



The Maple Lake Flyer

A newsletter of EAA Chapter 878, Experimental Aircraft Association

EAA Chapter 878: a part of the aviation community in Maple Lake, Buffalo and surrounding areas of Minnesota since 1986.

July, 2013

• EAA CHAPTER 878 MEETING NOTICE

Wednesday, July 10, 6:00 p.m. Chapter picnic at the lake home of Tom Rammel

Agenda for Meeting:

- Annual EAA Chapter 878 picnic...bring all family members! **Burgers, brats and soft drinks already procured by Tom; members...bring side dishes, salads, desserts, etc.**
- Chapter video from EAA (if enough time)
- Connie Erickson / Tim Bond...possible chapter visit to Chuck Doyle's aircraft collection
- Chapter polo shirts (?)
- Distribute new EAA Chapter 878 nametags
- Discuss AirVenture Oshkosh plans...who's going, what days, etc.
- September fly-In planning/preparations

• FROM THE PRESIDENT

Chapter President: Tom Rammel

I attended the Buffalo Air Show on June 16th and had a great time! If you missed it, you really missed out on a good performance by Mike Wiskus in his Lucas Oil Pitts Special. Where else can you have this much fun for free? A big thank you to Mike and West Metro Aviation.

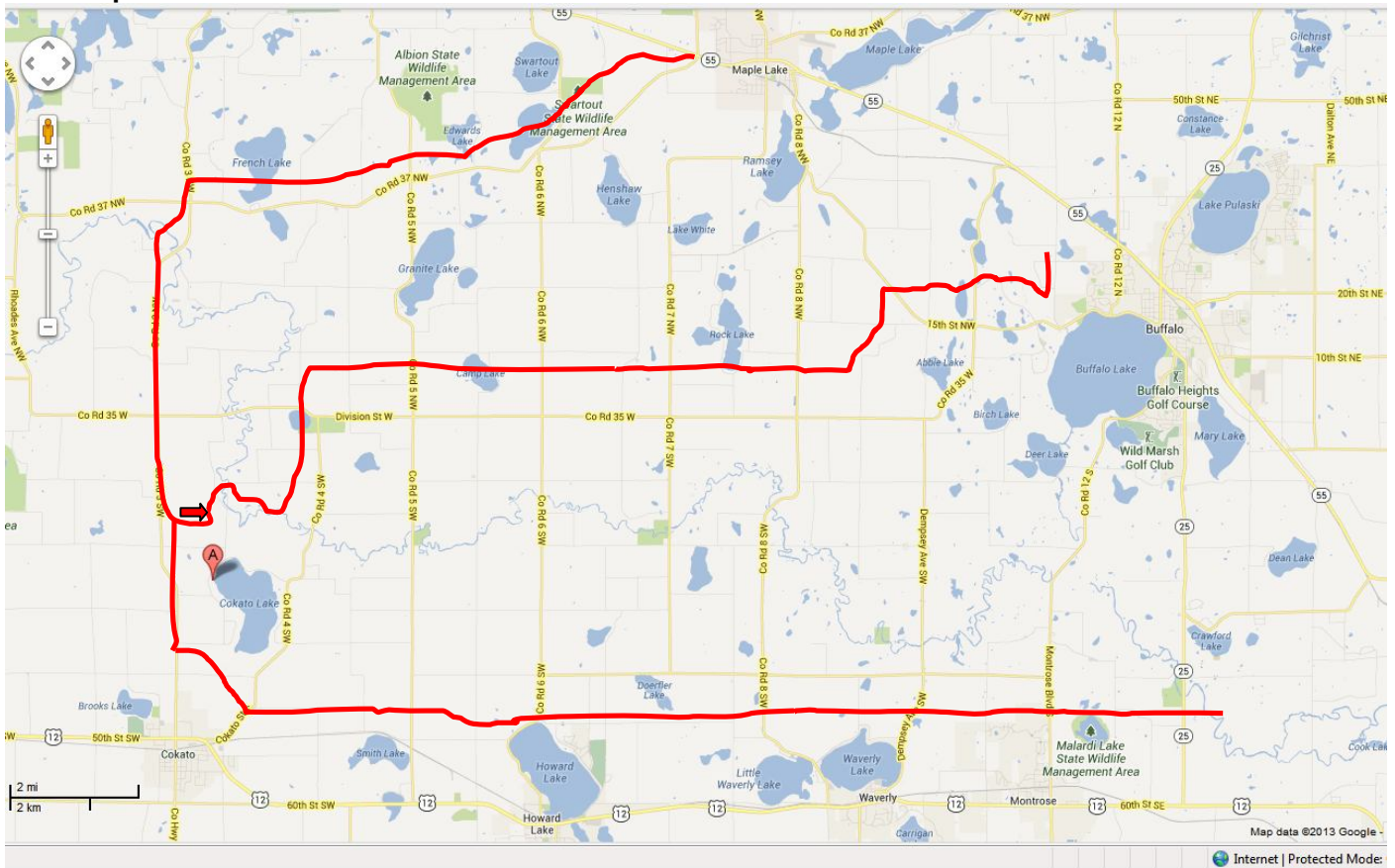
This month is the seaplane fly in and picnic at my home on Cokato Lake, July 10th at 6:00 PM. The address is 2502 Oliver Ave. SW, Cokato, MN 55321. For those flying in, my house is on the NW side of Cokato Lake and to identify which dock is mine, it is the one with the 8' orange wind sock at the end of the dock. For those driving from Maple Lake, take Co. 37 and turn south on Co. Rd 3, then turn east on 27th Street and then north on Oliver Ave. It is the fourth driveway on the right, counting the driveway at the "T" of 27th Street and Oliver. 2502 is on the mail box.

