



EAA Ultralight Chapter 75

North Central Wisconsin Lite Flyers

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Hopefully, with proper inspiration and few interruptions, I can get this month's notes to publisher Tom Voss before "Cinco de Mayo" since this is only "Quatro de Mayo," the fourth of May. At least I haven't forgotten all of my high school Spanish.

It's a beautiful morning here at the Wausau Downtown Airport. A cloudless, sunny sky and a gentle breeze which is encouraging nature's true ultralights, the Chickadees, Sparrows, etc, to make full use of the feeder outside

my window. I hope that, while some weekend rain is in the forecast, you get to blow the winter dust off your wings, whatever you fly. I guess it's safe to wish all of you lots of spring and summer "stick-time" since there are few "yoke" equipped aircraft in UL-75.

Last evening, while finishing up some yard work outside, my ears perked up to the throaty sound of a radial engine throttled-up for take-off

*Just thinking far ahead
When my plane is finally done,
And I climb into the clear blue sky*

*In the noonday sun,
Should I make my first flight
From Wausau, right down town,
Where off-field sites are nil*

If I have to set 'er down?

*Or travel East to Antigo
Whose airport is surrounded
With level fields, potato farms,*

**In case I'm ever grounded,
I think I'll choose potato fields,**

*I like them mashed, you see,
Instead of old Lake Wausau*

Whose Sushi's not for me!

Bill Markstrum—2012

power. It didn't sound like any of the three Stearmans based at this airport. Like the song of a Valkyrie maiden, the sound had me putting my garden tools away and seating myself near the airport fence to listen to and watch a beautiful Waco biplane practicing takeoffs and full-stop

landings on runway three-zero. When I finally came back in the house as darkness closed down the flying, my memory bank was refueled with the sights and sounds of the past when I was an "airport kid" at this very airport. I wondered how many times I had hand-propped Archie Towle's Wacos and wiped the oil off the cowling. What great memories!

Besides a heart emergency my wife had and plus having to sing at a church Confirmation ceremony that Saturday, I was unable to attend the much-anticipated chapter meeting at Stevens Point. However, faithful reporter, Ron Detert, filled me in on the meeting and that the weather permitted a goodly number of fly-ins.

Those of you who live in the Wausau area or receive the Wausau Daily

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April 2012 NCWLF Meeting Minutes

The April meeting of the NCWLF was held at the FBO at the Stevens Point airport. 30 people attended with 14 airplanes ending up parked on the ramp. After a delicious lunch put on by Jim Jaggar, Bill Reed, Joe Mapes, Lyle Banser, and Pee Wee Summer President Steve Krueger called the meeting to order. Self introductions took place. The Treasure and Secretary reports were given and accepted as read.

Old Business; Steve Krueger gave a short report on the Safety Seminar that was held in Oshkosh. There were 200 attendees. Some of our club members won some nice door prizes. The seminar will be held again next year. Our tool library is coming together. Tools will be kept at Jim Shnowske's. The tools will be available for sign out or fly in and use them right there. A list of the tools will be posted on our web site.

New Business; Nominations for club officers were taken with Joe Mapes presiding. Nominations are as follows:
 President---Steve Krueger
 Vice President--- Dan Marlenga

Secretary---Jim Shnowske
 Treasure---Larry Wenning
 Board of Directors---Joe Mapes, Paul Buss, Lyle Banser.

Elections will be held at the May meeting.

Mike Ford was thanked for his role in getting our new web site up and running. Tom Voss is maintaining it for us. Tuesday Fly Nights will be starting on May 8th and will be every other Tuesday with the following Tuesday being the rain dates. Info for destinations will be posted on our web site. Burger night on Wednesdays will be starting again on May 2nd at Rick Coe's hanger at the Wausau airport. Grill fires up about 5:30PM –cook your own burger. Meat and extras provided. A donation is requested. All are welcome.

Jim Jaggar gave a report on his flight to Chippewa Falls and how well he was treated at the airport. John Szigat reported he has been working near Chicago and likes stopping at Galt and Shamberg airports for lunch. Project reports; Dan Marlenga gave an update on his Rans project. Says he

figures there was 100 hours of build time left when he got his plane back from Dick Neitzel. Since then he has done about 10 hour of that 100. Ron Detert reports he loves having his project (Mini Max) at the Wausau airport and appreciates all the support he has gotten from others. Brett Wilke reported he is working on his Thatcher-CX4 fuselage. The wing was finished last year. A reminder that it is dues time again. For the meager sum of \$12 you can continue to be a part of the most fun aviation group in Wisconsin. Treasure Larry Wenning will gladly take your money.

