Non-Competition. Competition Class includes Stock and modified Stock, normally aspirated, piston-powered airplanes, rated for continuous operation at maximum engine speed. Non-Competition Class includes airplanes not qualifying in Competition Class per ARC rules and those teams, not racing, but flying the event solely for education and experience. Both classes follow the same rules and enjoy similar flying adventures over the 2,400+ statute-mile course.



Handicaps are the basis for the ARC competitive race. They are a method to allow all ARC entry-qualified make and model airplanes to compete against one another in the same race. Prior to the race, each airplane is flown to determine the handicap for that particular airplane based on its current, demonstrated best speed. During the race, designated flybys incorporate special FAA-approved flight procedures that allow all teams to be timed at the start and finish of each ARC race leg. Winners are determined after all airplanes arrive at and cross the final finish line. Official scores are calculated for each race leg by taking an airplane's ground speed, subtracting any applicable penalties, and then subtracting the airplane's handicap.

Once the first plane launches, the teams have four days to fly all race legs and to arrive and cross the Terminus finish line. No preliminary results will be released, but you can follow the race and see each team's progress nightly at [www.airraceclassic.org](http://www.airraceclassic.org) when their locations are posted.

# Connellsville, PA

## *Joseph A. Hardy Connellsville Airport (VVS)*

**Stop Chair:** Gary Sobek

**Airport Manager:** John "Bud" Neckerauer

Welcome to the Joseph A. Hardy Connellsville Airport. Dedicated in October 1938, Connellsville Airport is located in Fayette County, south of Pittsburgh, in southwestern Pennsylvania and is managed by the Fayette County Airport Authority.



Joseph A. Hardy Connellsville Airport is your gateway to Pennsylvania's Laurel Highlands. It provides convenient access to Nemaquin Woodlands Resort, Seven Springs Resort, Frank Lloyd Wright's Fallingwater and Kentuck Knob, the Great Allegheny Passage bike trail from Pittsburgh to DC, whitewater rafting, and Laurel Caverns – Pennsylvania's largest developed cave.

The staff and volunteers at the airport would like to wish the Air Race Classic 2015 participants a safe and smooth flight with tailwinds at your backs. We look forward to your stop at Joseph A. Hardy Connellsville Airport and hope you enjoy your time here.

The Connellsville Airport is home to a wall of honor for the WASP and local WASP Florence "Shutsy" Reynolds.

For more information on the area, please visit the following websites:

Laurel Highlands:  
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# Jeffersonville, IN

## Clark Regional Airport (JVY)

**Stop Chairs:** Amy Bogardus & Stephanie Lindquist

**Airport Manager (Interim):** John Secor

The Clark Regional Airport is proud to be part of the 2015 Air Race Classic as Stop #3. With a 5,500 ft. runway with an instrument landing system and automated weather system, finding us safely will be no problem!

The Clark Regional Airport, owned and operated by the *South Central Indiana Regional Airport Authority*, exists to provide safe, quality corporate and general aviation facilities that aid the economic health of the region. With the help of our fixed base operators (FBOs), Honaker Aviation and Aircraft Specialists, the airport offers quality service technicians to furnish fuel, charter service, flight training, aircraft storage and aircraft repair.

Honaker Aviation will be the host FBO for the air racers. Kevin Happel and the rest of the Honaker staff will provide fueling and concierge services, including rental cars from Enterprise and Hertz, and hotel accommodations available from Clarion, Comfort Inn, Ramada, Best Western and others. Their staff can offer an array of restaurant suggestions that complement our Southern hospitality.

While visiting Clark County, you may find the opportunity to visit one of our many local attractions, including Horseshoe Casino, Louisville Slugger Museum, Howard Steamboat Museum and Churchill Downs, home of the famous Kentucky Derby.

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# Kalamazoo, MI

## *Kalamazoo / Battle Creek International Airport (AZO)*

**Stop Chair:** Pam Palmieri

**Airport Manager:** David Reid

Welcome, Air Racers, to the Kalamazoo/Battle Creek International Airport (AZO)! AZO, the first licensed airport in the state of Michigan (1929), has a long and rich aviation history. Originally named Lindbergh Field after legendary aviator Charles Lindbergh, AZO has been a proud host to numerous Air Shows and flight teams through the years, and is home to the nationally recognized Air Zoo Aviation Museum. Kalamazoo is also the hometown of the Western Michigan University Sky Broncos Precision Flight Team...Go Broncos!



In 2011, AZO completed construction on its new terminal building, a state-of-the-art facility that matched practical passenger flow and modern amenities, with beautiful architecture and design. Commercial flights currently operate to Chicago, Detroit, Minneapolis, and Atlanta. Along with its commercial activity, Kalamazoo is home to a large general aviation community as well.



As racers fly in and out of AZO, they will be communicating with FAA ATC personnel located in a new Tower facility, recently opened in the spring of 2014. Aviation services are provided to AZO users by Duncan Aviation and Kalamazoo Aircraft.

The entire staff at the Kalamazoo/Battle Creek International Airport, as well as all our tenants and community partners, wish all of the participants of the Air Race Classic good luck. We hope you enjoy your time in AZO and look forward to assisting you in any way we can.

For more information about the Kalamazoo/Battle Creek International Airport, visit our website at

[www.flyazo.com](http://www.flyazo.com).



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# Three Rivers, MI

## *Three Rivers Municipal Dr. Haines Airport*

### FLYBY / TIMING

**Airport Manager:** Mark Glesner

The Three Rivers Municipal Dr. Haines Airport is located about two miles northeast of the city. Three Rivers lies at the convergence of an historically key water route consisting of the 90-mile-long St. Joseph River and its tributaries, the Rocky and Portage Rivers.



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The rivers offer a variety of water play activities including fishing, boating and swimming as well as biking and hiking along Heritage Water Trail. Scenic terrain provides places for cross-country skiing, golfing, hiking, and camping.

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Marie Zeffer, Head Timer



## 2014 ARC Race Teams



Photo: Lilian Darling Holt

# Lawrenceville, IL

## *Lawrenceville-Vincennes International Airport (LWV)*

**Stop Chair:** Kurtis Schwartz & Dick Gardner

**Airport Manager:** Kurtis Schwartz

With its 3,067 acre airport complex, Mid-American Air Center (MAAC) is the third largest airport in Illinois. This is a self-contained airport facility with its own utilities and infrastructure. It is operated by the Bi-State Authority, which represents the State of Illinois, the State of Indiana, and the cities of Lawrenceville (IL) and Vincennes (IN).

This former Army Air Corps Base, George Army Airfield, was home to the training of some 4,500 flight students during World War II. They trained in the Beechcraft AT-10 and then later for troop carrier command using C-46 and C-47 aircraft to tow gliders and transport troops.

Today's Mid-American Air Center is the host to various flight training operations. The Wabash Valley Soaring Association is a long-time active part of the airport and recently located its Sailplane Archives on the second floor of the terminal. There are various other aviation activities, such as aircraft painting, repairing and servicing. MAAC also has an ultralight sod runway.



Although future plans of the airport include air cargo and aircraft maintenance, we will always keep in mind the needs of the communities that we represent in order for them to remain a part of our public-use airport. This airport has served our country well, and we are committed to serving your future needs.

We look forward to hosting the Air Race Classic racers at MAAC. See you soon.

*MAAC Team:  
Frank Routine, Line Chief;  
Cathy Charles, Airport Secretary;  
Kurtis Schwartz, Airport Manager*



# Kirksville, MO

## *Kirksville Regional Airport (IRK)*

**Stop Chair:** Gina Shorten

**Airport Manager:** Glenn Balliew

Welcome to Kirksville, Missouri's North Star. Kirksville is the home of Truman State University and A.T. Still University's Missouri School of Dentistry and Oral Health and the founding school of Osteopathic Medicine. Kirksville hosts weekly Summer on the Square concerts, the farmer's market, and many annual festivals – Round Barn Blues, Red Barn Arts Festival, and the Scottish Highland Games. From hiking and hunting to boating and fishing, people travel from all over the country to enjoy Northeast Missouri's star quality recreation.



Kirksville Regional Airport was established in 1930 as a Federal Aviation Administration emergency landing strip. In 1942, it became one of the United States government's Civil Pilots Training Program Centers and a War Training Service Center for the Army Air Corps. IRK was renamed the Clarence Canon Memorial Airport in 1971 in honor of Congressman Clarence Canon and then renamed the Kirksville Regional Airport in 1984.



Kirksville Regional Airport (IRK) is an FAA Part 139 airport supporting commercial services and capable of servicing large corporate jets. A small airport offering big services with over 6,000 feet of runway, ILS, REILS, VASI, MALSR, ADSB, VOR-DME, ASOS and a newly installed HIRL system, Kirksville MO is one of the best kept secrets for Jet-A and cross-country fuel stops. We set the standard for quick turns by taking fewer than 20 minutes (under normal conditions) to refuel aircraft and get them on their way.

Kirksville Airport and the FBO are owned and operated by the City of Kirksville and have made major strides in improving services. New and updated equipment, GPU, great local catering, on-site A&P and avionics services, contract fuel, and more helps us provide great service to our customers. With fast turns and always attractive fuel prices, we are quickly growing our customer base.



Located in the middle of the USA at one of America's busiest intersections, and in uncongested airspace, Kirksville is an easy and convenient place to stop. Our FBO offers all the normal amenities and is open from 5am-8pm weekdays (including all holidays) and 7am-7pm on weekends. We provide prearranged after-hours fuel services at no charge. Our motto is "North, South, East to West, We Are Halfway to Everywhere," so come and see us.

We welcome the participants of the 2015 Air Race Classic to Kirksville and plan to do everything we can to make your stay enjoyable.

For more information, go to our web sites:

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[kirkvillecity.com/kirksville-regional-airport](http://kirkvillecity.com/kirksville-regional-airport)



*Glenn Balliew, Airport Director; Robert Brown, Bob Mills & Eddy Turner – Airport Operators*

# Union City, TN

## Everett-Stewart Regional Airport (UCY)

**Stop Chairs:** Jo Ann Speer & Linda Richards

**Airport Manager:** Jo Ann Speer

*"Jointly Operated by Obion and Weakley Counties"*

Racers, welcome to Everett-Stewart Regional Airport (ESRA), in Union City, Tennessee! ESRA, located in the Northwest corner of Tennessee, is surrounded by rolling pastures and lush farm fields.

Obion County is Tennessee's top row crop production county in the state, producing well over 20 million bushels of corn, soybeans and wheat in 2014. It's also home to Reelfoot Lake, a 15,000-acre paradise for outdoor enthusiasts; harboring osprey, golden and American bald eagles and almost every kind of shore and wading bird.

Weakley County is also tops in the state for row crop production and is home to the University of Tennessee Martin just minutes from Everett-Stewart. "From the founding in 1900 of Hall-Moody Institute, through the establishment in 1927 of UT Junior College, to today's status as a comprehensive public university, UT Martin prepares its students for success in the global economy."



Union City's Discovery Park of America offers visitors a world-class entertainment and education experience with 70,000 square feet of exhibits & 50 acres of gardens, grounds and exhibits.

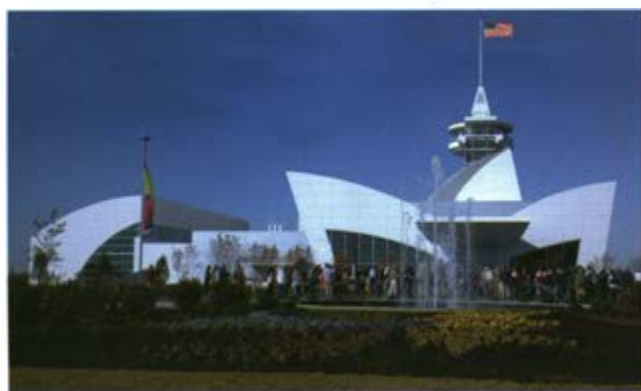
ESRA features a 6,500-ft runway with instrument approaches and a professionally run full-service FBO. Fuel pricing is competitive, and a fuel discount will be offered to all racers. Two maintenance facilities, West Tennessee Aviation and Will Aero, are located on the field.

With genuine Southern hospitality, our goal is to make each person feel special! In 2011, the Airport received Tennessee's Red Carpet Award and the Governing Body of the Year Award, and in 2012, the Airport Manager of the Year Award.

Everett-Stewart Regional Airport is dedicated to promoting economic development and tourism and to maintaining the airport as an integral component of the infrastructure of Northwest Tennessee and Western Kentucky.



*FBO Team: JB Burnside, Dianne Blackwell, Sandy Marlar (front row); Glenn Belson, Ian Riley, Jo Ann Speer (back row)*



*Discovery Park of America*



*UCY Planning Team: Linda Richards, Keri Wright, Jo Ann Speer, Lisa Reaney (not present, Lois Horne)*

# Gadsden, AL

## *Northeast Alabama Regional Airport (GAD)*

**Stop Chair:** Nancy Miller-Borg

**Airport Manager:** Fred Sington

Northeast Alabama Regional Airport was originally deeded to the City of Gadsden by the Federal Government. It has evolved, through the years, from a passenger service airport to a General Aviation facility. The airport features two runways, 42 hangars for private pilot use, and 6 corporate hangars used for storage and aircraft maintenance.

Runway 06/24 is 6802'x150' and runway 18/36 is 4806'x100'. Runway 06/24 has recently been completely refinished and 18/36 was recently seal-coated and striped. In addition to the runway work, taxiway Alpha and the maintenance hangar apron were sealed and restriped in 2014.

The airport has a maintenance facility, International Jets, that not only refurbishes L-39 jets but also has a paint shop, which services all types of aircraft. In addition to this facility, we have the 20th Special Forces military unit that is housed on our airport and uses the airport for many military operations. An ILS (instrument landing system) was recently added to further facilitate safe landing procedures.

The FBO has free wi-fi and a crew car for passenger use.

Northeast Alabama Regional Airport is located 50 miles north of Birmingham and 55 miles east of Huntsville.

Conveniently located by I-59 and State Highway 77 and only 30 minutes from I-20, the airport makes access to Birmingham, Atlanta and Chattanooga a short drive. Also, the Talladega Speedway is only 35 minutes away.

If you are a sports enthusiast, you can stay in Gadsden and be just 2 hours from Alabama football, 2½ hours from Auburn and 35 minutes from NASCAR. You will also find recreation and vacation destinations on the Coosa River, Guntersville Lake or Weiss Lake. Visit Noccalula Falls Park, which has a lot of history and interesting artifacts, as well as carpet golf, zoo, and a wedding chapel.



*The Spirit of American Citizenship Monument with the Coosa River in the background*



# Fairhope, AL

## *H.L. Sonny Callahan Airport (CQF)*

**Stop Chair:** Robin Tillery

**Airport Manager:** Roger Gradle (Continental Motors, Inc.)

### 2015 Air Race Classic Terminus



Fairhope Airport as seen from the north to the south.

Fairhope's "Sonny" Callahan Airport is located 11 miles south of Interstate 10 on the east side of Mobile Bay. With a 6,600 x 100 ft. runway, it can service up to regional jets. Though non-towered, the facility provides AWOS and GPS non-precision approaches. The FBO operator is Continental Motors which provides engine overhaul and rebuild, airframe, and annual services, among others. In addition, the company operates ZULU Flight Training from the field. Hangar space is available as are sites for privately owned hangars.

In 2007, the Fairhope Airport Authority purchased 250 acres of adjacent land on the east and west sides of the airport. It is envisioned that the west side property will become a light industrial area, not connected to the runway environment, but in close proximity. To that end, the 105 acres of land was recently awarded Advantage Site Status by the State of Alabama EDPA, paving the way for quick development. The east side property will be developed into additional ramp space, a corporate hangar, and a possible future terminal building.

An aviation and industrial maintenance school was constructed at the entrance to the airport in 2014. The school provides dual enrollment opportunities for high school students, as well as career development for college and adult students, creating a trained workforce for prospective employers.



Master Land Use Plan  
Fairhope Airport Authority

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## Volunteers - Behind the Scenes of the ARC - Thank You to Everybody!

Sponsoring a transcontinental air race requires more than a few people willing to spend countless hours putting the pieces in place. The continual, year-round process begins with the all-volunteer Air Race Classic Board of Directors, whose members oversee the organization and its events. They also provide guidance to ensure the future of the race. Assistant Directors widen the scope and expertise, providing experiences that more fully support the ARC's mission and goals. All Directors and Assistant Directors of this 501(c)3 corporation are volunteers shouldering the responsibility and reaping the reward of sponsoring the race, because they believe in its value to both general aviation and women in aviation.



*Volunteer timer*

The organization strives to advance its processes and operations to meet the aviation challenges in today's changing world. We have implemented the use of new tools for race timing and scoring and offer live tracking of race teams en route. Our Divisions include:

1. FINANCING – Advertising; Sponsors; Silent Auction; Grants; Endowment Fund; Sales; Future Start & Terminus Selections
2. MARKETING – ARC Promotion; Trade Shows & Conferences; National Press Releases; Racer Promotion; Publications (electronic, paper); ARC Program; Awards & Prizes
3. SUPPORT – Documents & Databases; Website; ARC History; Thank Yous
4. ROUTE – Route Selection; Start & Terminus Liaisons; FAA Coordination; En Route Stops; Race Central
5. TIMING & SCORING – Timing Coordination; Scoring; Judging; Timing Technologies
6. RACERS – Entry Administration; Mother Bird Program; Credentials; Scholastic Outreach
7. AIRPLANE – Airplane Entry; Inspection; Handicaps; New Airplane Technology
8. EDUCATION – Safety; Briefings; First Timers/Refresher; Public Education/Youth; Educational Videos



*Our AWAM volunteer mechanics provide technical inspections.*

An ever expanding network of volunteers supports the race by working with the Board and Assistant Directors across these divisions. They generously dedicate numerous hours throughout the year to ensure a safe, competitive, educational and festive event. The ARC volunteer network makes this event continue to happen annually. Thank you to the men and women involved in this network!

Working on this event is almost as exciting as flying it. ARC's energy and enthusiasm are contagious. If you would like to be part of the behind-the-scenes activity that supports this race, please join us.

