

# **EAA Ultralight Chapter 75**

North Central Wisconsin Lite Flyers

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## **Editors Notes** by Bill Markstrum

With Wisconsin's winter December 2004 weather being what it is, our get-togethers are limited to Hangar Flying rather than the real thing. One such social event occurred on December 11th at the Merrill airport. This annual event combines our mostly ultralight members of chapter 75 with the general

aviation and larger homebuilt brethren in chapters 243 and 640. Always pleasant event, it allows for great

conversations, bountiful food and minimal gavel-rapping.

The only formality to interrupt our eating and talking was the presentation of a plaque to Bob Gehring of Northwinds Aviation, honoring his twenty years of service to the local aviation community. Bob is retiring from active duty but we're sure he will not turn his back on airplanes and their inner workings. I had the honor of presenting the plaque that read as follows:

### To Bob Gehring

With sincere appreciation for twenty years of service to the local aviation community, promoting safe flying, safe equipment and EAA's Young Eagles Program.

From EAA Chapters 243, 640 and UL75

Of course, the poet in me had to add a homemade card to the mix. It read as follows: Your propeller may be pitted From many years of spin, But none will ever say Your skills are wearing thin. Enjoy long years of leisure, Build a plane or two.

With all the work you've

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> done for us Fun times are overdue.

Across the room that day, there appeared to be a tuxedo- clad maitre d'. I thought, what a swanky place! The sartorially magnificent young man turned out to be Brian Krueger, Steve and Karen's son. We had a great conversation and I learned that Brian has already committed to a career in aviation and will be Mankato attending Minnesota's institution of higher learning for both a flying and mechanics degree. We'll be hearing great things from that young man.

I always enjoy talking to chapter member Jack Burkam. He is a very active airplane modeler in the Merrill area. I share his interest in model aircraft and

had the privilege of touring his basement shop. He tells me that he ran out of room to build any more models of his own and is now rebuilding basket-case models friends. If you're into modeling and have suffered a crash, and don't have the time to rebuild it, call Doctor Jack!

I got a phone c a 11 o n December 17th from SydCohen who asked me if I

realized what the date was and it's significance. It was, of course, the one hundred and first anniversary of powered flight. It was his tradition, weather permitting, to always fly on that date to celebrate the occasion. The weather was clear and crisp and I was soon sharing the warm cockpit of his pristine Ercoupe and lifting off of runway two-two. Thank you Syd for letting me share the observance of the day we all grew wings. I understand that later in the day, Syd and Dave Conrad drove to Oshkosh to attend the Centennial of Flight banquet at the EAA museum. Special guests and speakers were principals in the Spaceship One Project. We'll want to hear more about that during

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# NCWLF Treasurer Report December 2004

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360.00	<b>Disbursements</b> Bob Gehring Plaque	45.42	
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<u>\$ 390.00</u>	Total Disbursements	<u>\$ 225.42</u>	
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## Editors Notes cont... by Bill Markstrum

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our upcoming party at your hangar, Syd. Be forewarned! On the Sunday following New Years day, I drove over to the tee hangars on the Wausau airport to see if anything was happening. I saw Merrill McMahan standing at the corner of his hangar and like a concerned father, watching the yellow plane taxiing on the runway. I realized then that I was privy to the birth of a baby bird. It was Rick Coe's just completed Zenith CH-701. Rick was doing taxi tests and engine run-ups. When he was doing a run-up on the tie-down area I drove up near him and gave him the well done sign. I've watched the progress on this STOL aircraft as Rick and master-builder Bill Flynn assembled the craft. It often resembled a porcupine with all the clecos holding the panels together prior to riveting. In fact I tagged Rick with the nick name, "Cle-Coe". It seems the Wausau airport has become quite an incubator for homebuilt aircraft.