THE WINNER!!! of the \$100 door prize drawing this month was Brett Wilke. Missing out by not being present but having their names drawn were Mike Riley and Jim Heisler. You have to be present to win.

The next club meeting will be May 19th at JAKS Field in Mosinee. Lunch at Noon. Meeting at 1:30.

Secretary
 Jim Shnowske

Next NCWLF Meeting May 19

Our Next Meeting is Saturday May 19 1:30 PM at the Jim Shnowske's workshop, near Mosinee. Lunch by Jim and Sandy at 12 noon. Jim will be unveiling the new chapter tool library.

Driving: Exit I-39 at Central Wi Airport exit, take Hwy 153 East. About 4 miles past the airport, turn right on Peplin road, go ¾ of a mile and turn left on 16th road. Go ½ mile and look for the green and tan pole building on your right. (second residence on the right)

Flying: Call 693-4254 a day or two ahead if you plan to fly in to check the condition of the runway and for the proper procedure. This is inside CWA airspace so you have to talk to the tower. Field length is 1800' obstructed off of both ends. 44-46-24 N Lat. 89-35-37 W Long. JAKS field is NOT shown on the sectional chart.

When contacting CWA tower, let the controller know your landing Jaks Field



Editors Notes
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Herald paper are aware that our good friend and builder/flyer, Dr. Glenn Burt, had a recent “splash down” into Lake Wausau due to a fuel transfer failure on his beautiful WW-I replica Sopwith Pup. Since Paul Harvey is no longer with us, it’s up to me to tell you the “Rest of the Story.”

On a recent afternoon I noticed Dr. Burt’s car parked outside of Rick Coe’s hangar so I stopped in to get that story. He was relaxing with a sandwich as I greeted him with a “Doctor Sullenberger, I presume?” Doc said he has been getting a lot of “Sully” greetings recently. He relived the water landing in detail as we talked. What should have been a routine switching from an empty tank to a full one failed, reason to still be determined. Too low to make it on to the airport plateau, he had no choice but to assume a nose-high attitude and ease it on to the water. Glenn said those big wheels almost wanted to roll on the surface but finally sank and the engine and prop gently settled into the water. Where is all that “hard water” they’re always talking about on TV? Even some lake ice would have kept Doc from getting wet.

After his candid description of the splashdown, we

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Tuesday Night Fly-In Forum

Happy spring everyone! The days are getting longer and the weather warmer. And most exciting, the grass strips are almost ready to use!! Now we need volunteers to host Tuesday Night Fly-Ins.

Just like last year, there are no special requirements, just a place to land and park. Food and drink are not required. There is no need to make it a big event (unless you really want to...)

If you don’t have a private/grass strip, you are not out of the picture either. If you would like to host a fly-night at your home airport, just sign up. We’re not picky, we’ll fly anywhere.

Pick a night from the list below and contact me. They will fill fast, so don’t delay. We’ll get the list up on the Chapter 75 website and publish it in this column every month through the season.

Fly nights will be held on the first and third Tuesdays of the month. (rain delay is the following Tuesday)

Please contact me at my e m a i l :
theav8rweb@yahoo.com or my home: 715-536-5326 or my cell during the day: 715-218-8002.

Larry Wenning



- May 8 - Little O’Hare - Little Chicago
- May 22 - Circle K Field - Irma
- June 5 - Jim Kleman - Hatley
- June 19
- July 3
- July 17
- August 7
- August 21
- September 4 - Norrie Brook



NCWLF 2012 Calendar of Events



- May 19** Chapter Meeting, Jaks Field, Mosinee
- May 28** Al Woldt Memorial Day Breakfast Fly In 9-11 Dolhun Field Lake Tomahawk, Free breakfast for all flyers
- June 8-10** Little O’Hare Fly-In
- June 9** Chapter Meeting Summer Picnic Little O’Hare Field
- July 14** Chapter Meeting Abbotsford
- July 14** Jakel LaSee Barnstormer Fly In Abbotsford
- July 20- 22** Radant PPC and PPG Fly-In Wausau
- July 23- 29** AirVenture Oshkosh
- August 12** Bob Payzer Memorial Musky Day Fly In Boulder Junction
- August 18** Chapter Meeting, Wild Rose
- September 15** Chapter Meeting, Fall Fly In Flying "O"
- October 20** Chapter Meeting, Hatley
- November 10** Chapter Meeting, Abbotsford

Calendar of events are preliminary and could be subject to Change

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Buy Trade Sell

✈ To Give Away, Aviation Magazine Collection. Sport Aviation, Flying, Private Pilot and the like, dating back as far as the 70's. All bundled together in very good condition. Lee Wagner 715-536-0063 home 715-966-5221 cell

