

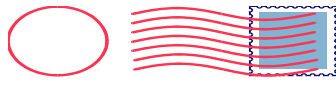


EAA Ultralight Chapter 75

North Central Wisconsin Lite Flyers

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Editors Notes by Rich Prange



Tree Trimming
Holy cow Batman, the mother of all weed whackers is based at Merrill - right now! Okay Mr. Prange, calm down, this tree trimming process has been around for 30 years - did you fall asleep?

After a brief interview with the ASI (Aerial Solutions Inc.) pilot I am now able to type a few coherent paragraphs. With a weather delayed start, aerial tree trimming will commence on Tuesday morning along the high voltage line right - of - ways here in Lincoln County. What does this have to do with ultra light and light sport aircraft? Not much.

ASI is using KRRL as a staging sight for its MD 500 helicopter, pilot/crew, support equipment, and the actual "weed whacker". The simplicity of the tree trimming machine is rather amazing. The trimmer is 130' long, a 28 hp Kohler engine powers ten 20" buzz saw blades, and weighs in at 800+ lbs. The helicopter has a 2000 lb. lifting capacity. Check it out on "you tube".

After the helicopter and the trimmer are coupled, it's off to the bushes. So you might be wondering what does this do to your electric bill. The simple answer is - a lot.

However, when compared to the conventional method of maintaining the electric line corridors, the flying bush whacker is much cheaper and more efficient. And that also seems to be appropriate work for a helicopter - someone has to do it.



Breezy at 50
The Breezy always reminded me of a large motorized dragonfly. Breezy made its first appearance at the Rockford based EAA fly-in dating back to 1965. A Breezy pilot, Carl Unger, donated well over 10,000 rides at Oshkosh and other events. Ten thousand rides, that means ten thousand landings, give or take. I can't wrap my head around that.

The Breezy redefines open cockpit. At best you sit on the airframe, perched on the truss work out there in front of the engine. Yup, kinda windy but the view has to be fantastic. There are more than 1,000 Breezys in service today. My

first contact with a Breezy, literally, was at the seaplane base at Oshkosh this year. Yes, a Breezy on floats. We didn't have time to exchange pleasantries and the pilot's approach to the docking area was a bit hot, we did make contact. No harm, no foul.

In keeping with the pontoons his aircraft had something of a nautical theme. Instead of a stick or period accurate wheel his Breezy had an old sailing ship wheel and the fuel tank had a keg like appearance marked "XX Rum XX".

Another successful fly - in at Boulder Junction. Early bird fliers and chapter volunteers were rewarded with a nice Saturday evening and a pulled pork dinner prepared by Chef Darko. That fair weather continued through Sunday and pilot attendance was nearly as high as last year. The template for this event gets tweaked and fine tuned each year and feedback comments are always positive. Only one scar for 2014, a bad landing resulting in pilot injury and aircraft damage. The pilot was hospitalized overnight for observation and minor cuts.

PTT Problems
With a medical issue that could have been life changing

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August 2014**

<i>Checking</i>		<i>Savings</i>	
<i>Balance fwd</i>	<u><i>\$ 1,723.48</i></u>	<i>Balance fwd</i>	<u><i>\$ 58,604.33</i></u>
<i>Checking Deposits</i>		<i>Transfer to Checking</i>	<i>3,000.00</i>
<i>Transfer</i>	<i>3,000.00</i>	<i>Interest</i>	<i>2.40</i>
<i>Deposits</i>	<i>426.00</i>	<i>Savings Balance</i>	<u><i>\$ 55,606.73</i></u>
<i>Checking Payments</i>		<i>Total Cash:</i>	<u><i>\$ 58,334.18</i></u>
<i>Checks</i>	<i>2,422.03</i>		
<i>Checking Balance</i>	<u><i>\$ 2,727.45</i></u>		

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North Central Wisconsin Lite Flyers
Application Form for Membership and Subscription

