

Pilot Profile

Ellen Nobles-Harris – your Webmaster

Ellen Nobles-Harris and her husband, Jerry Harris, started flying in 1989 after a month long trip to Alaska. Both got their private certificates in 1991. Much of their flying has been in a Cessna 172 for the “\$200 hamburger”, i.e. fly to a restaurant for lunch. Ellen has her Instrument and Commercial ratings. She flew the Cessna to the Ninety-Nines International Conferences in Portland, ME and Oklahoma City, OK. The longest trip, taken with her husband went from Delaware to Athens, GA, Kansas City, MO, Austin, TX and Memphis, TN before returning to Delaware.



Ellen & Cessna 2005.jpg

Caption: Ellen with her Cessna.

Ellen joined the Delaware Chapter of The Ninety-Nines in 1991 and has been active in the organization from the start. She currently is Chapter Treasurer; Mid-Atlantic Section Membership Chair, Webmaster and Airmarking Chair; and, International Airmarking Chair and serves on the International Bylaws and Building Maintenance Committees. She has also been Mid-Atlantic Section Governor and Treasurer.

She enjoys attending both Section and International meetings and to date has only missed one of each since 1991. While at International Meetings she takes the opportunity to tour in the area and do some flying. The meetings are a wonderful opportunity to meet many women pilots from across the country and around the world.



Ellen & Louise Thaden's 1929 Travel Air.jpg

Caption: Ellen Nobles-Harris with Louise Thaden's 1929 J5 Travel Air D1000 Speedwing NC671H, winner of the 1st Women's Air Derby, Aug, 1929. Taken at the Willis M. Allen, Jr. Museum at Gillespie Field, while at the International Conference in San Diego, 7/16/2000.

Ellen is also a FAASTeam Representative and received the 2008 Eastern Region FAA FAASTeam Representative of the Year Award. (For those reading this who are not pilots, the FAA's FAASTeam are volunteers who participate in the FAA Safety Program for pilots.)

Ellen is also a quilter and sewer and is active in her local quilt guild, Brandwine Valley Quilters, and her American Sewing Guild group, The Ripstichers. Her quilting has also been used for 99s fund raising.



IMG_3719 Quilt by Ellen Nobles-Harris 2006 99s Conf.JPG

Caption: Quilt made by Ellen Nobles-Harris for the benefit of the 2006 99s International Conference in Washington, DC. Photographer: Lilian Darling Holt Quilt Block patterns, except mariner compass and interlocking 99, from "Aviation Quilt Pattern Book", The Eastern New England Chapter Ninety-Nines, Inc.