



# EAA Ultralight Chapter 75

North Central Wisconsin Lite Flyers

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## Editors Notes by Rich Prange



Let's Go Flying  
The forty hour restriction has been satisfied and now it is time to go somewhere. The sky is the limit - sorta. To determine my range should not be too difficult. Burn rate per hour plus reserve, right?

E0 (zero ethanol) Mogas could be an issue. Being the new-kid-on-the-block, I've had lots of good advice from my aviator peers, but I also needed to dig bit deeper. Turns out all the info has been very accurate.

So what is the problem? My flying machine has two seven gallon fiberglass tanks and it would require major surgery to replace or reline them. Most readers already know that ethanol fuel sloshing around in a polyethylene resin tank is not a good combo. The tanks slowly dissolve allowing glass fibers to plug fuel lines etc, etc. Now gravity becomes a consideration, you can always rely on it - 32 ft/sec/sec.

Where to get a reliable source of non-ethanol fuel is my concern when considering a cross country flight. In, near, and around KRRL, E0 Mogas is readily available but what about

Podunk, or Sloughfoot, WI?

After a short internet search a site, Pure-Gas.Org, popped up. Updated listings, state by state, city by city, brand by brand with octane rating made me feel a lot better. This web site also gave phone numbers as a double check of availability. Fetching the fuel at an unfamiliar airport might also require some advanced planning. Airport limo?

C2H4O supplemented fuel probably won't go away. The USA, with Iowa as the epicenter, already produces more ethanol fuel than all European countries added together. Fortunately, for me, our state has 757 pump locations with "pure gas" listed, and probably a few more.

In my internet research I also found a list of ten "Mogas Myths" - more good information if you need to avoid ethanol fuel. If you have a choice of pumps, pick the type that have separate hoses for each fuel rating.

Washington Island  
This beautiful rock off the tip of Door County becomes rather noisy in the winter as the winds gust up

to 30-40 mph. My bride and I teach at Sievers School of Fiber Arts several times each year, one of those sessions every February. That same wind also shuts down the ferry line!

On the way to "work" I always drive by their beautiful grass strip airport to see what's goin on. A horizontal blizzard made for zero visibility so I'm not sure the hangars are still there. And the ferry boat operators wouldn't take us back to Northport either. But definitely not a bad place to be stranded.

Winter Stir Crazies  
If we could just burn firewood to propel our airplanes. Think about it. For us recreational flyers, we could just drop down near a wood lot (on skis), get out a hatchet, chop a couple bundles, stoke the boiler and keep on going - me and Ole.

Oh sure, weight and drag could be problematic but my copilot Ole is sharper than our aircraft grade aluminum hatchet. Think I'll go out for a walk and clear my head. Keep your needle in the green.

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### Chapter 75 2015 Calendars

Calendars available for pick up at our March meeting. Extra copies are available if you did not pre order. \$11.00 per calendar.

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Checking		Savings	
Balance fwd	<u>\$ 2,121.61</u>	Balance fwd	<u>\$ 54,115.48</u>
Checking Deposits		Transfer to Checking	5,000.00
Transfer	5,000.00	Interest	
Deposits	465.00	Savings Balance	<u>\$ 49,115.48</u>
Checking Payments		Total Cash:	<u>\$ 51,887.09</u>
Checks & Cash	4,815.00		
Checking Balance	<u>\$ 2,771.61</u>		

**EAA ULTRALIGHT CHAPTER 75**  
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**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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## Tuesday Fly Night

Once again we will have fly nights on the first and third Tuesday of June, July and August. Only four more months of winter and the grass strips and airports will be drying out and coming alive.

My name is Dick Neitzel and I'm the coordinator for fly nights. If you are interested in hosting a fly night we would love to join you for fellowship and to swap

flying tales. If you provide refreshments (not required), keep it simple, not looking for a banquet! If you want to sign on, I have lots of openings! You can contact me by email or give me a call.

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715 891 7213.

