



EAA Ultralight Chapter 75

North Central Wisconsin Lite Flyers

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Editors Notes

by Bill Markstrum

The 4th. of July booms, sizzles and star-bursts have finally ceased, at least until Saturday night when the big display will be fired off after the balloon glow at the Wausau Downtown Airport. Our house and yard is just across the fence from the tethered balloons and the fireworks display. Each time I mow the "back forty" I find more shrapnel from last years fireworks, but we do have the premiere spot for this free show.

I'm afraid I am well past my deadline for getting this copy to Tom Voss.. I may get fired from this high-paying job but I see no long line of replacements so I'll just carry on.

Our June chapter meeting was held at the R and S Landing strip just northwest of Merrill. The R and S name comes from the first names of Rob and Shirley Pichelman who have carved out their own little airfield. Rob has established runways on the gently contoured land. The non-level runway was no problem for those members who flew in. The wind over the bordering trees was the greater challenge as we graded each pilot on their approach, touchdown and runout. Everyone did a masterful job.

Rob, if you think your runways have hoop-de-dos,

try landing at the famous Rhinebeck airport in New York state, that's like skipping across ocean swells.

Elsewhere in this publication you will be brought up to speed on the minutes of the formal meeting, but let me add that the Pichelms were most gracious hosts, along with several neighbors who contributed food to our fly-in picnic. Rob and Shirley, we envy your flying ranch and workshop/hangar and welcome you as new chapter members. We look forward to future visits at the R and S.

We were especially honored to have both Sarah and Brian Krueger at the meeting, daughter and son of our chapter President and wife Karen. Sarah just graduated from high school and earned a generous scholarship to further her education in the medical field.

Brian, our intrepid airline pilot, had just returned from a trip to the outbacks of Alaska with lots of great pictures to keep us entertained. Steve and Karen, you must be very proud of these two and their high aspirations.

Our great meeting at the R and S ended with names being drawn for door prizes. I and several others won bird houses, handmade by "Grandpa". Thanks for a



wonderful time, Rob and Shirley!

I recently got a call from our chapter member in New London, Tom Seversen. He wished to inform me, that for medical reasons, he has given up flying his highly modified Hi-Max and is reducing the price for a quick sale. This craft has been listed in our Buy-Trade-Sell section at \$6,700. The new price, which includes a custom trailer, is \$5,500. Give Tom a call on this great offer and go look it over. You'll enjoy talking to him, especially about his descendency to ultralight flying. An aileron of what he used to fly probably weighed more than a legal ultralight-----a B-29!

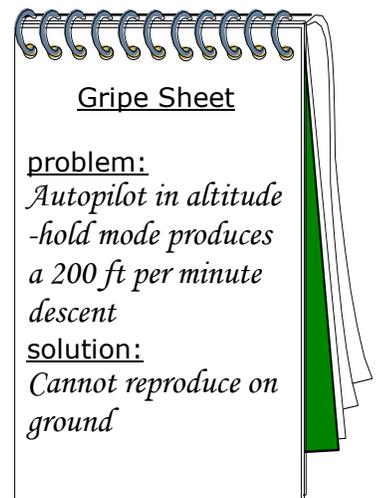
Last month I talked to Russ Post and told him about a friend who lives near the new airfield he and Dan Marlenga are establishing adjacent to Tom and Mark's place, south of Little Chicago. They had commented on the increase of flying activity over their house. They weren't annoyed but rather envious, for they too would like to fly. Russ said that after he and Dan were comfortable with their new field, they intend to contact each of their new neighbors and offer them rides and photo ops of their own homesteads. Good

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Gripe Sheet

problem:
Autopilot in altitude hold mode produces a 200 ft per minute descent

solution:
Cannot reproduce on ground

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thinking and great PR for our kind of flying, guys!

Russ and I also talked about a name for their new field. What else could it be but "Little O'Hare", near "Little Chicago"!

