

# EAA Ultralight Chapter 75

North Central Wisconsin Lite Flyers

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It's been less than a week since the noise and excitement of this year's AirVenture ended, and Whitman Field at Oshkosh is back to its routine day-to-day operations. For the first time in many years I was unable to attend that world-class aviation event. It seems that not one but both of my aging knees said, "Not this time, old chap!" Perhaps it's time to invest in some "electric wheels."

While I like to be in the trenches with the troops just as Ernie Pyle did in WWII, that was not to be the case this year and I had to depend on my "on the scene" reporters. Especially helpful as a field correspondent was chapter member Sue Buss, who stopped by after the event with verbal comments on planes, pilots, entertainment, and copies of each day's issue of the "AirVenture Today" newspaper. It was obviously an event that gave a real cross-section of aviation, planes and pilots. On our ultralight/light sport end of the spectrum, special tribute was given to Quicksilver aircraft, a name that has been most significant in training ultralight pilots. Many of our chapter members either trained on or are owners of "Quicks," those basic and dependable aircraft.

At our next chapter meeting we'll hear many stories from

those who attended this year's AirVenture. I'm sure the father and son team from our chapter, the Kaisers, both flew into Oshkosh as fresh new UL pilots. That had to be an exciting adventure for them.

Two of our people also got well-deserved awards for their aircraft, Larry Wenning an Honorable Mention for his plane in the Light Sport category, and Syd Cohen's immaculate Ercoupe bringing home a "Silver Lindy." Good show guys!

Ron Detert has been working on his MiniMax in Syd Cohen's hangar and Syd was showing Ron the "Silver Lindy" he had "won." Ron put that award in proper perspective when he told Syd, "You didn't 'win' that trophy, you 'earned' it." Amen to that!"

In looking through all the "AirVenture Today" newspapers Sue Buss brought back for me, I noted there was no lack of interesting displays and fly-bys, Rutan's way-out designs, historical Naval aircraft, aerobatic flying, even at night with pyrotechnics. Wow, wish I'd been there!

The Sunday July 24th edition of the "AirVenture Today" featured a picture of the latest lighter-than-air "Zeppelin," generically a "Dirigible." I found it interesting in that it more

closely resembled a blimp with its plumpy, smooth outer appearance rather than the ribbed, fabric-covered craft of the Twenties and Thirties. The vectored engines and props certainly make landing and docking easier.

While I spent considerable time in England on a project several years ago, I became interested in England's attempt to enter the "Airship" market then claimed by Germany. England had the advantage of using non-flammable helium gas while Germany could not buy helium from the U.S. or the U.K. and had to use dangerous hydrogen which led to the Hindenburg disaster at Lakehurst, N.J.

It seems England funded the construction of two such aircraft, one to be designed and constructed in a government-owned facility, the other unit designed and constructed by an independent company. If memory serves me, the R-100 was from the independent group while the R-101 was the government-built craft. The story of these two projects makes for interesting reading. The R-100 was built in a hangar in the farming country of England with relatively unskilled labor under the direction of a brilliant engineer. It was successfully

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built and flown and went on to visit much of the world, including the U.S. and Canada.

The government-built craft had many delays including adding a bay or two to the structure to accommodate additional gas bags to lift its overweight. (Remind you of government projects we read about every day?) The R-101 had a very short life-span, crashing in its early flight testing, while the independent R-100 met and

exceeded its design parameters.

An interesting feature of the R-100 was a hatch access far forward near the nose of the aircraft. Off-duty crewmen could walk on an interior walkway and go up a short ladder to the forward hatch. They could crawl out onto a three foot wide plywood walkway which ran topside all the way to the tail, well over three hundred feet. While this walkway had low rope handrails on each side, few crewmen used the

handrails for safety but simply walked to a comfortable level spot where they could relax and sunbathe. Can you imagine yourself in the sun on a three foot wide piece of plywood on top of that big silver whale, a thousand or so feet over the Atlantic at thirty-five knots? Let's hope they didn't roll over in their sleep! It was a long way down.

I hope to see you at the next meeting to hear all your AirVenture adventures.

## July 2011 NCWLF Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order, 2.15 pm by President Steve Krueger.

Introductions around the room were made. Treasurers report given and accepted. Secretary's report given and accepted.

Old Business: Continued collection of Payzer donation ideas. Report given on Tuesday night fly-ins given.

Solicitation of volunteers for

the chapter tent at AirVenture.

