



The Flypaper



The Official Newsletter of the Alaska 99s
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It may not look like it or feel like it, but Spring is on its way. Officially it is the 20th of March. Along with that comes the usual spring activities, beginning in April with the Seaplane Safety Seminar, followed in May and June by The Great Alaska Aviation Gathering, Valdez May Day Fly-In and Air Show, the Hudson Memorial Fly-In, the Kenai Air Fair, the FAA Palmer Pancake Breakfast.

Those activities take us up through early June.

We hope to see many of you at these functions.

More details on these seminars and fly-ins maybe found in The Flypaper as it is available.

March 31 is the deadline for submitting applications for the 99s scholarships for 2014. If you or someone you know is interested, please check out our website for the application and eligibility criteria: <http://ak99s.org/scholarships.htm>

The pedal plane for our 2014 raffle has arrived and has been assembled.

Tickets will be available soon.

Patty Livingston with the Mat-Su Valley Chapter will be chairing the raffle this year.

Our March meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 12. It will be held at the Tanalian Aviation Hangar at Merrill Field. Bring a friend and join us for their presentation and a tour of the facility and a close look at their helicopters.

Melanie

Next Meeting

6 p.m., Wednesday,

March 12, 2014

Tanalian Aviation Hangar

2600 E. 5th Ave.

Merrill Field

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Calendar of Events

- Wed., March 12 Regular Monthly Meeting
- Tues., March 18 Mat-Su Valley Chapter Regular Monthly Meeting
- Mon., March 31 Alaska Chapter Board of Directors Meeting
- Sat., April 26 Annual Seaplane Safety Seminar
- May 3-4 Airmens Association Great Alaska Aviation Gathering
- May 9 -11 Valdez May Day Fly-In and Air Show
- Sat., May 17 Flying Companion Seminar, UAA
- May 17-18 Hudson Memorial Fly-In, Talkeetna
- Sat., June 7 FAA Palmer Pancake Breakfast
- Sat., June 7 Kenai Air Fair



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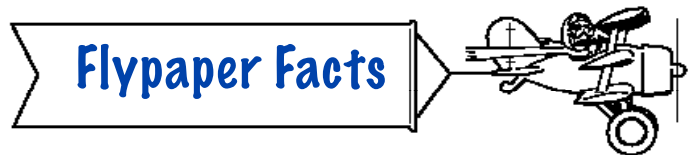
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99s Online

Alaska Chapter Website (www.ak99s.org)

National Website (www.ninety-nines.org)

The national site includes news updates, scholarship opportunities, mentor connections, applications and more.



The deadline for the **April, 2014** Flypaper is **March 29, 2014**. If you have an article, ad or information for The Flypaper, please contact Melanie Hancock by phone at 694-4571 or e-mail at flyquilt@mtaonline.net. (Ads are placed in The Flypaper for members at no charge.)

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March Meeting

The March 12 meeting will be held at the Tanalian Aviation, 2600 E. 5th Avenue, Merrill Field, Anchorage at 6 p.m.

Tanalian Aviation is a small company with a high level of experience and personal service. Headquartered in Port Alsworth, they provide a broad range of services, including scenic and adventure tours, flight training, aircraft salvage and recover, etc.

Following their presentation, we will have an opportunity to look over their helicopters.

Please bring a friend or prospective 99 and join us for this meeting. (Access the hangar on the north side of Merrill Field from Hudson Circle.)



The March meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 18, at 5:30 p.m. We are going to try a new place [re-opened hotel/restaurant] for our meeting next week, the Eagle Restaurant/Hotel in downtown Palmer [across the street from the covered shelter on the strip where Friday flings are held]. The restaurant has a large table reserved for us at 5:30. We will order off the menu.

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Deadline for Scholarships Approaching

The deadline for submitting an application for one of the three scholarships being offered by the Alaska Chapter and Mat-Su Valley Chapter 99s is March 31, 2014.

The three scholarships are:

Advanced Rating: \$1,500 to a female pilot to pursue an advanced rating beyond the private pilot's license.

Student Scholarships: Two student scholarships are being offered in the amounts of \$1,500 and \$1,000. Female applicants must have soloed in order to apply for these scholarships.

Details and application forms are available on the Alaska Chapter website: <http://ak99s.org/scholarships.htm>

Pedal Plane for 2014 Raffle Has Arrived!



The pedal plane has arrived and is assembled. Tickets will soon be available for sale. Patty Livingston of the Mat-Su Valley Chapter has volunteered to chair this raffle. The plane will be on display at as many aviation functions as possible this spring and summer. Members are encouraged to take tickets to sell. (Profits from ticket sales go toward our 2015 Scholarships.)

The drawing for this airplane will take place on Saturday, September 6, 2014 at the Northwest Section Meeting Banquet.

Flying Companion Seminar Scheduled

The Flying Companion Seminar has been scheduled for Saturday, May 17, at the UAA Aviation Technology Building in Anchorage.

Flyers will soon be available for distribution. The information should also be on our website soon (ak99s.org).

The seminar is an all-day session from 8 - 5. It is intended for people who fly in small planes but who are not pilots. The seminar covers fundamentals of flight, basic navigation, instruments, emergency procedures, radio work and some time on flight simulators. If you know someone who could benefit from this seminar, please see that they get the information.

This function helps support our scholarships each year. We have a limit of 30 people per seminar. The cost of the seminar is \$99 and includes a continental breakfast and lunch.

We always need help with this seminar, so if you are available for part of the day or all day, please let Melanie know (flyquilt@mtaonline.net or 694-4571). There will be sign-up sheets at the monthly meetings.

Chapter Elections

It is once again time to start thinking about new officers for 2014/15 year. There are four offices: Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer and Secretary. There are also three Board of Director positions.

If you would like more information on any of these positions, please contact Melanie (flyquilt@mtaonline.net).

NOTE: Some of these positions can be team positions, so if that sounds like an option, please make an inquiry.

Get involved! Have a part in making the Alaska Chapter all that it can be by running for one of these positions.



VALDEZ MAY DAY FLY-IN AND AIR SHOW

The Alaska Airmens Association will be holding its Aviation Gathering on Saturday and Sunday, May 3 and 4, 2014, at the Fed Ex Hangar at Anchorage Ted Stevens International Airport.

The 99s will have a booth at the show. We will need assistance from the members to staff the booth both days. Sign-up sheets will be available at the meetings prior to May 3.

This event is scheduled for May 9 - 11, 2014. More details will be published in The Flypaper as they are available.

The 99s are checking into repainting the name "Valdez" this year. We'll keep you posted as to the plans.