As you may remember, several years ago I helped Ron Detert establish the "Ron Detert Mini-Max Fund" to collect and turn in aluminum cans to provide money to help him complete construction of his Mini-Max despite unforeseen family medical expenses. The response has been excellent and Ron and I wish to thank you for your continuing contributions. Your aluminum cans are helping the old Tin Can Sailor get airborne! Incidentally, Ron is looking for a 56 inch piece of 4130 one inch tubing with a .095 wall thickness for his Mini-

Max axle. We can buy it locally but only in a full seventeen foot length, not very cost effective.

Meanwhile, back at the ranch, that is, my home next to the Wausau airport, the first hangar in my view to the west is the former Wausau Papers hangar. Of late, it housed the various Yugoslavian military aircraft Phil Boettcher imported and is reworking for sale in the US. Those old olive-drab workhorses now have shiny new hangar mates, the Aspirus Hospital's medivac helicopters. I'm thinking of making a new sign for Phil's entrance door. It would be in German script and say, "Das ist ein Hubschrauber Haus!" My daughter taught me the German word for helicopters, a carry-over from the days she and her husband lived on the East-West German border and he

flew patrols along the border in an army Bell "Hubschrauber".

I learned from an old friend in that Aspirus medivac group that one of the pilots was building a ultralight helicopter in that same hangar. Of course I had to investigate that rumor. It turned out to be a very nice Subaru Legacy powered Gyrocopter. (Sorry, I don't know the German name for that breed of craft.) I gave the young man who is building it, my card and a copy of our June newsletter. Ken would make an interesting addition to our chapter since we already have an in-house gyro expert in Mark Blume.

It's time to get my ramblings to Tom Voss for publication and batten down the hatches for the weekend fireworks, so for now, "das ist alles!"

Bill Markstrum

Next NCWLF Meeting July 19

The next Chapter 75 Meeting is at 1:30 on Saturday July 19 at the Jakel/LaSee Barnstormer fly-in in Abbotsford under the big top. See you there.

Wausau Balloon Rally

We are holding a Parade of Flight on Saturday July 12, 5 - 6 pm. We would like to have as many planes participate as possible. Write interesting information about you and your plane on a 3x5 card and give to Steve Krueger on Saturday afternoon. A briefing is at 4:30 in the conference room of the Wausau FBO building.

wausauballoonrally.com

2008 LaSee/Jakel Barnstormer Fly In

July 18-20 2008

Ultralights, Fixed Wing, Powered Parachutes, General Aviation, Sky Divers

Competition (Torpedo Run, Bomb Drop, Precision Landing)

EAA UL Chapter 75 Meeting Saturday July 18 1:30 pm.

Come Friday evening and camp through the weekend. Live music and a bonfire Saturday night. The field is located on the West side of Abbotsford 511 W Bus 29

(N44.94246 W90.33226).

All arriving aircraft monitor and announce on 122.9. 2900 ft. N/W- S/E grass



strip. Traffic pattern is RIGHT-HAND for runway 15 (power lines are buried on the approach to 15) and left-hand for 33 and be aware of all non-radio traffic. Adjoining PPC field 400' N/S x 500' E/W. Food and beverage will be available dish to pass optional. Contact Jack LaSee 715-223-4540 or 223-6324 for additional information. Hope To See You There!

June Meeting Minutes

The June meeting of the NCWLF was held at Ron and Shirley Pichelmanns airstrip on the north side of Merrill. It was a blustery day but there were still 12 planes that flew in including a Kitfox from Seattle. Bill Reeds brother Cliff flew his beautiful Kitfox Speedster all the way from Washington State to visit Bill and flew along with Bill to the meeting. Our clubs reputation for having fun has spread across the country!

After thanking our host for their hospitality, we did our standard introductions. Approx. 48 people were present.

Old Business: Dues are due. \$12.00 for the whole year. Taylor County (Medford) airport days were weathered out. Might be rescheduled.