If you are coming in on Hwy 12, turn North in Cokato at the only stop light in town onto Co rd 3 go two miles and turn East on 27th street then north on Oliver Ave. It is the fourth driveway on the right counting the driveway at the "T" of 27th street and Oliver. 2502 is on the mail box.

From Buffalo take Co. 35 West then south on Co. 4, then West on 25th Street around the north side of Cokato Lake, then south on Oliver Ave until you see the driveway on the left side. 2502 is on the mail box. (Some road construction signs on Co. 35 may still say that the road is closed for bridge construction but you can go around the sign because the bridge is on Co. 35 after you turn off on Co. 4, so you never get to the bridge).

I have hamburgers and brats, buns, paper plates, plastic forks, napkins and pop. Pepsi, Diet pepsi, Mountain Dew, and Diet Dr Pepper. Please feel free to bring some food to share if you want. No alcohol at this picnic please. This is a family friendly picnic, so please bring your spouse, kids, or significant other. If the weather is good we can do some RC seaplane flying.

Map to Tom Rammel's home:



Tom Rammel
2502 Oliver Ave. SW
Cokato, MN 55321
phone 320-286-5283

Some of you know that I have been building and flying control line model planes since 1964, and RC model airplanes since 1970. And I also work on the pit crew as a volunteer for the KidVenture control line group at Oshkosh each year. As a pit crew volunteer I refuel and start the control line airplanes. Some years as many as 2000 kids have a chance to fly these control line model airplanes. This year I will be working the early part of the week in the mornings until noon. So stop by and say Hi.

Speaking of model planes, I see that some of the EAA staff are starting to notice the link of model aviation to full scale aircraft. Trevor Janz wrote about using model aircraft "...to get kids interested in aviation that may lead to full scale building and flying in the future." And on the other end of the age spectrum, "...adults that no longer are able to fly full scale aircraft can still enjoy flying remote controlled model aircraft." The Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) is headquartered in Muncie, Indiana. Garth Landefeld is the President of the Wright Fliers R/C club (also a member of EAA Chapter 878). His phone number is 763-497-0986. So if you are young or old give R/C flying a try.

I briefly mentioned earlier that I will be at Oshkosh early in the week Monday, July 29th – Thursday, August 1st, so if you are out there maybe I will see you. Wayne Flury will be on the announcers stand, so stop in and see him also.

What are you building or working on? Write about it for the newsletter or at least take some pictures.

● **MINUTES OF MEETING, June 12, 2013**

Chapter Secretary: Wayne Flury

Program Presentation: 22 members met in the hangar of West Metro Aviation to hear Steve Schultz of Ion Aircraft discuss the history, design, development and testing of this new airplane, of which at least one of the eventual models is planned to be LSA compliant. Steve's presentation cut to the heart of what it takes to bring a new airplane idea from paper (or electrons) to reality, and it's a tougher journey than most would think. Though the company has a flying model, it was currently undergoing various design modifications or alterations, so it could not be flown to our meeting (even if the weather had been cooperative!). Ion does plan to have the aircraft at AirVenture.



Steve Schultz describes to members of EAA Chapter 878 the somewhat torturous journey of bringing a new aircraft to market.

Following the program presentation, Chapter President Tom Rammel introduced the June edition of the Chapter Video from EAA Oshkosh, using Steve Shultz' video projector.

Young Eagles: Chapter voted to dedicate our Young Eagle credits, worth \$130, to Wyatt Erickson to attend Air Academy at Oshkosh this summer. Also voted to contribute \$50 to Wyatt from the Chapter Scholarship Fund.

