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Southeast Section 99s Women Pilots

Note from the Governor

Ladies,

I want to thank everyone who called in for the 2020 Fall Section Meeting. We had a great turn out. I want to thank Liz Poeppelman for keeping the meeting moving when I had a technology glitch. Below are the minutes from the meeting, if you have any updates or comments please email [Secretary Janice Pelletti](mailto:SecretaryJanicePelletti).

I attended the virtual International Board of Directors (IBOD) Meeting this past Friday and Saturday. As always, our IBOD and international committees are doing a great job. It was nice to see the Section Reports, which are usually Governors standing up and reading off what's going on, but because it was a virtual meeting many showed pictures and videos of what is happening at their section. I have attached the IBOD's meeting packet so you can read up on what is going on at international level and read the section's reports.

We are still waiting on a date for the Spring Section meeting. As soon as a date is picked I will get it out to you. We are all hoping that if we push the meeting back to May then we can get together in person. I know personally I miss seeing all you ladies!

Thanks,
Ramona Banks
SE Section Governor



[2020 Fall SE Section Meeting Minutes](#)

[2020 Fall IBOD Meeting Packet](#)

2020 SE Section 99 of Note

I want to congratulate Virginie Rollin on winning the 2020 SE Section 99 of Note. Almost half of the chapters sent in their 99 of Note Nominees.

List of nominees:

- Elina Lunin, Sarasota
- Isabel Garnett, Spaceport
- Jan Oreck, NOLA
- Jo Alcorn, Heartland
- JoAnn Speer, Memphis
- JungYeun "Maria" Choi, Florida Suncoast
- Katie Clagg, Paradise Coast
- Myra Bugbee, Florida Goldcoast
- Nancy Miller-Borg, Alabama
- Ruth Jacobs, Treasure Coast
- Virginie Rollin, Daytona



I can't stress enough that it is women like these nominees that provide the backbone for our organization. Congratulations to everyone that was nominated. Thank you to the chapters that sent in these great nominees.



2021 SE Section Elections

We are still looking for members to run for Nomination Committee for the 2021-2023 elections. If you would like to run for this position or any of the positions, please reach out to Nomination Committee Chair, [Meagan Harr](#).

99s 2019 International Conference on the Queen Mary, Plan B

written by Eileen Hamby, Alabama Chapter Member



I had registered to attend this year's conference aboard the Queen Mary with my sister, Carol. The plan was to fly there and back in Bluebell, my Cessna 182P. Carol would keep me company on the flight there and my son, Steven, would join me on the flight back. When the conference was delayed until 2021, we talked it over, came up with Plan B, and decided to make the trip anyway.

Our journey began the end of June from my home base at Huntsville Executive Airport in

Alabama. As we headed west, we flew to and through Memphis, TN; Guthrie, OK north of Oklahoma City; Santa Fe, NM; Page, AZ including Monument Valley, Marble Canyon and the Grand Canyon; Laughlin NV; Fullerton, CA east northeast of Long Beach; and several small airports in between for fuel. Landing in Marble Canyon for breakfast, the north most canyon leading into the Grand Canyon, was adrenaline pumping and definitely the highlight of our westward leg. The runway was 35 feet wide and more of a bumpy road with canyon cliffs on both sides. A close second were the breathtaking views as we traversed two of the four corridors within the Grand Canyon.

By the time we reached Santa Fe it was hot, humid, and turbulent for most of the remainder of the trip. As we went further west, in the dead of summer, knowing and understanding Bluebell's

performance limitations and high density altitude requirements were crucial, particularly because I rarely have to worry too much about such things in our neck of the woods with a home field elevation of 764 feet. Reduced power and rate of climb with high density altitude were significant factors.

At our trip's halfway point in Fullerton, we met up with Steven and Carol's son, Nick. The four of us flew to Catalina Island and spent the afternoon at the harbor in Avalon. The views from the air are spectacular, and the landing and takeoff were exhilarating. Another rough runway; what an awesome adventure! Carol pointed out the Queen Mary in the harbor as we passed over.