I don't often get to a movie at a theater but I am looking forward to seeing "The Aviator", the story based on the life of Howard Hughes. I've followed his adventures throughout the years. Certainly a design genius in many ways, an excellent pilot, but a lousy "test pilot". On one visit to Houston, Texas, a friend drove me through a beautiful cemetery there. In the complex of spreading live-oak trees, he pointed out the Hughes' family plot. I had to stop and pay my respects to Howard. Hopefully, the movie will give us "the rest of the

story", even though it will be through Hollywood eyes, or lenses.

I called Pat Kenny this week. While he's making steady progress with his recovery, he's still not walking, but with Debs help he hopes to "wheel" into our chapter Christmas Party at Syd's hangar. We'll be looking forward to seeing you and cheering you on, Pat

A story from world war one told of one concerned mother sending her son off to the flying service, advising him to "fly low and slow". I will not give you such poor advice but rather, wish you gentle winds and clear skies for you and yours in 2005.

Bill Markstrum



## Next NCWLF Meeting January 15

Our next meeting is the annual after Christmas / Christmas party on Saturday, January 15<sup>th</sup> 12:00 at Syd Cohen's Wausau downtown airport hangar. See the gate guard Dan Marlenga for parking instructions upon driving in. Chapter 75 will be providing the broasted chicken, a dish to pass is appreciated.

We are having a gift exchange up to \$10.00. Guys bring a mans gift and Gals bring a ladies gift. Mark on your gift if it is to a man or women and who it is from. Door prizes and fun games to follow. Thank you Syd for the great warm Hangar. Hope to see you there!





### **Video Library**

To all Chapter 75 members. Again I plan on being at the Chapter Christmas party and will have the tape library there also. Do yourself a favor and do some VCR/TV flying this winter!

Have a Happy New Year - All of you!

Ron Detert



## What's a Preflight?

No, I Thought You Did the Preflight . .

It seems two men recently decided to go for a joy ride in a Beech Baron 58. According to the NTSB, several problems arose though. First, it didn't belong to them. Second, the pilot had previously had his license revoked; so neither had a valid certificate. Third, it seems both had been they

# 2005 Light Aviation / Ultralight Safety Seminar



Mark your calendars for the 13th annual Safety Seminar to be held Saturday March 5th at Hotel Mead Wisconsin Rapids. Presented by Wisconsin Ultralight and Light Sport Aviation Advisory Counsel and Wisconsin Department of Transportation - Bureau of Aeronautics. This event qualifies as a FAA "WINGS" Pilot Proficiency Award Program.

Registration 8:00 a.m. Seminar 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Admission FREE.

A full day of great speakers and plenty of Door prizes along with the Big Ticket raffle prizes as well. For more information contact: Steve Krueger 715-536-8828, Jack LaSee 715-223-4540 or Dan Marlenga 715-359-7377 or on line at http://www.av8safe.org/wulac.html

# **Sport Pilot Practical Test Standard**

12/29/04 The FAA published the new Sport Pilot Practical Test Standards, which establish the standards for the knowledge and skills necessary to pass a "checkride" to obtain a sport pilot certificate. These standards, which bear a December 1, 2004, effective date, are available for viewing or downloading at http://afs600.faa.gov/ under the Airman Testing Standards (AFS-630) section (click on the Practical Test Standards link). Divided into several categories, the standards are titled: o Sport Pilot Practical Test Standards for Airplane, Gyroplane, Glider, and Flight Instructor (FAA-S-8081-29); o Sport Pilot Practical Test Standards for Airship, Balloon, and Flight Instructor (FAA-S-8081-30); o Sport Pilot Practical Test Standards for Weight Shift Control, Powered Parachute, and Flight Instructor (FAA-S-8081-31).

Martin Weaver, FAA Light-Sport Aircraft Branch Manager in Oklahoma City states, "These are living documents that will be modified, corrected, and updated as the program evolves." He asks that all comments regarding the standards be forwarded to afs630comments@faa.gov.

