



EAA Ultralight Chapter 75

North Central Wisconsin Lite Flyers

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The Future ?

I'm not sure how I feel about a new flying gizmo using the name "Kitty Hawk". Yes, there is the USS Kitty Hawk CV-63 aircraft carrier, but a flying machine by that name does not feel right. An eight fan driven electric aircraft really does not feel right! My 76 year old brain just needs to be a bit more flexible.

Larry Page, Goggle founder, is



not going to rename their flying trampoline for me. Technically an ultra light aircraft, this prototype actually resembles a trampoline with an open air motorcycle style cockpit. It is advertised as "incredibly simple for anyone to operate".

This writer had the opportunity



to view a demo flight at the seaplane base, AirVenture 2017. The "Kitty Hawk launched from a 30' x 30" air mattress at Wolf

Creek Bay, Lake Winnebago. The current intent is to fly this hovercraft over water and in an "uncongested area". The pilot mounted his motorcycle-like seat, after installing the battery for his audience, lifted off without hesitation. The 5-7 minute demo flight went off without a hitch under total control.

I Didn't Know This

If you lived on the U.S. gulf coast area and issued a typhoon warning most of the locals would say "y'all ain't from here are ya". So what is the question?

What is the difference between a cyclone, a hurricane, and a typhoon? To most pilots all three of these terms mean stay close to your hangar and hope it does not get blown away. To weather scientists these violent weather names have the same end result, usually destruction. The term you use to describe this weather phenomenon is a function of where "ya ben brung up".

Most pilots, as stated, would just sit tight and wait for calmer weather. For certain NOAA pilots, hurricane flying is just another day at the office. Their work station is a flying laboratory. As many as thirteen aircraft can be airborne at one time investigating a hurricane.

Inside the eye of a hurricane is the focal point and punching through the eye wall is the challenging part. Flight within the eye



is described as peaceful, calm, serene, etc. Why go there?

The NOAA research fleet includes "Miss Piggy" and "Kermit" both Lockheed WP-3s. Using onboard Doppler radar, a very accurate picture of the hurricane's structure can be determined. Along with launching GPS -- "dropwindsondes"-- and recording many other measurements, weather forecasters can improve the accuracy of storm prediction considerable. Most of this data is collected by flying into and out of the eye wall. This type of piloting is way above my pay grade; interesting work if you can get it.

As I write, SE Texas is taking a beating from Hurricane Harvey. Good luck Houston.

Utah Bound

I will be driving west next month and perhaps bump into some interesting aviation material. I also know that a couple Chapter 75 pilots are heading for a real adventure to the Northwest; we'll be waiting for some feedback. Good luck guys.

Good Fortune

I have mentioned luck twice in this writing. Did you know that the odds of finding a four leafed clover are 1 in 10,000? Yup, "trifoleum" plus one, is supposed to yield, to the finder, good luck.

Keep your needle in the green.

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**NCWLF Treasurer Report
September 2017**

<u>Checking</u>		<u>Savings</u>	
Balance Forward	\$ 2,660.94	Balance Forward	\$ 36,653.75
Checking Deposits		Interest	.94
Deposits	84.00		
Checking Payments		<u>Savings Balance</u>	\$ 36,654.69
Cash (July & August)	200.00		
<u>Checking Balance</u>	\$ 2,544.94	<u>Total Cash</u>	\$ 39,199.63

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

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- \$ 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

August 2017 NCWLF Meeting Minutes

The August meeting of the NCWLF was held at the Wild Rose Airport. Nineteen people attended and seven airplanes flew in. President Steve Krueger called the meeting to order with the ringing of the Payzer Bell (THANKS BOB). Self introductions were followed by the secretary and treasurer reports which were accepted as read.

Old Business; The Musky Day Fly in was a success! 74 planes flew in, 11 of which were seaplanes. Steve thanked those from our chapter that helped the fly in go so smoothly, and also some others that showed up Saturday and assisted on Sunday. Next year will be the 20th year for the Fly in. A thank you letter will be sent to Joey Salaja (to be read at a city council or airport committee meeting) stating how we appreciated the shuttle bus and the city support of the fly in. A question was asked about how much it costs our club to put on the fly in. Funding of the fly in has been taken over by others and

our chapter spends no money, but we still help with volunteers.

A special Thank you goes out to our club members and family members that volunteered at AirVenture or helped prep for the show or helped with the tear down: Paul and Sue Buss, Larry and Julie Wenning, Joe Mapes, Jim Shnowske, Jim Cote, Amber and Piper Buss, Rich Prange, Steve Krueger, Tom and Sue Brown, Carl Greene, Mike Weinfurter, John Szigat, Paul and Ann Seehafer, Our apologies to anyone that was missed.

