



*Experimental Aircraft Association*  
*Chapter 637 - The Blue Hills Flyers*  
Rice Lake, WI



## **Minutes of the Meeting of February 15, 2025:**

The meeting was called to order by President Jeff Potocnik at 10:16 AM in Dave & Sharon Nielsen's Hangar at the Shell Lake Airport. President Potocnik led the group with the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Meeting Minutes of November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024:**

Approval of the November 2024 minutes. Ed Knutson moved to approve. Gary Gannon/Gerry Winch both 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion Approved.

### **Treasurer Crisler's Report for End of January, 2025:**

Treasurer Crisler summarized the latest finances, and a recent chapter financial audit that Ed Knutson and Sabrina Meddaugh performed with Crisler's assistance (thanks Ed and Sabrina!). Gerry Winch moved to approve the treasurer's report; Bob Gillette 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion approved. Bonnie Carlson moved to approve the annual self-audit; Dave Nielsen 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion approved.

### **Old Business:**

N/A

### **New Business:**

- Had an officer's meeting in January. Officers made a decision to steer an additional \$5,000 into a low-interest (4+%) CD sometime soon. Treasurer Crisler has that on his to-do list.
- AirVenture 2025 Chapter Camping???
  - Opens up for takers on March 3<sup>rd</sup> – online.
  - Gerry Winch summarized how it worksClipboard provided so folks could put name down if interested. If both the number of names, and then collection of needed dollars justifies, then Gerry will make a reservation accordingly. If not, then not. Sign-up sheet attached – officers decided insufficient interest and did not make reservation.

### Potential AirVenture 2025 631 Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser???

- At August 2024 meeting action was taken to decide “Yes, 631 will throw its name in the hat for hopefully being drawn by HQ to get one of these fundraiser breakfasts.
- The date for officially throwing 631’s name in the hat for drawing is approaching. **Is interest still solid?**
- Decided that if we try for it, we’ll try for the date of Tuesday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>
- Clipboard provided so folks could put name down if interested – see attached
- Officers decided not quite enough interest shown to commit to HQ for this, so officers did not throw 631 name in the hat w HQ.
- Cumberland Airport Annual Fly-in and Pancake Breakfast (during Rutabaga Fest)
  - This event available for EAA 631 to take over if desired
  - Would be a great opportunity to help 631’s charitable endeavors
  - Several members have helped (some a lot!) with the Lake Point Aero breakfast/fly-in at Shell Lake, so we know how to do this
  - Need commitments to do this before deciding “yes”
  - Hunter Johnson moved that Chapter 631 organize/sponsor/execute this event, provided enough names placed on the commitment list. Sabrina Meddaugh 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion approved.
  - Clipboard provided so folks could put name down to commit to helping – see attached.
  - There is sufficient interest/commitment to be able to pull this off (thanks!). Officer(s) will inform Airport Manager Ric Brekke; look for planning meetings upcoming.
- Chapter 631 annual 50/50 raffle
  - Year one was fairly successful (especially w Gary Crisler donating the winnings back)
  - Year two was in the black but not as good as year one. A fairly small group of members did the brunt of the heavy lifting
  - Let’s do a third year (2025) only if substantial commitment to sell made by members
  - Clipboard provided so folks could put name down to commit to helping – see attached.
  - Officers decided that insufficient commitments on the list to warrant ordering/purchasing the tickets, buying the needed license.

### **Dates to Note:**

- Saturday, August 30<sup>th</sup> – the Lake Point Aero Club Fly-in/Pancake Breakfast at Shell Lake Municipal Airport
- ~~Tuesday December 2<sup>nd</sup>~~. Nope, correction – Wednesday December 3<sup>rd</sup> as Lehman’s is not open on Tuesdays.

### **Adjournment:**

Moved by Ed Knutson. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob Gillette. Adjourned; and all hung around for an excellent potluck (thanks to all who brought food/beverages; thanks to Dave and Sharon for hosting!)

*Respectfully submitted, Brad Volker, Chapter Secretary*

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## Potential 2025 50/50 Raffle Fundraiser

Willing to commit to selling tickets (notes on locations, events, # of tickets helpful):

Sebrina/Jay/Mya Gardner - whatever we can help with

GERRY Wilson

Jeff P. O'Neill

Olson's

## AirVenture 2025 Chapter Camping

Interested and willing to Pay \$:

Sabrina + Janylmyr Gardner

6 Eddy W. Webb

John + Nancy Ostrem (would share the week)

# Potential AirVenture 2025 Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser

(Day of week unknown; if selected unknown)

(Tuesday ~~to~~ July 22<sup>nd</sup>)

Willing to commit to travel to AirVenture to help:

BRAD VOLKER

Dick ZEMAITIS

Gerry Winch - 2

Olson's

DAVE MISNER

John + Nancy Ostrem - 2

Matt + Carole Rybarczyk 2

# Cumberland 2025 Fly-In & Pancake Breakfast/Fundraiser

Sunday, August 24th

Willing to commit to helping (welcome to note  
job/task desired):

BRAD VOLKER

Gary Gannon

(715) 671-8100  
ICAC + EAA 631

Bruce & Maxine Dakins

Bob Rord

- pancakes, park planes

Dick ZEMBITIS

Olson's - depending on Aidan's College work

Sabrina Meddaugh / Jay Gardner, Mya Gardner

Hunter Johnson

DAN Ripplinger

John & Nancy Ostrem

Matt & Carole Ryborszyk

GERALD WING

Jeff Potocnik

Glenn & Bonnie