Mail Check Payable To:

NCWLF
P.O. Box 12
Schofield, WI 54476

May we Send you an Electronic Version of the Newsletter? Yes No

e-mail _____

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

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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
- \$ 7 October
- \$ 4 January
- \$ 1 April

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

Send dues to: NCWLF P.O. Box 12 Schofield, WI 54476

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a few years ago, my doctor explained his approach to finding a solution. He said "when you hear hoof beats don't expect to see a zebra, look for a horse or a cow." Put that thought on reserve. A PTT switch was causing auditory damage to anyone in range of the radio in my Avid. I asked around for a possible quick fix. The answers immediately got rather exotic; impedance, side band feedback, mismatched antenna and other my radio transmissions wandered into hangar #26 with a couple of simple questions about the offending PTT switch. Two minutes later the problem was found and a solution developed. Thanks, Steve. I looked around for a zebra, found none, only a cow mooing just north of the airport. Keep your needle in the green.



Tuesday Fly Night

Fly nights are done for 2014. Taking into consideration that we have had a windy and stormy summer we have had good times and good turn-outs. August fifth took us to Scherrico Meadows south of Marathon City hosted by Harold Schauer. Harold spent two days putting up that huge tent and filled nearly all of the chairs with neighbors and flyers. Nice of Harold to invite neighbors to join in. Makes for a good relationship with friends that live near by.

I had to leave early to make sure I wasn't riding my scooter during prime deer time but when I left there was six aircraft on the line and I spotted a couple more heading that way. Thank you Harold for hosting. Always enjoy watching you pigeon flight wing it's way home. August nineteenth took us to Circle K south of Irma. We were camping in Door County with our kids so missed this one. Hope it was well attended as Darrell does a beautiful job maintain-

ing his grass strip. Thank you Darrell and Candee Kuhn for hosting. That caps our fly night season. A huge thank you to all that hosted and thanks also to those that attend. I have a blank page for next year so if you desire to host please contact me by email or cell phone. Email is: djneitzel@gmail.com phone is: 715 891 7213. Thanks again everyone and have a safe winter on the ground and in the air.

August 2014 NCWLF Meeting Minutes

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The August meeting of the NCWLF was held at the Wild Rose Airport. The weather kept some pilots from flying their planes in but a few did make it. There were 32 people present. President Steve

Krueger called the meeting to order with the ringing of the Payzer Bell. Self introductions took place and the Secretary and Treasure reports were accepted as printed in the newsletter.

Old Business; Steve gave a brief review of our chapter

activities at Oshkosh AirVenture. Musky Day at Boulder Junction was a success with 81 airplanes showing up. Bob would have been proud, and the chicken was fantastic as usual.

New Business; This Tuesday

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Next NCWLF Meeting

Our next chapter get together will be Saturday, Sept 20 1:30 PM at the Little O'Hare fly in near Little Chicago. See all the info in the Fall Fly in Flyer. Hope to see you there!

Wisconsin Hamburger Social

Great reason to get your airplane out and go flying. Find a local social near you or host one at your local airport. <http://www.wisconsinflying.com/flysocial/socials/socials.html>



Calendar of Events

- Sept 6 Merrill Airport Day
- Sept 20 Chapter Meeting - Little O'Hare
- Sept 20 2014 Little O'Hare Fly-In
- Oct 18 Chapter Meeting
- Nov 15 Chapter Meeting
- Dec 13 Chapter Meeting

Events are preliminary and are subject to Change. Calendar of Events is updated monthly. Contact Tom Voss tvosswi@gmail.com to list events in subsequent newsletters

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evening is the final fly night for the season. Darell and Candi Kuhn will be hosting. Merrill Airport Day will be September 6th. One lucky pilot who flies in that day will win \$150. PIC will get a free pastry breakfast or hamburger lunch.

