

EAA Ultralight Chapter 75

North Central Wisconsin Lite Flyers

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Editorial Notes by Rich Prange

Fall Color

Hopefully Chapter 75 flyers and “the ground bound” got their share our Northern Wisconsin leaf transition. Of course most of us spent at least a few minutes reviewing our favorite theories on color

change. Okay, we have two maple trees, same species, one drops bright yellow leaves and its neighbor drops brilliant red, why? At 2500 feet on an evening flight it really does not matter.

Most Wanted

I’m not sure what triggered this bit of curiosity but, how do our Federal Bureau Investigators determine who makes their top ten list? Obviously their method and criteria works as they claim 94% capture rate. Of that 94%, ordinary citizens can claim 30% just by being alert and responsible. So if you are frustrated with public air transportation and high jacking crosses your mind – don’t, you will get busted.

What about the other end of the spectrum? To satisfy that end, I manipulated some statistics and revised the FBI standard; arriving at a new algorithm I titled “Least Wanted”. Don’t take this wrong but almost to a person, Chapter75 members made this list. The

FBI expressed no interest in my research?

60 = 5 Years

This edition I will call an unofficial anniversary. With a ragged and halting start my first editorial words were printed in June 2012. Bill Markstrum is probably still shaking his head, but my embarrassments have been minor, and rebukes, not too harsh, no pink slip. I’ll used November 2012 as an anniversary date

My writer’s garret now has extra wall space for more stickum notes, I graduated to “Windows 10” and I haven’t exceeded our chapter budget not even once. And, yes there have been a few misspells that got past my proof reader. That is my story and I’m sticking to it.

Ref: Ed Notes 1-2014

Remember this airmail postage stamp? Back in 2014 some-



thing I read about airmail routes, the planes and pilots, navigation etc. piqued my curiosity. So I dipped into a bit of aviation history. This 5 cent



airmail stamp answered part of my questions.

Back in the day, compass and dead reckoning were the skills needed to deliver mail by airplane. In 1928, the USPD solicited funds for a trail of navigation markers from New York to San Francisco. Some markers were acetylene torches mounted on steel towers, some markers were 50 ft cement slabs in the shape of an arrow (painted yellow), or both.

All of these navigation markers quickly became obsolete as flying technology evolved. The steel towers were repurposed and most of the cement slabs yielded to farming and other forms of development. I found one! Yup, right on the edge of a corn field on German Rd. just out of the town of Steward IL.

The Steward postmistress had heard of the marker but never



seen it. After knocking on two farmhouse doors, my quest was a satisfied. This arrow, yellow paint long faded away, at one time also included the

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NCWLF Treasurer Report November 2017

<u>Checking</u>		<u>Savings</u>	
Balance Forward	\$ 2,408.01	Balance Forward	\$ 36,655.59
Checking Deposits		Interest	.93
Deposit	56.00		
Checking Payments		<u>Savings Balance</u>	\$ 36,656.52
Cash (Nov & Dec)	200.00		
Tom Voss	49.00		
<u>Checking Balance</u>	\$ 2,215.01	<u>Total Cash</u>	\$ 38,871.53

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- \$ 12 May
- \$ 9 August
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- \$ 10 July
- \$ 7 October
- \$ 4 January
- \$ 1 April

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

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acetylene torch tower. Steel angles for the tower were still visible in the cement. The farm

owner's mother, **Mary Lou**, said the marker had been there as long as she could remember.



She also had memories of the airmail flights.

Keep your needle in the green.

October 2017 NCWLF Meeting Minutes

The October meeting of the NCWLF was held at the new home of Paul and Sue Buss on Norrie Brook Airfield. Weather turned out to be decent in spite of an iffy forecast. Thanks were given to our hosts for lunch, hot cider and treats. Steve Krueger called the meeting to order at 10:45 a.m. with the ringing of the Payzer Bell (THANKS, BOB!) Self introduction of members and guests followed the reading of the September minutes and the **treasurer's report. Both were accepted with no changes or corrections.** There were 28 members present. Steve also mentioned that the video and **still pictures of the "traveling group's" trip to Utah and the Kit Fox convention** would be available for viewing during lunch and after. (There was a very long sectional map on the back wall with the trip from WI to Utah marked out with the **group's stops along the way.**)

Old Business:

Dan Marlenga reported on the memorial services held for John **"Hollywood" Kirstein Oct. 11** at the Marathon Town Hall. He mentioned that it was a nice service and other members of Chapter 75 were in attendance. **"Hollywood" was a long time**

member of Chapter 75, and flew regularly at the Wausau Downtown Airport. He and his wife Mary had moved to Montana about 5 years ago. Our condolences to Mary and family.