New Business: Pres. Steve Krueger has the

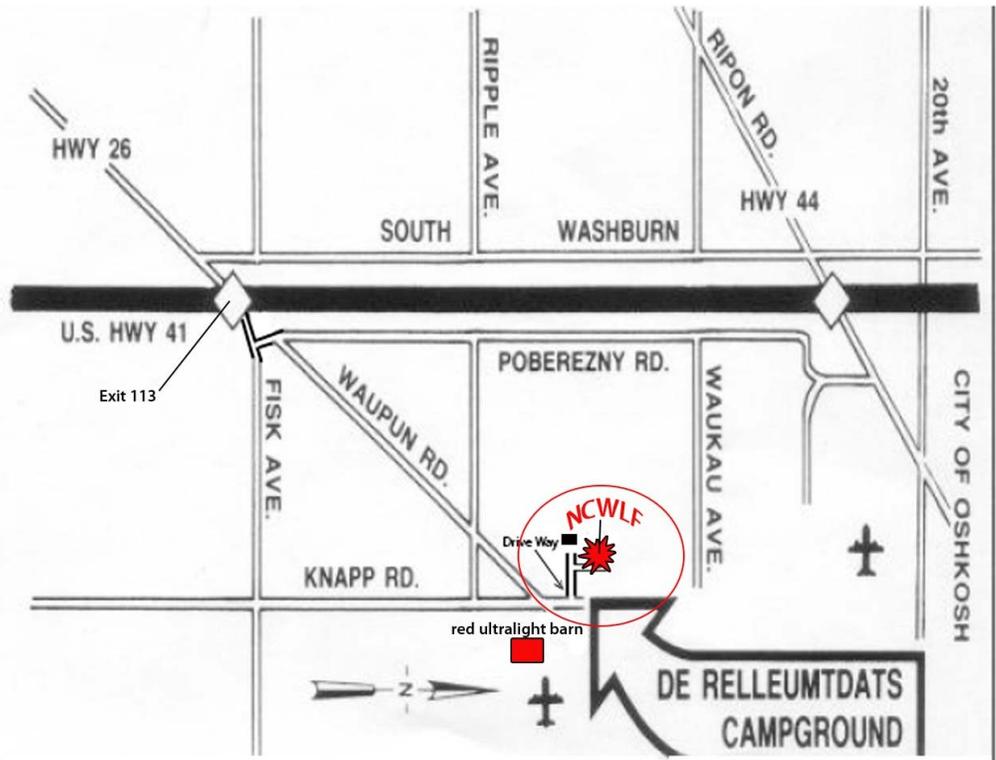
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It's that time of year, looking forward to the largest air show event on earth? It's right in our own back yard. EAA starts Monday, July 28 and ends Sunday, August 3. Our chapter 75 Camping and Parking area is once again at

De Relleumtdats campground; same spot again as last year, N/W of the barn, look for our Chapter 75 banner. See map for details. Thank You to Ron Wallace for securing our site one week a head of time.

EAA has sent our Chapter the arrival NOTAM. If you are going to fly in you will need this info. It covers all arrival and departures for all airplanes. Call Steve Krueger 715-536-8828





2008 NCWLF Calendar of Events



July

- 11 Friday Lunch at Iola Iola, WI
- 11-13 Wausau Balloon Glow and Rally Wausau, WI
- 12 Wausau Airport Appreciation Day Wausau, WI
- 18-20 LaSee/Jakel Barnstormer Fly-in Abbotsford, WI
- 18 Friday Lunch at Iola Iola, WI
- 19 Chapter Meeting LaSee/Jakel Fly-in Abbotsford
- 23-26 National Ercoupe Convention Wausau, WI
- 25 Friday Lunch at Iola Iola, WI
- 26-27 Shiocton Fly-In Shiocton, WI
- 26 Brennand Old Time Airport Days Neenah, WI
- 27 EAA Chapter 992 Pancake Breakfast Marshfield, WI
- 27 Sonex Aircraft Open House Fly-In Oshkosh, WI
- 27 2008 Ercoupe Caravan to Air Venture Wausau, WI
- 28 - August 3 EAA Air Venture 2008 Oshkosh, WI

August

- 10 Musky Day Land and Sea Fly-in Boulder Junction, WI (BDJ)
- 16 State UL & Light Plane Fly In Wild Rose Airport
- 16 Chapter Meeting Wild Rose Airport
- 17 Tomahawk Regional Airport Fly-In Tomahawk, WI

