

EAA Ultralight Chapter 75

North Central Wisconsin Lite Flyers

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Editors Notes by Bill Markstrum

Happy New Year to all of Pat Kenney from Eagle you as we enter the tenth year of the new millennium. I hope that, despite the economic downturns in the last couple of years, you and yours are still riding high, heads well above water.

How fortunate we are in this country to be able to pursue our desire to rise above the

earth in some form of aircraft, regardless of our status. Those that can, monetarily and physically, may opt for a general aviation aircraft and license, a Sport Pilot license and Light Sport aircraft or,

at the other end but no less enjoyable and rewarding, the Ultralight category upon which our chapter was founded.

I remember very well the excitement of the mideighties when the ultralight movement was in it's gestation period. I parked my Cessna 172 and subsequently sold it because the FAA medical staff didn't with agree m y Ophthalmologist that I could still fly safely. I remember driving back from New Jersey with my wife to attend the ultralight equivalent of AirVenture in Oshkosh in 1984. How exciting that was for someone who thought his wings had been clipped for good.

River, recently sent me a reprint of a 1981 newspaper article (see page 3) which reflects the happenings of that gestation period of the ultralight movement I alluded to.

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Ercoupe to restore. Apparently he did find one that needed his tender loving care and has started work on it in his hangar. I haven't seen it yet for reasons you will soon hear, but maybe we can all take a peek at it after our Chapter Christmas party on January 16th. This year's party will he held in Rick Coe's comfortable and spacious hangar, or as I have dubbed it, The Wausau Downtown Airport Social Club. Like Rick's Niteclub in the movie "Casablanca", it's where the action is, the only things missing are Ingrid Bergman and a piano "You playing remember this---". With all the pilots that gather there, a lot of "remember when" stories come to light. Thanks Chapter member and friend, Rick for your significant



contributions to our aviation community.

Now, as to the reason I haven't yet seen Syd Cohen's new project, here is the rest of the story. It appears that two statements in the December newsletter returned to haunt me. I had commented on how several chapter members had come

> to our past Christmas parties on crutches or canes after aircraft accidents. And then there was the aviation quote on the front page that read, "Keep thy airspeed up, less the earth come from

below and smite thee". Nothing as glamorous as an aircraft crash, but the earth did come up to "smite" me. The Wednesday before New Years I ran over to a local store to pick up a small item. As they say, timing is everything. The young lady on duty had picked up the non-skid mat inside the front door and was returning with the bucket and mop just as I stepped onto the polished "wet" floor. One big Swede down and hurting! A trip to wobble-in clinic indicated a badly torn-up ankle and some knee issues. Hence, no driving and only minimal walking. What a way to end the year and start a new one! The store is picking up my medical tab. Both Ron Detert and I

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Aviation Quotes

When a prang seems inevitable, endeavor to strike the softest, cheapest object in the vicinity, as slowly and gently as possi-

Advice given to RAF pilots during WWII



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NCWLF Treasurer Report December 2009

Checking		Savings	
Balance fwd	<u>\$1,057.48</u>	Balance fwd	\$ 2,277.40
Checking Deposits	\$ 391.00	Transfer to Checking	0.00
Checking Payments	\$ 706.59	Interest	.00
Transfer to Savings	\$ 0.00	Savings Balance	<u>\$ 2,277.40</u>
Checking Balance	<u>\$741.89</u>	Total Cash:	<u>\$3,019.29</u>
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North Central Wisconsin Lite Flyers Application Form for Membership and Subscription

Mail Check Payable To:

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May we Send you an Electronic Version	of the Newsletter?	Yes No
e-mail address		
Name		
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Type of plane you fly		

Membership Dues Schedule

- \$ 12 May
- \$ 9 August
- \$ 6 November
- \$ 3 February

- \$ 11 June
- \$ 8 September
- \$ 5 December
- \$ 2 March

- \$ 10 July
- \$ 8 Septembe\$ 7 October
- \$ 4 January
- \$ 1 April

Payment of dues affords me voting privileges, and a subscription to news updates.

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Items received by the 5th are considered for that months' publication.

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receive the magazine "Aviation History", and enjoy the insight into aircraft of the past, both military and general aviation craft. This months issue features the ten

best aviation movies ever made, the author selecting "Those Magnificent Men in Their Flying Machines" as his number one choice.

Now I think I'll pop my tape of that movie into the TV,

prop up my aching ankle and advise you not to let the earth "smite thee" whether walking or flying.