On the return trip, we flew around Los Angeles airspace taking in the sights as we started north up the Pacific coast to the Golden Gate Bridge, Half Moon Bay and then the Redwoods in northern CA where Carol lives. Steven and I headed back east a couple days later.



A few months before we planned out the trip, I had learned about the 1920s US Airmail Beacon System consisting of bright yellow 50-70 foot concrete arrows and beacons the Postal Service used to navigate cross country, <https://sometimes-interesting.com/2013/12/04/concrete-arrows-and-the-u-s-airmail-beacon-system/>. Our first stop east was to see some of these arrows from the air and on the ground at Montague, CA, with Mt. Shasta in the distance. We felt like a part of history. Next we crossed the vast mountains and deserts of Nevada and Utah, stopping at some unique and interesting airports. Then back to Marble Canyon and Page, AZ. The second landing in Marble Canyon was just as thrilling as the first. Bluebell experienced maintenance difficulties in Page. Steven and I jumped on a commercial flight home and we began working on Plan C.

I returned to Page a couple days later and completed the remainder of the trip solo. There is something special about soaring solo. All in all, we flew 50 hours spanning 15 day with priceless moments and memories abound.

Let the next adventure begin, possibly the 45th Annual Air Race Classic 2021!

Thank you Eileen for your story! If anyone else has an adventure they would like to share, please send it to me (Ramona.Banks@Alabama99s.org).

2021 AE Memorial Scholarship

It is scholarship time at International again! The AE Memorial Scholarship application deadline is January 1st! Do not wait until the last second to get your applications in to your Chapter Scholarship Chairs. Extra time is important to give time to fix anything that needs to be fixed.

[AE Memorial Scholarship Information](#)



Share Your Chapter's News and Upcoming Events

Has your chapter done something you want to brag about or one of your members has received a new rating or her pilot's certificate? Are you have a fly-in and would love for other chapters to join you? Share it with the SE Section by

sending an email to me at
ramona.banks@alabama99s.org.



Chapter's News and Events



Alabama Chapter Halloween Scholarship Fundraiser

The Alabama Chapter came up with a great social distancing scholarship fundraiser idea. The local drive-in offered to play the original "Ghostbuster" movie for free on Oct 28th. Family and guest were invited to come see the show in costume (if wanted). Scholarship donations were accepted from the attendees. The Alabama Chapter raised about \$500 that evening.



Appalachian Aviatrixes Chapter Providing Coloring Books to School Children

The Appalachian Aviatrixes Chapter handed out TN Aviation Hall of Fame coloring books to school children who attended the WWII Aircraft Display at the Tri-Cities Airport.

Florida Suncoast Selling 99 All-Weather Jacket

All-Weather Tecno-lite Jacket with beautiful 99 embroidery back. Contour seam detailing, piped yoke, collar-hidden hood, and water-resistant. Available in Red, Black Navy, and Khaki. Sizes from X-XL. \$90 plus \$9 s&h. Contact treasurer@flsuncoast99s.com for more information.





Daytona Hosting MzeroA's Jason Schappert in Virtual Seminar on Nov 14 at 11 EST

Jason Schappert from MzeroA will be giving a presentation on survival gear, what to expect from an off airport landing, (in various conditions) from loss of engine to landing and recovery. He will also touch on ice, and ice in the forecast.

Jason Schappert is a 10,000 Plus Hour Pilot ATP, CFI, and founder of MzeroA.com. Through MzeroA.com he reaches 20,000 pilots every single day helping spread the message of a good pilot is always learning and creating safer/smarter pilots.

To access the Livestream, please go to <https://www.facebook.com/MzeroA/>. The presentation will start promptly at 11am EST on Saturday, November 14.

No need for a log in or to be accepted by an administrator, everyone can access the Livestream. If you do not have access to Facebook, I have requested that the presentation be recorded. As soon as the access information for the recording is available, I will forward it to everyone.

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Emerald Angels of the Gulf Coast 99s Hosting Poker Run

The EAGC 99s will be hosting a Poker Run on November 14th with the terminus at Bob Sikes Airport (KCEW) in Crestview, Florida. For more information see the EAGC 99s [Poker Run](#) page on their website.