

The June picnic/meeting will be my last official meeting as Chair of the Alaska 99s. I want to thank everyone in the chapter who helped with activities and projects in the last two years. The only "official" business to be conducted at the meeting will be the counting of the ballots and announcing the new officers and board of director members for the 2014-2015 year.

This will be a joint picnic with the Mat-Su Valley Chapter, so there should be some folks there you may not have seen for a while. I hope that many of you will be able to join us. Please feel free to bring your spouse, a friend and/or a prospective member to the picnic. More details on page 3.

We have one more aviation activity next week, the Kenai Peninsula Pir Fair, on Saturday, June 14. This will be one of our last opportunities to sell tickets on the pedal plane and quilt. Individual members are encouraged to check out a packet of tickets (or more) to sell on their own. The profits from these sales go to the scholarship fund.

As of this time, there are no more fly-ins planned. The last one was to McCathy/Kennicott. More information on those activities will be published in the next newsletter.

Congratulations to Jamie Patterson-Simes on the opening her new flight training facility at Merrill Field, SkyTrek Alaska Flight Training. Don't be surprised if you see more than one familiar face at SkyTrek Alaska. (See page 4 or more details.)

The Northwest Section Meeting will be held in Fairbanks September 4-7. We have some interesting speakers and topics lined up. If good deal of our efforts during the next two and a half months will be focused toward making that meeting a success. If you are interested and available to help in some way, please contact any one of the officers or board of directors. There will be three more planning meetings before September. We are expecting a good turnout and hope to see you in Fairbanks.

Melanie

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NEXT MEETING

6 p.m., Wednesday, June 11, 2014
The Hancock Hangar
19710 Birchwood Spur Rd.
Chugiak, Alaska

Calendar of Events

There will be no regular meeting in July.

Sat., July 5 Pig Roast at Skwentna Roadhouse

Thur., July 17 Board of Directors Meeting

Wed., Aug. 13 Regular Monthly Meeting

Sept. 4 - 7 Northwest Section Meeting - Fairbanks

Wed., Sept. 10 Regular Monthly Meeting



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Flypaper Facts



The deadline for the **August**, **2014** Flypaper is **August 1**, **2014**. If you have an article, ad or information for The Flypaper, please contact Melanie Hancock by phone at 694-4571 or email at <u>flyquilt@mtaonline.net</u>. (Ads are placed in The Flypaper for members at no charge.)

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June Meeting

We will hold a joint picnic with the Mat-Su Valley Chapter members on Wednesday, June 11, at the Hancock Hangar at Birchwood. The address of the



hangar is 19710 Birchwood Spur Road, Chugiak. The Chapter will provide hot dogs and hamburgers, buns, and fixings. Everyone is requested to bring a side dish of their choice.

Please let Melanie (flyquilt@mtaonline.net) know if you will be attending so she can be sure to have enough burgers and hot dogs for everyone. As always, friends, spouses, and prospective members are welcome to attend.

Directions: The Hancock Hangar is located on the south end of the airport just past the shooting range and the Civil Air Patrol Hangar. Follow the road around the airport and onto the gravel road on the inlet side of the airport. The hangar is a large blue hangar, address is 19710 Birchwood Spur Road. If you have any questions, please let Melanie know (flyquilt@mtaonline.net). If you are planning to attend, please email Melanie and tell her how many people will be with you. As usual, guests, spouses or prospective members are all welcome.



The Mat-Su Valley Chapter will hold its June meeting on Tuesday, June 17, at the Eagle Hotel Restaurant in Palmer at 5:30 p.m.

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Vice Chair: Sarah Downing (248) 705-8506 Secretary: Abby Austin (907) 414-9604 Treasurer: Toni Merrigan - (907) 373-6569

Flying Companion Seminar

The Flying Companion Seminar was held on Saturday, May 17, at the UAA Aviation Technology Building. It was a small, but successful class.

Thanks to all who helped make the seminar a success, including, but not limited to: Sarah Downing, Denise Koehrer, Abby Austin, Jamie Patterson-Sims, Diane Blandino, Patty Livingston and members of the Mat-Su Chapter for putting packets together, Melanie Hancock, Erika Bennett. My apologies if I have missed anyone.



Skwentna Roadhouse Plans Pig Roast for 4th of July Weekend

Skwentna Roadhouse is planning a pig roast on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>July 5</u>. For more information, contacts Cindi at 907-733-2726.

New Flight School Opens at Merrill Field: SkyTrek Alaska Flight Training

Jamie Patterson-Simes, a long-time member of the 99's, has opened up a new flight school at Merrill Field: SkyTrek Alaska Flight Training. Her first payment received for flight training was by a member of the local 99's chapter in Anchorage, Jay Laxson. Jamie instructed in Jay's Cessna 162 Skycatcher LSA, and took the pilot through her paces near Mount Susitna. Jamie reported that Jay flew quite well, and says that all pilots should do a few hours of training a year with a flight instructor to ensure that their procedures and safety practices are still in alignment with current FAA practices.

Jamie stated that when she arrived in Anchorage in 1995, there were a number of training options on the Field. Over the years the number dwindled from about five flight schools, to only one current operator for fixed-wing training. She decided that there needed to be another option after hearing that many students were driving to Valley airports for their flight instruction.

After receiving her Master's Degree in Business Administration from UAA in 2013, Jamie came away with the necessary business tools to begin negotiations with Merrill Field Management. Her familiarity with airport operations was learned from a 6-month graduate internship at DOWL HKM. Jamie also taught classes, and instructed in the simulator lab for more than six years as an adjunct faculty member in the UAA Aviation Division, and was a CFI in the flight department. She has flown in Alaska as a flight instructor, a bush pilot in Bethel, and a tour/charter pilot based out of Anchorage. She is an aircraft owner and has been a flight instructor for more than twenty years.

Jamie has been busy securing aircraft and training instructors. The SkyTrek Alaska Flight Training center is easily accessed through the beautiful Fairview neighborhood. The address is 1570 East 12th Avenue (the last building on the right at the east end of 12th Avenue). SkyTrek has a stunning view of the Talkeetna Mountains, Chugach Range and the Kenai Mountains from the second story classrooms. There is a fireplace on the top floor, and a restroom on each floor for customers' convenience. The phone number is 907-274-4359.



1966 Cessna 172G, TT2193 hrs., SMO 1311 hrs., 447 hrs. since overhaul after prop strike. KX175 with glideslope, Garmin 150 GPS, KT 76A transponder, 6 on paint and interior; heavy nose fork with 600x6 tire, auto fuel STC. Fresh Annual in March. 2014.

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