



## Iowa Chapter 99s

Sunday, October 17, 2010

Iowa City (IOW), Iowa

The Iowa Chapter 99s met Sunday, October 17, 2010, at the Iowa City Municipal Airport. Carol Berg and Bruce Devick, Elaine and Bill Fitch, Minnetta Gardinier, Celma and Phil Higgins, and Deb and Dan McGee were in attendance.

The meeting was spent discussing preparations for the Air Race Classic (June 17-21, 2011). As of October 15<sup>th</sup>, \$8,398 has been raised. Pending requests/commitments total \$12,000. For the September installment on the start fee, \$3,000 was sent per accommodation by the ARC Board (\$4,000 was originally planned). The remaining \$1,000 will be sent with the next installment in January.

Minnetta gave each member a binder with documents to outline the schedule, responsibilities of the ARC and the start site committee. Various committee chairs need to be assigned with responsibilities outlined for each committee:

- ➔ Start Chair – Minnetta Gardinier
- ➔ Fundraising Chair – Minnetta Gardinier
- ➔ Finance Chair – Elaine Fitch
- ➔ Hotel & Hospitality Chair – Deb McGee
- ➔ Social Events Chair – Celma Higgins (Celma will ask Mary Ellen Kimball to assist.)
- ➔ Publicity Chair – Minnetta Gardinier
- ➔ Transportation Chair – Dan McGee (and other 49 1/2s?)
- ➔ Youth Outreach Chair – Carol Berg

Activities and events that are in the planning stages:

- ➔ Friday night activities will be an optional early welcome for racers at the Iowa Children's Museum. Girl Scouts will be arriving around 8:30 pm. Deb Dunkhase, ICM Director, will be the contact person and coordinate with Carol Berg.
- ➔ Girl Scouts will arrive at the airport around 11:00 am Saturday and be matched with women pilots flying the ARC. Local Iowa City and EAA Chapter 33 pilots will also work with the Girl Scouts on Saturday.
- ➔ Saturday night will be a hangar party at the airport. Denny Hodge, EAA 33 Chapter Chair, will be the contact person for this event and coordinate with Celma Higgins
- ➔ Racers will be arriving through noon on Saturday and will need to arrange to get their planes checked in and inspected. Aside from the Girl Scout event and welcome events Fri/Sat evenings, no other official activities are planned during the day on Saturday. The Iowa City Coralville Convention & Visitors Bureau will work with us to compile a list of local attractions for racers to do on their own.

- Optional tours for interested racers may include a tour of the University of Iowa Aviation Operators Performance Laboratory at IOW and Rockwell Collins.
- The Sheraton Iowa City Hotel has a block of rooms reserved for the event. Contracted price is \$99 a room with \$10 extra if parking is needed. Three rooms have been provided at no cost for use by the judges.
- Hospitality room/space will be located at the Sheraton and IOW.
- Mary Lou Wright and Martha Plowman may be contacted for timers. Minnetta will check with ARC to determine who has the responsibility to provide timers.

Next meeting will be Sunday November 21, 2010, at the Pella Airport (PEA).

*Submitted by Celma Higgins  
Chapter Secretary*