It was decided that the compe-

dition events that were to be held would be postponed to a future date but in the end three pilots flew the competition and the awards were handed out. There was even an unofficial event added which was a short takeoff contest that everyone enjoyed.

\$100 Door Prize names drawn in order were...Dan Marlenga

the winner!

The next meeting will be at the Little O'Hare Airport near Marathon. (Our annual Fall Fly-in).

Meeting adjourned and a delicious lunch was served by the Wild Rose Airport Ladies.

Secretary
Jim Shnowske

Buy Sell Trade

✈ Small country home For Rent in Tomahawk area, with hangar. 715-536-1264.

✈ I Com A5 handheld aircraft radio. With charger and headset adapter, like new. \$125 Gordy 715-571-6826

✈ Val avionics COM 2000 transceiver (aircraft radio) with wiring harness. Recent updates and installation manual included. \$600 Contact Paul Buss 715-551-3562

✈ To Give Away, Aviation Magazine Collection. Sport Aviation, Flying, Private Pilot and the like, dating back as far as the 70's. All bundled together in very good condition. Lee Wagner 715-536-0063 home 715-966-

5221 cell

✈ 1990 Kolb Firestar 503 Rotax \$4,500 David Breger 920-410-4671

✈ 1947 Luscombe 8A Half interest Qualifies Light Sport S/N 5689, N2962K Continental 65hp (A-65-8) Aluminum/blue, Cleveland brakes, New tail wheel, Skis, Sporty's A300 Transceiver, external antenna, push-to-talk, intercom. Airframe Total Time: 3164 hours. Engine: 787 SMOH. STC autogas (SA730GK, SE634GL) Current annual 6/2010 Hangered Stevens Point, WI \$8,000 Charley White 715 344-5646

✈ Aero Vee VW engine that appears to be 1700

CC. Needs some TLC to make it airworthy. Spring landing gear with wheels, tires and cable brakes. Tinted canopy 6' x 2' approx 18" high. Ron Lorch 715-891-7234.

✈ Type 8, B gear box, 2.58:1 ratio with 16.2 hours of run time. Bret Taplin 715-341-4093 b t a - plin@msworldnet.com

✈ Rotax 582 "bluehead" Ebox, Radiator, Oil Inj, Throttle & Choke Cables, Engine Mount Plate, Assembled, New, 0 hours. Michael Cole 715-423-0348 or 715-423-1128



2014
Little O'Hare
Fly-In
Marlenga, Post, Blume Airstrip
Little Chicago

Sept 19, 20, 21 2014

15457 Short Lane Drive
Marathon, WI 54448

Dan & Patty Marlenga 715-432-5990
Russ & Julie Post 715-443-3938

2 grass strips
(N 45° 01.383) (W 89° 50.101)

Power Lines on east end

Radio Freq 122.9

**** keep an eye out ****

for non-radio equipped planes

Friday Sept 19

- Fly-In/Drive-In - Bring Your Campers and Tents

Saturday Sept 20

- 1:30-EAA Utralight Chapter 75 Meeting/Pilot Safety Meeting
- 3:00-Proficiency Events
- 4:30-Airplane rides and balloon Launch
- 5:00-Chicken Dinner - Bring A Dish to Share
- 7:30-Campfire and Singing After Dark

Sunday Sept 21

- Depart anytime for home

*Camping Available
(No Hookups)*



Proficiency Events

- Battleship
- Bean Bag Drop
- Spot Landing

**After Dark
around the Campfire
Live Music
Open Mike**



Bring a lawn chair, a blanket, and your favorite beverage

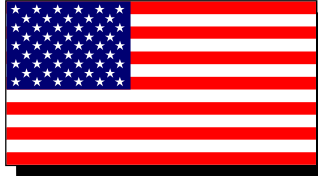
By Car: From Wausau

Hwy 29 West 10 miles to Marathon City.

North on Hwy 107 6 miles to Short Lane Drive

East on Short Lane Drive 1/4 mile





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