**Contact [info@airraceclassic.org](mailto:info@airraceclassic.org).**



*Youth at the Start and Terminus enjoy meeting racers and checking out the planes*



*Hands-on youth activity about runways and air traffic controllers*

**We would love to list all our volunteers and thank them by name, but the program just isn't big enough. While they go nameless, their hard work is not forgotten. A special thank you to each and every one of you.**

**Without your hard work and dedication, this race would not happen.**

# 2015 Air Race Classic Route



Lara Gaerte and Gail Rouscher inspecting a plane in Fayetteville AR.



FBO staff coordinate and fuel aircraft, while local volunteers welcome racers.

Keri Wright stops in Rawlins on the "clean-up" run... visiting with some great volunteers at this stop.



"Pirate" Julie Thomas gives some Girl Scouts a tour of her Maule at the Start in Iowa City.



**“Your airplane does not know whether you are old or young, a student or a master, a novice racer or an expert, fearless or afraid - when you begin the competition, you will rank with those tenacious women who dare to reach for victory, and ultimately, you are a champion.”**

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Nancy Snyder  
Ormond Beach, FL

Emmy Dillon  
Daytona Beach, FL

**CLASSIC 1**  
**Riddle Racer Gold**  
**Cessna 172S 180 hp**

**\*\* Embry-Riddle Aeronautical Univ, Daytona \*\***

**Nancy Snyder** is back for her second Air Race Classic. Nancy holds a Commercial certificate, single-engine land, and a current instrument rating, with 658 hours logged. Said Nancy, "I race to help show the rest of our female population that it is possible to fly the friendly skies as a female in this male-dominated industry. I also race to build my own knowledge as a pilot, and I look forward to the adventures yet to come!"

A student at Embry-Riddle, Nancy started flight instructing at the university this past fall. She soloed four students in the first semester, and seeing them achieve that milestone was immensely rewarding. Her goal is to work for the airlines after finishing her work as a CFI.

Nancy was a cheerleader for eight years, three of those cheering for ERAU. When she has some down time, she enjoys dancing, painting and hanging out on the beach.

Welcome **Emmy Dillon** to her first ARC! Emmy is a student at Embry-Riddle majoring in human factors psychology – studying the relationships and interactions between humans and machines. She hopes to apply that expertise to a career in aircraft ergonomics for a major aircraft manufacturer after graduation.

Emmy holds a Private pilot certificate, single-engine land, with a current instrument rating and 191 hours in the air. She is flying the ARC because, "One of my major flying goals is to fly in every state in the U.S., and this race will definitely push me toward that goal." Emmy already has experience in competition as a member of Embry Riddle's Eagles Flight Team. She is also a member of the Old Dominion Chapter of the 99s.

One of Emmy's favorite flying memories was flying into Dulles International. Said Emmy, "Flying through the SFRA to get there was a trip on its own. But also being the smallest aircraft in Dulles' airspace made the experience all the more memorable. It's pretty cool to be following a Boeing 737 in a Cessna 172!"

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Kayleigh Bordner  
Bringinghurst, IN

Chelsea Noel  
Ft. Wayne, IN



Brittany Danko  
Corydon, IN

**CLASSIC 2**  
**Flying Sycamores**  
**Diamond DA-40 180 hp**

**\*\* Indiana State University \*\***

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**Kayleigh Bordner** is back for her second ARC. She is an instrument-rated Private pilot, single-engine land, with a tailwheel endorsement and 190 hours logged. Said Kayleigh, "I participate in the Air Race Classic because it is a great way to gain flight experience, along with meeting amazing women who have helped pave the way for the younger pilots, such as myself. I also race because it's a good way to show younger girls that they can fly too!"

Last year, Kayleigh and her teammates expected warm weather for the race, so they all packed shorts. When they were grounded by snow and ice in Elko, Nev., they needed warm clothes, so they went shopping for sweatpants. The store didn't have any women's sweats, only men's – and that's what they had to wear!

Kayleigh started flying when she was 17, taking her first lesson in a J-3 Cub on a small grass strip. Aviation, she said, is her life, and most of her hobbies and interests revolve around that. She is particularly interested in the history and stories behind warbirds. When she's not flying, Kayleigh enjoys motocross, reading, crafting and cooking with her grandma. Kayleigh is a member of the Indiana Chapter of the 99s.

**Chelsea Noel** returns for her second Air Race Classic. Chelsea is an Instrument-rated Commercial pilot, single and multi-engine land, with instrument flight instructor, instrument ground instructor and tailwheel credentials and 455 hours under her belt. A full-time student at Indiana State University, she is flying the ARC because, "Racing is an amazing experience that I cannot get while being a flight instructor. Racing puts your skills and flight knowledge to the ultimate test while flying in many different regions across America."

During last year's race, a number of teams ended up getting stuck in Elko, Nev., because of bad weather. They shared many bonding experiences as "The Elko Racers."

Chelsea started flying when she was 17 and earned her license before going to college. In her spare time, she enjoys working out and doing yoga. Chelsea was a competitive swimmer for 12 years and just can't give up being in the water. Said Chelsea, "Doing other activities on the ground while I am not flying keeps me on my toes and in tip-top flying shape."

Welcome **Brittany Danko** to her first ARC! Brittany is a full-time student at Indiana State with a student pilot certificate and 50 hours flown. The race, said Brittany, "is an amazing opportunity to promote women involved in aviation and for myself to grow as a pilot. I'll have the chance to observe some amazing women pilots and give what I can to the team while learning in a new environment."

Said Brittany, "I have had a huge love for flying since I was a little girl. I had no idea women could be pilots while I was growing up. Now to be a part of such an amazing race with all women is a dream come true!" Brittany is a member of the Indiana Chapter of the 99s. She works at her local YMCA when she is home on school breaks.



Jessie Davidson  
Santa Barbara, CA



Topaz Grabman  
Ventura, CA



Aravni Khachikians  
Berkeley, CA

**CLASSIC 3**  
**Above All Fly Girls**  
**Cessna 182Q 230 hp**

*Sponsor: Above All Aviation*

Welcome the first-time team of Jessie Davidson, Topaz Grabman and Aravni Khachikians to the ARC!

**Jessie Davidson** is an instrument-rated Private pilot, single-engine land, with 254 hours in her logbook. She started flying two years ago, and in that time has immersed herself in flight training, fun flights, flying seminars – anything aviation-related. One Thanksgiving, she and eight pilot friends took to the skies in three planes for a formation flight. Said Jessie, "We all felt truly thankful for our wings that day!"

Jessie is operations manager of a flight school, helping students start on their aviation path. The ARC will give her another way to feed her passion for aviation and share the beauty of flight.

Besides her aviation-related activities, Jessie is working on a bachelor's degree in French and a master's in visual anthropology, and enjoys yoga, biking, skydiving and snorkeling – though, she said, she's much more a bird than a fish!

**Topaz Grabman** is a Commercial pilot, single-engine land, with a current instrument rating and 400 hours logged. She became interested in flying the ARC after hearing Judy Phelps share her racing experiences. Said Topaz, "This looked like such a blast, and I immediately wanted to experience flying across the country. This is a new item on my bucket list, and I can't wait to check it off!"

Topaz is a customer service supervisor for Atlantic Aviation in Santa Barbara, CA, where she has worked for just over five years. "It is a great place to work when you are a pilot," said Topaz. "Every day you get to talk about flying with other pilots who are always eager to tell their stories. It's never a dull moment, you are always meeting fascinating people."

Her love for travel is the reason Topaz started flying. Her other interests include hiking, surfing and photography.

Flying the ARC fulfills a lifelong dream for **Aravni Khachikians** who always wanted to fly cross-country in a small single engine aircraft. Said Aravni, "To do it in such an environment, with the friendship and support of my teammates as well as the entire event/organization, is truly a unique experience." Aravni holds a Private pilot certificate, single-engine land, with 190 hours logged.



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Natalie Butler  
Palos Park, IL

Molly Van Scoy  
Shavertown, PA

**CLASSIC 4**  
**Purdue University**  
**Cirrus SR22 310 hp**

**\*\* Purdue University \*\***

Natalie Butler and Molly Van Scoy are flying the ARC for the first time. Welcome!

**Natalie Butler** is a senior at Purdue with a Commercial certificate, single- and multi-engine land, a current instrument rating and 387 hours in the air. Said Natalie, "I am beyond excited to represent Purdue University and race among other pilots who enjoy aviation as much as I do. The experience will help further my pilot skills and the race will create memories that will last a lifetime."

At school, Natalie works for the local FBO as a line technician. During the summer, she does aerial surveying, flying GPS coordinates to capture images of farm fields. She hopes to have a career as a professional pilot after graduation.

Besides flying, Natalie enjoys exercising, hanging out with her friends and playing chess.

**Molly Van Scoy** holds a Commercial certificate, single-engine land, with a current instrument rating, a tailwheel endorsement and 375 hours logged. A full-time student at Purdue, she is an active leader of the Women in Aviation chapter, Professional Pilots, and the Aviation Technology Student Council.

"When I was just a toddler," said Molly, "my mother set me off on what were my first aviation adventures. Little did I know then, these adventures led me to my destiny. Flying is what I love to do. Racing among other women unites us and our similar passion for aviation." When she is not flying, Molly enjoys hanging out with friends and "my awesome family." In the summer, she likes relaxing at the airport.

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*Joyce Wells*



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Pamela Bird  
Sandpoint, ID

Tookie Hensley  
Mohave Valley, AZ



Pam Rudolph  
Lake Havasu City AZ

**CLASSIC 5**  
**Three Wild Women**  
**Cessna 182P 260 hp**

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**Pamela Bird** returns for her third Air Race Classic. Pamela is a Private pilot, single-engine land, with 270 hours and the co-founder, with her husband, Forrest – who is also a pilot – of the Bird Aviation Museum & Invention Center in Sandpoint, Idaho. She is flying the ARC to have fun and meet amazing ladies who love the sport.

Pamela is the founder and CEO of a company that assists inventors with their commercialization needs. Besides aviation, she enjoys horseback riding, hiking, skiing, fishing, boating, traveling and being with her family, especially her granddaughters, Julianna and Autumn.

She is a member of the Intermountain Chapter of the 99s.

**Tookie Hensley** is a veteran of 23 Air Race Classics. She is an instrument-rated Commercial pilot with single- and multi-engine land licenses, as well as instrument flight instructor, advanced and instrument ground instructor, and tailwheel credentials, and 30,500 hours. Tookie has been a CFI since 1985 and owner of a flight school since 1990 – "What else," she asked, "can you do that you love and get paid for it?"

Tookie has tried to retire but can't quite do it: "I still love being able to make someone's dream come true!" She is racing this year because her teammates enjoyed last year so much, they wanted to do it again! She also looks forward to seeing her friends from previous races.

Tookie's husband, Don, is also a pilot. Her other joys in life are boating, traveling and, best of all, her friends and family – including 14 great-grandchildren. Tookie is a member of the Rio Colorado Chapter of the 99s.

This is **Pam Rudolph's** fourth ARC, and she is hooked! She holds a Private pilot certificate, single-engine land and sea, with 1,954 hours flown. She is a member of the Rio Colorado Chapter of the 99s and counts this group of gals as her dearest friends.

Pam returned to the race for, "the adventure of seeing new places, honing my skills and because it's so much fun!" A retired pharmacy technician, she has been flying for 23 years and owns a V-tail Bonanza. Pam enjoys flying back and forth to Florida several times a year to visit family. When she's not up in the air, Pam enjoys quilting, a hobby she started when she and her husband, Bill, retired to Arizona.

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Barbara Goodwin  
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Kalamazoo, MI

**CLASSIC 6**  
**Kalamazoo Cardinal Girls**  
**Cessna 177B 180 hp**

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Veteran racer **Barb Goodwin** is back for her 11th ARC. Barb is a Commercial pilot with single-engine land, flight instructor and advanced/instrument ground instructor credentials and 3,039 hours logged. A retired middle school math and science teacher, she is now a CFI out of Kalamazoo, Mich. Barb flies the ARC for "fun, friends and skill-building."

Barb is president of the Kalamazoo/Battle Creek chapter of Aviatrix, a women's aviation group founded in 1937, and a Young Eagles field representative. She is also involved with the Air Museum at Kalamazoo Airport; the Michigan Chapter of the 99s and Women in Aviation International, where she is a member at-large. Her husband, Robert, is also a pilot.

When she's not flying, Barb enjoys gardening, travel, reading, walking in 5K races and singing with the Kalamazoo Women's Chorale.

This is **Maisie Stears'** fifth Air Race Classic. Maisie is a Commercial pilot, single- and multi-engine land and single-engine sea, with a current instrument rating and more than 3,600 hours under her belt. She races for the excitement, the opportunity to travel, to see old friends and meet new ones, to hone her flight skills, to test her mettle, and "hopefully to show women in aviation in a positive way." Said, Maisie, "If it ain't fun, why do it?"

Maisie has been flying for 54 years and, besides the ARC, has competed in the Powder Puff Derby, All Women's International Air Race (Angel Derby), Marion Jayne Air Race, three Great Hawaiian Air Races and too many efficiency races to remember. Now retired, she has been an executive secretary, legal secretary, stay-at-home mom and business owner with her husband, Jim, who is also a pilot.

When she's not flying, Maisie likes to fish, travel, listen to music and read.



Ramona Banks  
Madison, AL

Caroline Hodges  
Huntsville, AL

**CLASSIC 7**  
**FlyQuest**  
**Cessna 182G 260 hp**

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Welcome the first-time team of Ramona Banks and Caroline Hodges!

**Ramona Banks** is a Private pilot, single-engine land, with a current instrument rating and 510 hours logged. She is flying the ARC because, "Caroline and I have been on numerous air boondoggles in the last five years. When we saw that the ARC was on the East Coast this year, we decided that this was the one. It's time to get our feet wet!"

Ramona has worked in the graphics field for 20 years and is currently a multimedia developer creating interactive multimedia instruction. She is also on the board of FlyQuest, a nonprofit that provides aerospace education and scholarships for young people in northern Alabama to pursue aviation careers and experience the joy of flight.

She and her husband, Kevin, who is also a pilot, were high school sweethearts and have been married for 31 years. They love to travel any way they can: hiking, RVing, flying, cruising. Ramona plays flute and has played with Madison Community Band and the Prevailing Winds Flute Choir. She is a member of the Alabama Chapter of the 99s.

**Caroline Hodges** holds a Commercial certificate with single- and multi-engine land, instrument flight instructor, advanced ground instructor and skydiver credentials, a current instrument rating and 1,450 hours in her logbook. She is flying the ARC for the fun of it!

Caroline has been a part-time flight instructor for eight years and has more than 20 years' experience as a certified management accountant in the manufacturing industry. Recently, she left full-time employment to focus on volunteer work for FlyQuest, promoting aviation and education to underserved youth. Caroline is also a volunteer pilot for Pilots and Paws and is in final training with her dog, Swoop, to become a therapy dog team.

She shares her interest in aviation with her husband, Frank, who is an engineer and also a pilot. Caroline is a member of the Alabama Chapter of the 99s.



Claire Schindler  
Springfield, VA

Erica Diels  
Prescott, AZ

**CLASSIC 8**

**Cessna 172S 180 hp**

**\*\* Embry-Riddle Aeronautical Univ, Prescott \*\***

Claire Schindler and Erica Diels are flying the ARC for the first time. Welcome!

**Claire Schindler** is a full-time student at Embry-Riddle Prescott with a Private pilot certificate, single-engine land, and 187 hours in her logbook. She is racing because she loves to fly – and Amelia Earhart has been her idol since she was 12 years old.

Other than flying, Claire loves music, whether performing or listening – and she will never turn down a soccer game!

Claire is a member of the Embry-Riddle Prescott Chapter of Women in Aviation International.

**Erica Diels** holds an Air Transport Pilot certificate with single- and multi-engine land, instrument multi-engine flight instructor, instrument ground instructor and tailwheel credentials, a current instrument rating and 3,741 hours logged. She is an assistant professor at Embry-Riddle Prescott and Part 141 check instructor, and has been a Part 61/141 flight instructor since 2002.

Erica is flying the Air Race Classic for the experience – and what an experience it will be!

When she's not flying, she enjoys camping, boating and car restoration. Erica is a member of the Embry-Riddle Prescott Chapter of Women in Aviation International.



Candace Oldham  
East Falmouth, MA

Susan Westervelt  
Nutley, NJ

**CLASSIC 9**

**Mooney M20J 300 hp**

After a 10-year hiatus, **Candice Oldham** is back for her fourth ARC. A Commercial pilot with a current instrument rating, Candice has single-engine land and instrument flight instructor credentials and 2,220 hours in her logbook. She is competing in the ARC again "for the challenge of this unique type of flying and for the opportunity to share this experience with Sue again after 10 years."

Her first race, in 2000, was instructive: After not sleeping well one night, she had flown two legs and was sitting on an FBO couch waiting for the weather to improve. Suddenly, she was overcome with exhaustion. Sue took one look at her and told her they were stopping – her partner knew they needed to stop before she did.

Candice works for a large chain of fabric stores after a career in the airlines and doing travel agency work. Her current job allows her to indulge her passion for crafts of all kinds. Quilting currently occupies much of her free time, and she has made some amazing quilts as fund-raisers for the 99s. Candice lives at an airpark with her husband, Rae, who is also a pilot. She is a member of the Eastern New England Chapter of the 99s.

Returning to the ARC after a decade, **Sue Westervelt** is flying the ARC for the fourth time. She holds a Commercial certificate, single-engine land, with a current instrument rating and 1,235 hours logged. Said Sue, "I enjoy the flybys and camaraderie. I love flying with Candice and being able to see new places; it's always an adventure! Each race has provided me with learning experiences and has improved my flying skills."

One memorable moment came during a flyby to continue at Moriarty, NM: "As we were overhead the airport (at one of our best flyby airspeeds to date) I looked down to see numerous racers on the ground waving at us."

As a practice administrator and registered nurse for a team of spinal surgeons, Sue finds the opportunity to help others extremely gratifying and feels lucky to work with a phenomenal group of professionals. When she's not flying, Sue enjoys spending time with her family. She is a member of the North Jersey Chapter of the 99s.



