

EAA Ultralight Chapter 75

North Central Wisconsin Lite Flyers

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Editorial Notes by Larry Gordon

Who Would Have Gussed

The quagmire taxiways at Wild Rose Airport, W23, were nicely drying out when the latest winter snow and rain again disrupted flying operations for the rest of this week. That was also the case at the beginning of last week, so I decided to relieve my aviation boredom and give the Rans an under the cowling inspection. I figured the cowling removal, inspection, and cowling reinstallation would consume the best part of 30 minutes, so I enthusiastically dove right in! It has been a week since removing the cowling, and now here I sit waiting for the dog to start barking to notify me of the arrival of my silicone tubing order. Last week's, 30 minutes tops, engine compartment inspection is still on the clock due to a supply line issue for the materials to replace some carburetor bowl overflow discharge tubing. The last time this happened to me over an internet sale, I had just ordered some dust masks prior to the announcement of the 2020 "Global Pandemic"! I kept getting email shipping updates, and then requests for me to cancel my order for reimbursement. I guess someone was

willing to buy all available masks for a higher price. Now **I wonder what's coming down the pike where there is a need for ¼" silicone tubing?**

Our Digital World

When not actively flying to keep up with my proficiency, it can only help to reacquaint myself with previously learned knowledge, or entirely new information to stay **ahead of the curve.** EAA's Sport Aviation content, and EAA.org digital features like **webinars and "Hints For Homebuilders" are good sources** to glean aviation knowledge. The websites FAA.gov and FAASAFETY.gov are also great educational sources. YouTube aviation videos will glue you to your Lazy Boy, so be sure to cook that popcorn before you get started. We all can use a refresher by reviewing material found in the sources listed above, just to name a few. If your computer or cellphone isn't available, you might just reacquaint yourself with your **plane's P.O.H. I make it a habit of reviewing its contents on an annual basis,** knowing that when I may need some handbook info, I may not be in a position to look something up. The more we know, the more help we



are to ourselves and others. Flying in the left seat comes with responsibilities, along with the exhilaration of flying. Being prepared, proficient, cognizant of our surroundings, and ahead of the game, will make us all safer and better pilots.

On The Lighter Side

In preparation for changing out an old windsock at W23, I was calling a couple of hangar owners to assist in the operation, one being the owner of a scissor lift that he usually stores in his hangar. He confirmed that the lift was in his hangar, then he asked me what was wrong with the windsock. I told him there was a hole in it, to which he **responded, "You know, they normally do have holes in them"!** Hey, did you happen to see the fella on page 98 of the April issue of Sport Aviation doing his impression of Mona Lisa? Or is that the look of someone that just might know where my silicone tubing is!

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22 April, 2023





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NCWLF Treasurer Report April 2023

Submitted by Larry Wenning

<u>Checking</u>		<u>Savings</u>	
Balance Forward	\$ 1,334.67	Balance Forward	\$ 10,184.42
Checking Deposits		3/31/2023 Interest	0.09
03/16/23	245.00		
Checking Payments		<u>Savings Balance</u>	\$ 10,184.51
02/28/2023 Svc Chg	5.00		
03/16/2023 Cash - March	100.00		
03/23/2023 - Postage	63.00		
<u>Checking Balance</u>	\$ 1,411.67	<u>Total Cash</u>	\$ 11,596.18

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North Central Wisconsin Lite Flyers
Application Form for Membership and Subscription

Mail Check Payable To:
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N3175 Norwegian Rd Merrill, WI 54452

May we Send you an Electronic Version of the Newsletter? Yes No

e-mail _____

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

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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



FAA Safety Seminar Merrill Airport

Topic: Complacency are You One of Those Pilots

Monday, May 1, 2023, 6PM - 7:30PM

Merrill Airport New Terminal
1701 Champagne St
Merrill, WI 54452

Presenter: Jurg Grossenbacher, FAA Milwaukee FSDO

If you fly, then this seminar is for YOU! Complacency the new Killer seminar series shows how complacency has slowly crept into the Wisconsin General Aviation Pilot Population.

Are you possibly one of these pilots? By attending this seminar, you will certainly know if you and your passengers are at risk. Jurg Grossenbacher, Milwaukee FAA Safety Program Manager will speak on the topic. We will show you through several incidents, accidents and pilot deviations that occurred in FY 2022 in Wisconsin and verify that this is fact not fiction. We will discuss how FAA WINGS can keep you proficient throughout your the year and substitute the flight review.

Prior to attending a safety seminar please review and abide by current CDC, State and Local health guidelines.

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Next NCWLF Meeting April 15

Our next Chapter meeting will be Saturday April 15, 10:30 AM at the Stevens Point Municipal Airport.

Hope to see you there!

Greetings from the treasurer!