✈ 1990 Kolb Firestar 503 Rotax \$4,500 David Breger 920-410-4671



✈ Kolb UltraStar Rotax 447, with B gearbox, BRS chute, make offer Richard Iverson Stevens Point 715 341 7584

✈ 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 Transceiver, external antenna,

push-to-talk, intercom. Airframe Total Time: 3164 hours. Engine: 787 SMOH. STC autogas (S A 7 3 0 G K , SE634GL) Current annual 6/2010 Hangered Stevens Point, WI \$8,000 Charley White 715 344-5646

✈ Looking for members to start a club to purchase a light sport airplane; about \$5,000 buy-in, three to 8 members My home phone (day time best) is 715-845-5483. Tom Malato

✈ One single-place and one two-place, tailless, flying wings. Ed Mux REDUCED TO SELL 715-536-7404

✈ Rotax 447 engine for ultralight, TT 3 hrs, 2 to one gear drive, 50/34 Pusher Prop, addtl prop, Tach, EGT, CHT, 2 fuel tanks, service manuals \$1,200 Jim Koss 715-693-3675

✈ 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.

✈ Pober Pixie plans and full set of ribs. Meets LSA requirements. \$125 Rich Prange 715-536-1704 bighill@dwave.net

✈ Type 8, B gear box, 2.58:1 ratio with 16.2 hours of run time. Bret Taplin 715-341-4093 btaplin@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

✈ CGS Hawk Arrow II, N46229 HKS 700E, 3 Blade Power Fin Prop, 20Hrs TT, Tricycle Gear, Hangared at Rusk Co. Airport. \$23,000 Earl Cinatl 715-868-5851

Editors Notes cont...

walked over to Glenn's hangar to examine the plane. There appears to be no structural damage at all to the airframe. Some delamination on the wooden prop could be an issue. There is a fairly severe dent right at the bottom of that beautiful big round cowl almost as though it hit an underwater stump. In Lake Wausau, that's certainly possible, ask any Lake Wausau power-boater! Any chapter member with the tools and expertise in aluminum metal-working would be welcomed by Glenn, I'm sure.

Doc, we're pleased that neither you nor your beautiful Sopwith received any structural damage. You reacted to the situation as a good flier and/or doctor should when stressfully challenged: Calm and Collected.

As we parted company that day, I came up with yet another name for Glenn, "Plunkcious Pilot." After all, it was still the Easter season.

My poem this month was triggered by friend Ron Detert, who said he would rather test-fly his Minimax in Antigo rather than Wausau because he preferred potatoes to raw fish.

Bill Markstrum



2012
 Little O'Hare
 Fly-In
 Marlenga, Post, Blume Airstrip
 Little Chicago

June 8, 9, 10, 2012

15457 Short Lane Drive
 Marathon, WI 54448

Dan & Patty Marlenga 715-432-5990
 Russ & Julie Post 715-443-3938

2 grass strips
 (N 45° 01.383) (W 89° 50.101)
 Power Lines on east end
 Radio Freq 122.9
 ** keep an eye out **
 for non-radio equipped planes

Friday June 8

- Fly-In/Drive-In - Bring Your Campers and Tents

*Camping Available
 (No Hookups)*



Saturday June 9

- 7:30-Fly-Out or Drive-Out For 8:00-AM BREAKFAST AT RIC COE'S HANGER Wausau Downtown Airport
- 12:30-LUNCH AT LITTLE O'HARE
- 1:30-EAA Utrialight Chapter 75 Meeting/Pilot Safety Meeting
- 3:00-Proficiency Events
- 4:30-Airplane rides and balloon Launch
- 6:00-Chicken Dinner - Bring A Dish to Share
- 7:30-Campfire and Singing After Dark

Proficiency Events

- Battleship
- Bean Bag Drop
- Spot Landing

**After Dark
 around the Campfire
 Live Music
 Open Mike**



Sunday June 10

- Depart anytime for home

Bring a lawn chair, a blanket, and your favorite beverage

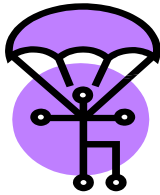
By Car: From Wausau

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 East on Short Lane Drive 1/4 mile



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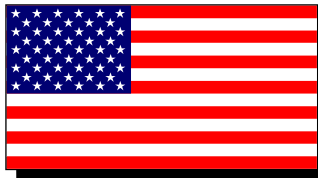
WE CAN ATTEND AIR VENTURE DURING THE DAY IT IS A 30 MINUTE DRIVE FROM
THERE

MARK DOES CHARGE FOR CAMPING BUT THERE ARE
BATHROOMS AND SHOWERS

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