Sarah Wendt  
Ormond Beach, FL

Abigail Pasmore  
Daytona Beach, FL

**CLASSIC 10**  
**Riddle Racer Blue**  
**Cessna 172S 180 hp**

**\*\* Embry-Riddle Aeronautical Univ, Daytona \*\***

Welcome Sarah Wendt and Abigail Pasmore to their first ARC!

**Sarah Wendt** is a Commercial pilot, single- and multi-engine land, with a multi-engine instrument instructor certificate, a current instrument rating and 1,601 hours logged. She has a bachelor's degree in aeronautical science from Embry-Riddle, where she has been a flight instructor for 2½ years, and is currently studying aviation maintenance science. Said Sarah, "I am racing this year to help encourage young women to follow their dreams, to experience my first aviation competition and to be a small part of aviation history."

In addition to teaching and taking classes, Sarah is an advisor to two on-campus organizations. She also enjoys spending time with her friends and caring for her two Dachshunds.

**Abigail Pasmore** holds a Commercial certificate, single- and multi-engine land, and is an instrument flight instructor with a current instrument rating and 450 hours in her logbook. "I am always looking for a challenge and a way to improve upon my aviation knowledge and flying skills," said Abigail, "so the race is a perfect fit. Racing also gives you the opportunity to meet and develop lasting friendships with aviators from all avenues and backgrounds."

Abigail graduated from Embry-Riddle with a bachelor's degree in aeronautical science and a minor in business. Now, she is a flight instructor at the university. She also works closely with organizations that raise awareness of autism. During her down time, Abigail enjoys being around family and friends, and, of course, her cat, Ruby.



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Terry Carbonell  
Tavernier, FL

Ellen Herr  
Fort Myers, FL

Ying "Laura" Gao  
Springhill, FL

**CLASSIC 11**  
**Team Wild Mama**  
**Cessna 182 RG 260hp**

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**Terry Carbonell** returns to ARC for the ninth time. She is an instrument-rated Air Transport Pilot with single-engine land and sea and multi-engine land licenses, instrument flight and ground instructor credentials, and tailwheel and skydiving endorsements. An attorney and flight instructor, Terry has flown 2,500 hours. She is a member of the Paradise Coast Chapter of the 99s and an at-large member of Women in Aviation International.

Said Terry, "Racing has become my annual birthday ritual. What could be a better celebration of life than flying around the country with 150 of your best girlfriends? ARC has been a great educational experience." She feels fortunate to combine ARC events with youth aviation education and her nonprofit, Aviation Adventures. During the 2012 race, she had a special "wedgie belt" to "save her butt" when the wedgie patrol came to call. The attack was successfully thwarted – and she has the belt with her this year, too!

Terry lives in the Florida Keys on a runway with "Wild Mama." She also likes scuba diving, hiking, biking and quilting and is chief of staff to her cat, Stubby.

**Ellen Herr** is flying the ARC for the fifth time. She is an instrument-rated Private pilot with a single engine license and 1,849 hours logged. She is membership chair of the Paradise Coast Chapter of the 99s.

Said Ellen, "Racing sharpens my decision-making skills and ability to apply my training to real-life situations. Working with my team members helps bring out the best in me and challenges my creativity. There is never a dull or routine race, and it's always a great opportunity to meet new and interesting people. This year's race is a challenging route, but I'm glad I won't need the long underwear or ice scraper!"

Ellen is a retired physical therapist who specialized in orthopedics. She flies missions for Angel Flight and for Pilots-N-Paws, transporting rescue dogs to new homes, and is secretary of the Fort Myers Flying Club. Ellen enjoys gardening, reading and agility training with her dog, Penny, when she's not flying. Her husband, Ed, is a retired helicopter pilot and an enthusiastic supporter of the ARC!

**Ying "Laura" Gao** returns for her second ARC. She is a Private pilot, single-engine land, with 330 hours flown. A native of China, she is a second-year student at Stetson University College of Law.

Said Laura, "I race for my team. I love meeting interesting people, improving piloting skills and inspiring more Chinese females to take up flying." Her husband, Matthew, is also a pilot.

When she's not flying, Laura enjoys sailing. She is a member of the Suncoast Chapter of the 99s



Malinda "Lin" Caywood  
Frederick, MD

Robin Hadfield  
Utopia, Ontario

**CLASSIC 12**  
**Team Freakin' Awesome**  
**Cessna 182T 230 hp**

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**Lin Caywood** is flying the Air Race Classic for the fifth time. An instrument-rated Private pilot, she holds single-engine land and sea certificates and has 1,238 hours logged.

Asked why she races, Lin said, "Nothing beats the camaraderie, the confidence building and the view of the countryside during a race."

Lin has more than 20 years in real estate and mortgage banking. She said, "I love to quilt, sew and make all kinds of crafts, fly, fly anything I can, fly to lunch, fly for PALS, and volunteer my time with the 99s and ARC – oh, and fly." Lin's partner, Carlo, is an aerospace machinist and is also a pilot. She is a member of the Sugarloaf Chapter of the 99s and the Capital Region Chapter of Women in Aviation International.

This is **Robin Hadfield's** first Air Race Classic. Welcome! Robin is a Private pilot, single-engine land, with tailwheel and aerobatics credentials and 730 hours logged. Said Robin, "I've wanted to race in the ARC for many years, but flying vintage radial and experimental class aircraft, I've never had the opportunity to enter my own airplanes. I love the challenge, the friendship and skills that are brought about by the race. I'm excited to be joining another racer this year!"

An artist by training, Robin is a business owner with a flair for sales and marketing. She coordinates airshow bookings for one of Canada's largest collections of warbirds. Her husband, David, is an airline pilot, and they travel as much as possible, but they end up sitting around airports waiting for empty seats – the joy of airline passes!

When she's not flying, Robin enjoys sailing and doing warm glass art. She is a member of the First Canadian Chapter of the 99s.



Kaitlyn Allen  
Salisbury, NC

Natalie Waters  
Lynchburg, VA

**CLASSIC 14**  
**Liberty Belles I**  
**Piper PA-28R-201 200 hp**

\*\* Liberty University \*\*

Welcome the first-time team of Kaitlyn Allen and Natalie Waters to the ARC!

**Kaitlyn Allen** holds a Private pilot certificate, single-engine land, with a current instrument rating and 186 hours in the air. "I want to race in the Air Race Classic because I am passionate about flying and I want to experience aviation on a competitive level," said Kaitlyn. "I'm excited to meet others who share the same passion." She is looking forward to learning new things and building new relationships during the race.

Kaitlyn is working on her Commercial certificate and hopes to become a flight instructor at Liberty University by the fall. She aspires to work for an airline one day.

When she's not flying, Kaitlyn enjoys watching movies, reading, laughing, being silly and spending time with her family, whom she loves very much – especially her three little brothers, Avery, Bradley and Wesley. She is a coffee addict and loves going on adventures and making new friends. Kaitlyn is a member of the Liberty University Chapter of Women in Aviation International.

**Natalie Waters** is an instrument-rated Commercial pilot, single-engine land and sea, with 259 hours under her belt. An executive assistant at the Liberty University School of Aeronautics, she is completing her multi-engine add-on and plans to begin flight instructor training in the next few months. She is flying the ARC for the real-world experience she hopes to gain during the race.

Said Natalie, "I am passionate about one day using aviation as a tool on the mission field. I love to travel and work with humanitarian organizations and local churches to help needy children have a chance for education."

Natalie is a member of the Liberty University Chapter of Women in Aviation International.



Mary Wunder  
Collegetown, PA

Juliet Lindrooth  
Bryn Athyn, PA

**CLASSIC 15**  
**Team Wunder Women**  
**Mooney M20F 200 hp**

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**Mary Wunder** returns for her eighth Air Race Classic. She is an instrument-rated Commercial pilot, single- and multi-engine land, with 2,000 hours flown. She is a member of the Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter of the 99s and the Independence Chapter of Women in Aviation International.

Asked why she flies the ARC, Mary said, "It started out as an item on my friend's bucket list, but after the first race you become hooked and you don't want to miss out on all the fun. Now I race because I look forward to seeing everybody and I want to win." Mary said, "I had the best career. I was an air traffic controller. That was so much fun! I used to tell everyone: Where else can you tell people what to do and they have to listen to you?"

Mary is a permanent trustee of the 99s Endowment Fund and has helped raise more than \$1 million. Said Mary, "I think it's so important that the 99s be around for future generations. I want little girls to know that there is nothing they can't do."

**Juliet Lindrooth** is flying the Air Race Classic for the third time. She is an Air Transport Pilot with a current instrument rating; single- and multi-engine land, multi-engine instrument flight instructor, tailwheel and aerobatic certifications; a jet type rating, and 14,500 hours in her logbook. She is a member of the Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter of the 99s and the Independence Chapter of WAI.

Said Juliet, "I can fly all around the world and across this country multiple times per month. But racing allows me to see parts of the country that I wouldn't usually be able to see. I get to meet fantastic people at the small airports who I normally wouldn't meet. In short, it's a blast!"

Juliet has been flying since she was 15 and soloed on her 16th birthday. She was a flight instructor for five years, worked for a commuter airline as a J32 captain for three years and has flown for American Airlines for 16 years. She is currently a first officer flying 767s. On the way to last year's race, Juliet had to file IFR in her little airplane. Said Juliet, "I had never done that before. What could possibly go wrong? I got a hold, procedure turn, an ILS to a circle to land. All hand flown, no autopilot, no flight director and no auto throttles. We laughed about it on the ground."



Melody Dowlearn  
Lynchburg, VA

Alicia Isacson  
Branford, CT

**CLASSIC 16**  
**Liberty Belles II**  
**PA-28R-201 200 hp**

*\*\* Liberty University \*\**

**Melody Dowlearn** returns to the ARC for the second time. She holds a Commercial pilot certificate, single- and multi-engine land, with a current instrument rating and 265 hours in the air. She is racing to become a better aviator, gain experience and challenge herself. She will certainly do that!

Melody is a student at Liberty University, working on her flight instructor certificate, and hopes to work for the airlines one day. Aviation runs in her family: her mother was a flight instructor, her grandmother was a Private pilot and her grandfather was an FAA inspector and Commercial pilot.

Once, when she called air traffic control to request pattern work, the controller said to her, "Negative, Ghost Rider, the pattern is full." Melody had never seen "Top Gun," so she didn't get the joke and changed her request to full stop. Tower came back and said, "Didn't you want pattern work?" The controller approved her request and told her to see the movie.

When she's not flying, Melody enjoys touring, traveling, hiking, listening to music and spending time with family and friends. She is a member of the Placer Gold Chapter of the 99s and the Liberty University Chapter of Women in Aviation International.

**Alicia Isacson** is back for her second Air Race Classic. An instrument-rated Commercial pilot with single- and multi-engine land credentials, an instrument flight instructor certificate and 230 hours logged, she has been a flight instructor at Liberty University since September 2014. She graduated from Liberty last May with a bachelor's degree in aeronautical aviation and is currently working on her master's. She hopes to fly for the airlines once she has her hours.

Asked why she is flying the ARC again, she said, "The knowledge and experience I gained last year was incredible. I am looking forward to another amazing race."

Aviation has been a multi-state experience for Alicia. She started flying through the Civil Air Patrol in her home state of Connecticut, went to flight camp in Maine, where she did her first solo, got her Private certificate in Connecticut and is continuing her aviation education in Virginia.





Roberta Boucher  
Fredericksburg, VA

Terry Nitz  
Fredericksburg, VA

**CLASSIC 18**  
**Blonde Bombs**  
**Beechcraft Bonanza A36 300 hp**

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**Bobbi Boucher** is flying the ARC for the fifth time. Bobbi is a Commercial pilot with single- and multi-engine land and sea, multi-engine flight instructor, advanced ground instructor, glider-private and tailwheel credentials and 6,100 hours logged. Why is she flying the race? "Just for the fun!"

Bobbi is an aircraft technician who started flying sailplanes and first soloed in 1973. She spent six years in the Navy working on P-3s, which enabled her to get her airframe and powerplant ratings as well as her flight engineer certification. At the request of the World Wildlife Foundation, Bobbi went to Africa to build and fly a Beaver RX 550 ultralight aircraft. She has also done a firewall-forward Lancair 320 and has built a Super Lancair ES with an IO-550 up front.

Bobbi has built and then flown her own RV-4 in five AirVenture Cup races, making her the most experienced female pilot and solo pilot in AirVenture Cup history.

**Terry Nitz** returns for her fifth Air Race Classic. She is a Commercial pilot, single- and multi-engine land, with 1,600 hours logged. She flies the race for the fun of it as well as the competition.

Terry is a certified registered nurse anesthetist. In her free time, she loves snow skiing in the winter and traveling, especially to Europe. In the summer, you can find Terry in her herb garden or swimming. On rainy days, she likes to read a good book. "Above everything else, I love to fly," she said. "Those weekend breakfasts or lunches 50 miles or more away are precious."

Terry is a member of the Old Dominion Chapter of the 99s.



JoAnne Alcorn  
Winter Haven FL



Gretchen Jahn  
Broomfield, CO

**CLASSIC 19**  
**Killer Bees**  
**Cessna 182P 230 hp**

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**Jo Alcorn** returns for her seventh Air Race Classic. She is an instrument-rated Commercial pilot with 1,850 hours logged. Jo is rated for single-engine land and sea, multi-engine land, and tailwheel. She is a member of the 99s and WAI, a member of her airport's advisory board, and an ARC director.

When asked why she races, Jo explained, "I often fly long cross-countries, but nothing compares to the challenge of the ARC - the adventure of new places and new flight conditions. And the camaraderie with like-minded women is wonderful. These are friendships for life." Said Jo, "What an event the Newberry 11 was in 2012, when 11 race teams had to wait for fog to lift! A surprised FBO dog, Blueberry, entertained us all."

Since retiring as an IT manager in 2001, Jo works with her husband, Steve, also a pilot, in their aircraft sales & services company. Their business tests and certifies airplane mechanics. Flying allows her to explore family homesteads and meet distant cousins. She loves to travel, read and cook.

Veteran racer **Gretchen Jahn** is back for her 20th ARC. She is an instrument-rated Commercial pilot, single-engine land and sea, with a tailwheel endorsement and 1,578 hours logged. Gretchen flies the ARC. "To see old friends and learn new things. The camaraderie is incredible. I love to meet and help new racers. There is always more to learn about the airplane, weather, aviation rules, team coordination, and personal capabilities. It's fun to 'collect' airports, become more proficient and go fast!"

Gretchen is a businesswoman and entrepreneur, focusing on manufacturing, aviation and management. She is former CEO of Mooney Airplane Company, General Manager Alpha Aviation in New Zealand and COO of REMOS Aircraft in Germany. Today, she runs a management consulting firm working with midsize companies.

Gretchen lived in New Zealand for two years and loved it, earning her pilot's license both there and in the U.S. She's back in Denver and owns an RV-7 so she and her husband, Karl, also a pilot, can travel cross-country fast at lower cost. Gretchen is a member of numerous aviation groups.



Deborah Dreyfuss  
Potomac, MD

Eileen Kay  
Rockville, MD

**CLASSIC 20**  
**Team DC3**  
**Cessna 182T 230 hp**

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**Debi Dreyfuss** returns to the ARC for the sixth time. With 1,750 hours under her belt, Debi is an instrument-rated Commercial pilot and has single-engine land and sea, multi-engine land, flight instructor, formation flying and tailwheel credentials. She is a member of the Washington DC Chapters of the 99s and Women in Aviation International.

Debbie had wanted to fly since age six, when her uncle took her for a ride in his 172. Now, she said, "I race for fun, camaraderie and the competition. Team DC3 loves the rush. Members may change, but the thrill doesn't!"

In last year's race, Debi's team was delayed for two days in Pinedale, WY due to ice and snow. After renting a car, they visited the Mountain Man Museum, met guys at a cowboy bar and went hot-tubbing. "We didn't win, but we sure had fun!"

Founder and owner of a graphics and commercial signage company for 20 years, Debi sold the business in 1998, and then she sold advertising until retiring in 2007. She now travels two weeks every month, funds the "Debi Dreyfuss Dare to be Different" award for local 99s chapters, and owns a Texas taildragger, a newer 182 and a half interest in an Avanti Piaggio 180. She is also teaching her grandson to fly.

Welcome **Eileen Kay** to her first ARC! A Private pilot, single-engine land, with 808 hours logged, she became interested in flying when her husband, Stan, who is an engineer and skydiver, said, "I want to take flying lessons. Do you?" As a designer, stylist and a dancer, she figured this was a chance for them to finally have something in common.

Eileen is flying the ARC because, "I love doing and learning new things and challenging myself. I hope this experience will improve my flying abilities. It should also be great to work with a team. I guess you could say it is on my bucket list." She has flown all over the East Coast in her Diamond DA-40 and is a member of the Washington DC Chapter of the 99s.

When she's not flying, Eileen enjoys interior design, clothing design, dancing and working out every day.



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Tulsa, OK

**CLASSIC 21**  
**Forever 21**  
**Beechcraft C23 180 hp**

**Sue Jones** returns for her fifth Air Race Classic. She is a Private pilot, with single-engine land and sea credentials and 990 hours flown.

Sue races "because it is fun and pushes you to improve your skills." In 2013, she and her partner spent the first two nights of the race west of the easterly route, trying to get to the relocated Start. They ended up trapped in a drainage valley and had to go north to the Columbia River George – the Dalles – "one of the thrills of all my flying life." Last year, she and her good friend and co-pilot Minnetta Gardinier had some breath-taking adventures, including flying the Grand Canyon, dealing with some very hot cylinder heads in N. Las Vegas, and waking up to find her plane encased in ice in Elko, NV.

Sue learned to fly from Edna Gardner Whyte and flew the Great Southern Air Race with her in 1990. She is retired from several careers, including nursing, and is the proud owner of her second Beech Sundowner, named Sylvia. She is a member of the Beech Aero Club and the Austin Chapter of the 99s.

**Elaine Stook** is back for her third Air Race Classic. Elaine is a Private pilot, single-engine land, with 720 hours logged. She caught the racing bug flying the Okie Derby several years ago. Said Elaine, "I loved the challenge of navigating an unfamiliar course and the precision and artwork of flying my own airplane's estimated airspeed, fuel consumption, and timing."