> Have a great year! Bill Markstrum

Ultralights fly like birds

Ultralights fly like birds Wed., November 4, 1981 by HARVEY HANSEN Box 65, Clearwater Lake, WI 54518

Clifford Evans, Clearwater Lake, and Pat Kenny, Eagle River, are renting the hangar Elmer Peters built several years ago when he and a relative from Milwaukee owned and flew small planes here. Kenny and Evans installed new doors on the hangar and did some flying locally, Sunday, November 1.

They. are into the international recreation sport known as Ultralight Aviation and will be using the hangar as a base for flying their motorized gliders.

A 30-horsepowers snowmobile engine propels Kenny's Quicksilver 20 to 50 -some miles per hour. Evans' Wizard uses a 15 horse power engine. These can be stopped and restarted in flight and get about 50 miles to the gallon. Most of the "birds" have an undercarriage with wheels for taking off and landing. A few depend on the pilot's feet.

They usually fly a few hundred feet above the trees, though Kenny had his up to 1,800 feet. They can go much higher. Even unpowered gliders have soared over 16,000 feet and made non-stop flights of over 100 miles. A rider or pilot sits in a saddle

hanging on straps attached to part of the overhead structure. The unit resembles a hanging flower pot. Cords or cables from the rudder attach to the saddle straps. The craft climbs, turns, and descends accordingly as you shift your body backwards, left or right, or forward.

This body control gives the feeling of actually flying like a real bird. According to a dealer in Missouri, some daring souls even loop the loop and barrel roll! This is done only by experts and only with the strongest constructed machines. The industry recommends normal flying as safest by far.

And though no license is

required to fly the powered ultralights, taking some lessons from the experienced and acquiring weather savvy is the only right way to begin.

The industry has grown considerably during the last 12 years, acquiring many thousands of enthusiasts in the USA, Canada,

South America, Australia, New Zealand, Japan, Europe, etc. They have rallies, meets, competitions, classes, and sanctioning associations much like the snowmobile industry.

Most of the several makes and models of powered gliders cost between \$2,800 and \$4,000 each (in 1981 dollars), "about the same as some of the bass boats, motorcycles, a n d snowmobiles," Kenny said. So Clearwater Lake's lone eagle" has become two. And Evans and Kenny believe the sport will grow much more than that in the North Woods, since the gliders can use pontoons on water and skis on snow.

Next NCWLF Meeting Jan 16

The next Chapter 75 Meeting is the annual Christmas Party. Noon on Saturday January 16 in Rick Coes hangar at Wausau Downtown Airport. Use Gate 3 (along Lake View Dr). Rick's hangar is the first hangar on the right as you go through the gate. Use Gate Code 75# to allow access to Rick's hangar. Chapter 75 provides the broasted chicken, please bring a dish to pass. We will be doing a \$10.00 qift exchange again this year. Guys bring a mans gift and gals bring a ladies gift. Label the gift with your name and whether it is "Man" for or а "Woman". Door prizes will be awarded and that fun and crazy dice game will follow the meeting. Thank you Rick for the use of your great facility.

Hope to see you there.



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2010 Wisconsin Aviation Safety Seminar

This 1 day event will be held on Saturday March 13th, 2010 in Oshkosh, Wi. Registration is FREE, there is no admission cost for this event. Same Day registration for the event begins at 8:00 am. All sessions will break for door prize drawings and a stretch. Lunch is available "on-site" at a modest cost. This event qualifies as a "WINGS" event.

http://www.av8safe.org/wulac.html

Speakers and Topics

- Frank Beagle Seminar MC
- Joe Norris EAA Performing your Light Plane Condition Inspection
- o John Dorcey Fuel Mgmt, Can you make it?
- Brian Meyerhofer LEAF—2/4 Stroke Rotax Maintenance
- o Dennis Demeter Emergency Situations Always Flying the Airplane

Seminar Location

EAA Aviation Center 3000 Poberezny Rd - Oshkosh, WI 54902 (920) 426-4800 (800) JOIN EAA

Lodging

Americinn Motel

1495 W South Park Ave Oshkosh, WI 54902

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Super 8 Motel (.25 miles away)

1581 W South Park Ave Oshkosh, WI 54902

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NCWLF 2010 Calendar of Events



January

16 Chapter Meeting & Annual Chapter 75 Xmas Party Wausau Airport Rick Coes Hangar

February

20 Chapter Meeting Antigo Langlade Co Airport

March

- 13 Wisconsin Safety Seminar EAA AirVenture Museum Oshkosh www.av8safe.org/wulac.html
- 20 Chapter Meeting Stevens Point Municipal Airport



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