

The International Women's Air & Space Museum Presents: Corks in the Concourse 2012

Friday, August 31, 2012

7pm-10pm

Burke Lakefront Airport

*Take a trip back to 1912-
Celebrate Harriet Quimby's Flight
across the English Channel!*

Featuring:

Wine Tastings

Hors d'oeuvres

Music

Silent Auction & Live Raffle

Special Appearance by

Air Show Performers

Ticket Prices:

\$60.00 non-members

\$55.00 members

\$35.00 "designated drivers"

Tickets are available online at

www.iwasm.org

or by calling 216-623-1111

RSVP by August 24, 2012



Period Dress is Encouraged, but Not Required!

IWASM is a non-profit 501 (c)(3) organization. A portion of your ticket will be tax-deductible.

Join us as we celebrate Harriet Quimby's flight across the English Channel. She completed the flight on April 16, 1912 (one day after the Titanic sank) making her the first female to fly the English Channel. (She was also the first U.S. woman to earn a pilots license!) The below article describes her flight.

MISS QUIMBY FLIES ENGLISH CHANNEL



American the First Woman to
Pilot an Aeroplane Across---
Alights Near Boulogne.

HAS MADE OTHER RECORDS

The First Woman to Obtain an Avia-
tion Diploma in This Country---
Refused to Fly on Sunday.



By Marconi Transatlantic Wireless Telegraph
to New York Times

LONDON, April 16.--Miss Harriet Quimby, the American airwoman, flying under the name of "Miss Craig," flew across the English Channel today, being the first woman pilot to accomplish this feat.

She left the Dover aerodrome on a Bleriot monoplane at 5:30 A.M. passing over the town at a good speed and at a great height. She disappeared in the direction of Calais, and thirty minutes later was seen over Cape Gris Nez. She landed safely at Hardelot, further down the coast, near Boulogne, after making two circles over Boulogne.

Miss Quimby stated that she had a splendid trip in spite of the fog. She says she intends to return to England by air.

Miss Quimby, who had not previously flown in this country, was the first woman in America to win a license as an aviation pilot. She also has a French air license. When flying, she wears a knickerbocker costume of thick wool, packed with satin. It is made in one piece, including the hood, which by an ingenious device can be converted into a conventional walking skirt.

Miss Quimby's feat is not the first in which this particularly daring young woman has led the way for her sex. She won the first air diploma for a woman in America, made the first flight by a woman in this country, and for a period held the American endurance record.