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Article from the Akron Beacon Journal, September 29, 1965

Photo Caption:

FLYING MODELS Gale Brownlee (left) and Yvette Hortman will zip into Akron Thursday to take part in two Dru Allison fashion shows for O'Neil's. The suits they are wearing are typical of the new Fall collection for career girls, to be shown Thursday night at Downtown O'Neil's and Friday at the Stow-Kent store.

Article:

Models 'At Home' In Travel Clothes
By LESLIE RUGGLES

A BRAND NEW wardrobe keeps the Dru Allison girls flying high. But they aren't just on Cloud 9.

They fly to various cities to show off new Fall and Winter clothes. Actually the two girl pilots, Yvette Hortman and Gale Brownlee, are on a cross-country tour to model Dru Allison designs.

They will land in Akron Thursday for a style show "Fashions in the Air" in O'Neil's Junior World at 7 p. m. The girls will also present the fashions at the Stow-Kent store Friday at 7 p. m. All clothes are priced under \$50.

WITH THE girl flyers will be Ken Williams, fashion expert and radio-television personality, to at as commentator for the show.

As a journalist, his assignment is to cover fashion centers of the world in search of ideas for American manufacturers and newspaper articles. One Summer, he took a yacht formerly owned by King Saud and toured Denmark, Italy, Portugal and the Greek Islands.

Ken's tour with Dru Allison is a new way to show fashions – and you can bet the clothes worn by Yvette and Gale are excellent clothes for travel.

Both girls fly in their own planes, wearing their fashions en route, then climb from the cockpit modeling the first ensemble of the show.

YVETTE (Mrs. Norman) Hortman says she enjoys the ability to dress for dinner and then travel three states away to eat. And her two boys, ages 6 and 7, keep her hopping in her Piper Cherokee. Yvette was born in Paris and is a former airline stewardess.

Yvette's husband owns Morrisville Airport in Bucks County, Pa.

Gale Brownlee, in between ferrying people and planes, writes a column on "society skiing and aviation" for Ulster County Townsman, an all-woman newspaper.

Gale lives with her 8-year-old daughter in Woodstock, N. Y. She holds a commercial pilot's license, teaches flying and competes in international air races.

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Advertisement for O'Neil's Store from Akron Beacon Journal, September 29, 1965

**Presenting An Exciting Showing of
"Fashions in the Air"
Featuring Suits by Dru Allison**

(Left)

**Downtown Akron
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30th
AT 7:00 P. M. IN OUR THIRD FLOOR
JUNIOR WORLD OF FASHION**

Ken Williams, Guest Commentator (Top Left Photo)

Mr. Williams, well-known columnist and publicist from New York City, will review the Dru Allison "Fashions in the Air" for O'Neil's in Akron and Stow-Kent. Stop in for "high flying."

(Right)

**Stow-Kent
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1st
AT 7:00 P. M. IN OUR
JUNIOR WORLD OF FASHION**

We're Flying Fashion to O'Neil's

Yvette Hortman and Gale Brownlee, who recently participated in the Angel Derby to Nassau, are flying their own planes to Akron. Both are experienced pilots and competitors in international air races, and are currently making an exciting cross-country fashion tour for Dru Allison. See them in Akron or Stow-Kent in the whirlwind "Fashions in the Air" show.

(Upper Left Photo) **Gale Brownlee**

(Upper right Clothing Item) Dru Allison's woven wool Paisley suit with double breasted jacket and slim skirt. Green tones. Choose sizes 5 to 15. **\$40**

(Lower left Clothing Item) Chelsea collared suit with bow detail. Skirt has 2-pleat styling. Brown and orange tweeded tones. Choose sizes 5 to 15. **\$40**

(Lower Right Photo) **Yvette Hortman**