



Colorado Ninety-Nines Profile

Name	Terry Fiala
Ninety-Nines involvement	Currently Chapter Chairman
Occupation	Aeronautical Analyst, Boeing Intelligence & Analytics
Year that you joined	2010
Highest Pilot Certificate you hold	Commercial SEL
Ratings you hold	Instrument and Commercial, Single Engine Land and Sea
Flight Hours	about 750
Do you own an airplane?	yes
Why did you start flying?	My dad was a pilot before I was born and took my sister and me to the airport to watch planes land. An uncle is also a pilot and took me to Oshkosh many times. Then as an adult, my husband learned to fly and of course I loved going flying with him. I eventually got my own license and have loved building experience and ratings ever since.
Tell us about your favorite flying adventure	When I was living in California, I signed up for a five-day trip to learn mountain flying in the Rockies. I only had my license for a couple of months, and it changed everything. I fell in love with the Rockies and the flying challenges they presented, and also with the idea of spending a day here and a day there. It ultimately was the reason I moved to Colorado.

Why did you join The 99s?

I wanted a support group of women to talk to about flying. There are plenty of men, but sometimes you just need to share your ups and downs with another woman pilot.

What is your favorite 99s event or activity?.

My first Colorado Chapter event was an airmarking, which was way more fun than I thought it would be. Now I enjoy them all – from monthly chapter events to section and international meetings

Hobbies, interests, or information about yourself

I'm also a competitive tennis player, an avid (but amateur) koi pond tender, and I love spending time with my dogs, Rudder and Turbo, who are mini Australian Shepherds.