EAA and King Schools are working together on sport pilot test preparation materials for both the knowledge and practical tests. EAA members will receive a discount on the materials. For more information, visit www.kingschools.com/SportPilot.asp or call

# Pat Kenny Update

Just to let the club know that Pat is doing well, days are longer now, snow has filled in the yard so he can't get around with his electric chariot as he used to. He will probably walk around the last of January, with physical therapy helping him, and some other devices, no not a Rotax! A nice MX Skidoo with a Rotax would give him more range, but Santa used it for his deliveries and Gordy has to overhaul it now. Santa had a long route and forgot to fill the oil tank for the oil in jection. No preflight! Wonder how the

Pat's chest is healing good and regaining some of the massive strength he had, HO HO! Now he can lift only one cookie from the cookie tin, left from Xmas. His feet are regaining sensation, and he squirms when he sits with

warranty works for that?

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# Pat Kenny Update cont...

them down, like normal strapped to the craft just in people, but that will come along fine, just like all the other aches and pains that come with the Golden Years. He has lost weight and is fighting the urge to eat more, as his appetite has gotten better. He will have to put some cookies in his shirt pocket to fly the Dactyl so the oxygen won't have to be

case. He has also received a new look on life, and is going to "smell the roses," as he says. He hopes to keep on with the position of Safety Director, as he has discussed many things that should be carried on a craft when the pilot goes on his short cross-countries. All these are very light weight,

easy stored, and can be of much help in case the craft goes down and you are stranded out in a field or hung up in a tree.

He wishes all a very Happy New Year! Oh, if you are at a airport standing in line, and hear the buzzer go off, look around, you may see an Ole' Dactyl Pilot trying to get on a plane too!



# NCWLF 2005 Calendar of Events



January 15, 2005 Chapter 75 Annual After Christmas Party

Wausau Airport Syd Cohen's Hangar

February 19, 2005 Chapter 75 Meeting

Location to be determined

March 5, 2005 UL Safety Seminar

WI Rapids Mead Inn

March 19, 2005 Chapter 75 Meeting

Location to be determined

April 12 -18, 2005 Sun N Fun

Lakeland Florida

April 16, 2005 Chapter 75 Meeting Location to be determined

May 21, 2005 Chapter 75 Meeting

Spencer, Wi John Verfuerths June 18, 2005 Ultralight Day

Oshkosh, Wi Pioneer Airport

June 18, 2005 Chapter 75 Meeting

Location to be determined

July 16, 2005 Chapter 75 Meeting

Location to be determined

July 25-31, 2005 AirVenture

Oshkosh, Wi Wittman Field

August 19 - 21, 2005 WI State UL Fly In

Wautoma, Wi Lake of the Woods

August 20, 2005 Chapter 75 Meeting

Wautoma, WI State UL Fly In

September 2-5, 2005 UL and PPC Fly-In

Phillips, WI Price County Airport. Mogas Available. Jim Heizler 715-339-4007

September 17, 2005 Chapter 75 Meeting

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## What's a Preflight? cont...

drinking.

According to the NTSB, the ensuing takeoff was anything but uneventful, with the twin apparently using the full 7,198-foot length of Runway 17L at Oklahoma City's Wiley Post Airport. It then continued 600 to 800 feet beyond the departure end, where the Baron struck the localizer antenna. Undaunted, the now-bent bird blasted through the perimeter fence, then across a ditch and a road, finally coming to rest some 50 feet beyond. Subsequent investigation revealed that the nose landing gear and the main landing gear collapsed, and the leading edges of both wings were damaged. No surprises there. Then a fourth problem was discovered: the elevator was missing. It seems the owner was having the airplane refurbished, and the elevator had been removed for maintenance.