Elaine has been a physician's assistant since graduating from the Yale Medical School program in 1977. Her career has taken her to Chicago, Arizona, New Mexico, and Oklahoma, where she has lived for the last 26 years. Her most recent experience has been as a health care provider for a group of urgent care clinics.

When she's not flying, Elaine enjoys working outside, planting and caring for her yard, playing an occasional round of golf, traveling stateside and in Europe and reading spy novels. She has also made several trips to Romania with her church and recently returned from a medical mission trip to Mexico. Elaine is a member of the South Central Section of the 99s.

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Ocean Springs, MS

### CLASSIC 22

Cessna 182T 230 hp

The veteran mother-daughter team of Marie and Susan Carastro is joined this year by a new student pilot in the family. Welcome, Danielle!

**Susan Carastro** is flying the Air Race Classic for the 13th time. She holds an Air Transport Pilot license, single and multi-engine land, with flight instructor and tailwheel certification and 1,812 hours in her logbook. A veterinary ophthalmologist, Susan is involved with all kinds of animals, from giraffes to sea mammals, including sea lions and dolphins. She said, "What a great job!"

Susan looks forward to the race and spending time with her mom each summer, as well as meeting new friends, visiting with old ones and challenging her cross-country skills. During one race, they flew so fast that she couldn't keep the numbers on her plane!

Susan spends her free time horseback riding, playing racquetball, running and snowboarding. She is a member of the Gold Coast Chapter of the 99s.

This is **Marie Carastro's** 14th time flying the ARC. She holds a Private pilot certificate, single-engine land, with 1,213 hours flown. She flew in the 1960 Powder Puff Derby and races the ARC to spend quality one-on-one time with her daughter, see old friends, make new ones and experience the thrill, excitement and challenge of piloting.

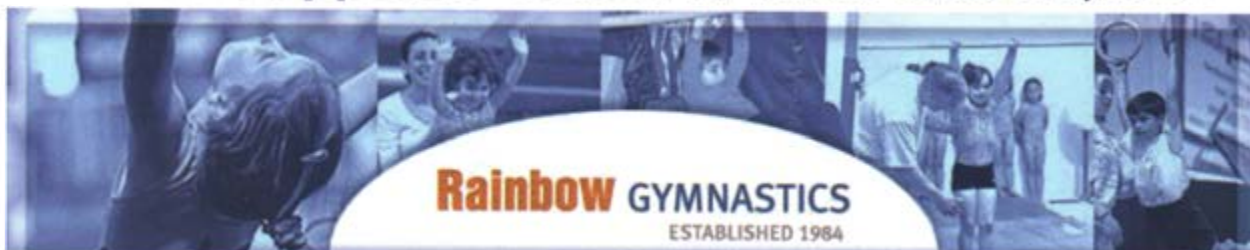
Marie has been a registered dietitian for 58 years. She worked with the Alabama Department of Public Health for 23 years and is now in private practice as a nutritional consultant on federal and state health provider standards.

Marie's husband, Bob, is also a pilot and works for the State of Alabama Department of Aeronautics. Genealogy, gardening and grandchildren are among her favorite hobbies and interests. Marie is a member of the Alabama Chapter of the 99s.

**Danielle Carastro** is a new student pilot with just five hours in her logbook – and she is thrilled to be joining her grandmother and her aunt on this great adventure. Said Danielle, "I'm trying to keep up the family tradition!"

When she's not flying, Danielle enjoys horseback riding, video games, soccer and beach activities.

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Corbi Bulluck  
Apex, NC

Jan Squillace  
Cary, NC

**CLASSIC 23**  
**Blue Sky Racers**  
**Piper PA-28-236 235 hp**

Welcome the first-time team of Corbi Bulluck and Jan Squillace to the Air Race Classic!

**Corbi Bulluck** is an instrument-rated Air Transport Pilot with single- and multi-engine licenses; multi-engine instrument flight instructor advanced/instrument ground instructor certificates, a jet type rating and 8,850 hours under her belt. She was the first female pilot hired by the North Carolina Department of Transportation, and she regularly flies the governor and other top state officials, as well as doing aerial photography flights for engineering planning and assessment of environmental conditions.

Why is she flying the ARC? "I want to challenge myself, and be a part of this aviation adventure that traces its roots back to the first all-women's transcontinental air derby of 1929."

When she's not flying, Corbi enjoys traveling, hiking, fishing, sharing aviation with young people through the Young Eagles, Girl Scouts and other organizations, reading and theater. She is a member of the Kitty Hawk Chapter of the 99s and is an international director for the organization.

**Jan Squillace** holds a Private pilot certificate, single-engine land, with a current instrument rating and 910 hours flown. Said Jan, "Since I am a fan of epic cross-country flights, the Air Race Classic sounds like a fun adventure. Let's go FLYING!"

Jan learned to fly to combat empty-nest syndrome after her two children were out of high school. Since then, she has flown many happy hours traveling across the East. She retired so she could spend even more time flying and take advantage of her medical. Said Jan, "Spending many years in the computer software business makes one able to tackle the new Garmin interfaces easily."

Jan is a member of the Kitty Hawk Chapter of the 99s.



Anne Marie Radel  
West Hills, CA

Margaret Viola  
Lancaster, CA

**CLASSIC 24**  
**Team Flying Tigresses**  
**Grumman Tiger AA-5B 180 hp**

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**Anne Marie Radel** returns for her sixth Air Race Classic. She is an Air Transport Pilot with a current instrument rating, single- and multi-engine land, single-engine sea, and tailwheel credentials and 1,727 hours in her logbook. She is a songwriter by profession, as well as a business owner, professional Traffic Watch pilot and Angel Flight command pilot.

She is flying the ARC "To burn through all my kid's and grandkid's inheritance! Also, to get rid of any excess money I have!"

Anne speaks fluent Spanish and loves singing and DJ-ing. She is a member of the San Fernando Valley Chapter of the 99s.

Welcome **Margaret Viola** to her first ARC! Margaret holds a Private pilot license, single-engine land and a glider private certificate, with 128 hours in the air. She is racing because, "I want to sharpen my skills and be a part of an important tradition. I also want to be a part of racing concepts of the future – solar wings, electric flight, etc."

Margaret does have her gaze set firmly on the future: She is an executive project manager for Virgin Galactic, working with senior management on space travel. Other interests include horseback riding, running, dancing and piano.

Margaret is a member of the Oshkosh Chapter of Women in Aviation International.



Pamela Flesher  
Fredericksburg, TX

Mercedes Eulitt  
Watsonville, CA

**CLASSIC 25**

**Beechcraft BE35V 260 hp**

**Pamela "Charlie" Flesher** returns for her third ARC. She is a Private pilot, single-engine land, with a tailwheel endorsement and 1,238 hours logged. Asked why she races, she said, "Racing provides me the opportunity to test my skills as a pilot and gain experience in unfamiliar situations. It allows me to be in the company of extraordinary pilots and exceptional women. ARC introduced me to my partner and co-pilot, Mercedes, an exceptional woman and pilot."

During the 2012 race, "a very elegant woman walked out, saying she flew Grumman's. She asked us to sign her program, and we asked her to sign ours. She said to call her for racing tips. We didn't realize at the time who she was – Mary Creason, a famous racer!"

Trained as a physicist, Charlie taught at the university level for several years before going into the semiconductor industry as an engineer. She spent more than 20 years working in many aspects of that field, enjoying world travel and meeting intelligent and interesting people. She and her husband, Bud, who is also a pilot, enjoy flying with their two Labs and their cat in their Aerostar. Charlie is a member of the Santa Clara Valley Chapter of the 99s.

**Mercedes Eulitt** is back for her third Air Race Classic. Mercedes is an instrument-rated Commercial pilot, single- and multi-engine land, with a multi-engine flight instructor certificate, formation flying credentials and 2,021 hours logged.

Why does she race? "To beat the top racers and be in the Top Ten, of course," said Mercedes. "I love the pilots and have made lifelong friends at each year's race." Mercedes met Charlie through emails from Terry Carbonell, prepared for the 2010 race by email, met in Texas a few days before the start, threw everything in the plane and headed for Florida. They've been best friends ever since.

Mercedes is a pilot/engineer for Lockheed Martin and does formation flying for fun. She did the FFI 49-ship opening of the Kansas City Chiefs vs. Oakland Raiders game in 2013 for breast cancer awareness. Mercedes' husband, Sean, is also a pilot. She is a member of the Antelope Valley Chapter of the 99s.



Leo Ford  
Hartfield, VA



Mary Hale  
Toppenish, WA

**CLASSIC 26**

**Cessna 177RG 200 hp**

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**Leo Ford** is flying the Air Race Classic for the second time. She is an Air Transport Pilot, holding single and multi-engine land, single-engine sea, multi-engine instrument flight instructor and advanced/instrument ground instructor credentials, with more than 7,000 hours flown. She races because "my friend Bobbi asked me."

Leo owns a Piper Arrow turbo and has given thousands of hours of instruction. She also manages properties that she and her husband, Oscar, who is also a pilot, own. In addition, Leo keeps busy with her twin 14-year-old girls, her two Bengal kittens, her lab and her Tennessee Walker horse.

This is the first Air Race Classic for **Mary (Katie) Hale**. Welcome!

Katie holds a Private pilot certificate, single-engine land, with 200 hours in her logbook. Though she has no prior racing experience, she looks forward to the challenge and the camaraderie.

Katie's work career has been varied. After college, she went to work for Nordstrom's, then returned to school for a nursing degree and worked in health care. She then moved on to manage an 18,000-acre guest and cattle ranch in central Montana before retiring.

When she's not flying, Katie loves to travel. Last year, she hiked the Camino de Santiago pilgrimage trail in Spain for five weeks. Said Katie, "I don't like to burn daylight, and I do enjoy the out of doors, any kind of fishing and gardening."





Tracy Lovness  
Stillwater, MN



Jessica Lowery  
Choudrant, LA



Cynthia Lee  
Avondale, PA

Nancy Rohr  
Bear, DE

### CLASSIC 27

#### Cirrus SR-22 310 hp

**Tracy Lovness** returns for her third Air Race Classic. Tracy is an instrument-rated Private pilot, single-engine land and sea, with a tailwheel endorsement and 910 hours flown. She is competing because she finds the ARC a challenging, exhilarating learning experience.

Tracy has visited 80 countries on all seven continents, and she and her husband, Pat, who is also a pilot, regularly fly their Cirrus throughout Canada, the continental U.S., Alaska and the Bahamas.

Other than aviation, Tracy's interests include reading, fitness and foreign language study. She is a member of the Minnesota Chapter 99s, the Stars of the North Chapter of Women in Aviation International, the AirSpace Minnesota Founding Flyers Society and the Minnesota Seaplane Pilots Association.

**Jessica Lowery** is flying the ARC for the fourth time. Jessica is an instrument-rated Air Transport Pilot, single- and multi-engine land, with multi-engine instrument instructor and instrument ground instructor certifications, a jet type rating and 1,177 hours under her belt. She is a first officer for ExpressJet airlines on an Embraer 145, based out of Dallas/Ft. Worth International. Jessica flies the ARC to gain experience in different environments while meeting new people and catching up with old race friends.

Jessica is a flight adviser to Experimental Aircraft Association chapter 836, volunteers for the AOPA Air Safety Network and Pilots for Patients and has attained the Master level in the FAA Wings safety program. She is a member of the Texas Dogwood Chapter of the 99s.

Other than flying, Jessica enjoys traveling, working out, watching and playing sports, spending time with her white boxer, Tucker, and reading her FAR/AIM. Who Dat and Go Dawgs!

### CLASSIC 28

#### 10 Carat Diamond DA-40 180 hp

This is **Cynthia Lee's** second Air Race Classic. Cynthia is an instrument-rated Private pilot, single-engine land, with 625 hours flown. She is a member of the Delaware Chapter of the 99s. Said Cynthia, "Nancy and I raced for the first time in 2012. We were not able to race the last two years, so we decided that we must race again in 2015. The camaraderie of women pilots is fantastic."

During her first race in 2012, she was disappointed because her team had to stop at Newberry, Mich., (KERY) due to thunderstorms en route to Sault Ste. Marie. "But we made the best of the delay with a group photo in front of a picture of a moose."

Cynthia retired from DuPont after almost 38 years in a variety of operations and engineering management positions, moving 19 times and living abroad for nine years.

When she's not flying, Cynthia enjoys music and golf. She is also an avid landscape photographer.

**Nancy Rohr** returns for her second Air Race Classic. Nancy is an Air Transport Pilot with single- and multi-engine land, instrument flight instructor, and advanced/instrument ground instructor credentials, a current instrument rating, a jet type rating and 4,000 hours logged. She is competing "for the love of flying and the camaraderie of like-minded women pilots."

Nancy started flying for fun and kept working on her ratings until she became a flight instructor. After some corporate flying, she went to work for FlightSafety International teaching business jets. She's now in the regulatory affairs department, working with European aviation regulations.

In her free time, Nancy loves to garden, make jewelry and read about solar technology. She is a member of the Delaware Chapter of the 99s.



Caroline Baldwin  
Silver City NM



Lydia Baldwin  
Fort Collins CO



Cara Baldwin  
Morgantown WV

**CLASSIC 29**  
**Baldwin Family Flyers**  
**Piper PA-28-180 180 hp**

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Veteran racer **Caroline Baldwin** returns for her 11th ARC. She has 1,012 hours under her belt and holds a Private pilot certificate, single-engine land. Asked why she flies the ARC, she said, "The race is an exciting challenge and family adventure with my daughter and granddaughter. It's a great opportunity to learn more about flying and this wonderful country, and to enjoy the excitement and the camaraderie of the ARC community."

In 2013, before her team was able to start the race, they spent 24 hours at Grant County Regional Airport (Ogilvie Field) in John Day, Ore., waiting for the snow and rain to stop. They slept in the pilot lounge – and every time Cara moved, the overhead light turned on.

Caroline is retired from work as a consultant, researcher, librarian and teacher. Now a community volunteer, she is especially busy managing an award-winning community literacy program that she founded in 2001 and that has donated more than 170,000 books to area children. Caroline is secretary/treasurer of the Grant County Pilots Association, promoting aviation to middle school girls and to high school students; sings in a women's chorus; plays percussion in a band; plays tennis and enjoys mah jong and bridge. She is an at-large member of the 99s.

**Lydia Baldwin** is back for her sixth ARC. She is a Private pilot, single-engine land, with 247 hours and a member of the Colorado Chapter of the 99s. She flies the ARC "to enjoy an adventure with Caroline, Cara and 100 more summer aviatrix friends. I race to challenge myself to excel, to think about opportunities and potential for success. I race because those who did so before me raced with grace, skill and poise."

Said Lydia, "In 2013, the Baldwin Family Flyers were grounded at beautiful ridge-top Ogilvie Field in John Day, Ore. It became a fun, challenging experience. We enjoyed the camaraderie of two other race teams and camped out in the pilot lounge hoping for clear skies."

Lydia has been an RN for 15 years and manages the intensive-care unit at her local hospital. She loves living in beautiful northern Colorado with her husband, Marc, who is also a pilot. When not busy with her job, Lydia enjoys biking, hiking and flying out of KFNL in Loveland.

**Cara Baldwin** is flying her fourth Air Race Classic. An instrument-rated Private pilot, single-engine land, she has 113 hours under her belt. She races to enhance her knowledge of aviation and to spend time with her grandmother and aunt. "It is great to see different parts of the country during the race," said Cara. "The enthusiasm of everyone involved is an added bonus."

Cara is a student at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Florida, majoring in aeronautical science and minoring in business. When she is home in West Virginia, she volunteers in the OR waiting room at a local hospital. Cara is a member of the Spaceport Chapter of the 99s.

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**Minnetta Gardinier**  
Iowa City, IA

**Jeneanne Visser**  
Grimes, IA

**CLASSIC 30**  
**Cardinal Cruisers**  
**Cessna 177B 180 hp**

**Minnetta Gardinier** is back for her eighth ARC. She is an instrument-rated Private pilot, single-engine land, with 1,515 hours logged. She is a member of the Iowa Chapter and governor of the North Central Section 99s. Said Minnetta, "I've flown the ARC 2008-2014. This year, I look forward to again introducing a rookie racer to ARC. I return to this race each year for the great fun, friendship and flying that it provides. It's a blast to reconnect with past racers and to meet new racers."

During her rookie race in 2008, the new extra set of plane keys she had made didn't work on race start morning. But 2011 topped that surprise. When weather forced cancellation of the first four stops on the route, Minnetta stunned everyone – racers and airports alike – by flying the entire original race course anyway.

Minnetta is an associate dean in the University of Iowa Graduate College, as well as an associate professor of pharmacology. But, she said, "Flying is my number one hobby, and it continues to encroach into my life in other ways – local airport commission, 99s, EAA." She also enjoys travel (preferably in her own plane), reading, gardening and attending theater and performing arts events around the Iowa City area.

**Jeneanne Visser** is flying the Air Race Classic for the first time. Welcome!

Jeneanne is a Private pilot, single-engine land, with 187 hours in her logbook. This is her first ARC as a racer, but she is not new to the race – Jeneanne has volunteered in two Air Race Classics and now looks forward to sharing the camaraderie and fun with fellow women aviators.

Getting a pilot's license was a lifelong dream for Jeneanne, wanting to fly since she was in grade school. Said Jeneanne, "My uncle had a 170B and a grass strip on his farm, so the seed was planted. Thirty-five years later, I decided I would never have time and money. It was time, so here I am!"

A former professional photographer, Jeneanne has worked in mortgage operations – processing, underwriting and closing mortgage loans – for 20 years and is current vice president of mortgage operations at a bank. When she's not flying, Jeneanne enjoys riding her Harley and golfing. She is the chapter chair of the Iowa 99s.



**Tamra Sheffman**  
Miami Beach, FL

**Carol Scanlon**  
Ft. Lauderdale, FL

**CLASSIC 31**

**Cessna 182P 230 hp**

**Tamra Sheffman** returns to the Air Race Classic for her ninth race. She is an instrument-rated Commercial pilot, single-engine land, with 2,343 hours in her logbook.