September

- 06 Merrill Airport Day Big Band Swing Dance Saturday Night.
Camping Available. Merrill WI
- 20 Fall Fly In Flying O Ringle WI
- 20 Chapter Meeting With EAA 640 Flying O Ringle WI

October

- 18 Chapter Meeting Location TBD

November

- 15 Chapter Meeting Location TBD

December

- 13 Chapter Meeting Location TBD

*Calendar of Events is updated monthly. To list events in subsequent newsletters contact
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arrival Notam for the OSH airshow if anyone needs it. We also have some DVD's titled "The Spirit of Oshkosh". One will be in the chapter DVD library. Our own club member Ron Purvis is on this DVD. Also new in the library is a DVD titled "Annual Inspection and Resource Guide". Our tech counselor Paul Buss reports that it is a very good resource. It can be borrowed and copied by anyone.

Upcoming Events: July 12 weekend. AUW Balloon Rally. Volunteers are needed. July 19th weekend. NCWLF meeting and camp over at Jakel Field in Abbotsford. Steve K. gave a short report on a flight to Land-O-Lakes that he, Paul Buss, Jim Shnowske, Lyle Banser and Brian Krueger made for a pan-

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Buy Trade Sell

- ✈ 1984 Pterodactyl Ascender. Excellent shape. Fabric tests great. Always hangared. Tach, EGT, Radio antenna, Strobe. Extra fuel tank. Never wrecked. Pure Part 103 aircraft. \$3,800 Pat Kenny 715-479-5036. Eagle River
- ✈ Kolb Firestar. 447 Rotax. Just overhauled. Prop and gear box overhauled. Single CDI. Tach, Alt. Dual EGTs, Altimeter, Primer, Radio antenna, Strobe. Fabric excellent, Good Paint. Matco Brakes and Wheels. Very good condition. Gone through complete overhaul. 4 hours on motor. \$6,000 Pat Kenny 715-479-5036 Eagle River
- ✈ 2007 Sky Ranger, Certified E-LSA, N8089J Rotax 582 Blue head, inverted, w/B gear box, 2.58:1 ratio, 24.4 Hobbs hrs. New GSC 64" 2 blade ground adj. propaeller, on order. ICOM A4 radio, head sets, intercom. ptt switch. 2004 NAVMAP color GPS w/2008 updates. Located at Stevens Point (KSTE) hangar 5E, come and take a look. Asking \$27,500.00 OBO Bret Taplin 715-341-4093
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- ✈ Other items. External radio antenna. Stratomaster EMS582 Tach, 2-EGT, 2-CHT, Hobbs, coolant temp, flight timer. Strtomaster ALT-ASI altitude, air speed. C gear box 3.00:1 ratio. RK400 clutch assembly. Tools needed to remove the B gear box, and install the C gear box. 68" IVO 3 blade, quick adj. ultralight 10-28 high pitch prop. Over \$3000.00 invested, make me a reasonable offer. Bret Taplin 715-341-4093 btaplin@msworldnet.com
- ✈ 447 Free air prov. 8 needs rebuilding \$500. Fiberglass free air scoop for 447. \$25 Rotax single air intake silencer. Brand new \$65 Rotax straight muffler with exhaust manifolds and elbow, ball joint kit all ceramic coated. Like new \$500. 66-30 Tennessee prop. Like new. \$275. Four unifier carb filters 2 1/2 inch. Brand new. \$20 for all. Orlie 715-683-2710.
- ✈ Tom's Hi-Wing

Scratch built & highly modified from HiMax plans. Certified 06. 1700 vw hand start. Steel Landing Gear, Big Wheels & Brakes N248TS Includes custom trailer. \$5,500. Tom Seversen 920-982-2203

- ✈ Chinook WT II, single place, enclosed cockpit \$1,500 Connie Balis Deerbrook. 715-627-7438

- ✈ 2000 Challenger II Two seat, long wing, Rotax 582, 64 HP, dual carb, dual ignition engine w/ electric start. Remote cockpit choke and radiator control, airframe 125 hours, engine 15 hours, always hangared in Wautoma. Many extras. Inspected/ Certified Experimental \$24,000 obo John Reis Hartford, WI 262-673-2636 262-224-2636.

