

Greetings EAA 1518,

1-20-2021

Gladly, we can say it is no longer 2020. Though quite a bit of planned activities and fly-outs were cancelled, we managed to do a few things considering the situation.

A few of us flew up to Voyager Village and enjoyed a great brunch. If you have never been to this great spot it is highly recommended. Jim Cushing graciously opened his hanger in Chetek for us. There were 7 planes the flew in for a great BBQ afternoon. The weather wasn't perfect when we departed Red Wing, but it gave a chance to see the countryside a little closer. We also flew out to Jones Steakhouse in Praire Du Chien WI. Was a perfect afternoon and evening to fly down and back.

Congratulations / best wishes to the new Maintenance shop on the field Cushing Aviation.

Hoping for a year where we can do a few more things, that being said we are planning on holding a monthly business meeting first Saturday in February (Feb 6), 9am. Scott Stricker will be hosting in his heated hanger A30, we will be able to social distance. Coffee and doughnuts will be provided. Not a whole lot on the agenda, talk about the upcoming year and get some flyouts on the calendar. We will also discuss the 2021 pancake breakfast. As you know we are dependent on the City of Red Wing doing River City Days. As of this writing, there are no decisions made for that event.

Upcoming Fly Out!! There is an ice fly into Mac's twin Bay on March 6<sup>th</sup> that is something a few of us have shown interest in. See attached information.

Other than that, I hope everyone is taking advantage of some of the nice weather and staying healthy.

Ben Burshem

Pres. 1518



The Presidents former Air 1 parked at Voyageur's, as well as Jim Cushings Stinson and Scott Strickers Glasair.





The fly in line up at Chetek. Pictured are Paul's RV, Bens Sundowner, Scotts Glasair, Eds 180, Shawn's Husky, Marks Bonanza, Denny's 150 and Bob and Linda Meisch's Cardinal.

### **ICEPORT 2021.** [By Midwest Airshow. Fly-In and Flight Club](#)

Saturday, March 6th, 2021

10am-3pm (Stay till dark. They will be serving all day. Have breakfast, lunch and dinner!)

Location: Mac's Twin Bay

<https://www.macstwinbay.com/>

<https://www.facebook.com/macstwinbay/>

Dining: Da Boathouse Restaurant

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But hey, don't wait for ICEPORT, Da Boathouse is open!

Roads are plowed and in great shape. Head on up there anytime and grab some great food.

Welcome our newest Pilot to the field, Andrew Bauch.

Dan Marrs tried his hardest to keep Andrew from passing, but couldn't do it. Andrew Passed his Check ride for his Private Pilot's License on 10-9-2020

Congratulations Andrew! Looks like it was a chilly day!



Announcements from Cushing Aviation.

## **Harold Henn**

### **Final Flight by Jim Cushing**

Most of you have read that we lost Chuck Yeager. He was the aviator that broke the sound barrier flying Mach One in 1947 giving encouragement to generations of aviation enthusiasts. A few days after his passing we lost one of our local legends.

Harold Henn took his final flight from this world on December 9th following battles with long term deteriorating health. Harold over the last seven decades helped shape aviation for all of us. Many of us have seen the contributions that Rob and Nancy Seifert made to local aviation. However, twenty years prior, Harold and Lora Henn created the first Fixed Base Operation (FBO) at what is now the Red Wing Regional Airport. More of a home base operation since they gave home to a dozen aircraft in their front yard on the south side of the airport. They did this for several years before we had a hard surface runway. When progress started on the north side of the runway, they built the “66 Maintenance Hangar” on the now west ramp. It was complete with two fuel pumps, one for 100 octane and one for 80 octane!

The Piper Cub was replaced with a family hauler. A Piper Tri Pacer with a big hen decal on the tail resided in the new hangar.

Harold helped several generations of pilots keep their aircraft flying with his mechanical insights. His inputs went well beyond his hangar. He served on the airport board for more terms than anyone else. As an aviator and an airport neighbor he had great insights into keeping the airport on track. He also represented our airport at state level organizations.

Besides all that he did for the Red Wing Airport, Harold had a colorful airline career.

His early career had him maintaining piston radial engine powered DC3's planes. Next came turbo props and then he helped usher in the jet airliner. The name on the side of the planes changed over the years but his mission didn't change. Starting as North Central Airlines then Republic Airlines to Northwest which is now Delta.

Even after “retirement” he traveled to other countries as a DC9 airliner expert.

Northwest used his expertise to expand their fleet with used aircraft from other countries that needed to be brought up to FAA standards.

Even with his interesting career, his family was always close to him.

I will always remember his big smile on his annual trek to Stanton's Father's Day fly-in with his family at his side.

Have a great flight Harold.

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