For the last many years EAA Chapter UL75 has used my business' PO Box 12 in Schofield for receiving correspondence from the chapter members. I am now phasing out the use of this PO Box in my business, therefore it will no longer be available for the chapter. Since the only chapter mail we receive there is dues payments and the occasional notice from the bank, I would like to begin using my home address for these correspondences. From now on, please use the following address to mail in your chapter dues:

NCWLF
N3175 Norwegian Rd
Merrill, WI 54452

I will still have the PO Box for a while yet, so if you have sent something there recently, I will still get it.

Thank you for making this adjustment!

Larry Wenning - Treasurer

March 2023 NCWLF Meeting Minutes

The March 18, 2023 Chapter 75 EAA meeting was called to order by President Steve Krueger at the Taylor County Airport. Thank you to Al Mader and crew for hosting, the 75 Sign in the snow was very helpful. In attendance were 31 people. No airplanes and also Miss Maggie.

Secretary's report was read aloud. Motion made by Gary Schulz to accept, seconded by Lyle Banser. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report was read by Larry Wenning. Motion made by Paul Buss to accept, seconded by Jack LaSee. Motion carried. Please make sure to check your membership status with Larry.

Old Business:

Chapter Journey Trip is set to leave May 13th. The itinerary includes the Amelia Earhart Museum in Atchison, Kansas and attractions in Hayes, Kansas and Hutchison, Kansas. More info as it gets closer.

New Business:

Steve talked about an article he found on Google, Aviation Tips for Pilots. A few of the tips are:

- Use your Checklists.
- Conduct a thorough inspection of the airplane, pre and post flight.
- Check your gear multiple times.
- The best pilots are always learning-there is a differ-

ence between Current and Proficient when it comes to skills.

- Practice emergency procedures.
- You need to be ready for anything. Always Fly the Plane.

The Taylor County Airport crowd has Pizza Nights starting in April; they announce it on their Facebook page KMDZ when the weather is good. They will also be putting it on the Chapter Facebook page.

Jurg from the FAA will be putting on a seminar at the Merrill Airport on May 1st on Pilot Complacency. It will be in the new terminal at 6 pm.

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Fly Nights 2023

Tuesday Night Fly Nights are the first and third Tuesday of June, July and August.

Here's our lineup so far.

June 6th at Merrill.

July 5th at Norrie Brook. Note this is on a Wednesday due to the July 4 holiday falling on the first Tuesday of July.

August 1st at Sherrico Meadows.

Looking to fill 6/20, 7/18, 8/15. If you are interested in hosting, please contact me with a text message 715 891 7213 (preferred) or email flyguy963@gmx.com.

Fly Safe! Dick Neitzel

March 2023 NCWLF Meeting Minutes cont..

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Anniversaries being celebrated at the EAA this year include:

- 25 years Legal Eagle.
- 40 years Challenger.
- 40 Years Avid Flyer. Paul Buss announced there will be special parking for this .
- 45 years Weedhopper.

Bill Heil announced that his wife Patricia won \$104.00 in the Scratch off tickets that

she won at the Christmas party in January. Way to go!

\$100 drawing was won on the first draw by Bill Heil. Thanks Bob!

Next meeting will be April 15, watch your newsletter for the location.

Motion to adjourn made by Lyle Banser and seconded by Eric Lear. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen Hansen

Recording Secretary

2023 Calendar of Events

April 15 Chapter Meeting
10:30 am Stevens Point Municipal Airport

May 1 FAA Safety Seminar
Merrill Airport New Terminal
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

May 13-20 Chapter 75 Kansas
Journey Trip

May 20 Chapter Meeting

June 6 Tuesday Fly Night
Merrill Airport

June 17 Chapter Meeting

June 20 Tuesday Fly Night

July 5 Tuesday Fly Night Norrie Brook Note this is on a Wednesday due to the July 4 holiday falling on the first Tuesday of July

July 8 Chapter Meeting

July 18 Tuesday Fly Night

July 24-30 AirVenture Oshkosh

August 1 Tuesday Fly Night
Sherrico Meadows

August 13 (The 25th) Boulder
Jct Musky Day Fly In

August 15 Tuesday Fly Night

August 19 Chapter Meeting

September 16 Chapter Meeting

October 21 Chapter Meeting

November 11 Chapter Meeting

December 9 Chapter Meeting



Membership Dues

Is your Chapter 75 membership expiring? Is this almost your **Last Newsletter?**

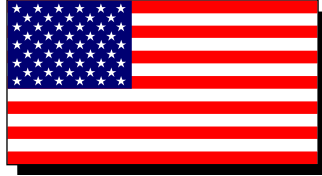
Check your mailing label, email, or the member list on the website to find when your Chapter 75 membership expires.

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