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Location to be determined

October 15, 2005 Chapter 75 Meeting

Location to be determined

November 12, 2005 Chapter 75 Meeting

Location to be determined

December 10, 2005 Chapter 75 Meeting

Location to be determined

# **Buy | Trade | Sell**

- 2002 Quicksilver Sport 2S, 582 Blue Head, C-Box, 3 Blade Powerfin Prop,Nose Bubble,Wing tip strobes,Tail Brace kit, EGT, Water Temp, Tach,and Hobbs Meter. 225 Total Time always hangared, and flown regularly. \$13,500.00 Lyle Banser 715-536-2401
- Quicksilver GT400 25 hrs on new Rotax 503 with "B" box. New muffler and carbs. Warp Drive Ground Adjustable Composite Prop. Electric Flaps, Strobes, Hagar Hydraulic Brakes, 750 BRS Chute with 3.5 yrs before repack, Dual EGT, CHT, Tach, Air Speed, Hobbs, Fuel Gauge, Oil Light, Altimeter. External antenna, set up for GPS and ICOM radio. Mark
- Smith positive steering front gear, GT500 Large Pod, Doors for winter flying. Recently overhauled with new cables, push pull tube, fuel lines, wiring, and other parts. Always stored inside, 100% airworthy. Hangared in St. Paul MN. Make reasonable offer. Tom Ashenmacher Hudson, 651-768-2643 tgashenmacher@mmm.c om
- Looking for a reasonable 85 or 90 hp continental engine with all accessories. Harv Kinderman 715 358-9 9 5 1 kayharv@newnorth.net
- 503 Rotax Provision 8 dual carbs, single CDI, new oil injection and recoil, needle bearings, aprox. 6 hrs on engine, has throttle and

- oil pump cables on it, new Y exhaust pipe. \$1,000 obo Pat Kenny 715 479-5036
- Acro Sport biplane, needs engine and some instruments. Hangared at the Wausau Airport. \$8,500 Bill 842-7573.
- StarLite Tail Dragger Selling due to 2 place upgrade Single seat rocket N112SL 120mph cruise 45mph stall Built 1986 featured in Sport Aviation Mag of that year. Rotax 447 dual carb, appx. 30 hours, aux.power outlet, electric fuel pump, inline pulse pump Condition inspection complete 9/9/03 \$8500 Firm Call or E-Mail for more info a n d pics.Steve Magdic 262-8 2 0 - 9 9 3 8 steve.magdic@1psg.co
- ✓ Looking for a long ratio C or E box for Rotax 503 DCDI 2.88 or 3:1 Richard Penney 715 235 -2190
- Wanted: Used handheld or base aircraft radio. What I would really like is the older handheld STS radio, but it wouldn't have to be. Jeremy Viegut 715-613-6548 after 3:30 pm sir\_jeremy@yahoo.com
- Challenger completed in 1997, Single Seat, 230 hrs AF&E, 503 Rotax with Carbon Fibre Warp-Drive Prop, Nickeledge Dual CID Ignition, Icom A2Z Nav/com, Strobes, Garmin Handheld GPS Mounted, Cabin Heat off Exhaust, Plexiglas Doors, Skis, Extra prop and other stuff. Asking

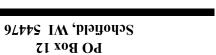
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# **Buy | Trade | Sell cont...**

- (Continued from page 6) \$14,000.00 Ed Johnson 715-287-3263.
- Kitfox Lite. Low time 2si engine, BRS chute, trailer and transport package available. Pictures at http://www.geocities.com/Pipeline/Reef/9058 Asking \$14,000. Tim Duquaine DePere, WI tduquaine@new.it.com
- Looking to trade a 26 ft GMC motorhome for a Cherokee 180, 160, 140 or a Cessna 172. Something to train in and build hours. Does anyone have a Falcon XP for sale or trade, flying or a project? I also have a nice 18 ft sailboat I could trade for a Falcon-XP. Ron 573-3 4 8 4 6 5 4 rbeller@midmo.com
- Titan 1 with custom paint 582 Rotax with 0 rebuild time on engine. Fully updated by Gordy Radtke. Jump seat option / BRS-5 chute. Full instrumentation with EIS. \$ 18,500 Tim Hannagan 92 0/734-8682 Appleton, WI







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