

**Robert Buchanan:** He remembered there was a story in one of his FlyPast magazines that had about the PBYS. And he dug it out and I give him the number down there and he finds out it's the one down there at Palm Springs. Matter of fact it was a picture of it on the cover and then a story on the inside.

**Janis Kozlowski:** Was that before you knew that it was down in Palm Springs?

**Robert Buchanan:** No that was afterwards. In that it's got all the planes that are in – PBYS that are in museums worldwide and lists them. I have looked at PBYS at air shows, different places, ever since I got out and would take the number to find out what the military number was on it, not to just ... This plane is down there now, we found out now that it was 62. I was pretty sure that that rang a bell probably because we flew in it so much that I remembered that number 62. But I wasn't sure.

Matt talked to a fellow that I gave him, a pilot that I gave him the number, and he had also had the number of the plane on the side in his log book. So that gave us ... that's what told us that that planes number on the side was 62.

But then I went through this list and this book FlyPast of all the PBYS and I find there's six of them PBYS world-wide that I flew in. I couldn't believe that. That seems like ... it almost had to.... There's one in Norway, I flew in that one eight times, that was a PBY-5A. Then there's one in the State of Washington owned by Comanche Air Inc. and that one I only flew in once. Then there's one in Tucson, Arizona at the Pima Air and Space Museum, I flew in that one once. Of course, the one in Palm Springs I flew in 34 times. Then there's one in Brazil, that's a 6A, a PBY but it's a 6A. I flew in that one four times. And there's one in, I don't know what that is M U S period. Oh, the RAF museum Cosford, Shropshire, United Kingdom, that's a 6A and I flew in that one just one time. But those could have been, I don't know I'll have to check that, the 6As could have been either at Whidbey when we got back to the States or it could have been in the South Pacific that I flew in one of them. [See table at end of interview]

**Janis Kozlowski:** Well, that must be some kind of a record. Most guys I think just would be happy to have one of their airplanes they flew in in a museum and you have six.

**Robert Buchanan:** Well, that is amazing. The one that I flew in the Admirals plane, I had 26 flights in that one. But I, that serial number was not listed anyplace in any museum. So that one I don't know where that ones at. But I've got all the planes listed, gosh there's an awful lot of them. But the one at Palm Springs, like I say, that one I flew in the most and then the one that the Admiral had, that one next. Then I flew in one I see 23 different times. I don't where that one is, it's not listed as being anyplace. Then I see one 12, lots of 8s and 9s and so forth like that.