

EAA Ultralight Chapter 75

North Central Wisconsin Lite Flyers

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Editorial Notes by Larry Gordon



While traveling down Hwy 41 in Oshkosh, heading home after visiting a high school classmate, I decided to take a side trip to the EEA Museum for some inspiration for this newsletter. The parking lot had a substantial number of cars in it, probably due to it being Christmas break time for school kids, and a wet, cold and windy day! The museum lobby portrayed a different story by appearing empty. Off I went to immerse myself in the hidden gems of aviation history, and attempt to locate my fellow aviation enthusiasts **who's cars dominated** the parking lot.

Staying on the Upper Level of the museum, I slowly made my way to one of my favorite spots, **"Timeless Voices"**. I'm glad I have some astronaut qualities as evidenced by one of the recorded interviews of a unauthorized ISS experiment. Two astronauts used a portable drill to demonstrate **Newton's 3rd Law of**

Gravity, with one of them holding the drill, and the other one holding a chucked tool shaft. Both of them were counter-rotating until



they used up the whole battery charge. Sounds like a couple of guys from the Chapter! Any guesses who? Sounds on par to the M&M fiasco on Spaceship One after reaching apogee.

I finally found what sounded like the crowd I was scouting for on the upper level of the museum. The enthusiastic sounds were coming from the KidVenture area. Duh! They sure were having fun; parents and their kids. A couple of the hands on exhibits were out of order, probably due to youthful participant enthusiasm.

Could be why "Young Eagles" have to be at least 8 years old!

After departing the EAA Museum for home, I chuckled to myself thinking about those kids having fun in the museum, and wondered which one of them would be first to grab a power drill to demonstrate the gravitational law of action-reaction! **"Your headed to Mars boy, and take Gordon with you"!** Oh, the **thrill of seeing our "little blue planet" the size of your fist! That's going on next year's Christmas list.**

The Chapter 75 elf reminded me of our Christmas celebration on January 20th, at noon, in the Glenn Burt hangar at the Wausau Downtown Airport. Also make note of the invitation to the Chapter 640 Christmas gathering extended to Chapter 75 members, January 13th. Further details are in the newsletter.

Hoping to see you there!

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NCWLF Treasurer Report January 2024
Submitted by Larry Wenning

<u>Checking</u>		<u>Savings</u>	
Balance Forward	\$ 412.86	Balance Forward	\$ 10,185.19
Checking Deposits		12/31/23 Interest	.08
12/16/23 From Savings	1,000.00	Transfer to Checking	1,000.00
Checking Payments		<u>Savings Balance</u>	\$ 9,185.27
EAA Chapter Renewal	422.00		
Annual Service Charge	5.00		
<u>Checking Balance</u>	\$ 985.86	<u>Total Cash</u>	\$ 10,171.13

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North Central Wisconsin Lite Flyers
Application Form for Membership and Subscription

Mail Check Payable To:
NCWLF

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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

This newsletter is a monthly publication of the North Central Wisconsin Lite Flyers and is free to all club members. Send items you would like included in the newsletter to:

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

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



December 2023 NCWLF Meeting Minutes

The December 16, 2023 Chapter 75 EAA meeting was called to order by President Steve Krueger. It was held at Merrill Airport. Thank you to the Merrill Airport Commission for letting us have our meeting and wonderful potluck lunch there. Great eating in the neighborhood!

There were 51 members present. Introductions followed.

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

Treasurer's report was read by Larry Wenning. Motion to accept made by Jim Cote. Seconded by Harold Schauer.

2024 Chapter calendars are here and look great! Thank you to Karen Krueger and Steve Norris. It is a possibility that some are still available-cost is \$7.00. Check with Steve Krueger.

MOSAIC-commentary can still be done. Check the De-

ember or January newsletter for links to go to for this.

New Business:

We took the time to recognize **Hugh Hanig a "Small town boy doing good things"**. He is going to college at Mankato State and has completed his Multi Engine and has the CFI check ride done as well. It was great to see you Hugh!

Winter Flying Tech Tips:

- 1) Airport Operations. How do they handle ice, are there snowbanks, snow removal handling?
- 2). Dress for Success. What would you do in case of an off airport landing, could you walk in snow for a mile?
- 3). The Plane. Make sure to preheat the plane.

Flying reports:

Joe Grassl talked about a visit to CWA and speaking to the tower. Make sure you understand what they are talking about.

