



EAA Ultralight Chapter 75

North Central Wisconsin Lite Flyers

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Kites

One cannot get too deep into reading about the Wright brothers without bumping into their experiments with kites. From kites they established principles of lift, angle of attack, weight and balance, etc., etc. The closer the Wright boys got to actual manned flight test, the bigger the kites.

It wasn't about size, but in early September this fall I did see a kite about the size of a whale shark with pretty accurate detail also. "Kites Over Lake Michigan" was the name of the show. My expectation of this event was a large ho-hum.

Not the case. These were not your grandfather's kites by any stretch. One very large, very plain kite, almost out of sight, at an unknown altitude was actually a heavy hauler for a twelve foot tall air/ wind inflated astronaut. The "astronaut" was tethered several hundred feet below the kite.

Kites of this size and configuration at this event might have derailed Orville and Wilber from manned flight for years! Formation-aerobatic kite performances from this event would have sent the Wright boys over the edge.

When flyable wind almost died, a class of lightweights were launched to perform an aerial ballet. Beautiful! I don't know how they maintained lift. Those ground bound pilots had amazing



skill and were interesting to watch. But for my piloting I prefer to look down rather than up.

Tric ?ion

The denominations were 6, 8, 10, 15, 20, & 50 – cents. The time frame was 1941 to 1943 and philatelists will be "thrilled" with this challenge. The question is, what aircraft was featured on airmail stamps with the information just given? Find the answer at the end of this editorial.

BURRS



I have alighted, so to speak, on the beaches of Lake McConaughy, NE. This body of water, in the flats of Nebraska, is 22 miles northwest to southeast and has plenty of rock hard smooth sand on its perimeter.



I'm sure there are a number of Chapter 75 pilots with STOL capabilities that may be interested in landing on these natural runways.

Watch Out! This is not an opinion. After a low fly-by you will find the beaches mostly clear and useable. My

warning applies to the "grassy" foliage adjacent to the sand. Your first impulse after landing would be to kick off your shoes and wade in the lake then stroll the white sandy beach. Tribulus Terrestris locally referred as "puncture weed or goat's-head" is waiting to get you.

Wow, these little organic gems are diamond hard and wickedly sharp. The burr seeds have been known to puncture bicycle tires, I don't know about airplane tires, but they will definitely alter your plans for a walk on this Nebraska beach.

Amalgam

The aircraft used on 1941 thru 1943 postage never flew. As an artist's rendition, it is a blend of Douglas DC3, Lockheed Electra and Beech 18. Was the post office trying to pull a "fast one"? Keep your needle in the green.

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**NCWLF Treasurer Report
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<u>Checking</u>		<u>Savings</u>	
Balance Forward	\$ 2,544.94	Balance Forward	\$ 36,654.68
Checking Deposits		Interest	.91
Deposits	162.00		
Checking Payments		<u>Savings Balance</u>	\$ 36,655.59
Cash (Sept & August)	200.00		
Krueger Floral	79.13		
Express Tax Exmt	19.80		
<u>Checking Balance</u>	\$ 2,408.01	<u>Total Cash</u>	\$ 39,063.60



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Application Form for Membership and Subscription

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Membership Dues Schedule

- \$ 12 May
- \$ 9 August
- \$ 6 November
- \$ 3 February
- \$ 11 June
- \$ 8 September
- \$ 5 December
- \$ 2 March
- \$ 10 July
- \$ 7 October
- \$ 4 January
- \$ 1 April

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

Send dues to: NCWLF P.O. Box 12 Schofield, WI 54476

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Items received by the 5th are considered for that months' publication.

Send comments, questions, suggestions, etc... to tvosswi@gmail.com



September 2017 NCWLF Meeting Minutes

The September meeting of the NCWLF was held at Kleman International Airport in Hatley. 4 airplanes and 29 people were present. President Steve Krueger called the meeting to order with the ringing of the Payzer bell (THANKS BOB). Self introductions were followed by the reading of the secretary and treasurer reports which were accepted as read.

Old Business; Steve congratulated Larry Wenning, Paul Buss and Paul Sedlacek on their successful flying adventure to Idaho. They attended the Kitfox fly in and experienced some mountain flying and back country airstrips. Larry gave a nice play by play of the trip. Steve reported on his and Karens weekend trip to Blakesburg

Iowa. They attended the Antique Aircraft Fly in which had 354 planes registered. Steve also reported that Merrill Airport Day was a success.

New Business; Congrats went out to Dale Kanitz who passed his check ride. Dale has a Rans 6ES. On a sad note, Gordy Radtke, a long time club member who has been fighting health issues for many years passed away. Gordy will be deeply missed as he was an unequalled resource for all things Rotax and freely passed on his knowledge to many of our members.

Upcoming Events; There will be a fly in at Crivitz, October 7th with proceeds donated to MACC (Midwest Athletes Against Childhood Cancer).

There will be BBQ and live music.

\$100 Drawing;... **names drawn** in order were, Howard Conforti, Peter Blenker, Jay Schnur, Pat Kenny, Scott Walby, Tony Borchardt, Larry Gordon, Barb Greene, Mike McKeever, Jessica Taylor, Bill Maguire, Dave Hawro, Joe Salaja, and the **winner is... Kaycee Kaiser!**

A big Thank You was given to Jim and Lenore Kleman for hosting our meeting and serving up a great lunch!

The Next Meeting will be Saturday, October 21st, 10:30 AM at **Paul and Sue Buss's Norrie Brook Airstrip.**

Secretary

Jim Shnowske

Buy Sell Trade

✈ Don Mahn's 75% Completed Pietenpol. Freshly Rebuilt Corvair 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 visibil-

ity. 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 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

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Next NCWLF Meeting October 21

Our next chapter meeting will be Saturday, October 21st, at Paul and Sue Buss's Norrie Brook Airstrip 10:30 AM. Norrie Brook is located at N4840 County OO Eland WI 54427. Hope to see you there

Calendar of Events

October 7 Crivitz Fly in Crivitz, WI
October 21 Chapter Meeting Eland, WI

November 18 Chapter Meeting
December 9 Chapter Meeting

In Memoriam John Kirstein

John (Hollywood) Kirstein passed away on Sept 2nd at his home in Montana. John was a long time member of Chapter 75 and avid flyer out of the Wausau Downtown Airport. John and Mary moved to Montana about 5 years ago and he enjoyed the mountains and rivers of that beautiful land.

John became sick with cancer shortly after moving to Montana and died from those complications.

There will be a Memorial Gathering in celebration of John Kirstein on Wednesday Oct 11th from 2-6 pm at the Marathon Town Hall located on the corner of County Road N and Marathon Road. If you have any questions about the gathering call me at 715-573-6220. Dan Marlenga

Buy Sell Trade cont...

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show bird for EAA in 1998. Rotax 503 UL DCDI. Aircraft has 268 hrs and engine has 178 hrs. 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 hangared, Based in Antigo \$12,000 OBO. 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

715-341-4093 bta-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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