New Business: Bill & Taylor Kaiser congratulated on their achievements of Light Sport Pilot Certificates. Dave Meyer report on trip to spearfish for the Short Wing Piper Convention, with tips on tie-downs and the proper method of the "hurricane" knot.

Up Coming Events:

AirVenture – notation of construction on Highways 45 and 41. Harold Schauer August 6 Fly-In at Shiracco Meadows Field, aka The Field of Dreams. Payzer Memorial Musky Day August 14, Chicken dinner and flying fun. Wild Rose – August 20, State Ultralight Fly-In. Phillips, Memorial Day Saturday – Fly-In and Hobo dinner.

Meeting adjourned at 2.45

## Tuesday Night Is Fly Night

### July 12 – Eagle River Airport

A lovely evening. The flight up to Eagle River airport was, for me, a pleasant group flight from the Merrill airport. Upon arrival at Eagle River we were greeted by nearly a dozen airplanes and their occupants from Chapter 75. Even a couple of faces not often seen at a Tuesday event, Joe and Jody Malsek! Deb and Pat Kenney absolutely outdid themselves; putting out a spread of delicious brats, sausages, salads and other delectable delicacies. We all ate our fill (and then some) and proceeded to tax the capacities of our landing gear... The next scheduled fly-night is to Jim Klemans on August 9th.

Larry Wenning – Tuesday Fly-Night Coordinator



**August 9** Jim Klemans  
Airfield

**August 23** JAKS Field,  
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## Next NCWLF Meeting August 20

Our next meeting is at 1:30 on Saturday August 20 at the Wild Rose State UL Fly-in Wild Rose, WI (W23). Hope to see you there!

## EAA AirVenture Awards

Congratulations to these chapter members for bringing home some heavy hardware from the EAA AirVenture judges. Nice going guys!

Classic ( 1945-1955)  
Awards Custom Class B  
(81-150 hp)

David Meyer, Merrill  
1949 Piper PA-16, N5626H

Reserve Grand Champion -  
Silver Lindy

Sydney Cohen, Wausau  
1946 Ercoupe 415-D,  
N94196

Light-Sport Aircraft  
Reserve Grand Champion -  
Silver Lindy

Mike Riley, Eau Claire  
Challenger LSS, N140MR

Light-Sport Aircraft  
Honorable Mention  
Larry Wenning, Merrill  
Kitfox 4, N96DJ

## Stolen Quicksilver

Please be on the lookout for a stolen Quicksilver Sport 11, N582VB, taken some time last week from the Sextonville Airport, Richland Center, WI. In addition, they took the Rotax 503 engine from my aircraft. If you have any information, please contact the FAA and the Richland County Sheriff's Department 608-647-8906 Matt Keyes

## Calendar of Events

- August 9** Tuesday Fly Night, Jim Klemans Airfield
- August 14** Bob Payzer's Musky Day Fly In Boulder Jct Airport
- August 20** Chapter Meeting 75 / Wild Rose Fly In Idlewood Airport
- August 23** Tuesday Fly Night, JAKS Field, Mosinee
- August 27** Wenning Shindig
- September 3 - 4** Fly In at Phillips Airport PBH. Jim and Jeanie Heizler and Harborview Supper Club. Camping Available. Labor Day weekend.
- September 17** Combined 640 / 75 Chapter Meeting Fall Fly In Flying "O" Ringle

