

EAA Ultralight Chapter 75

North Central Wisconsin Lite Flyers

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Editorial Notes by Larry Gordon

Chapter Christmas Party

The new year has begun with its 2nd month starting off forecasted to be above average in temperature, and as my lawn appears, below average in accumulated snow. The weather on January 20th was perfect for UL Chapter 75's Christmas party in the Glenn and Judy Burt hangar, at the Downtown Wausau Airport. The sun was bright, and the air was cool and refreshing. Fun was had by all who attended, with the exception of the chickens, who came as our entrees! All comers were in the spirit of the waning season, still spreading and cheer smiles to further brighten the day. After the annual "ultralight" dice game, the present exchange and reveal, the crew packed up the table and chairs, as well as

swept out the hangar, for the Burt squadron of planes left poised and ready for their next flights. It was a great start to another year!



Amazing Aviation Records

When I was at the EAA Museum last month, I ran out of time before I could fully appreciate what the Rutan Voyager exhibit represented in human strength, perseverance, technical innovation, and teamwork. The team's success, which culminated over the 6 years from inception of the Voyager mission, to the touchdown in the Mojave Desert



after a 9 day, aroundthe- world non-stop and non-fueled flight, was the brainchild of Burt Rutan, and flown by his brother Dick, and pilot Jeana Yeager. On Dec. 14, 1986, the Rutan Voyager departed Edwards AFB having a net wt. of 2,250 lbs., 7,011.5 lbs. of fuel, and a gross wt. of 9,694 lbs.. The 1200 gal. of fuel were in 17 fuel tanks, and landing on Dec 23rd after 25,000 mile flight, only 8 gal. of usable fuel remained in them. Not bad for a homebuilt airplane! The non-stop / nonrefueled record flight is one that has received much publicity from the aviation community for its actual accomplishment, just as much so for the design and construction of the Voyager that helped advance the carbon fiber technology of today. Another avia-

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NCWLF Treasurer Report February 2024 Submitted by Larry Wenning

Checking		<u>Savings</u>		
Balance Forward	\$ 990.86	Balance Forward	\$ 9,185.27	
Checking Deposits		1/31/24 Interest		.08
01/02/2024	570.00			
01/22/2024	145.00			
Checking Payments		Savings Balance	\$ 9,185.35	
Jan & Feb Cash	200.00			
1098	105.50			
1099	202.65			
Service Fee	5.00			
<u>Checking Balance</u>	\$ 1,192.71	<u>Total Cash</u>	\$ 10,378.06	

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Application Form for Membership and Subscription

May we Send you an Electronic Version of the Newsletter? Yes No				
e-mail				
Name	Phone			
Address				
City	State Zip			
EAA#				

Type of plane you fly

Membership Dues Schedule

- \$ 15 May
- \$ 12 August
- \$ 9 November
- \$ 6 February

- \$ 14 June
- \$ 11 September \$ 8 December
- \$ 5 March

- \$ 13 July
- \$ 10 October
- \$ 7 January
 - \$ 4 April

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

Send dues to: NCWLF N3175 Norwegian Rd Merrill, WI 54452

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



January 2024 NCWLF Meeting Minutes

The January 20, 2024 Chapter 75 EAA meeting was called to order by President Steve Krueger. It was held at Wausau Downtown Airport in Glenn and Judy Burt's hanger. Thank you so much for hosting. The potluck lunch and ever popular dice game made for a great afternoon. Thank you to Bill and Patty Heil for the donated door prize.

There were 40 members and no airplanes that flew in. Introductions followed.

Secretary's report was read aloud. Motion to accept made by Paul Buss. Seconded by Taylor Kaiser. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report was read by Larry Wenning. The Bob Payzer money allocated for renewing EAA memberships for current members has been depleted and will no longer be renewing individual EAA member-When ships. yours comes in the mail, make sure you renew on your own. After 10 years the funds so graciously given to us by Bob which paying these dues, has been officially exhausted. Thank you for understanding.

Motion made by Dan Marlenga to accept. Seconded by Ken Krolow. Motion carried.

Monday February 26th Jurg will be putting on a seminar at the Merrill Airport. He will have the Wisconsin Accident Review. He will talk about Proper PreFlights, Decision Making and Proficient Piloting.

Chapter Service Awards were given out. An MVP award was given to Mike Riley. This is for the great job he did on the Chapter 75 trailer. It needed some TLC and Mike helped us out.

President Steve Krueger was presented a briefcase from the Board of Directors. His old one was in pretty sad shape so we thought it was needed.

The \$100 drawing was won by James Gresens on the first draw. Thanks Bob!!

Next meeting will be at the Antigo Airport on February 17, 2024. It will be at 10:30 and hosted by John and Barb Szigat.

