



EAA Ultralight Chapter 75

North Central Wisconsin Lite Flyers

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First Aerial Bombing

Being educated in Saluki country, Southern Illinois, SIU, I heard some of these details back in the 60s. There are facts to support a claim that the first bombing by airplane occurred in Williamson County IL. This event was not a military exercise such as those performed by General Billing Mitchell nor an act of war from a foreign country.

"Bloody Williamson County" already infamous throughout Illinois and the mid west,

for murderous labor disputes in the coal mines of the early 1920s, and then followed by bloody KKK warfare in the same area. Almost seamlessly gang style bootleg battles followed during the prohibition era.

The players in this disturbance was the Birger gang and the Shelton boys. All of the towns in Williamson and surrounding counties were under constant threat of shotgun, Thompson machine-gun fire and dynamite blasts to protect bootlegging turf. The area was out of control and lawless.

But what about the aerial bombing? November 12, 1926, a pilot flying a Jenny JN - 4 on a barnstorming tour was "coerced" into a short scenic flight over the Southern Illinois country side.

Little did the pilot know that his passenger was carrying possibly the first IEDs - three bundles of dynamite tied around three glass containers of nitroglycerine.

According to my researchers the pilot was clueless until he reached the drop sight. Docu-



mentation indicates none of the "bombs" hit their target and only one exploded killing the gang bosses favorite bulldog and a pet bird. With great haste the pilot returned to his landing sight, dropped off his passenger(rival gang member) and was never heard from again.

Eventually after more violence, the hanging of Charlie Birger, and the repeal of prohibition, small towns of Williamson County transgressed into a level of peace and quiet. Birger's capital punishment was the last legal hanging in Illinois. Today Marian IL has a very nice airport which was the base of operations for Ozark Airlines, now defunct. Still no sign of the pilot flying the JN - 4, he had to land somewhere!

Can We fly Now



Any second now our March/April weather should stabilize and we can get on with our Tuesday night fly-ins and general aviation. New fuel lines and tires, in the mail, will make my Avid airworthy for the season.

Not being a polymer chemist this writer would suggest caution when selecting plastic tubing for fuel delivery. The original off-the-shelf tubing installed on my fly-ing machine turned very rigid very fast. Do your research.

Butt Ugly

My research team and I had an ugly airplane contest. The rules were simple - ugliest aircraft ever built. I'm the boss, I won! This Russian master piece of oversized ugliness was designed and actually flown in the early 1930s. The Kalinin 7 was so homely my computer printer refuse to run a likeness of this airplane.

Look it up on your home PC or go to your local library and insult their equipment.

To get the beast off terra firma required twelve (12) BMW engines. The Russian government must have farmed out some of the concept work to H. K. Porter, a bridge and steam locomotive manufacturer. Keep Your needle in the green.

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Chapter 75 2015 Calendars

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

April 2015 NCWLF Meeting Minutes

The April meeting of the NCWLF was held at the Stevens Point Airport FBO. 39 people and 6 airplanes showed up. President Steve Krueger called the meeting to order with the ringing of the Payer Bell (Thanks Bob!). Self

introductions were followed by the reading of the secretary and treasurer reports which were accepted as read.

Old Business: Only a couple of Chapter calendars remain un-

sold. Contact Steve if you want one (\$11.00). Contact Larry Wenning to renew your Chapter membership. Still only \$12.00/year. Steve is waiting on more info for this years Ultralight Days

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NCWLF Treasurer Report
May 2015

Checking		Savings	
Balance fwd	<u>\$ 2,692.46</u>	Balance fwd	<u>\$ 49,115.48</u>
Checking Deposits		Transfer to Checking	6.39
Transfer		Interest	6.39
Deposits		Savings Balance	<u>\$ 49,121.87</u>
Checking Payments		Total Cash:	<u>\$ 51,814.33</u>
Checks			
Cash			
Checking Balance	<u>\$ 2,692.46</u>		

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Application Form for Membership and Subscription

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

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

Send comments, questions, suggestions, etc... to tvosswi@gmail.com

April 2015 NCWLF Meeting Minutes cont...

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at Pioneer Airport. The event is limited to Ultralight and light sport aircraft. Fathers Day weekend (June 20) is the date of the event. Dick Neitzel is again coordinating the Tuesday evening flyouts for our chapter. There are open dates if you would like to host one of the evenings.