Georgette Johnson talked about being on vacation in Alabama and being able to go to Pensacola to see the

Blue Angels practice their flying in formation and their maneuvers. There is a museum there too.

Sport Aviation magazine is looking for light sport articles. Check it out.

The \$100 drawing was won on the fifth pull. It was not won by Dale Bogard, Mike Riley, Jack LaSee or Morgan Borhardt. The money was won by Kraig Hanig. Thanks Bob! Thank you also to our guest chip puller Dane Krueger.

Evan and Colleen Hansen made two wooden Point Root Beer carriers for giveaway-they were won by Barbara Quinn and Jim Tittle.

Next meeting will be on January 20th at **Glenn Burt's** hanger at the Wausau Downtown Airport. A noon start to the meeting as well. Check the rest of the newsletter for more details.

Motion to adjourn made by Bill Kaiser. Seconded by Paul Buss. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Colleen Hansen
Recording Secretary

Next NCWLF Meeting January 20

Our next Chapter Meeting is our annual "After Christmas" Christmas Party, Saturday January 20th, 12 NOON at the Glen Burt Hangar, Wausau Downtown Airport. Park outside the fence (West side of Airport parking lot) and use the provided unlocked walk thru gate directly on the backside of Glens hangar.

Party Details: Chapter 75 will provide the Broasted Chicken. Please bring your favorite dish to share. We are doing a \$15.00 gift exchange this year, the guys bring a man's gift and the ladies bring a woman's gift. Please mark your gift with who it is from. A door prize and that crazy dice game to follow. Thank you to Glen and Judy Burt for your great warm & fully equipped hangar!

Hope to see you there!



The FAA's Modernization of Special Airworthiness Certification (MOSAIC) rule would expand the definition of light sport aircraft (LSA) and opportunities for sport pilots. Please take the time to visit the links below for more information.

[MOSAIC Takes Significant Step Forward](#)

www.eaa.org/eeaa/news-and-publications/eeaa-news-and-aviation-news/news/mosaic-takes-significant-step-forward

[How to Comment on a Proposed FAA Policy](#)

www.flyingmag.com/how-to-comment-on-a-proposed-faa-policy

2024 Chapter 75 Calendars

A few 2024 Chapter calendars are still available. Thank you to Karen Krueger, Steve Norris and Chapter members who submitted photo's, making this years calendar possible for everyone to enjoy through out the year. Pick yours up at the next meeting, Calendars are only \$7.00

Help Save KRRL Runways 16 and 34

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 Annual Operations on RWYs 16/34 at KRRL and that we have many more than what they suggest.

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 wind

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

Please also try to record and show the Wind Direction and Velocity on your form for each Operation you make on RWYs 16/34. This is very important. Do your best to remember and record that...e.g. 320 / 9G20 KT or MPH.

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

Chapter 640 Invite to Chapter UL 75

Chapter 75 is invited to join in at a joint holiday party on Saturday, January 13th, food starting at noon at the Learn Build Fly Education Center at the Wausau downtown Airport.

Chapter 640 will celebrate the accomplishments of

2023 and look forward to good things in 2024. Chapter 640 will provide the main dishes and ask that folks bring a dish to share.

Everyone is welcome to rsvp or not, so if we can get us a rough number we can prepare accordingly. An in-

vite is attached, RSVP to Dave Conrad 715-803-8903

Thank you,

Dennis, Mike, Terri, and Jess
EAA 640 Board



PLEASE JOIN US IN
CELEBRATING ALL THE WINS OF 2023

HOLIDAY *Celebration*

JANUARY 13 AT NOON

LEARN BUILD FLY EDUCATION CENTER
KAUW, WAUSAU DOWNTOWN AIRPORT

Please bring a dish to share.
RVSP appreciated but not required
Email eachapter640@gmail.com
or via your organization

Calendar of Events

Jan 20 Chapter Meeting Glen Burt Hangar Wausau Downtown Airport

Feb 17 Chapter Meeting

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

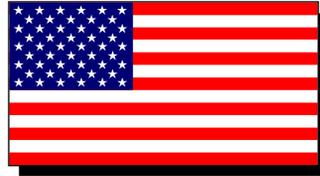
August 6 Tuesday Night Fly Night

August 11 Boulder Jct Musky Day Fly In

August 17 Chapter Meeting

August 20 Tuesday Night Fly Night

September 21 Chapter Meeting



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