Tamra is a member of the Florida Gold Coast Chapter of the 99s and a past chapter chair. Tamra loves to fly for fun, food and proficiency. The ARC, she said, is "an awesome cross-country flying adventure!" As co-owner of a Cessna 182, she frequently takes a bird's-eye view of Miami Beach and other Florida sights.

Tamra is owner/broker of Royal Palm Realty in Miami Beach and invests in and operates various Art Deco and MiMo buildings. She is active in the Jewish Museum of Florida, where the Air Race Classic was presented as part of the Florida Jews in Sports Exhibit, and has worked with the Girl Scouts introducing young women to flying.

**Carol "Cookie" Scanlon** is flying her first Air Race Classic. Welcome!

Cookie holds a Private pilot certificate, single- and multi-engine land and single-engine sea, with a current instrument rating and 1,210 hours flown. This is the first time Cookie is flying in a race – but it's not for lack of trying. She twice attempted to enter the Palms to Pines Race in California but was told her airplanes – a 1953 Tri-Pacer and a 1955 Apache – were too old. ("Better than being told I was too old," she said.) Now, said Cookie, "I have the opportunity to enjoy the camaraderie of other women pilots in an air race with Tamra!"

Cookie is a retired skilled nursing home administrator and preceptor for the State of California. She was a fellow in health care administration at George Washington University and has operated medical facilities in four states. An avid equestrian – until she discovered aviation – Cookie got started flying with a scholarship from the San Fernando Valley chapter of the 99s. She flew to clinics in Baja under the auspices of Liga and Flying Samaritans, flew 76 Young Eagles in her aircraft, and got her seaplane rating on the Colorado River.

Cookie's husband, Donald, is also a pilot. She is a member of the Gold Coast chapter of the 99s and the International Chapter of Women in Aviation International.

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**CLASSIC 32**  
**The Saluki Aces**  
**Cessna 172R 160 hp**

\*\* Southern Illinois Univ - Carbondale \*\*

Welcome to the Air Race Classic, Stephanie Armstrong and Jessica Reed!

**Stephanie Armstrong** is a full-time flight instructor at Southern Illinois University Carbondale. She holds a Commercial license, single- and multi-engine land, with a current instrument rating, an instrument flight instructor certificate, a jet type rating and 856 hours logged. Said Stephanie, "We are racing to help promote women pilots. I have always wanted to compete and finally have the opportunity!"

Stephanie has a year of Part 135 experience and a type rating in a CE-680 Citation Sovereign. When she's not flying, she enjoys spending time with friends, family and her rescued black Lab, Riley.

A full-time student at Carbondale, **Jessica Reed** is an instrument-rated Private pilot, single-engine land, with 208 hours under her belt. She believes the idea of an all-women pilot race is very empowering. "Not everyone gets to experience the Air Race Classic, and I believe it is an awesome opportunity," said Jess.

Jess works as a weather observer and dispatcher at the university airport. She played softball for 15 years and is a huge Chicago Blackhawks fan.



Alicia Sikes  
Quakertown, PA



Carolyn Bailey  
Alexandria, VA

**CLASSIC 33**  
**Mooney Masters**  
**Mooney M20J 200 hp**

**Alicia Sikes** is flying the ARC for her second time. She holds an Air Transport Pilot certificate, single- and multiengine land, with a current instrument rating, advanced and instrument ground instructor certificates, a tailwheel endorsement and a jet type rating, with 19,500 hours logged. She is a captain for American Airlines, flying MD80s. Previously, she flew Boeings, DC9s and other aircraft for TWA, Air New Orleans and Napier Air Service.

Alicia is flying the ARC because it is a great way to have fun in light aircraft. She is working on her master's degree in digital forensics at Champlain College and likes to play tennis and ice hockey. Alicia is a member of the Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter of the 99s.

**Carol Bailey** is back for her fourth Air Race Classic. She is a Private pilot, single-engine land, with 455 hours flown. Asked why she is racing this year, Carol said, "For the thrill of the challenge, working within the confines of Mother Nature, making new friends and seeing old ones, and making it work."

Carol is a petroleum engineer and energy expert, working as a program manager for military energy programs. She is also a management consultant. In her free time, she enjoys aerobatics. Flying runs in Carol's family: Her mother trained in a 1940 J3 Piper Cub, her father flew in a B-29 in the Army Air Corps, and her uncle flew gliders in WW II. She became hooked on flying as a child riding in his Cessna 170. Carol owns a Piper Cherokee 180 and has flown to all 66 airports in Virginia.

Carol's race experiences have included finding many great restaurants and things to do in Iowa City, sampling Texas hospitality in Hutchinson, becoming local celebrities on the front page in El Dorado AR, and seeing the world-famous "CarHenge" in Alliance NE. Not to mention a top ten finish! She is a member of the Washington DC Chapter of the 99s.

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Margaret Wint  
Grand Rapids, MI

Helen Hagg  
Grand Ledge, MI

**CLASSIC 34**  
**The Flying Nomads**  
**Cessna 177B 180 hp**

This is the second Air Race Classic for **Margaret Wint**. Margaret is an instrument-rated Private pilot, single-engine land, and has flown 745 hours. She races for the challenge and the opportunity to meet other women pilots. She is a member of the Indiana Dunes Chapter of the 99s.

As the office manager for Benz Aviation, Margaret "has the fun of explaining to the general public about gliders and how they are safe." She is also the testing proctor for all the written exams that pilots and mechanics have to take.

During the 2012 race, Margaret spent the night in Gallup, NM. Returning to the airport, they had to load seven people into the car. "The car was not that big," said Margaret. "We were sitting on laps." Her team was also one of the "Newberry 11." In her free time, Margaret enjoys sewing and reading. She also loves to ride carousels and has gone out of her way to find them in small towns.

**Helen Hagg** is flying the ARC for the first time. Welcome!

Helen is a Private pilot, single-engine land, with a current instrument rating and 260 hours logged. She is a ground operations coordinator at an FBO at Grand Ledge Airport, assisting customers with fueling and billing, aiding with student pilots, arranging charter flights and transportation, and making sure all aircraft inspections are up to date. Helen also holds an airframe and powerplant mechanic's license.

Aviation is Helen's passion, and she aspires to become an assistant pilot in remote areas, sharing the Gospel with people in hard-to-reach places. She has traveled extensively, including in Europe and Africa, and hopes to explore more in the future. When she's not flying, Helen enjoys outdoor activities – running, hiking and biking.



Linda Evans  
North Wales, PA

Heather Hill  
Devon, PA

**CLASSIC 35**  
**Cessna 182S 230 hp**

This is the fifth Air Race Classic for **Linda Evans**. She is an instrument-rated Commercial pilot, single and multi-engine land, with a current instrument rating and 1,013 hours in her logbook. She is a member of the Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter of the 99s. When asked why she flies the ARC, she said, "Racing is an amazing and fun adventure. It takes me to places I would not go on my own and challenges my abilities as a pilot. It's a great chance to meet some incredible and inspiring women, make new friends and become part of history."

Linda works in the business technology organization at a large pharmaceutical company, where she has been employed for more than 20 years. She keeps busy with her six godchildren, who range in age from 10 to 28. Of the six, four have flown with Linda, and they went on a ski vacation to start 2015. When Linda is not flying, she enjoys playing golf and watching/attending sporting events.

Welcome, **Heather Hill**, to your first ARC! Heather holds a Private pilot certificate, single-engine land, with a tailwheel endorsement and 167 hours logged. She is flying the ARC for the experience, education and excitement.

Heather is a mother of four and a volunteer second-grade religion education teacher. A member of the Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter of the 99s, she was air-marking chair for 10 years and has held the same position with the Mid-Atlantic Section for four years. Heather created and operates a green initiative at the local elementary school, promoting environmental awareness. Reduce, reuse, recycle!

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Juanita Shapiro  
Bakersfield, CA

### CLASSIC 36

Flying Dutchess & Soaring Eagle  
Cessna 172S 180 hp

Welcome the first-time team of Nancy Bradshaw and Juanita Shapiro to the ARC!

**Nancy Bradshaw** is an instrument-rated Commercial pilot, single-engine land, with 285 hours flown. She is racing for excitement, experience, the chance to make new friends and to gain a lot of hours in a super fun way. "I live in California," said Nancy, "and so far, the only other state I've flown in is Nevada. I'm excited to fly cross country and add many states to the list. Secretly, I hope to win!"

An aeronautical engineer, Nancy started her career as a structural engineer on the F16 program for the Royal Netherlands Air Force. Six years ago, she moved from Amsterdam to the U.S. to work on the F35 JSF program at Edwards Air Force Base. Her history is reflected in her team name. "I am Dutch," said Nancy, "hence Flying Dutchess."

When she's not flying, Nancy loves tinkering on her 1967 VW Beetle and hopes to complete its restoration this summer. She satisfies her need for speed by riding her Triumph Daytona 675 motorcycle. Nancy also runs and has participated in 13 half-marathons and two full marathons. She is a member of the Antelope Valley Chapter of the 99s.

**Juanita "JJ" Shapiro** holds a Private pilot certificate, single-engine land with 816 hours in her logbook. Said JJ, "I first became interested in air racing when I worked the Hayward Air Race. The desire to race came after reading racer Gene Nora Jessen's book 'PowderPuff Derby of 1929.' I want to race to satisfy my competitive spirit, but most of all to experience the camaraderie that can only be shared among women pilots."

JJ is a former aerial pipeline patrol observer, which requires low-altitude flying. Though this is her first race, she has flown in an airplane fast enough for racing: a Harmon Rocket, flying with John Harmon himself. She was surprised to see another aircraft that seemed to be going backward. Laughed John, "JJ, have you never been in an airplane that's faster than another?" JJ is a member of the Bakersfield Chapter of the 99s.

A Pueblo Indian out of Taos, NM, JJ is very proud of her heritage, honoring it with her team name "Soaring Eagle." When she's not flying, she spends her time hunting down her next great find in antique stores and playing the piano. But her greatest passion is her family – she loves it when her granddaughters call her Grandmama.

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**Southern Belles**  
**Cessna 172R 160 hp**

*\*\* Southern Illinois Univ - Carbondale \*\**

Emily Frasca and Sarah Demkovich are flying the ARC for the first time. Welcome!

**Emily Frasca** holds a Commercial certificate, single and multi-engine land, with a current instrument rating, instrument flight instructor credentials and 279 hours logged. She is full-time student and part-time flight instructor at Southern Illinois University, working on a degree in aviation management and flight.

Asked why she is flying the race, Emily said, "The ARC will give me a unique aviation experience. It will allow me to become more involved in the community of women in aviation."

Emily is a member of the Flying Salukis and president of the Saluki Aviator Chapter of WAI.

**Sarah Demkovich** is an instrument-rated Commercial pilot, single-engine land, with a flight instructor certificate and 277 hours in her logbook. A recent graduate of Southern Illinois University with a bachelor's degree in aviation management and an associate's degree in aviation flight, she is working as a flight instructor at the university while attending graduate school.

She is flying the ARC to inspire and motivate herself as well as other young female aviators. Said Sarah, "For my entire life, it has been a dream to fly airplanes. With hard work and determination, a young lady can achieve anything!"

Sarah is the oldest of four children and the only pilot in her family. When she's not flying with friends, she enjoys playing pickup volleyball games and exploring beautiful southern Illinois.



Christina Tindle  
Hailey, ID



Mary Ann Richards  
Homedale, ID

**CLASSIC 38**  
**Air-Hearts**  
**PA-22 150 hp**

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This is **Christina Tindle's** first time flying the Air Race Classic. Welcome, Christina!

Christina is a Private pilot, single-engine land, with a tailwheel endorsement and 1,010 hours flown. She earned her ticket 21 years ago and ARC marks her return to aviation. Christina owns a 1957 Piper Pacer and is eager to fly across the U.S. to race with pilots who embody the spirit of the 1929 Women's Air Derby.

A counselor and life coach for more than 30 years, Christina applies an evidence-based positive approach to change that reduces fear and builds confidence. In her own life, she accomplishes this by challenging and competing with herself. She frequently competes in the 20-mile BMT skate-ski race, has raced vintage cars and has backpacked treks of more than 50 miles in the Idaho back country from remote trailheads. Christina is a member of the Idaho Chapter of the 99s.

**Mary Ann Richards** is back for her fourth ARC. Mary Ann is a Private pilot, single-engine land, with 1,913 hours in her logbook. She is a member of the Idaho Chapter of the 99s.

Mary Ann is competing in the race because she enjoys the challenges of flying. She and her husband, Steven, who is also a pilot, are dairy farmers, and in their free time they enjoy traveling. Mary Ann also worked as a florist and loves gardening.





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**Classic 39  
Frozen Force  
Cessna 172S 180 hp**

**\*\* University of North Dakota \*\***

This is the second Air Race Classic for **Jen Pinkowski**. A Commercial pilot, single- and multi-engine land, she has flight instructor, tailwheel and aerobatics credentials and 345 hours logged. A student at the University of North Dakota, Jen works the line for the university, helping to hangar and refuel 100-plus airplanes. She has also worked for a flight school in Leesburg, Va.

Said Jen, "I race because it reminds me of why I love to fly – the passion. It also is a great way to spread aviation by getting the word out and sparking interest. I get to meet so many interesting people!" During last year's race, her team was one of many stranded at Elko, NV. The race became less of a competition and more of a team effort as everyone banded together and determined to get to the Terminus.

When she's not flying, Jen enjoys running, cycling, hiking and kayaking. She is a member of the UND Chapter of Women in Aviation International.

**Carly Namihira** is back for her second ARC. A student at the University of North Dakota, she holds a Commercial license, single and multi-engine land, with a current instrument rating, instrument flight instructor certification and 261 hours in her logbook. Said Carly, "I race because it is a challenge. Every leg is different and every race team is different. You can bring your best strategies and your fastest airplane but still be beaten by a bunch of great women."

During last year's race, "every time we would turn on the heater, we would get sleepy. One of those times, we hit a down-draft after smooth air throughout the whole leg, and my face was literally flat against the ceiling of the airplane. We were all wide awake then!"

A full-time flight instructor at UND, Carly is a member of the university's chapter of Women in Aviation International and the Delta Gamma sorority. She enjoys soccer and Okinawan cultural activities when she's not flying.

This is **Tina Druskins'** first Air Race Classic. A Private pilot, single-engine land, with 255 hours logged, Tina earned her ticket after graduating high school. She just finished her junior year at the University of North Dakota, where she is studying aviation management and earning additional ratings. She is racing to encourage and inspire other girls and women in aviation, as well as for the friendships formed during the race.

Tina is a member of the Michigan Chapter of the 99s and the University of North Dakota chapter of Women in Aviation International.





Eva Gardner  
Fredericksburg, VA



Stephanie Wrenn  
Raleigh, NC

**CLASSIC 40**  
**East Coast Private Pilots**  
**Piper PA-28-140 150 hp**

Welcome the first-time team of Eva Gardner and Stephanie Wrenn to the ARC!

**Eva Gardner** holds a Private pilot certificate, single-engine land, with 3,340 hours under her belt. Said Eva, "I love flying and enjoy all aviation events. This race is more important, as it is an all-women air race. I own a sweet Cherokee I named Lola that I love showing off."

Eva is a physical therapist who loves her home health practice, especially the one-on-one time with her clients that allows her to personalize each program for their needs.

She created the East Coast Private Pilots page on FaceBook, and one of her goals during the race is to meet each member and unite as many pilots as possible to encourage and promote aviation. Eva is a member of the Virginia Chapter of the 99s and of Women in Aviation International.

**Stephanie Wrenn** is a flight instructor with a Commercial pilot certificate, single-engine land, a current instrument rating and 1,000 hours logged. She is a member of the Kitty Hawk Chapter of the 99s. Said Stephanie, "I have wanted to be a part of the Air Race Classic since I joined the 99s in 2011. This year, I finally found a partner, and am so excited to be part of this experience. I believe racing will help me become a better pilot and flight instructor, and I can't wait to see all the sights!"

As a student pilot, Stephanie had trouble remembering the phonetic alphabet while flying and working the radios, so she improvised. Her most common substitution: "mango" instead of "mike." Now, she is a flight instructor at Raleigh-Durham International Airport and especially likes teaching women to fly. "The best part is getting to relive the same joys and challenges of learning to fly for the first time," Stephanie said.

When she's not flying, Stephanie enjoys spending time with family and friends, cooking, trying new restaurants and listening to music while exercising with her favorite running buddy, her dog Mildred.

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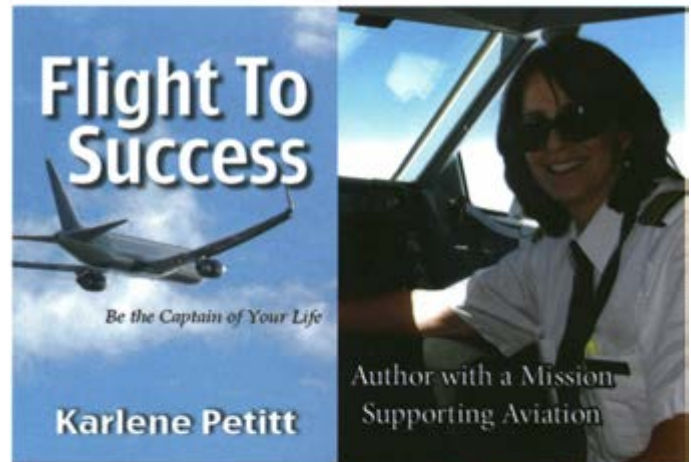
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**CLASSIC 41**  
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**Cessna 172P 160 hp**

**Cathi Sweatt** is flying the ARC for the second time. A Private pilot, single-engine land, with 450 hours logged, Cathi said, "I race for the thrill of flying. It is a wonderful way to meet other women with the same interests and be in a competitive environment. The Air Race Classic was a wonderful experience the first time, and I expect it will be even better the second race!"

Cathi and her husband, Jeffrey, who is also a pilot, own two businesses: a damage control and restoration company for residential and commercial clients, and a sun tanning center.