Motion to accept made by Eric Lear and seconded by Scott Johnson. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Colleen Hansen Recording Secretary

Next NCWLF Meeting February 17

Our Next Chapter 75 Meeting will be Saturday, Feb 17th, 10:30 am at the Antigo Langlade Co Airport.

Hosted by John and Barb Szigat.

Hope to see you there!

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tion record, less publicized and technologically advancing, but no less amazing, is the non-stop flight duration record set in 1958 in a Cessna 172. Robert Timm and John Cook piloted a Cessna 172 for 150,000 miles, continuously staying aloft for 64 days, 22 hours, and 19 minutes. The plane only had two major modifications; a 95 gal. belly fuel tank to supplement the 47 gal. wing tanks, and modifications in the engine's oil lines and valving to allow them to change oil and oil filters on the go. Fuel delivery was completed by a

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truck driving under the plane along an abandoned road in AZ, passing a 20' hose to one of the pilots standing on a temporary platform outside the cockpit, then filling the 95 gal. belly tank. All other supplies, food and water. were transferred the same way. This procedure was repeated twice a day, for a total of 128 times over the 64 days. They beat the previous record by 14 days. Sounds like a piece of cake for some of our chapter members. Aye, Taylor!

EAA "Winter Flight Fest"

Saturday, Feb. 10th, 8 to 4 p.m., the EAA Museum is sponsoring hands-on activities and exhibits for youths and adults. Checkout the event online for the full listing of activities.

Beware of woodchucks!

Help Save KRRL Runways 16 and 34

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The Merrill Airport Commission has been trying to save and Reconstruct RWYs 16/34 at KRRL for over 10 years. We are attempting to accurately

document our Annual Number of Operations on RWY's 16 and 34 at KRRL. You can help us do this.

The FAA is currently suggesting that the operations on our crosswind runway are insufficient to

justify rebuilding 16/34. We have been told by the FAA that they presently intend to use ADS-B Out in making such Take Off and Landing operation determinations. Now we know why our numbers are way too low. FAA has admitted that possibly only fifty percent of the GA fleet is ADSB equipped, and we believe that the ADSB Modes C is not reporting accurately in our region. We believe the FAA's Numbers are not

accurately representing the Total Number of An-Operations nual RWYs 16/34 at KRRL and that we have many more than what they suggest.

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wind conditions at RRL required you to use 16/34 for safety reasons based on the wind performance of your aircraft.

RNIGHT AIRE 1605 - 29 Please also try to re-Bloomvill cord and show the Wind Direction and Welocity on your form for each Operation vou make on RWYs 16/34. This is very important. Do your best to remember and record that...e.g. 320 / 9G20 KT or MPH.

You can get forms to record your Operations from Rich McCullough, KRRL Airport Manager.

Please record each Take Off and each Landing you make on RWYs 16 and 34 at KRRL. Each Take Off or Landing is considered "an Operation". Please try to also record the AWOS announced wind speed and direction for these operations. The only operations FAA will count are those in which the

We hope to track our Operations for the next year to 14 months. We hope to demonstrate and show 2000 - 2500 Annual Operations on RWYs 16/34.

We greatly appreciate your help in saving RWY 16/34

Thank You!

Merrill Airport Commission

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FAA Safety Team | Safer Skies Through Education

Topic: Checklist Item Missed

by Jurg Grossenbacher FAAST Program Mgr. MKE FSDO

Merrill Airport on Monday, February 26, 2024 at 6:00PM, Main Terminal Building, 1701 Champagne Street, Merrill WI 54452

Jurg Grossenbacher, from the Milwaukee FSDO, will take you through a quick Wisconsin accident review. The main theme will discuss three accidents that occurred both; during a beautiful VFR day and one that occurred at night in Instrument flight conditions. We will discuss the accidents and how easily that one Checklist item could be missed by a pilot. We will discuss:

- Pre-flight still matters
- Checklists still matter
- Final check while on runway (Heading on DG vs. Runway Heading)
- Aeronautical Decision Making
- Confess to ATC use CRM
- Proficiency is so important! Train, Train, With a knowledgeable, professional Flight Instructor

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Calendar of Events

Feb 17 Chapter Meeting Langlade April 20 Chapter Meeting County Airport Antigo May 18 Chapter Meeting

Feb 26 Jurg Grossenbacher Safety Seminar Merrill Airport

March 16 Chapter Meeting

April 9- 14 Sun N Fun / Aerospace Expo Lakeland FL

April 20 Chapter Meeting
May 18 Chapter Meeting
June 4 Tuesday Night Fly Night
June 15 Chapter Meeting
June 18 Tuesday Night Fly Night
July 2 Tuesday Night Fly Night

July 16 Tuesday Night Fly Night
July 22-28 AirVenture Oshkosh
August 6 Tuesday Night Fly Night
August 11 Boulder Jct Musky Day Fly In
August 17 Chapter Meeting
August 20 Tuesday Night Fly Night



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