New Business: Trustee Joe Mapes called for nominations of officers to the body. A motion was made, seconded, and approved to keep all officers and trustees in office for another year. MaDonna McMahan shared that on July 19th in the evening, at the outdoor theater at Oshkosh, there will be shown a National Geographic film titled "The Age of Aviation". Rich Prange, our newsletter editor is asking all of our chapter members to submit any builder hints, trip reports, etc. to be included

in our newsletter. Wednesday evening burger nights are again being planned at airports around Wisconsin. June 3 will be at Wausau, June 10 will be at Marshfield.

Gary Schultz talked about changes taking place at the Merrill Airport. There is a new airport manager (Rich McCullough). He has recently completed his A&P and would like to work with pilots doing owner assisted condition inspections on experimental aircraft. The new terminal building is accessible along with 24 hour self serve fuel. Eventually camping will be allowed along with the use of a courtesy car, bicycles, and a grill on the patio.

There will not be a Memorial Day flyin at Dolhun Field this year but there will be a hamburger night there on June 4th.

Project Reports: Doug Schubing started cutting wood to build his Mini-Max 15 months ago. He is putting the final varnish on the fuselage and making the metal parts. He will be using the Stewart finishing system. Power for his plane will be a Hirth F33 28hp engine.

\$100 Drawing: Jim VanWyche was the first name drawn and he was PRESENT!

A big thank you to our Stevens Point area pilots who provided some delicious food after the meeting.

The next meeting is at Dan Marlengas "Little OHare" airstrip near Marathon on Saturday, May 16th at 10:30AM.

Secretary
Jim Shnowske

KRRL-Air Tourism Friendly

The Merrill Airport Commission has decided to promote more activity and increase operations at KRRL, Merrill Airport. Our New Terminal Building is nearing completion. It's already open and useable, with keys in the doors, bathrooms, free WiFi, etc.

EAA Communications has been notified that KRRL will offer the following services:

Special Fuel Pricing. Presently \$4.25 per gal., with a possible lower special price around the time of the Oshkosh EAA AirVenture 2015 Event.

Airport Camping. Bring your own tie-downs, please. All planes must be tied down by sundown.

New Terminal Building. Large, open pilot's lounge, showers, and kitchenette. Floor camping will be allowed. A picnic table and gas grill will also be available on the patio.

Courtesy Car and Courtesy Bikes. It is always advisable to call ahead to reserve the Courtesy Car or the Courtesy Bicycles, to assure they will be available.

Americinn Motel. Special pilot's discount room rate.

AirVenture Survival Gift Snack Pack. For transient EAA pilots, stopping en-route to Oshkosh AirVenture 2015.

Merrill has a rich history from the logging era and a small town friendly culture. Published biking

trails make for easy access to central down town for sandwich and coffee shops, ice cream shops, the "Cosmo" movie theatre, the reputed Haunted T.B. Scott Mansion and Council Grounds State Park (for a swim) all within 2-1/2 miles of the airport.

Rich McCullough Airport Mgr.
715 536-2024 / 715 302-1049

Gary Schultz 715-218-5539

Steve Krueger 715-204-2928

Next NCWLF Meeting May 16 Little Chicago

Our Next Chapter Meeting is Saturday May 16, 10:30 AM at Dan and Patty Marlenga's Little O'Hare field near Little Chicago. Lunch and refreshments to follow. Contact Dan @715-432-5990 for any additional info. Hope to see you there



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/central/central.html>

Buy Sell Trade

- ✈ 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,

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Buy Sell Trade cont...

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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 btaplin@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

Membership Dues

Is your membership expiring? This may be your Last Newsletter. Did you get an email notification? Or, check your mailing label. Send your membership dues today to:
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 Schofield, WI 54476



EAA Ultralight Day 2015

The Father's Day weekend Ultralight Chapter Fly-in at EAA Pioneer Airport is being held once again! On behalf of EAA, I invite you and your chapter members to participate in the event. This event will be held on **Saturday, June 20th at EAA's Pioneer Airport.**

As we did in prior year's events, each chapter will have an identified flight leader. Chapter 75 is Steve Krueger, Chapter 1 is Steve Magdic and Chapter 1331 Greg Klemp. Flight leaders are asked to be responsible

for organizing their chapter and ensuring that the group flies into Pioneer Airport together, and follows the proper procedures. Mass arrivals between 9-10 a.m., weather permitting. Contact flight leads for additional information.

