





On June 5, 1928, Amilea Earhart arrived in Trepassey, Newfoundland. After a very foggy flight of 4 hours, 24 minutes with two men, Bill Stultz, a pilot, and Slim Gordon, a mechanic. People were in dories with ropes. They used the ropes as tools to help the crew land the plane safely. Amelia called the people in the dories "Maritime Cowboys."



Once the plane landed, school girls started running to Amelia. Amelia thought they had permission to leave school but, they never. They had to stay late as punishment. Later, Amelia went to visit the school. The nuns were shocked by a lady wearing pants!





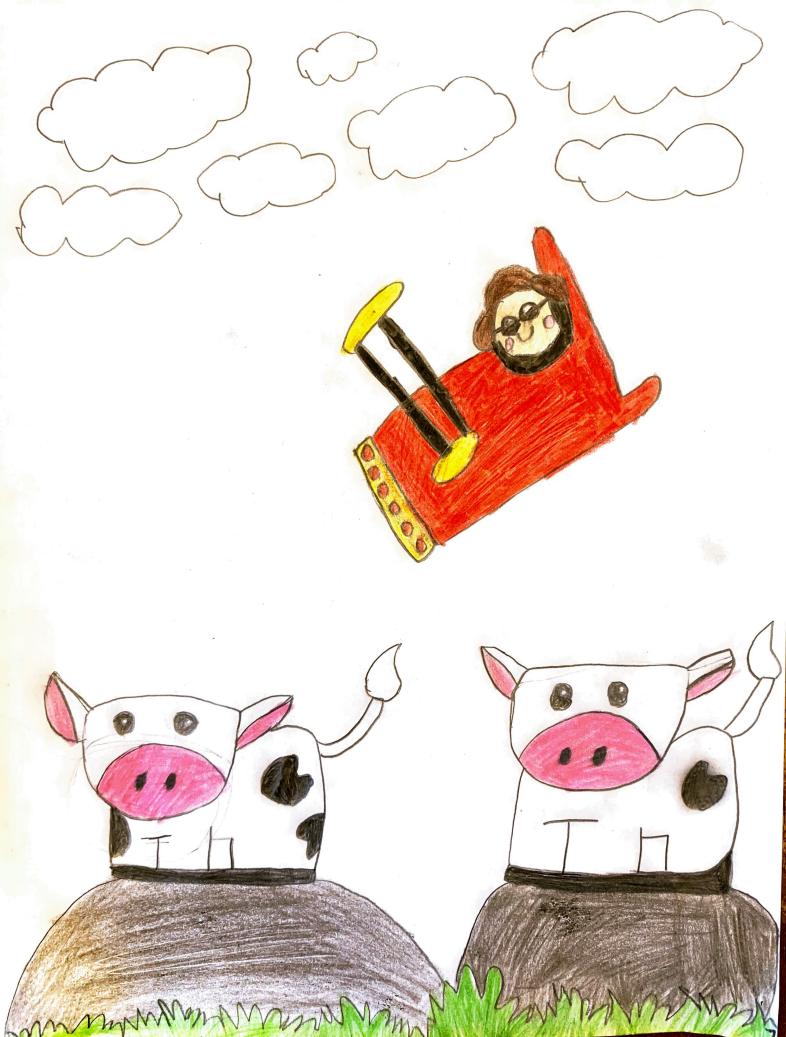
Amelia, the pilot and the mechanic stayed in a saltbox house in Trepassey, Newfoundland that belonged to the Deveraux family. Amelia got to sleep in her own room while the mechanic and the pilot had to sleep in the same room. The Deveraux children were kicked out of the house for the night. They didn't plan to stay but, because of bad weather they had no choice and ended up staying there for thirteen days. Amelia was not happy waiting in Trepassey because there were other female pilots who were trying to be the first woman to fly across the Atlantic.

Amelia and her crew left Trepassey on June 17, 1928 in their plane called The Friendship. Amelia was the flight commander on the plane which meant that she got to make the decisions. Bill Stultz wasn't feeling that well because he had drank too much the night before, but Amelia was in charge and begged him to get on The Friendship.

On June 17, 1928, they left Trepassey, Newfoundland and arrived in Burry Port, Wales, 21 hours later. They travelled approximately 3235 kilometres! People were gathered and excited to meet her. When she arrived in Wales, she became the first female to cross the Atlantic Ocean by plane. She is also called "Lady Lindy" because the man who flew the first plane across the Atlantic had the last name Lindberg. This is why they called Amelia "Lady Lindy".

Four years later, Amelia returned to Newfoundland. On May 20, 1932, Amelia landed in Harbour Grace, Newfoundland. Amelia wanted to go there because she wanted to fly the plane. She wanted to be the pilot. She didn't want to sit and wait for her crew to fly the plane. Amelia went to the Cochrane Hotel for a little rest. Before she left she got a feeding of tomato juice and a thermos of soup from the lady who owned the hotel.

She left Harbour Grace at 7:20 p.m. She didn't really know how high she was up in the air because her altimeter broke. She ended up landing in a cow field that belonged to the Gallagher family located in Northern Ireland. It took her fourteen hours and fifty six minutes to travel from Harbour Grace to Northern Ireland. She finally became the first female pilot to fly across the Atlantic to accomplish her dreams! In Harbour Grace a statue of Amelia Earhart is placed to celebrate and remember what she did.



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