Other than flying, Cathi enjoys traveling, reading, hiking and bowling, as well as spending time with her three children and her year-old granddaughter, Shelby.

**Melanie Abel** returns for her fourth ARC. An instrument-rated Commercial pilot, single- and multiengine land, she has instrument flight instructor, tailwheel, aerobatics and formation flying credentials and 2,022 hours in her logbook. Melanie is an aviation instructor at Indiana State University and director of safety at the ISU Flight Academy. She also works part-time as a corporate pilot in a Cessna Citation II and a turbine Cessna 421.

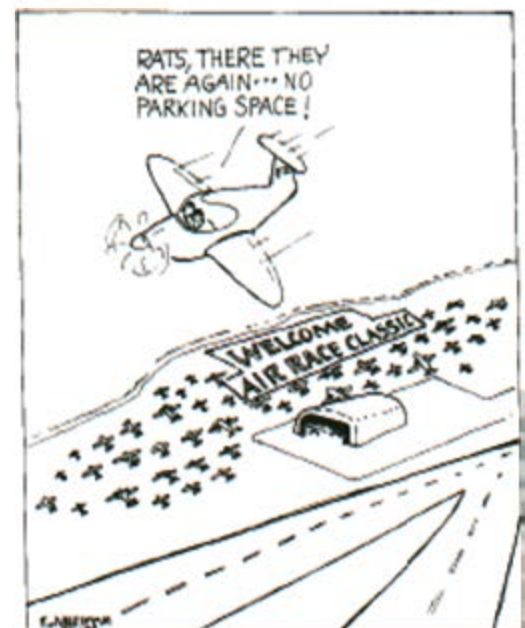
Melanie races for the challenge: "It's not every day that you get to push yourself, and your airplane, to the limit." During the 2014 race, several teams got stuck in Elko, NV. Said Melanie, "We woke up the next morning with high hopes of departing, only to find that our airplanes were covered in ice. We all worked frantically to thaw our aircraft. The camaraderie turned us into the Elko Racers!"

She and her husband, Elliot, a corporate pilot, own a Steen Skybolt, which they enjoy using for aerobatics and for making their yearly trip to Oshkosh. She also enjoys swing dancing at the Commemorative Air Force hangar dances. Melanie is a member of the Indiana Chapter of the 99s and an ARC Director.

This is the first ARC for **Katelyn Walters**. A senior at Indiana State University, she is a instrument-rated Private pilot, single-engine land, with instrument ground instructor credential and 224 hours logged. Katelyn is a double-major in professional aviation management technology and aviation management and works as the chief simulator instructor at the university's aviation simulator lab while earning her flight instructor certificate.

Katelyn is racing to gain experience, meet new people and have a lot of fun. Said Katelyn, "I am especially excited to meet women pilots of all ages and hear the stories they have to tell. Being part of an all-women's air race is a great honor for me, and I am very proud to be a part of it."

Katelyn has been a member of the Alpha Eta Rho aviation fraternity for three years. She enjoys spending time with family and teaching her little brother about aviation.





Susan Glisson  
Evansville, IN

Doreen Yost  
Sellersburg, IN

**CLASSIC 42**  
**Bluegrass Belles**  
**Cessna 172S 180 hp**

**Sue Glisson** is flying the Air Race Classic for the second time. She holds a Private pilot certificate, single-engine land, with 839 hours in her logbook. She is flying the race for the challenge and the opportunity to see this beautiful country of ours.

Sue is a retired schoolteacher whose career spanned 38 years. She holds both a bachelor's and a master's degree in elementary education.

When she's not flying, Sue enjoys motorcycle riding, reading, traveling and spending time with her grandchildren. She is a member of the Kentucky Bluegrass Chapter of the 99s.

Welcome **Doreen Yost** to her first ARC! Doreen is a Private pilot, single-engine land, with 241 hours under her belt. Asked why she is flying the race, Doreen replied, "for the challenge and to meet new people."

Doreen is an AutoCAD tech for a company that provides engineering, surveying, construction and construction management services. She is a member of the Kentucky Bluegrass Chapter of the 99s.

Said Doreen, "Before flying, I attempted horse racing as a jockey. Luckily, I am a much better pilot than jockey!"



Stacey Byczek  
Bradenton, FL

Kelly Hamby  
Melbourne Beach, FL

**CLASSIC 43**  
**Flying Fins**  
**Cirrus SR-20 200 hp**

**\*\* Jacksonville University \*\***

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**Stacey Byczek** is back for her second ARC. She is a student and teaching assistant at Jacksonville University, and she has a Commercial certificate, single- and multi-engine land, a current instrument rating and 224 hours in her logbook. Said Stacey, "I raced last year and it was one of the best experiences of my life. I learned an incredible amount about flying and had so much fun. Having the opportunity to race with so many incredible women in aviation is fantastic, and I am thankful to be able to do so again."

Last year, her team was one of several that got stuck in Elko, NV, because of instrument conditions and icing. Said Stacey, "Us Florida people found that funny in the middle of summer!"

When she's not flying, Stacey spends her free time on or near the beach. She also enjoys reading and traveling. Growing up in Chicago got her hooked on sports, and she loves the Bears and Blackhawks.

This is **Kelly Hamby's** first Air Race Classic. Welcome, Kelly!

Kelly holds a Commercial certificate, single- and multi-engine land, with a current instrument rating and 226 hours logged. A student at Jacksonville University, she is a teaching assistant as well. Said Kelly, "I am very excited to participate in my first Air Classic Race. It's a unique opportunity to share my love of flying and learn from all the other racers."



Donella "Dee" Bond  
Pukekohe, New Zealand



Erin Hambrick  
Rosamond, CA



Tiffany Brown  
Lawrence, KS

Taylor Humphrey  
Winfield, KS

**CLASSIC 44**  
**Shark Attack**  
**Cessna 182R 230 hp**

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After a six-year hiatus, **Dee Bond** is back for her sixth Air Race Classic. A Commercial pilot, single- and multi-engine land and sea, with 4,325 hours flown, Dee holds a multi-engine instrument flight instructor certificate with tailwheel and aerobatics credentials. She flies the ARC for fun and friendship, and because it is a great way to see the USA in the company of like-minded pilots.

A member of the New Zealand Chapter of the 99s, Dee said, "It is thanks to the 99s newsletter, where I first read about and got inspired by ARC racers. I got the ARC bug after Denise Waters took me on as her co-pilot after the London to Sydney Air Race." During her first ARC, she stopped using the radio when air-traffic controllers kept telling her that her radio sounded "funny." Since then, she has raced with American partners to remain incognito as the "Kiwi Flyer." She met Erin at the 99s International conference in New Zealand and again at Oshkosh.

Dee flies a World War II-era Catalina and owns Cessna 152, 182, 180 and 185 aircraft. In 2013, she hired three 182s in South Africa and flew on safari in Botswana and Zimbabwe. Other than flying, Dee's passions are converting a dilapidated country tavern into a four-star hotel and developing her local airport.

**Erin Hambrick** is flying her first ARC. Welcome!

Erin is a Private pilot, single-engine land, with 255 hours in her logbook. A design engineer, she became a pilot with the help of the 99s, WAI and has worked for NASA and Lockheed Martin, among other companies.

Said Erin, "I fly as much as I can, then spend my time on the ground researching aviation history, design, test, and development. I volunteer to restore and maintain vintage aircraft and to encourage others to share the passion of aviation. Her significant other, Phillip, is also a pilot and shares that passion as well. Erin is a member of the San Luis Obispo Chapter of the 99s and California's Aerospace Valley Chapter of Women in Aviation International.

**CLASSIC 45**  
**TNT**  
**Cessna 172SP 180 hp**

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Tiffany Brown and Taylor Humphrey are flying the Air Race Classic for the first time. Welcome!

**Tiffany Brown** is a Private pilot, single-engine land, with a current instrument rating and 291 hours in her logbook. She is the lead 5010 inspector for the State of Kansas and deputy director/engineer at the state aviation office, managing a \$5 million grant program for airport improvement projects. Previously, Tiffany was an engineering consultant for airfield infrastructure.

She is flying the ARC to challenge herself as a pilot, improve her flying skills and meet other adventurous women who share her passion for aviation.

An avid outdoorswoman, Tiffany climbed Long's Peak last year and takes numerous trips to vertical rock climbing destinations every summer. She participates in local climbing competitions and recently placed second in her category. Tiffany is a member of the Northeast Kansas Chapter of the 99s and the Wichita Chapter of Women in Aviation International.

**Taylor Humphrey** holds a Private pilot certificate, single-engine land, and has 57 hours under her belt. She is a high school senior who earned her ticket in November and is looking to build hours and experience to build a foundation for a career in aviation.

Said Taylor, "I believe the ARC would be a great experience as a young pilot. This is a great opportunity to test my pilot skills and fly to parts of the country I wouldn't have flown to otherwise. I'm also eager to meet other women in aviation, since we are a very small population of the aviation community."

Taylor flies whenever she can find free time and blue skies. She also runs track and plays the cello in her high school orchestra.



Krystal Felderman  
Cary, IL

Casie Schaffer  
Payson, IL

**CLASSIC 46**  
**Lady Skyhawks**  
**Piper PA-28R-201 200 hp**

**\*\* Quincy University \*\***

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Welcome the first-time team of Krystal Felderman and Casey Schaffer to the ARC!

**Krystal Felderman** is a Private pilot, single-engine land, who has 111 hours under her belt. She is a student at Quincy University and a member of the school's Flight Team. Said Krystal, "I am racing because there is so much I could learn and discover. Being able to fly for extended periods of time and to meet other pilots with the same interests would be an extraordinary experience."

When she's not flying, Krystal enjoys skiing, camping and any other outdoor activity, and she is the goalkeeper for the Quincy University Women's Soccer Team.

**Casie Schaffer** holds a Commercial certificate, single- and multi-engine land, with a current instrument rating, instrument flight instructor credentials and 1,060 hours logged. A 2011 graduate of Quincy University with a degree in aviation management, she has been a flight instructor for two years and in 2014 was brought back to the university to work in its aviation program. She hopes to work as a corporate pilot in the future.

Asked why she is flying the ARC, Casie said, "I am so excited to see what this experience will bring. I have the privilege of participating because our chief instructor asked me to. I love a challenge, and I cannot wait to see what knowledge I will gain."

Other than flying, she loves to read, bake, exercise and travel. Casie loves an adventure!



Lauren Thompson  
Sanford, FL

Kelsey Brown  
San Francisco, CA

**CLASSIC 47**  
**Aerosim Lady Flyers**  
**Cirrus SR-20 200 hp**

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**Lauren Thompson** returns for her third Air Race Classic. She holds a Commercial certificate, single- and multi-engine land, with an advanced ground instructor license and 319 hours logged. Said Lauren, "I love competition and meeting new people. When I heard about the ARC as a high school sophomore, I knew I would want to do it someday. I attended Purdue University and raced in the ARC in 2009 and 2010. Those were my best summers, and I met so many amazing women from all over!"

Lauren has some advice for racers: Don't leave your wallet at a stop! In 2010, an FBO called her to say that she had left her wallet behind. They sent it with another team to give it to her at the next stop. They got there just in time, as Lauren's team was next up at the fuel pump.

After earning her master's degree, she taught aviation English in China. Now, she teaches private ground school classes for Chinese students at Aerosim. Lauren is crazy about being left-handed and meeting southpaws. She enjoys the outdoors, playing cards and baking. Boiler up!

This is the first ARC for **Kelsey Brown**. Welcome, Kelsey!

Kelsey is a Private pilot, single-engine land, with a current instrument rating, instrument ground instructor and glider-private credentials and 260 hours flown. The ARC, said Kelsey, "is such an exciting opportunity to meet other ladies in aviation and have some fun! I'm really excited to fly cross country with my teammate and other female pilots!"

Kelsey studied French literature and psychology at Columbia University for three years before deciding she wanted to be a professional pilot. She still loves to read and discuss French lit, though! Two years ago, she started flying gliders, and as a result loves talking about the weather.

When she's not flying, Kelsey enjoys camping, hiking, warm-weather beaches, sailing, s'mores, cooking, sewing, writing, singing (in the shower) and playing bluegrass violin. She is also a certified yoga instructor and tries to teach when she can find the time.



Alexandra Harayda  
Spring, TX

Meagan Kesler  
Springtown, TX



Megan McBride  
Waco, TX

**CLASSIC 48**  
**The Blonde Squad**  
**Cessna 172S 180 hp**

\* \* Texas State Technical College \* \*

**Ali Harayda** is back for her second Air Race Classic. An instrument-rated Private pilot, single-engine land, with 230 hours flown, Ali is racing to experience and learn to overcome new obstacles in flying and to grow as a pilot. Said Ali, "I want to come together with other female pilots from over the U.S. to share our love for flying."

During last year's race, in Elko, NV, Ali experienced just such an obstacle: "Who would expect to get snowed in?"

A student at Texas State Technical College, Ali enjoys tae kwon do.

This is **Meagan Kesler's** first Air Race Classic. Welcome, Meagan!

Meagan holds a Private pilot certificate, single-engine land, with 119 hours under her belt. She is racing to gain experience with the different types of terrain her team will surely encounter.

A student at TSTC, Meagan enjoys yoga, reading and playing with her cute Boston terrier when she's not flying airplanes.

Welcome **Megan McBride** to her first ARC!

Megan is a student pilot with 36 hours in her logbook. She is flying the race to gain experience and meet other women pilots. She is a student at TSTC.



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Karen Morrison  
Wichita, KS

Summer Gajewski  
Hutchinson, KS



Alisha Kelso  
Chase, KS

**CLASSIC 49**  
**Wildcats**  
**Cessna 172S 180 hp**

**\*\* Kansas State University \*\***

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**Karen "Curly" Morrison** is joining us for her second Air Race Classic! Curly is a Commercial pilot, single-engine land, with a current instrument rating and 267 hours in the air. She is working as a barista while earning her flight instructor certificate at Kansas State University. Said Curly, "I get to provide pilots with that other form of fuel – coffee! I am a trainer as well, which I believe has helped me throughout CFI training."

Asked why she is flying the ARC, Curly replied, "I race because not only is it awesome, you learn a lot from the experience. I love to meet all the fellow racers!"

**Summer Gajewski** is flying the ARC for the second time. She has a Commercial certificate, single-engine land, a glider-private rating and 287 hours in her logbook. Summer is a Kansas Air National Guard crew chief for the KC-135 Stratotanker and was recently selected to go to pilot school to learn how to fly it.

"I started out in aviation by throwing myself head first into the soaring community at my local gliderport when I was in high school," said Summer. "With the help of those in my club, I have grown into the pilot I am today. I race not only to gain knowledge and experience in my field, but also to dive further into the aviation community, because it is only in the aviation community that I feel like I am home. I race to test myself, meet new people who share similar passions, and honor those who have taken the time to teach and help me learn about aviation."

During her last race, Summer sweated so much in the cockpit that she had to wear gloves to grip the controls.

Other than flying, she enjoys cooking, fitness, hiking, traveling and making lotions. Summer is a member of the K-State Salina Chapter of Women in Aviation International.

This is the first Air Race Classic for **Alisha Kelso**. Welcome! Alisha is a student at Kansas State, working on a bachelor of science degree in aeronautical technology, as well as a student pilot, single-engine land. She has 89 hours logged and is flying the race to meet women pilots from around the country, have fun and build memories.

Alisha has visited 20 nations on four continents, including a cross-country trip in Cameroon in a Cessna 172 with her husband, Bruce, who is also a pilot. Her goal is to transport people and cargo for missionary and nongovernmental organizations. When she's not flying, Alisha enjoys hiking, mountain climbing, traveling and doing volunteer work.



Sara Karsten  
Kalamazoo, MI

Katherine Vena  
Plymouth, MI

**CLASSIC 50**  
**Blazing Broncos**  
**Cirrus SR-20 200 hp**

**\*\* Western Michigan University \*\***

*Sponsor: Dave Powell (Western Michigan University)*

**Sara Karsten** is back for her second Air Race Classic. A Commercial pilot, single- and multi-engine land, she has a current instrument rating, multi-engine instrument flight instructor, tailwheel and aerobatics credentials and 1,500 hours logged. Asked why she is flying the ARC, Sara replied, "Why wouldn't you race?! It's an adventure full of opportunity to learn and meet new professionals."

Sara graduated from Western Michigan University with a bachelor's in flight science in 2011, completed flight instructor training and has worked for WMU since 2011. Since then, she has returned to the classroom to get her airframe and powerplant mechanic's license, and she recently started teaching upset/spin recovery.

When she's not flying, Sara enjoys hunting, camping and fishing – "If I'm outside, I'm happy," said Sara. She recently bought a kayak and has paddled a number of Michigan rivers.

Welcome, **Katie Vena**, to your first ARC! Katie holds a Private pilot certificate, single-engine land, with a current instrument rating and 141 hours under her belt.

She is a student dispatcher at Western Michigan University and a member of the university's chapter of Women in Aviation International.



Rebecca Davidson  
Longview, TX

Jovita Perez-Segovia  
Longview, TX

**CLASSIC 51**  
**Texas Tailwinds**  
**Cessna 172R 160 hp**

**\*\* LeTourneau University \*\***

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This is the first ARC for Rebecca Davidson and Jovita Perez-Segovia. Welcome!

**Rebecca Davidson** holds a Private pilot certificate, single- and multi-engine land, with a current instrument rating, tailwheel and aerobatics credentials and 250 hours flown. She is a student at LeTourneau University and aircraft dispatch coordinator at the School of Aeronautical Science. Said Rebecca, "I race for the adventure of learning new things about flying and for the great friendships formed with other women who share the same passion of flying."

Rebecca's favorite hobby, when she's not flying, is farming. She especially enjoys raising goats and chickens.

**Jovita Perez-Segovia** is a Commercial pilot with single- and multi-engine land licenses, a current instrument rating, a tailwheel endorsement and 220 hours in the air. She is the enrollment officer for the university's School of Aviation and Aeronautical Science and is racing to use her knowledge and skills to expand her experience through the different situations her team will encounter. Said Jovita, "Competing in this race will be an adventure that will challenge my flying, planning and decision making skills."