Special Report:

Some disconcerting news from one of our members. Karen Krueger received a phone call from Jim Shnowske this week. He said he passed out at work last Sunday. He had some blood tests previously, and it seemed to be nothing to worry about, but when they tested him again, the diagnosis was onset of Adult Acute Leukemia. He has begun chemo treatment; Sat. was the 3rd treatment. Karen and Steve spoke with Jim and Sandy, and it will be 3-4 weeks with no visitors, since his immune system will be compromised. He asked MaDonna to act as secretary for several months as he goes through treatment and recovery. Karen suggested that members send cards on a regular basis, so that he knows we are thinking of them. His address at Aspirus is: Jim Shnowske, Aspirus Wausau Hospital, Room 464, 333 Pine Ridge Blvd., Wausau, WI 54401.

He does have his cell phone with him, and can accept calls.

New Business:

Steve Krueger gave some flying safety tips with a discussion from the group on emergency procedures under a complete power loss. What applies to you and your aircraft and what to try under the circumstances.

Know your airplane – Best glide, Always Hafta Afta. Always fly the airplane. Know your book on restarts, look for a place to land.

Remember Procedures:

1. Fuel
2. Switching Tanks procedure
3. What did I do last that may have caused the engine to fail?
4. Altitude – Take off is a test flight. Know where you can go. Circle an airport before you land. Practice engine outs.
5. Know your airplane
6. Emergency Checklist
7. Radio frequencies – Usually use the current airport frequency to report. Some use 121.5, and the airlines monitor this frequency. In this area, many use CTAF and others may be monitoring that.
8. Activate your ELT

Next NCWLF Meeting November 11

Our next Chapter meeting will be Saturday Nov 11th (Note one week earlier than usual) 10:30 am upstairs at Jim Jakels Red Barn Abbotsford WI. Hope to see you there

2018 Calendars

We are excited to announce that our very own 2018 Chapter 75 calendars are in the works.

Pre orders are much appreciated again. Cost is estimated to be around \$15.00 each. Contact Steve Krueger 715 204 2928 or email

Kruegerfly@aol.com to reserve yours today. Pick up will be available at our December 9th meeting in Merrill

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Calendar of Events

- November 11 Chapter Meeting - Abbotsford
- December 9 Chapter Meeting - Merrill

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

September 2017 NCWLF Meeting Minutes cont...

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9. Review your lists and remember to think carb heat in winter or spring weather.

Mike Weinfurter reported that EAA Chapter 1577 is having a safety seminar at Three Lakes Airport, Oct. 31 in Elliott's hangar at 7:00 p.m.

Mike Weinfurter also reported that the company Navworx has closed as a source for the new ADSB with 2020 antenna. There were some issues with a change of rules from the FAA, and Navworx could not comply, so they made the decision to close.

If you have a transponder, you **don't have to update, but ADSB** is needed if you fly into towered fields (B, C airspace.)

Projects

Dan Marlenga is waiting on an inspection schedule to complete his project.

Carl Greene is about a week away from painting his Dakota Hawk.

Larry Wenning and Paul Buss reported on tundra tires for experimental airplanes. New ones cost around \$2,000 to \$3,000 each for certificated airplanes. 100 landings will probably chew them up. For experimental: Larry and Paul have a coating process for used tires using a coating for pickup truck liners as retreads. With prep the process lasts longer. After the meeting, members **were invited to Paul's workshop** to see how it works.

For Sale

Mike Riley has purchased a hangar with an airplane inside. The plane is for sale. It is a 1947 7AC Champ. He said he is a motivated seller. The plane was listed on Barnstormers website at \$17,500. It is lo-

cated in Chippewa Falls. Contact Mike if you are interested.

\$100 Drawing:

It hardly ever happens, but the first name drawn was the winner – Karen Krueger

Next Meeting:

Sat. Nov. 11 (note: the second Sat.) at Abbotsford at 10:30 a.m. at Jakel Field

Meeting adjourned for an excellent lunch. Members had a show and tell of the Idaho trip, **and Paul's retread for tundra tires.**

Acting Secretary:

MaDonna McMahan

Buy Sell Trade

✈ 1947 7AC Champ. Motivated seller. The plane was listed on Barnstormers website at \$17,500. It is located in Chippewa Falls. Contact Mike Riley.

✈ Don Mahn's 75% Completed Pietenpol. Freshly Rebuilt Corvaire 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. \$ 3 0 0 0 . 0 0 . Mike.Pritchard@reinhartco.com

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

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Buy Sell Trade cont...

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120mph!, TTAE ~ 125hrs.

Good 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 Wau-paca, 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 1 7 8 h r s . 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 hanged, Based in Antigo \$ 1 2 , 0 0 0 O B O .

Pete Dernbach 715-350-9068

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

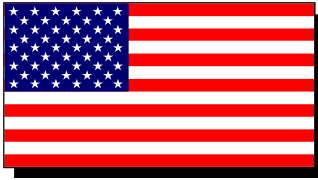
✈️ 1947 Luscombe 8A Half interest Qualifies Light Sport S/N 5689, N2962K Continental 65hp (A-65-8) Aluminum/blue, Cleveland brakes, New tail wheel, **Skis, Sporty's A300 Trans**, ext ant, push-to-talk, intercom. Airframe TT 3164 hours. 787 SMOH. STC autogas (SA730GK, SE634GL) Current annual 6/2010 Hangered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

✈️ 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-

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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



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