Here are a few of the details:

- All arrivals to Pioneer Airport must be as a group with the designated flight leader in charge of the group.
- Any ultralight or light-sport aircraft that would normally fly at the ultralight runway during AirVenture are welcome to attend.
- Beginning at 1 p.m., pilots will conduct several proficiency events per the approved EAA chapter guidelines which include accuracy landings, bean bag drops, and torpedo run contests.. Proficiency events

organized and run by Chapter 75. Any competitor who scores in the top three of each event will receive a special plaque.

- Lunch will be available for purchase from 11 a.m. to 3



should park in the EAA Nature Center or EAA Air Academy Lodge parking lots and walk to Pioneer Airport.

- EAA has camping facilities and beds in the volunteer bunkhouse. Both of these require advance notice. Flight Leads should contact Timm Bogenhagen by May 20th with tentative needs.

- A tentative list of planes flying needs to be sent to Timm Bogenhagen from Steve Krueger by May 20th.

p.m. No pre-arranged dinner is planned.

- Aircraft rides will be available for purchase from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- Admission to the activities is included with regular museum admission for non-EAA members, and is free for EAA members.
- Ethanol-free auto gas will be available at Pioneer airport. Individuals are responsible for providing their own oil and DOT-approved fuel containers.
- A guard will be posted at the car drive entrance to Pioneer Airport. Passes are needed for people and cars. Flight Leads should contact Timm Bogenhagen by May 20th with tentative needs. Any chapter support people driving in

If you are interested in flying for this fun event, contact Steve Krueger 715 204 2928.

Plans are being finalized for our mandatory group arrival.

Visitor Information

Visitors must park in the Museum parking lot and enter through the main Museum entrance doors. A tram will run between the AirVenture Museum and Pioneer Airport all day beginning at 8:30 a.m.

For more information call Timm Bogenhagen EAA Ultralight & Light-Plane Community Manager 920-426-6831.

<http://www.eaa.org/en/eea-museum/eea-museum-events/ultralight-day>

Birthday Flight

As Jack Burkam took the controls for part of a flight back from our Stevens Point chapter meeting, he related to his co-pilot that he had once seen Roscoe Turner and touched his aircraft. Jack has even flown in a Republic Seabee. On this day, Jack's 83rd birthday, he was flying and touching an Apache 235.



This friendly gesture was made possible by the owner of N4942P, Gary Schultz. Happy landings Jack, we wish you many more.

Jack, Some Facts from 1932 that You Might Have Missed:

- From the Royal Aero Club of the United Kingdom:

- John W.R.M. Salsbury - Tre-lawny received his aviator certificate # 10257.

- The de Havilland "Tiger Moth" entered service with the RAF Flying School.

- First flight of the Boeing "P-26 Peeshooter".

- Egyptian Air Force is formed.

- Amelia Earhart makes the first transcontinental flight across the U.S. by a woman.

- First flight of the Beech "Staggerwing".

- Tata Sons opens an airmail route between Karachi and Madras.

- Cyril F. Uwins set an altitude record at 43,976 ft flying a Vickers "Vespa".

- Roscoe Turner finishes third in the Bendix Trophy Race from Burbank to Cleveland in his Wendell - Williams Model 44. He lost to Jasper Haizlip also flying a WW - 44.

Tuesday Fly Night

Once again we will have fly nights on the first and third Tuesday of June, July and August. My name is Dick Neitzel and I'm the coordinator for fly nights.

Tuesday fly night schedule is full!

Steve and Karen Krueger are going to start our fly night schedule on June 2nd, in Merrill.

Dan Marlenga will host on June 16th at little Chicago. If you are flying in, GPS coordinates are: N45 01 .425 W089 49 .786 If you are driving in: Go west out of AUW on 29, turn north on 107, watch for Short Lane and all the airplanes on the right.

Thanks to all that are hosting our fly nights. In the event that there is inclement weather, plan on the

following Tuesday for these destinations. Watch the June newsletter for the July destinations.

Lets make this another safe and fun flying season. Lets go fly!

Dick Neitzel

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2015 Calendar of Events

- May 16 Chapter Meeting - Little Chicago Airfield
- June 20 Chapter Meeting - Ultralight Day Pioneer Airport Oshkosh
- July 11 Chapter Meeting
- July 20 -26 EAA AirVenture Oshkosh
- Aug 9 Musky Day Fly In Boulder Junction
- Aug 15 Chapter Meeting
- Oct 17 Chapter Meeting
- Nov 14 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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