When she's not flying, Jovita enjoys jogging, playing guitar, going on adventures, playing basketball and being around people.



Janet Gonzales  
Prairieville, LA

Andrea Ziervogel  
Prairieville, LA

**CLASSIC 52**

**Cessna 177B 180 hp**

**Janet "Reecie" Gonzales** is flying the ARC for the first time. Welcome!

Reecie is a Private pilot, single-engine land, with 328 hours under her belt. She is the manager of Louisiana Regional Airport and enjoys sharing the aviation world with all who might be interested, especially young girls. She is racing for the challenge, fellowship, journey, experience, fun and ... why not?

Said Reecie, "I am an ordinary person with extraordinary blessings. As a Southern female aviator, I enjoy sharing the gift of flight and hospitality with new and old friends alike." Among those who share Reecie's passion for flight is her husband, Chris, who is also a pilot.

Reecie is a member of the New Orleans Chapter of the 99s.

**Andrea Ziervogel** is back for her second Air Race Classic. She is a student at Louisiana Tech and holds a Private pilot certificate, single-engine land, with a current instrument rating and 300 hours in her logbook. Said Andrea, "I'm racing this year because I had so much fun. I cannot wait to represent my training airport with Ms Janet! I am also super excited to race the Cardinal!"

In her spare time, Andrea likes to bake, cook and hang out with her sorority sisters. She and her dad also like to go to air shows and take their friend's Cessna 152 on short cross-countries. Andrea is a member of the Louisiana Tech Chapter of Women in Aviation International.



Terry Kane  
Ann Arbor, MI

Roxanne Ostrowski  
Ortonville, MI

**CLASSIC 54**

**Thunderbird Women  
Cessna 172P 180 hp**

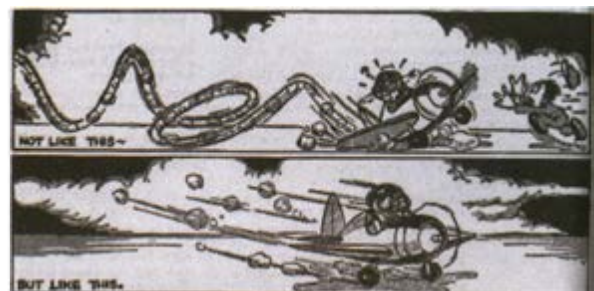
Welcome Terry Kane and Roxanne Ostrowski to their very first Air Race Classic!

**Terry Kane** is a Private pilot, single-engine land, with 908 hours under her belt. Though this is her first ARC, she has lots of experience flying – she got her license in 1965, when she was in high school, even before she got her driver's license. Said Terry, "I wore three shirts on the day of my solo so mine could get torn off and put up on the wall. I was so disappointed when no one did it. I was the first girl at our FBO, and they didn't know what to do." The Air Race Classic, she said, is a bucket list item, something she's always wanted to do. Now, here's her chance!

Terry is a veterinarian and scientist who practiced for 30 years. Now, she works on wildlife conservation issues.

**Roxanne "Rocky" Ostrowski** holds a Commercial certificate, single-engine land, with flight instructor credentials and 1,167 hours in her logbook. A police officer as well as a CFI, Rocky is looking forward to flying the ARC as a new experience.

She shares her love of flying with her husband, Anthony, who is a student pilot. Rocky enjoys all sorts of outdoor activities as well as arts and crafts.



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Sandy Gonzalez  
Miami, FL

Odanys Velazquez  
Miami, FL

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**Piper PA-28-140 150 hp**

\*\* Miami Dade College \*\*

Sandy Gonzalez and Odanys Velazquez are flying the ARC for the first time. Welcome!

**Sandy Gonzalez** holds a Private pilot certificate, single-engine land, and has 146 hours in her logbook. She is a flight dispatcher at a local Miami flight school as well as a student at Miami Dade College, where she is captain of the college flight team. Her goal is to become a flight instructor and then build a career as a cargo or corporate pilot. Sandy is looking forward to the experience she will gain flying the ARC.

Other than aviation, music is Sandy's passion. She is a classically trained singer who recently transitioned to modern music. Sandy is a member of a local community choir and will soon join the chamber choir as well. Said Sandy, "Music creates an ambiance unlike any other. It is the background music to our life."

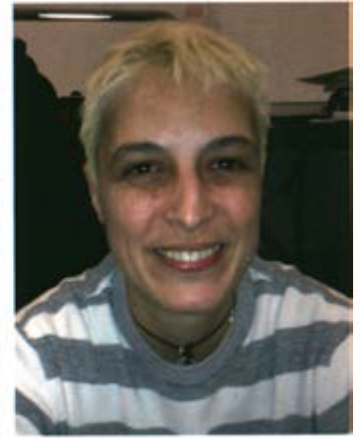
**Odi Velazquez** is a Private pilot, single-engine land, with a current instrument rating and 205 hours logged. A dispatcher at her flight school at Opa-Locka Executive Airport, she is also a graphic designer, a pursuit she has been engaged in since she was 15.

Asked why she is flying the ARC, Odi said, "I am racing to inspire my community. As a little kid, I was obsessed with airplanes, but as a Hispanic female, I was never really exposed to that path. I hope that with this race I can show others that careers are attainable, and that it is an option."

When she's not flying, Odi enjoys reading, astronomy, history, scuba diving and travel. She is a fan of the horror genre and likes learning new things. Odi is a member of the Florida Goldcoast chapter of the 99s.



Wendy Bonilla  
Woodhaven, NY



Margarita Cholakova  
Woodside, NY

**CLASSIC 56**

**Cessna 172S 180 hp**

\*\* Vaughn College \*\*

Welcome the first-time team of Wendy Bonilla and Margarita Cholakova to the ARC!

**Wendy Bonilla** is a senior at Vaughn College majoring in aircraft operations. A Commercial pilot, single- and multi-engine land, she has a current instrument rating and 224 hours logged, and hopes to earn her flight instructor rating soon.

Wendy's most memorable flights so far have been to Niagara Falls and Mustang Beach in Texas, and she is flying the ARC for the experience, challenge and to improve her cross-country skills. Wendy's other passion, besides aviation, is dance – she has been a member of a dance company for 12 years.

Wendy is a member of the Greater New York chapter of the 99s and the Vaughn College Chapter of Women in Aviation International.

**Margarita Cholakova** is a flight instructor and aircraft dispatcher who just finished her bachelor of science in operations at Vaughn College. She holds a Commercial certificate, single- and multi-engine land, with instrument multi-engine flight instructor and advanced/instrument ground instructor credentials, a current instrument rating and 288 hours in the air. She is flying the ARC for the fun and experience and believes that racing will make her a better CFI.

Besides flying, Margarita's interests include basketball, swimming, bicycling, roller skating, skydiving, hiking, playing piano and photography. She is a member of the Greater New York chapter of the 99s and the Vaughn College Chapter of Women in Aviation International.

## ARC pays tribute to the women who preserved air racing for future generations.



*This photo of ARC's Founding Board of Directors is from the collection of Velda King Mapelli.  
Standing (left to right): Mary Pearson, Marion Jayne, Velda Mapelli, Helen McGee and Pauline Glasson  
Seated: Esther Lowry Safford and Harriet Booth*



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Since 1977, when the Founding Board of Directors launched the first ARC, hundreds of women have flown the Air Race Classic and thousands of supporters have volunteered their time, money, and enthusiasm to sustaining their vision. We've flown through hundreds of airports across the U.S.

Today, the Air Race Classic is the longest running all women pilots transcontinental air race. Join us in this adventure to keep the ARC flying!

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## Preserving Women's Air Racing for Generations to Come Introducing The Air Race Classic Endowment Fund

The Air Race Classic is celebrating its 39th continuous year and is looking forward to a bright and successful future. To ensure this legacy, the Board of Directors has established an Endowment Fund with a goal of raising \$500,000. Interest from investing this money will be used by the Board for a myriad of purposes - e.g., marketing the race, publicity, scholarships, mailings, fundraising, youth education – in essence, any purpose that supports the goals of the Air Race Classic.

*"Those monies will be prudently invested, and once the goal is met, the principal will be retained, and revenue earned shall be allocated to the Air Race Classic Board for distribution to help defray the costs of running this race,"* said Carolyn Van Newkirk, 2012 pilot for Team 20 and a Director on the Air Race Classic Board. *"It is our hope that the legacy will last indefinitely."*

Take this great opportunity to donate and get a tax deduction! With your help, we can continue to be a part of aviation history, facing new challenges, accomplishing goals, sharing the experience, and securing a future in aviation. We appreciate your support!

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# Where and When Have We Stopped In Your State?

## Alabama

Huntsville – 1991  
Mobile – 2011  
Muscle Shoals – 1993  
Tuscaloosa – 2010

## Arizona

Bullhead City – 1991  
Casa Grande – 1983  
Hollbrook – 1992  
Kingman – 1987  
Lake Havasu City – 2012  
Mesa – 2006  
Page – 1985  
Prescott – 1996  
Tucson – 2000  
Williams – 2001  
Winslow – 1990

## Arkansas

Conway – 1996  
El Dorado – 2011  
Fayetteville – 1990, 2013  
Fort Smith – 1980  
Hot Springs – 1978, 2001, 2002, 2010  
Jonesboro – 1987  
Mena – 1992  
Mountain Home – 1991  
Russellville – 2009  
Texarkana – 1985  
Walnut Ridge – 2005

## California

Agua Dulce (flyby) – 1987  
Alturas – 1989  
Calexico (flyby) – 1983  
Concord – 2014  
Dorris (flyby) – 2014  
El Cajon – 1983  
Rancho Murieta (flyby) – 1987  
Redding – 1985  
Rio Bravo – 1987  
Sacramento – 1989  
Salinas – 1988  
San Diego – 2001  
Santa Monica – 1979  
Santa Rosa – 1977, 1986  
Stockton – 1979  
Temecula Valley – 1990  
Thermal – 1992

## Canada

Saint John – 2007  
Toronto – 1999

## Colorado

Burlington – 2002  
Denver – 2000  
Durango – 1996  
Grand Junction – 1978  
La Junta – 2013  
Lamar – 2004

## Florida

Daytona Beach – 1985, 1996  
Destin/Fort Walton Beach – 1978  
Fort Myers – 2010

## Georgia

Albany – 1985  
Athens – 1996  
Gainesville – 1984  
Jekyll Island – 1981  
Rome – 1998  
Waycross – 2010

## Idaho

Boise – 1977, 1986, 1997  
Coeur Alene – 1982, 1995  
Idaho Falls – 1988  
Mayfield (flyby) – 2013  
Mountain Home – 2013  
Twin Falls – 1984

## Illinois

Cahokia – 1994  
Danville – 1995, 2014  
Decatur – 1993, 2008  
Freeport – 1999  
Galesburg – 1981  
Jacksonville – 2009  
Kankakee – 1988  
Marion – 1980

## Illinois (cont.)

Mattoon – 2000  
Mount Vernon – 1990  
Murphysboro – 2010  
Peru – 2003

## Indiana

Bloomington – 1992  
Columbus – 1987  
Elkhart – 1997, 2010  
Evansville – 1977, 1986  
Frankfort (flyby) – 2005  
Lafayette – 1989, 2005  
Seymour – 1994, 1999

## Iowa

Atlantic – 2009  
Burlington – 1991  
Cedar Rapids – 1977, 1986  
Denison – 2007  
Dubuque – 1994  
Fort Dodge – 1995  
Iowa City – 2011, 2014  
Marshalltown – 1989  
Mason City – 1988, 2008  
Waterloo – 1980

## Kansas

Belleville – 1990  
Dodge City – 1984  
Garden City – 1981, 2000  
Goodland – 2012  
Great Bend – 2011  
Hays – 1992  
Hutchinson – 1983  
Independence – 1994  
Lawrence – 2006  
Liberal – 2009  
New Century – 2000  
Olathe – 1978  
Pittsburg – 1993  
Pratt – 2001, 2003  
Salina – 1980  
Winfield – 1987  
Wichita – 2004

## Kentucky

Bowling Green – 2007  
Frankfort – 2008  
Lexington – 1981  
Louisville – 1983  
Owensboro – 1996  
Paducah – 1984

## Louisiana

Bastrop – 2006  
Shreveport – 2005

## Maine

Bangor – 2007

## Maryland

Frederick – 2010

## Massachusetts

Hyannis – 2000  
Mansfield – 2008  
Plymouth (flyby) – 2000

## Michigan

Benton Harbor – 2012  
Flint – 1999  
Grand Rapids – 1983  
Menominee – 2003, 2006  
Sault Ste. Marie – 1997, 2012

## Minnesota

Albert Lea – 2003, 2006  
Detroit Lakes – 1991  
Duluth – 1997  
Eveleth – 2004  
Fergus Falls – 1994  
Minneapolis – 1979  
Winona – 2005

## Mississippi

Greenville – 1994  
Grenada – 2009  
Gulfport – 1978  
Meridian – 1985

## Missouri

Cameron – 2010  
Cape Girardeau – 1998  
Columbia – 1983  
Hannibal – 2004

## Missouri (cont.)

Jefferson City – 1982, 2007  
Joplin – 1984  
Kaiser Lake – 1999  
Kirksville – 1992  
St. Joseph – 1998

## Montana

Bozeman – 2008  
Cut Bank – 1982  
Great Falls – 1979  
Havre – 1995  
Miles City – 1982, 2008

## Nebraska

Ainsworth – 1989  
Alliance – 2011  
Beatrice – 2005  
Columbus – 2012  
Grand Island – 1977, 1986, 2003  
Holdrege – 2013  
Kearney – 1988  
Lincoln – 1982  
McCook – 2007  
Norfolk – 1994, 2014  
North Platte – 1978, 2004  
Ogallala – 1998  
Scottsbluff – 1984, 2014  
Sidney – 1981

## Nevada

Elko – 1985, 2014  
Jackpot – 1989  
Las Vegas – 1978  
Laughlin – 1991  
Reno – 1995  
Winnemucca – 1988

## New Mexico

Farmington – 1987  
Fort Sumner – 2001  
Gallup – 2001, 2012  
Las Vegas – 1990, 2002  
Moriarty – 2000  
Roswell – 1996  
Santa Fe – 1985, 1998  
Santa Teresa – 2006  
Silver City – 2002  
Socorro (fly by) – 2002  
Tucumcari – 1992

## New York

Binghamton – 1993  
Elmira – 2007  
Ithaca – 2000  
Perry-Warsaw (flyby) – 1999  
Saratoga Springs – 2008

## North Carolina

Asheville – 1993  
Greensboro – 1981  
Kill Devil Hills (flyby) – 2003  
Manteo – 2003

## North Dakota

Bismarck – 1979  
Jamestown – 1997, 2011

## Ohio

Athens – 2005, 2014  
Batavia – 1998, 2001, 2012  
Columbus – 1994  
Dayton – 2003  
Mansfield – 2000  
Toledo – 1977, 1986  
Willoughby – 1999  
Youngstown – 1989

## Oklahoma

Ada – 1999, 2006  
Bartlesville – 2005  
Burns Flat – 1978, 1999  
Elk City – 1990, 1992  
Norman – 2011  
Oklahoma City – 2007  
Ponca city – 2002  
Shangri-La Afton – 1981  
Woodward – 1998, 2013

## Oregon

Burns – 1995  
Klamath Falls – 1979, 2014  
Medford – 1977, 1986  
Sunriver – 1982

## Pennsylvania

Altoona – 2003  
Franklin – 2011  
New Cumberland – 2014  
Philadelphia – 1989  
York – 1990, 2014 (flyby)

## Rhode Island

North Kingstown – 1993

## South Carolina

Columbia – 1980  
Greenville – 1987  
Winnsboro – 2002

## South Dakota

Aberdeen – 1995, 2008  
Brookings – 2011, 2013  
Huron – 2004  
Philip – 1991  
Pierre – 1982  
Sioux Falls – 1981  
Spearfish – 2011, 2013  
Watertown – 2012

## Tennessee

Dyersburg – 1992  
Fayetteville – 2001, 2002  
Jackson – 1982  
Knoxville – 1982, 1997  
Sparta – 2009  
Tullahoma – 2005

## Texas

Abilene – 1980  
Borger – 2011  
Bryan – 2006  
Childress – 1985  
Corpus Christi – 1980, 1993  
Dalhart – 1987  
El Paso – 1983, 1999  
Hereford – 2012  
Lubbock – 1983  
Lufkin – 2009  
Midland – 1998  
Ozona – 2006  
San Angelo – 1999  
Sweetwater – 2009  
Tyler – 1993  
Wichita Falls – 1996

## Utah

Logan – 2013  
Ogden – 1977, 1986  
Provo – 1991  
Vernal (flyby) – 1991

## Vermont

Burlington – 2007

## Virginia

Danville – 2003  
Chesapeake-Portsmouth – 2002

## Washington

Pasco – 1984, 2013  
Walla Walla – 1979

## West Virginia

Huntington – 1980, 1988, 1990, 1995  
Lewisburg – 2007  
Morgantown – 1993  
Parkersburg – 2010  
Wheeling – 1997

## Wisconsin

Ashland – 1994, 2012  
Milwaukee – 1979  
Minocqua-Woodruff – 1991  
Racine – 2009  
Sheboygan – 2004

## Wyoming

Casper – 1978  
Cheyenne – 1977, 1986  
Evanston – 1997  
Gillette – 1995, 2004  
Laramie – 1988  
Newcastle – 1997  
Pinedale – 2014  
Rawlins – 1989, 2011, 2013  
Rock Springs – 1984  
Sheridan – 1979  
Worland – 1991

# Silent Auction

A silent auction that culminates at the ARC Terminus Banquet is a tradition with the Air Race Classic. The auction is a fundraiser to support the future of the Air Race Classic. The auction is also an opportunity for an interesting purchase after the race. You can be part of this annual event whether you are a Racer, a Volunteer, or simply wish to cheer for ARC from afar.

Auction items are donated by corporations, groups, organizations and individuals. Aviation-related items are always very appropriate, but not a prerequisite. Choose from aviation items including aviation prints, DVDs, aviation watches, training courses, hats, shirts, books, headsets, children's gifts, tech organizers, picture frames, and jewelry. The list continues to grow until the Silent Auction begins at the race Terminus.