New Business; Our condolences to the family of Harold Benisch who passed away during the week of AirVenture.

Today (August 19) is National Aviation Day as proclaimed by FDR. Our Tuesday fly nights have ended with only one cancellation for the summer. Thank you to Dick Neitzel for coordinating the fly nights.

Project Reports; We received a note from Mike Pritchard letting us know he has finished a Kitfox Model IV with a Rotax 912. He has changed the bungee gear to the Grove gear. Brett Wilke invited everyone to his hanger to view the progress on his Thatcher.

Trips; Larry Gordon is planning on flying south to view the eclipse. Paul Buss and Larry Wenning are planning on leaving on a trip to Idaho August 28 or 29 for a mountain flying and back country airstrip adventure. There may be 2 or 3 others going along.

Merrill Airport Day will be September 9th. Free lunch for PICs.

\$100 Drawing; Names drawn in order were...**Joe Malsack, Bill Taylor, Barb Greene, Jeff Stone,** and the winner is Merrill McMahan!

The next meeting is Saturday September 16th at Jim Klemans airstrip in Hatley at 10:30 AM.

Secretary Jim Shnowske

Tuesday Fly Night Wrap Up

Fly night season is over.

August fly nights started off in Scherrico Meadows. A few showers drifted through, but there were a few able to fly in. On the 15th, a beautiful Tuesday evening brought six aircraft to Merrill. Thank you Harold and Steve for hosting our August destinations.

This years fly nights were a huge success. Except for one

Tuesday, that was a total wash out, aircraft were able to fly to each of the events. Everyone flew safely and had a great time. A huge thank you to all that hosted. Also thank you to those that took time out of their day, to fly, or drive in, to support the efforts of the host. Can't believe the summer is winding down so quickly. Already making plans for a great fly night season in

2018. I have lots of openings! You can contact me via email or phone.

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If you phone please leave me a message. Thanks again everyone!

Next NCWLF Meeting September 16

Our next Chapter meeting will be Saturday, September 16th, 10:30 AM at Jim & Lenore Klemans' Airstrip/Hangar, N3889 Highway 29 Hatley WI 54440

Hope to see you there!

Buy Sell Trade

✈ Don Mahn's 75% Completed Pietenpol. Freshly Rebuilt Corvair engine, Engine is Hung, Paint Fabric, Airframe Complete. \$6,500.00 Contact Mary Mahn 920-460-6848

✈ 1990 Rans S12S 711.6TT Rotax 100HP 743 TT, Conditional Inspection March 2017, Microair 760. Complete rebuild gear box by LEAF March 2017. Wing tip strobes, Nav lights, Intercom, Cabin Heat, New ELT batteries, Extra main wheels with wheel pants. A fun flyer. Great visibility. Asking \$27,000 Ken Whyte 715-891-3912

✈ 2 - 582 rotax engines with c gearboxes 3 to 1 ratio. One gearbox has the clutch in it and the other does not but I have the clutch that could be installed in that one. Both gearboxes and engines. Mike Pritchard. \$3000.00. Mike.Pritchard@reinhardtco.com

✈ ZENITH 601XLB CONVENTIONAL GEAR \$24,900. Wing mods done. Beautiful Mars red paint. Jabiru 3300 (120hp) - cruises at 120mph!, TTAE ~ 125hrs. Good

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Buy Sell Trade cont..

STOL performance. Always hangered. All maintenance up to date - fresh (9/16) annual. All gauges work, carb. and cabin heat, engine oil heater, strobes, landing and nav lights. New Odyssey battery. Electric flaps and trim, ACK ELT. No damage history. Canopy cover. All plans, construction pics and maintenance logs. Located near

Waupaca, Wi. Carl Eichenauer 920-731-5037 OR 920-809-6211. Make Offer!

✈️ 1998 Blue and Black Rans S-5 built by Rans as their show bird for EAA in 1998. Rotax 503 UL DCDI. Aircraft has 268 hrs and engine has 178 hours. Lots of spare parts, 2 new carburetors, new muffler, radio, and test

equipment and much more also go with it. Clear coated for UV protection, always hangered, Based in Antigo \$12,000 OBO. Pete Dernbach 715-350-9068

✈️ 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

Calendar of Events		
September	16	Chapter Meeting Hatley, WI
October	21	Chapter Meeting Eland, WI
November	18	Chapter Meeting
December	9	Chapter Meeting

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