



Into The Sky Monthly Newsletter



**"Difficulty is the one excuse
history never accepts."**

Edward R. Murrow

Clouds over Mt Pinos, CA

February 2025 Stats

Flights: 5
Miles Flown: 1,173
Hours Flown: 7.23
Airports Visited: 3

Welcome to the March 2025 edition of the Newsletter!

Congratulations to mxxxxxx5@gmail.com who won the Yeti rambler this month. Check your email and let me know which you want and I'll get it shipped out. Also, bxxxxxx1@gmail.com check your email, I'd love to send you a t-shirt.

We managed to escape the LA Basin a couple of times in February. On the 1st we joined the Redlands fly-in group at their monthly fly-in, the destination this time was the metropolis of New Cuyama. We fought 40+ mph headwinds on the way there, but the air was smooth. Finally we found the edge of the cloud layer and ducked under to head up the valley to the airport. The food at the Cuyama Buckhorn was excellent and after we hopped over to the next valley and flew up the Carrizo Plain over the San Andreas Fault.

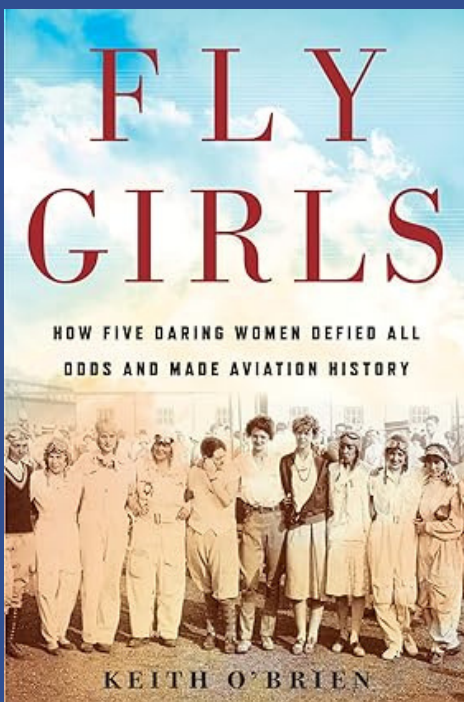
To keep the weekly flights going we took a short “flightseeing” trip over the Port of Long Beach, past the Queen Mary and USS Iowa before heading west along Rancho Palos Verdes to the Vicente Point Lighthouse.

Finally after scrapping a trip to AZ that would have been in strong winds and IMC (flying in the clouds) we went the following week to visit Dad. From the forecast winds and AIRMETs for low level turbulence I was expecting a bumpy ride, but it was surprisingly smooth! With the bonus tailwinds we made the trip in record time and topped out at 226mph ground speed, a new record! You can read about the whole trip in the article below.

The return departure from Mesa Gateway is in draft form right now but will be published this month on the blog, check back to read about the Airbus Sandwich. :)

Turbulence is where you find it

After scrapping the flight the week before for a similar forecast, we gave it a go and enjoyed a surprisingly smooth ride with ripping tailwinds! [Read more...](#)



Fly Girls

Keith O'Brien tells the fascinating story of the women that shaped early aviation flying in the air races of the 1920's and 1930's. You've heard about Amelia Earhart, now read about Florence Klingensmith, Ruth Elder, Ruth Nichols, and Louise Thaden. [Read more...](#)

[Click here to follow along with my 52 week flying challenge on my Instagram.](#)

The goal is to fly at least once a week for 52 weeks. Weeks are measured from Sunday to Saturday. I have always tried to fly about once a week, but this is making me look at my calendar a little closer. It has been a lot of fun so far, and halfway through March still perfect through 26 weeks! (Teaser, the reel for a fun flight on week 26 is currently being edited and will publish in the next week so if you don't follow my Instagram yet what are you waiting for?)

I'm still looking for that elusive balance between producing reels and writing articles, check out the flight recaps below. Clicking on a link will take you to the reel and for 90 seconds of your time you get the best parts of the flight.



Kathy's Corner

Dream Big Dreams

I tend to take too many pictures and photos, it's mind boggling. Richard often wonders who's going to watch the videos or look at all those thousands of pictures. Back in 2017, I was selling real estate full time and creating a lot of content. I came across my old video editing account and while downloading the many videos, I discovered this gem "Piloting Passengers." Richard was taking us flying for the first time after getting his Private Pilot License. We flew out of Chino to Brackett for breakfast, what a treasure! So grateful for all the memories we've made and this moment that I captured looking back at the beginning.

"Dream big dreams! Only big dreams have the power to move your mind and spirit."-Bryan Tracy

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