Auction items will be on display at the Terminus of the race. Silent bidding terminates at the final banquet each year. This year, the auction has been organized online. The bidding has already begun! View the detailed list of items and donors at – [www.biddingOwl.com/AirRaceClassic](http://www.biddingOwl.com/AirRaceClassic).

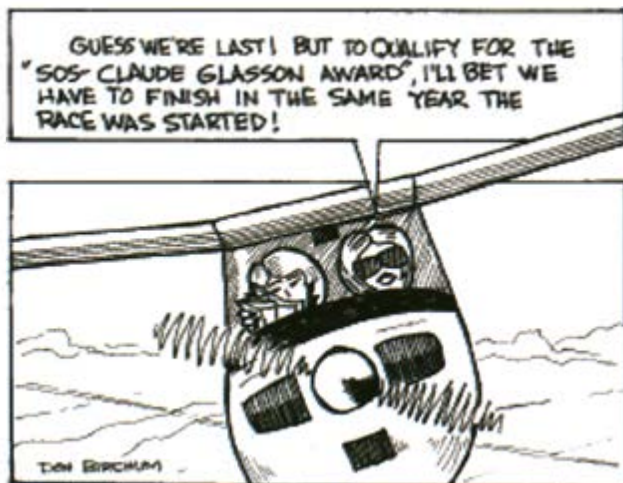
Items are added as they are received. Browse the list and start your bidding. And, consider donating to the ARC Silent Auction. Your gift will make a difference and is tax-deductible.

For additional information, contact [silentauction@airraceclassic.org](mailto:silentauction@airraceclassic.org).

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# New and Returning Awards for the 2015 Race

## The Air Race Classic Winner's Trophy

Generously donated by the Sugarloaf Chapter 99s and the DC Chapter 99s in 2011, the Air Race Classic Winner's Trophy will be inscribed with the names of the winning pilot and copilot each year. The top of the trophy is a beautiful antique compote bowl with winged griffins and the Egyptian goddess Sekhmet. The bowl was cast by the ML Company in 1926. The inscription on the plaque at the base of the pedestal says:

*Presented to The Air Race Classic, Inc. on the occasion of their 35th Anniversary of the Annual All-Women Transcontinental Air Race 1976-2011. Congratulations from the Sugarloaf and DC Chapters of The Ninety Nines, Inc.*

*"May we honor those who seek to beat the winds"*



**2014 ARC Winners**

*Dianna Stanger, Joyce Wilson, & Erin Cude*



## Air Race Classic Collegiate Challenge Trophy

This trophy is awarded to the highest-scoring college or university team. The school and team holds the trophy for one year. Plaques are given to the school and the team members for their permanent possession when the trophy is returned to the Air Race Classic.

## 99s Terminus Leg Trophy

The Ninety-Nines, Inc., International Organization of Women Pilots, recently presented a new Perpetual Trophy to the ARC. It is awarded to the race team with the highest score on the 9th or Terminus leg. The winning team must be members of The Ninety-Nines. A smaller trophy is presented to the race team as a keepsake.

The 99s' history with air racing dates back to the 1929 National Air Races when Amelia Earhart and several other competitors met under the grandstand at the finish line in Cleveland. They vowed to form an organization for women aviators, and that group became the Ninety-Nines. So today's Air Race Classic grew out of that first Women's Air Derby.

This award is designed to inspire racers to continue to fly that perfect cross country on the final terminus leg of the race even though the race has been long and hard.



**99s Ninth / Terminus Leg  
Trophy**

## Fastest Piper Trophy

Piper Aircraft, Inc. is pleased to continue the Fastest Piper trophy for the 2015 Air Race Classic! The custom Piper trophy is awarded to the crew of the highest placing Piper aircraft in this year's Air Race Classic.



*The Fastest Piper Trophies*



**2014 Fastest Piper Pilots**  
*Melody Dowlearn & Alicia Isacson*

## Esther Lowry Safford Rookie Racer Award

Esther Lowry Safford was one of the original six extraordinary women, who founded the Air Race Classic. She remained an avid supporter of the race, and prior to her death, she established the Rookie Racer Award for a pilot or co-pilot flying her first Air Race Classic. The awardee is selected based on a short essay "Why I Fly." The winner receives a \$500 race scholarship.



## SE Section 99s Superstar

Fly the fastest ARC legs 1, 7, and 8. This award will be given to the team that has the fastest combined total for the 3 legs flown into stops in the Southeast Section of the 99s - Hickory NC, Union City TN, Gadsden AL.



## Fastest Beech Award

The Beech Aero Club is offering an award for the top finishing Beech team on the route this year. It will be presented to the team with the best final score in the race standings. The team members will each receive a plaque and a gift certificate for their accomplishment. Clear skies and tail winds!



## Fastest Cardinal Award

The Cardinal Flyers Online type club is offering an award for the fastest Cardinal flyers finishing in Fairhope. Each team member will receive a plaque commemorating their 2015 Air Race Classic adventure.

## 2015 Awards

The Top Ten highest scoring race teams, Pilot and Co-Pilot, will receive ARC Award medals and the following cash and gifts:

- 1st Place – \$5,000, 2 Abingdon Elise gold watches, & 2 Bose A20 headsets
- 2nd Place – \$3,000, 2 Abingdon Elise silver watches, & 2 Bose A20 headsets
- 3rd Place – \$2,000
- 4th Place – \$1,500
- 5th Place – \$950
- 6th Place – \$700
- 7th Place – \$600
- 8th Place – \$500
- 9th Place – \$400
- 10th Place – \$350



*Top Ten ARC Medals*



*Abingdon Elise watches and Bose A20 headsets will be awarded to the 1st and 2nd place race teams.*



### LEG PRIZES

For each leg of the race, prizes are awarded to the four highest scoring teams (Top Ten winners not eligible).

- 1st Place \$50 and two medallions
- 2nd Place \$40 and two medallions
- 3rd Place \$30 and two medallions
- 4th Place \$20 and two medallions



*ARC Leg Prize Medals*



### SOS CLAUDE GLASSON AWARD

The lowest-scoring team will win the perennial "Turtle" award – \$100.



*2014 Top Ten Race Teams*



## Collegiate Challenge Trophy

*Traditions begin with simple acts that add meaning to our lives*

Without realizing the future impact of their benevolence, Linda Schumm and Rosemary Emhoff of Legacy Aviation, Inc., created something immeasurably valuable for the Air Race Classic when they declared a new award category at the 2000 ARC Awards banquet and personally provided prizes for each collegiate team.

When the Air Race Classic achieved 501(c)3 status, with the goal of supporting aviation education for women of all ages, taking the next step to encourage the participation of collegiate teams was easy. We established the Air Race Classic Collegiate Challenge Trophy to be presented annually to the top-finishing collegiate team.

The large traveling trophy, engraved with the winning teams' names, dwells in the victor's school trophy case for one year before moving to the next winner's school. In addition, engraved plaques for the top four collegiate winning teams are sent to the universities for permanent display. Winning team members receive cash awards and also award certificates.

The Air Race Classic gives students wishing to become aviation professionals a unique opportunity to meet and network with other female pilots and to make contacts all around the country. Flying the Air Race Classic not only improves piloting skills, it can enhance employment searches after graduation. Any school with an established aviation program is eligible to send a team of female pilots.

The Air Race Classic traces its lineage back to 1929, the year of the first Women's Air Derby. As we approach the 90th anniversary of women's air racing, we celebrate the college students who benefit from the Air Race Classic experience and who will carry on this glorious tradition.

### Collegiate teams that have entered the Air Race Classic include:

Daniel Webster College	Metropolitan State College of Denver
Dowling College	Middle Tennessee University
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical Univ – Daytona Beach Campus	Ohio University
Prescott Campus	Purdue University
Florida Institute of Technology	Quincy University
Indiana State University	South Dakota State University
Jacksonville University	Southern Illinois Univ Carbondale
Kansas State University	Texas State Technical College
Kent State University	University of Central Missouri
LeTourneau University	University of Illinois
Lewis University	Université de Moncton
Liberty University	University of Nebraska
Louisiana Tech University	University of North Dakota
McGill University	University of Oklahoma
Miami Dade College	Vaughn College
	Western Michigan University

### ...More Winners from the Past Ten Years

- 2011 - Leah Hetzel & Sarah Morris (Jacksonville University)
- 2010 - Lauren Steele & Allison Springer (Purdue University)
- 2009 - Victoria Dunbar & Jessica Campbell (Indiana State University)
- 2008 - Marisha Falk & Mandy Parsons (ERAU - Daytona Beach)
- 2007 - Katie Sparrow & Marie Janus (Purdue University)
- 2006 - Katherine Conrad & Katie Sparrow (Purdue University)
- 2005 - Sarah Tower & Erica Ebenhoeh (Western Michigan University)



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Dianna Stanger, Joyce Wilson, & Erin Cude



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Alicia Isacson & Melody Dowlearn



Zia Safko & Emily Applegate



Megan Grupp & Jessica Dyer



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Julia Matthews & Camelia Smith



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Karen Morrison, Tonya Hodson, & Jennifer McLean



Frances Irwin, Shannon Hicks-Hankins, Pam Rudolph



Sarah Morris & Helen Helping



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Patty Mitchell, BJ Carter & Gene Nora Jessen

## Looking Back On Ten Years of Top Ten Air Race Classic Winners (2005 - 2014)

**2014 Dianna Stanger, Joyce Wilson, & Erin Cude; Valdeta Mehanja & Nancy Snyder (ERAU - Daytona);** Melody Dowlearn & Alicia Isacson (Liberty Univ); Emily Applegate & Zia Safko; Megan Grupp & Jessica Dyer (Liberty Univ); Gayle Schutte & Tanya Gatlin; Terry Carbonell & Ellen Herr; Camelia Smith & Julia Matthews; Susan Larson & Amy Ecclesine; Kristin Garcia & Marlene Wessel (ERAU - Prescott)

**2013 Marjorie Thayer & Helen Beulen;** Michelle Bassanesi & Gretchen Jahn; **Valdeta Mehanja & Danielle Erlichman (ERAU - Daytona);** Jessica Lowery & Andrea Ziervogel (Louisiana Tech Univ); Terry Carbonell & Ellen Herr; Tonya Hodson, Jennifer McLean & Karen Morrison (Kansas State Univ); Frances Irwin, Pam Rudolph & Shannon Hicks-Hankins; Helen Helping & Sarah Morris; Jessica Dyer & Charity Holland (Liberty Univ); Gene Nora Jessen, Patty Mitchell & Brenda Carter

**2012 Dianna Stanger & Victoria Holt; Danielle Erlichman & Marisha Falk (ERAU - Daytona);** Terry Carbonell & Ellen Herr; Arlene Wohlgemuth & Julia Matthews; Malinda Caywood & Susan Beall; Elizabeth Frankowski & Carol Brackley; Joyce Wilson & Janet Yoder; Nicole Lordemann & Tonya Hodson (Kansas State Univ); Marlene Wessel & Kristine Anthony (ERAU - Prescott); Emily Applegate & Zia Safko (Metropolitan State College of Denver)

**2011 Leah Hetzel & Sarah Morris (Jacksonville Univ);** Alice McCormack & Justyna Kincaid (Univ of Illinois - Urbana Champaign); Joyce Wilson & Rebecca Hempel; Camelia Smith & Julia Matthews; Melanie Murdock & Erin Jackson (Southern Illinois Univ - Carbondale); Deborah Dreyfuss, Linda Knowles & Carolyn Bailey; Susan Carastro & Marie Carastro; Safiye Ademoglu & Victoria Dunbar (Florida Institute of Technology); Linda Evans, Alison Chalker & Barbara Strachan; Malinda Caywood & Susan Beall

**2010 Terry Carbonell, Ellen Herr & Laura Ying Gao;** Joyce Wilson & Laura Berry; Linda Street-Ely & Elizabeth Kummer; **Lauren Steele & Allison Springer (Purdue Univ);** Jo Alcorn & Michelle Bostick; Barbara Harris-Para & Laurie Zaleski; Dottie Anderson & Jean Sloan; Kay Brown & Jessica Campbell (Indiana State Univ); Erin Jackson & Christine Zoerlein (Southern Illinois Univ - Carbondale); Kristen McTee & Kim Turrell (ERAU - Prescott)

**2009 Kelly Burris & Erin Recke; Jessica Campbell & Victoria Dunbar (Indiana State Univ);** Sandy St. John & Linda Pecotte; Joyce Wells & Thelma Cull; Louise Scudieri & Nicole Boettger; Jenna Albrecht & Kimberly Turrell (ERAU - Prescott); Jessica Miller, Athina Holmes & Rivka Irene Lev; Dee Bond & Gretchen Jahn; Dottie Anderson & Jean Sloan; Marisha Falk & Hannah Northern (ERAU - Daytona)

**2008 Dene Chabot-Fence & Gloria May;** Judy Bolkema-Tokar & Ruby Sheldon; Margaret Ringenberg & Carolyn Van Newkirk; Marge Thayer & Helen Beulen; Joyce Wells & Kathy Walton; Dottie Anderson & Jean Sloan; Camelia Smith & Laura Berry; **Marisha Falk & Mandy Parsons (ERAU - Daytona);** June McCormack & Tookie Hensley; Elaine Roehrig & Marolyn Wilson

**2007 Marge Thayer & Helen Beulen;** Denise Waters & Ruth Maestre; Joyce Wells & Kathy Walton; **Katie Sparrow & Marie Janus (Purdue Univ);** Margaret Ringenberg & Linda Schumm; Dee Bond & Alice McCormack; Susan Larson & Amy Ecclesine; Judy Bolkema-Tokar & Patricia Ohlsson; Jan Seiwert Bell & Lara Zook Gaerte; Anne Edmonson & Charlene Olsen

**2006 Gretchen Jahn & Carol Foy;** Denise Waters & Ruth Maestre; **Katherine Conrad & Katie Sparrow (Purdue Univ);** Courtney Hedlund & Leslie Treppa (Western Michigan Univ); Mary Build & Jenny Jorgensen; June McCormack & Tookie Hensley; Jan Seiwert Bell & Lara Zook Gaerte; Trish Minard & Karen Monteith; Dottie Anderson & Jean Sloan; Elaine Roehrig & Marolyn Wilson

**2005 Sophia Payton, Marilyn Patierno & Erica Cochoff;** Judy Bolkema Tokar, Sarah Bean & Ann Williams; Bonnie Johnson & Carol Foy; Royce Clifford & Melissa Sliffe; Marge Thayer & Helen Beulen; Jan Seiwert Bell & Lara Zook Gaerte; Denise Waters & Ruth Maestre; **Sarah Tower & Erica Ebenhoeh (Western Michigan Univ);** Margaret Ringenberg & Karen Allina; Gretchen Jahn, Ruby Sheldon & Julie Filucci

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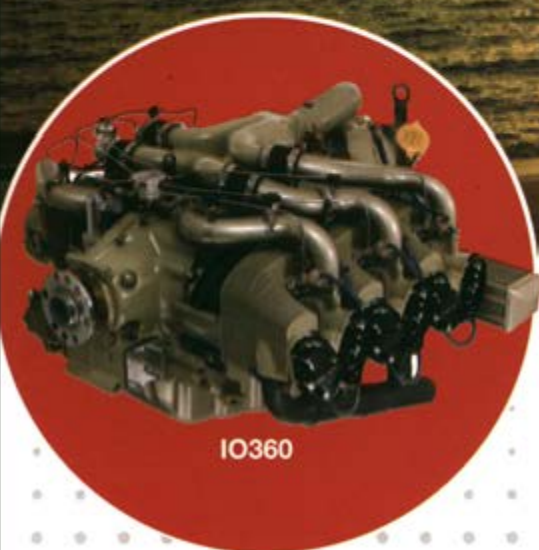
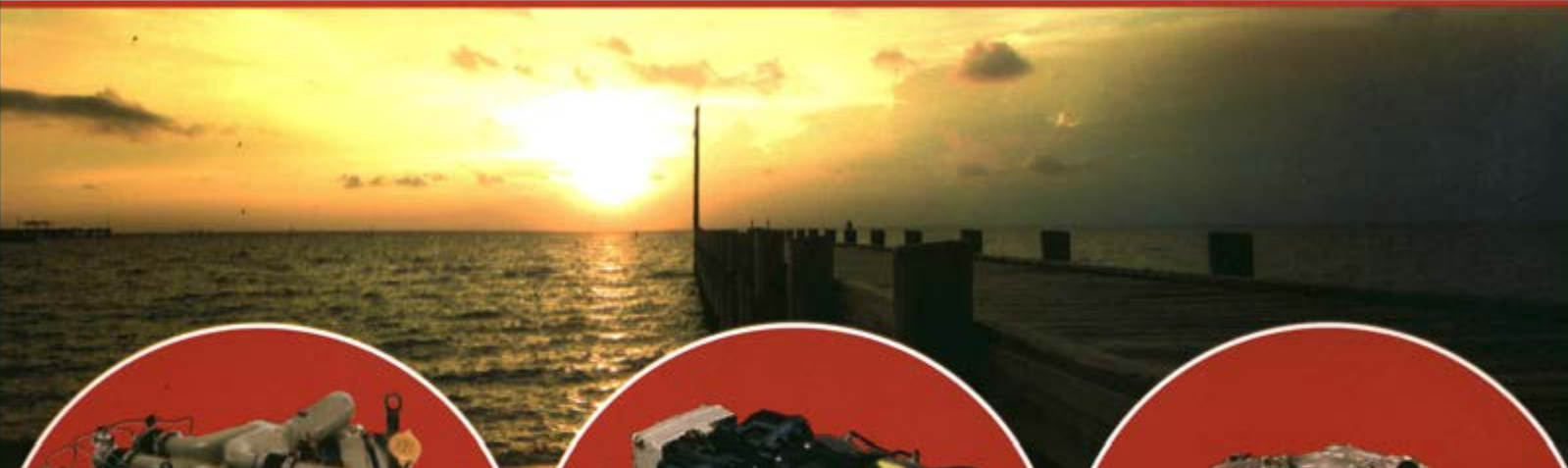
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