## Buy Trade Sell

- ✈ Kolb UltraStar Rotax 447, with B gearbox, BRS chute, make offer Richard Iverson Stevens Point 715 341 7584
- ✈ Wanted: Fiberglass Expert to help me with repairs on my amphibian hull. Call David @ 715-362-6949.
- ✈ 1947 Luscombe 8A Half interest Qualifies Light Sport S/N 5689, N2962K Continental 65 hp (A-65-8) Aluminum/blue, Cleveland brakes, New tail wheel, Skis, Sporty's A300 Transceiver, external antenna, push-to-talk, intercom. Airframe Total Time: 3164 hours. Engine: 787 SMOH. S T C a u t o g a s (SA730GK, SE634GL) Current annual 6/2010 Hangered Stevens Point, WI \$8,000 Charley White 715 344-5646
- ✈ 2008 Avid Mk IV on tri gear N9548A, Rotax 582 blue head W/180 hr. Easy fold wings. 14 gl. wing tank, Air sp, Alt, Vsi,Rpm, Egt, Water temp,Hobbs, Lowrance G.P.S. Power Fin/3Blade prop 18,000 Or Best Offer. Jim Jagger, 715-592 6402 C 715-630-4059
- ✈ Looking for members to start a club to purchase a light sport airplane; about \$5,000 buy-in, three to 8 members My home phone (day time best) is 715-845-5483. Tom Malato
- ✈ Wanted: AN bolts, nuts, washers, etc. Prefer grab bag of mostly AN-3, new or like new. Can be dirty. David Harris 715 362-6949 dpharris47@gmail.com
- ✈ Challenger, always hangared, engine overhauled by Steve Krueger. Ed Mux REDUCED TO SELL 715-536-7404
- ✈ Adventura taildragger amphibian. Previous owner, Dean Turner. Ed Mux REDUCED TO SELL 715-536-7404
- ✈ One single-place and one two-place, tailless, flying wings. Ed Mux REDUCED TO SELL 715-536-7404
- ✈ Rotax 447 engine for ultralight, TT 3 hrs, 2 to one gear drive, 50/34 Pusher Prop, addtl prop, Tach, EGT, CHT, 2 fuel tanks, service manuals \$1,200 Jim Koss 715-693-3675
- ✈ 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.
- ✈ Pober Pixie plans and full set of ribs. Meets LSA requirements. \$125 Rich Prange 715-536-1704 bighill@dwave.net
- ✈ Type 8, B gear box, 2.58:1 ratio with 16.2 hours of run time. Bret Taplin 715-341-4093 btaplin@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
- ✈ CGS Hawk Arrow II, N46229 HKS 700E, 3 Blade Power Fin Prop, 20Hrs TT, Tricycle Gear, Hangared at Rusk Co. Airport. \$23,000 Earl Cinatl 715-868-5851



***MUSKY DAY***  
***Land & Sea Fly-In***  
***Boulder Jct, WI,***  
***Sunday Aug 14,2011***  
***A Tribute to Bob Payzer***

- \*Famous Darko Chicken Pilots & Crew 12 Noon***
- \*One of a kind Complementary Authentic Cap to PIC***
  - \*Sea Plane Dock / Beaching***
  - \*Free Transportation to Downtown Activities 9-3***
    - \*Exclusive Taste of Musky***
    - \*Antique Car Show***
    - \*Crafts of all Types***
    - \*Fly-In Starts at 9:00am***
    - \*Boulder Junction Airport KBDJ***
    - \*Camp under your Wing Saturday Night***
    - \*CTAF 122.9 No Facilities / Fuel on Request***
- Contact Info: Steve Krueger 715-573-9873***  
***kruegerfly@aol.com***

# **Wisconsin State Light Aviation Fly-In Wild Rose Airport W23**

**August 20, 2011**

***Powered Parachutes, Fixed Wings, Ultralights  
Powered Para Gliders, Trikes, Light Sport***

***Camping Available Friday and Saturday  
\$5.00 Donation per night  
Proceeds benefit the Wild Rose Airport***

***Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner available on the Airport  
Proficient Events 11:00 am Saturday  
Pilots Briefing 10:00 am***

***Music and Campfire at dusk on Saturday  
Bring Your Favorite Instrument and Play Along***

***Sponsored By  
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Contact Event Chairmen for more information

Brett Wilke at (920) 622-4852

Steve Krueger at (715) 573-9873 or at [kruegerfly@aol.com](mailto:kruegerfly@aol.com)

Merrill Municipal Airport



# Airport Day

Saturday, September 10, 2011

5th Annual Flea Market 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Crafts, Baked Goods, Antiques, Collectibles and more

**Free Breakfast or Lunch to PIC of Visiting Aircraft**

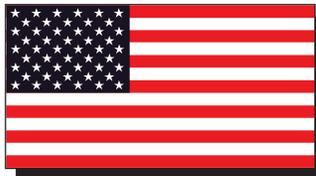
Pastries Breakfast by Relay for Life, Lunch by the Lions

Many different Aircraft on display

Skydivers through out the day

RC Airplanes & Putt Putt Displays

Bounce House, Flight Simulator for Kids



**Other Area EAA Chapters**

**EAA UL 1 Milwaukee**  
**Steve Magdic**  
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**Keith Matthews**  
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**EAA 992 Marshfield**  
**Dave LeVoy**  
**715-676-2282**  
**(No e-mail)**