- ✈ KR2 30% built, on gear less engine and instruments. Paul Prime Mills, WY 307-235-3549

- ✈ Rotax 582 "bluehead" Ebox, Radiator, Oil Inj, Throttle & Choke Cables, Engine Mount Plate, Assembled, (Continued on page 7)

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cake breakfast. Paul Buss reports that Jim Jaegers Avid Flier is ready for its airworthiness inspection. Bill Markstrum reports that the price of Tom Seversens Hi-Max in the newsletter classifieds, has been reduced to \$5000 including the trailer. Bill also reported that Mary Jones at the EAA has asked him to write some articles on ultralites. The chapter trailer that we now share with EAA chapter 640 has no spare tire. It was voted to acquire a spare, jack, and lug wrench. The meeting was adjourned.

Jim Shnowske

Buy Trade Sell

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- 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. Earl Cinatl 715-532-7242
- ✈️ Rans S-18 Amphibian. 15 hours. Pneumatic retract system, fiberglass floats, 2 seat tandem. \$15,000.00 without engine. \$30,000.00 with a 912S engine. Wautoma. Martin Goochmac2@aol.com
- ✈️ Kolb Twinstar with 532 Rotax. Wings recovered 2 years ago. Bright yellow color. Always hangared and well maintained. Fly as single ultralight or sport aircraft two place. \$12,000 obo. John 715-843-5580
- ✈️ New Rotax 582 engine, 0-time on engine (not blue head) dual carbs, CDI oil injection, electric start, 3.1 c-box exhaust, GSC 3 blade wood prop w/ spinner. Throttle and choke cables. Engine mounting plate and Kitfox model 111 engine mount. K&N chrome air filter. Oil inj. bottle. \$6,000 obo. John 715-843-5580

From the NCWLF Archives

Editors Notes November 1996

The October meeting of the Chapter (yes, we are now officially EAA UL Chapter 75!) was held at Mark Blume and Tom Voss' beautiful hilltop spread north of Marathon City. Unlike the fog and drizzle we experienced at Dick Lee's September meeting, the day was without a cloud. There was a brisk breeze but that didn't stop six of our intrepid members from flying in. A few pilots, unfamiliar with the area, were sighted miles out and guided in by "tower operator" Mark Blume. Those flying in were Dick Lee (Quicksilver MX Sport), Steve Norris (Quicksilver GT 500), Reiny Hirsch (Challenger). Gordon Radtke (Rotec Rally 2B), Rich Papa (Quicksilver MS Sport) and of course the FBO of Blume Field, Mark

and his Air Command Gyrocopter.

Late in the meeting, Dan Marlenga left, only to return with Ron Hase's two-place Quicksilver MXL II Sport with which he gave rides to anyone interested. It was pretty cool flying but no one complained. We were especially pleased when our great helpmate on this paper, Tom Voss, accepted his first flight in an ultralight. Upon deplaning, Tom said it all, "Gotta get one of these!"

The meeting went well, the food and location were great and to top off the day, Wausau's TV Channel 9 crew came out to film some of the action and interview the flyers. Are we making our mark or what?

Two more items come to mind before I close out my

section of the newsletter. Another local chapter, 243, is having their monthly meeting on November 16, 7 p.m. at Harmon Langs "Toybox" north of Wausau. I mention this because they are having a special presentation on re-working Subaru engines for aircraft use. I'm sure anyone interested will be most welcome to attend. Call me if you need more info on the location. 845-8673.

The other item I wanted to pass along is from one of our leaders, Paul Poberezny, taken from his editorial in the November issue of the *Experimenter*.

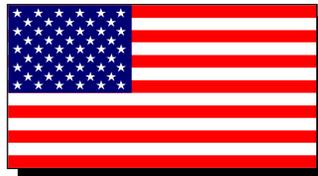
See you at the Wausau terminal building on the 16th.

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