Nametags: Wayne Flury distributed new chapter member nametags.

Buffalo Fly-In: June 16. Anyone volunteering to help (aircraft parking, crowd control, etc.) will get a free breakfast. Discussion about having a chapter information booth. Wayne gave new chapter info folders to Tom Rammel. Tom was to call Joe Simmon about the booth.

Chapter Pot Luck Lunch: Kent Peterson noted that the initial "Chapter Pot Luck Lunch" was well attended. Another is scheduled for June 22. Kent will send reminder emails.

Chapter 878 Fly-In: Elaine Morrow presented two options for our fly-in poster. By acclimation, the chapter decided to use the "traditional" poster. Per Fred Jude, pork prices are going up, will need to get good cost of product before determining meal price for this year. Fred noted that we should be able to use Bob Shadduck's hangar for the fly-in, with Tim Bond's hangar as a back-up.

Chapter Activities: Connie Erickson...invitation from Chuck Doyle to visit his aircraft collection. Connie and Tim Bond will be the coordinators for this visit...pick a date and set up a tour.

Chapter Video Equipment: Tom...still looking for chapter purchase or someone to donate equipment to facilitate showing the Chapter Videos. No response...tabled.

Old Business: Wayne Flury asked about the rationale for the chapter paying for a "Porta-Potty" at the Maple Lake Airport this summer. This has been our practice for

Monthly Treasurer's Report by Dick Burns for May

Opening Balance		\$4091.81
Income:		<u>\$ 0.00</u>
Total	\$ 0.00	
Expenses:		
Tom Rammel (travel)	\$ 97.00	
James Aarestad (ground school)	<u>50.00</u>	
Total	\$ 147.00	
Total Change:	\$ <147.00>	
Ending Balance		\$3944.81
Balance, Scholarship Fund		\$ 50.00

many years (originally in partnership with the City of Maple Lake), but that service was to compensate for times when the FBO was closed (weekends, evening, holidays, etc.). With the recent remodeling of the old Wright Aero building, there is now 24/7 access to the restrooms via a keypad controlled entry. Fred Jude moved to keep the Porta-Potty on site through our fly-in of this year, but not have it next year except for the fly-in. Passed by acclimation of members still present.

Financial Report: See the summary included with these minutes.

July Meeting: will be at lake home of Tom Rammel, beginning at 6:00 p.m. The chapter will provide burgers, and brats and soft drinks, etc. Members are asked to bring something to share.

- **YOUNG EAGLES EVENT, Aug. 10**
by Glen Morrow

A Young Eagles event will be held on August 10 at Maple Lake at the hangar of Glen and Elaine Morrow. More details to be presented at our July meeting. As always, volunteer pilots and ground school helpers are needed, welcome and appreciated. A rain date is August 17. Contact Glen at 952-955-2802.

- **CHAPTER POLO SHIRTS WITH REVISED LOGO**

Kent Peterson is checking into an order for polo shirts with the revised chapter logo. He will have some info to share about this at our next meeting.

- **CHAPTER 878 SCHOLARSHIP FUND**
by Wayne Flury

Consider making your personal contribution into the Scholarship fund. This money will be dedicated towards support of aviation education programs and scholarships, and will supplement other chapter contributions. Our chapter has always put a high priority on Young Eagles and other events designed to encourage youth in aviation, and this a way for us to reaffirm that part of our mission.

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SCHOLARSHIP FUND DONATION CARD

Please accept my contribution to the EAA Chapter 878 Scholarship Fund. Money donated to this fund will be used by the Chapter only for the funding of educational opportunities for youth.

Name: _____

Amount Contributed: _____

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- **CHAPTER 878 FLY-IN / DRIVE-IN**

by Wayne Flury, Newsletter Editor

- a) Date: Sunday, September 8, 2013
 - b) See the enclosed fly-in poster, designed and produced by Elaine Morrow. Please download a copy, or get a copy from Elaine, and post at any airports, FBO's or other friendly locations where people will see them!
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- **CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

by Wayne Flury, Newsletter Editor

As our chapter continues to grow, each member must be responsible to keep the chapter updated on changes to your postal address, email address and phone number changes. Send any changes to the attention of Wayne Flury, Newsletter Editor, or Joe Simmon, Chapter Roster Coordinator. We will exchange as necessary to be sure you continue to receive your newsletter and other chapter communications. This note has now been added to the chapter "boilerplate" info at the end of each newsletter.

- **EAA CHAPTER 878 MEETINGS, ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS FOR 2013/2014**

by Wayne Flury, Newsletter Editor

Interesting meeting programs are essential to the vitality of our chapter. Here are some activities already planned for 2013. But, the chapter needs your input and help to suggest, find and coordinate programs for the remaining months! Does a hangar neighbor have an interesting airplane they would like to talk about? Do you have a project in mind, or need some advice? Other ideas?