If you host on a grass strip, please include driving directions for those that are still working on plane projects,

but still desire to partake in the fly night activities.

Lets make this another safe and fun flying season. Also hope that the Tuesday night fly night weather is kinder to us this year. If your date is canceled due to weather, we will try again on the following Tuesday. Appreciate your interest. Lets go fly!

## February 2015 NCWLF Meeting Minutes

The February meeting of the NCWLF was held at the Antigo Airport FBO. 21 people and 1 airplane showed up. President Steve Krueger called the meeting to order with the ringing of the Payzer Bell (thanks Bob!). Self introductions followed. The secretary and treasures reports were read and accepted.

Old Business; Secretary Jim Shnowske received a certificate and pin in recognition of his faithful service to the club. There are still some 2015 club calendars left for sale. \$11.00 apiece. Contact Larry Wenning if you want one (or more). Steve asked if our club wanted to have a promotion table at the Safety Seminar. Rich Prange agreed to man the table

which will showcase our chapter newsletters, calendars, etc. Pioneer Ultralight days are currently a GO for Fathers Day weekend, June 20th.

New Business: The Chapter 75 2015 Spring Adventure to Pensacola, FL is planned to depart May 16th. Contact Jim Shnowske for more details. Joe Mapes reports he and Paul Buss did a Technical Counselor visit to look over a Mini-Max under construction. Joe also flew to the ski-plane flyin at Pioneer Airport. After some cake and hot chocolate, Joe was warm enough to fly home to his strip in Custer.

Drawing; Names drawn in order were, Joe Urban, Tony Borchardt, Rob Caughron, Hugh

Soutag, and Jim Shnowske was the winner! Remember, you have to be present to win.

Last months newsletter had a picture showing a group of some members who were at the Antigo meeting two years ago along with instructions to try to identify them to win a prize. Jim Kleman was the winner! His prize, a magnum size Hersey bar!

The next meeting of the NCWLF will be March 21st , 10:30 AM at the new terminal building at the Merrill Airport. See You There!

Secretary Jim Shnowske

## Next NCWLF Meeting March 21 Merrill Airport New Terminal Building

Our next Chapter meeting will be Saturday, March 21, 10:30 AM Merrill Airport at the new terminal building. The new building is located on the south side of Runway 7/25. New Terminal address 1701 Champagne St. Lunch to follow. Hope to see you there



*Merrill Airports new Terminal building is ready for use, come and see.*

## Buy Sell Trade

- ✈️ CGS Hawk Classic single place tail dragger. Excellent cond. 447 Rotax 275 hrs. Fabric like new. 6 " tires and wheels. Gear box, Powerfin prop. 5gal fuel tank. Great instruments, radio, antenna, spare tires and rims. Flies great, good cruise. Always hangered. Fly it home. Needs nothing. \$4,300 or trade for a Harley Sportster. 715-525-1923
- ✈️ Val avionics COM 2000 transceiver (aircraft radio) with wiring harness. Recent updates and installation manual included. \$600 Contact Paul Buss 715-551-3562
- ✈️ 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 Trans, ext ant, push-to-talk, intercom. Airframe TT 3164 hours. 787 SMOH. STC autogas (SA730GK, SE634GL) Current annual 6/2010 Hangered Stevens Point, WI \$8,000 Charley White 715 344-5646

## Exupery II ("X")

*Yes. I am the master of short field landing!*



Note: remember your best French accent

## 2015 Calendar of Events

March 21 Chapter Meeting Merrill Airport	July 20 -26 EAA AirVenture Oshkosh
April 21-26 Sun N Fun Lakeland FL	Aug 9 Musky Day Fly In Boulder Junction
April 18 Chapter Meeting Stevens Point	Aug 15 Chapter Meeting
May 16 Chapter Meeting	Oct 17 Chapter Meeting
June 20 Chapter Meeting	Nov 14 Chapter Meeting
July 11 Chapter Meeting	Dec 12 Chapter Meeting

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