July	10	Chapter picnic at the lake home of Tom Rammel. Seaplane fly-in? Remote control seaplane flying? Food? Fun? Yeah! Meeting location: Cokato
	27	Chapter Pot Luck Lunch, noon.
Aug.	10	Young Eagles at Maple Lake, hangar of Glen and Elaine Morrow. Rain date August 17.
	14	Use of auto gas in aircraft...presentation by Kent Peterson. Meeting location: Maple Lake.
	24	Chapter Pot Luck Lunch, noon.
Sept.	8	Pork Chop Dinner Fly-In. Maple Lake
Oct.	9	open
Nov.	13	open
Dec.		Chapter Christmas Party
Jan.		open

- **OTHER EVENTS – 2013**

I'm listing mainly EAA Chapter events plus a few others that I find interesting. Check the bulletin boards and Calendars of Events in various magazines for more, more, much more:

July	4	Excelsior Air Show (over the lake); Mike Wiskus, John Mohr. Wayne Flury ...announcer.
	5-7	Starbuck, Chris Cakes breakfast, 7 – noon on July 6.
	7	Lakeville, breakfast, 8 -1, CAF warbirds on display
	14	Two Harbors, EAA Chapter 1128 pancake breakfast, 7 – noon.
	18-21	Anoka County-Blaine airport. "Return of the Big Bombers." B-17, B-24. Also P-51 and Golden Wings Museum. Rides available. See MnDOT website, http://www.dot.state.mn.us/aero/avoffice/events/fly-ins.html , for more info.
	20	Rushford, EAA Chapter 919, breakfast 8 – noon
	27	Henning, EAA Chapter 1065, breakfast 7 - noon
July	29 - Aug 4	AirVenture Oshkosh 2013, Oshkosh, WI, www.eaa.org ; http://www.airventure.org
Aug.	11	Lake Elmo, EAA Chapter 54, breakfast 7 - noon
	17	Forest Lake, EAA Chapter 237 breakfast, 7 - noon
	18	Mankato, EAA Chapter 642 pancake breakfast, 7:30 – noon.
	24	Glencoe, EAA Ultralight Chapter 92, sweet corn and brats, 10 – 2.
	31	Shell Lake, WI, EAA Chapter 631, breakfast 7:30 – 11:30
Sept.	8	Maple Lake, EAA Chapter 878, pork chop dinner, 11:30 – 2
	13-14	Faribault Air Fest and Balloon Rally, breakfast on Sept. 14, 7 - 12

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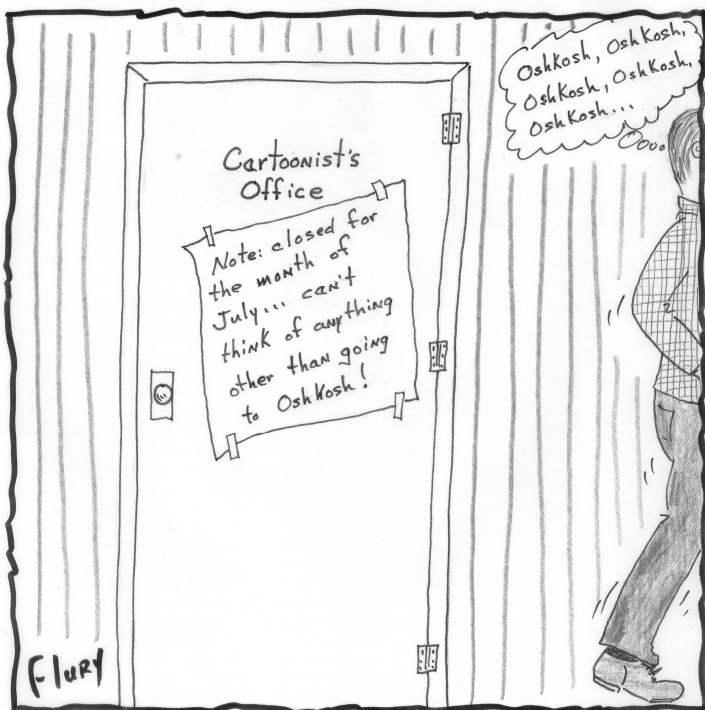
Meetings are normally held at 7:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month (except for the winter months of January – April when we meet on Saturday mornings). Meeting locations may vary each month, depending upon the meeting program.

Dues are \$10 per year for members up to 35 years of age, \$25 per year, age 35 and over.

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- **THE FUNNIES**
by Wayne Flury



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