

North Central Wisconsin		
Lite Flyers		
EAA Ultralight Chapter 75		
December		1998

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## Editors Notes

Like most of you, each morning I check the calendar for the date, then on to the outdoor thermometer to find out how to dress for the days planned activities. Then I check the view across the airport from my window. There's no snow anywhere, the lights of the ski hill aren't on. The weather and the temperature both match so it must be the calendar that's out of sync. I hear Rotax engines but they're above me, not racing across Lake Wausau in a snowmobile as they should be this time of year. But I see Christmas decorations and shoppers so the calendar must be right after all. Let's just enjoy this extension of summer while we can.

President Steve Krueger will note in the Calendar of Events the combined meeting of all the local chapters (UL 75, 243 and 640) at the Merrill Airport on December 12th. This is always a fun event featuring bountiful food and good fellowship.

Our November meeting, held in the new meeting/conference room of the refurbished terminal building at the Wausau Airport was well attended. Highlights of the meeting were congratulations and awards to new "solo" pilots, Dodie Neubauer and Helmut Jungerman and the great videos of summer flying events by our super cameraman, Ron Detert. Pat Heckert also came up with a great idea. He suggested making our own calendar featuring planes and pilots of our chapter. This could be a lot of fun so start looking for photo opportunities involving your own and fellow pilots aircraft.

Looking forward to seeing you at Merrill and later at our after Christmas chapter party in January.

On behalf of the newsletter staff and myself, a very Merry Christmas and a healthy Happy New Year!

Bill Markstrum

## Next Chapter 75 Meeting

The next meeting of EAA Ultralight Chapter 75 is Saturday December 12th at the Merrill Airport. The meeting is at 1:30. This will be a pot luck get together with EAA chapters 243 and 640. Bring a dish to pass or your favorite dessert. Always a good time! See you there!

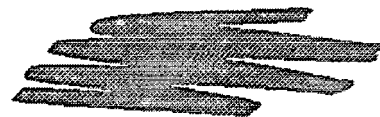
## Chapter 75 1999 Calendar

Our chapter will be doing our very own 1999 calendars. Bring a picture of your plane with a brief description of the photo to the next meeting or mail it by December 15th to P.O. Box 12 Schofield, WI. Pictures will be returned. Contact Steve Norris at 849-4286 for details. We have to have these completed and ready for distribution (for a small fee) at January's meeting.



Happy Holidays

# NCWLF Calendar of Events



**DECEMBER 12 Joint Christmas Party with EAA 640, 243**

1:30 at the Merrill Airport.

**JANUARY 16 Chapter 75 After Christmas Party**

Details to come.

**MARCH 6, 1999 Wisconsin Ultralight Plane Safety Seminar**

Mead Inn Wisconsin Rapids

**APRIL 11-17, 1999 Sun n Fun**

Lakeland Florida

**JULY 28 - August 3, 1999 Air-Venture**

Oshkosh

## Flying the Gyro

My decision to fly a gyro was a long and hard one and not one of good vs. bad but more of what fit my needs. There is no perfect flying machine, though many have tried to build one. To me a perfect aircraft would be able to fly at any speed, have a glide ratio of 50 to 1, have vertical take off and landing abilities, be light weight, be fuel efficient and still look good. The Harrier jet fits some of these qualities but for obvious reasons was eliminated from my list. I was very interested in rotorcraft but could not afford the helicopters on the market at the time so I decided on the gyro. This decision is one that has proved to be good for me.

The first thing I looked for was quick portability and easy storage. By removing one bolt I can take the rotors off and push it in the garage or put it on the trailer, which takes about 10 minutes. Removal of the rotors is not necessary for garage storage but is a necessity for transportation. Living away from your runway and wanting to take your craft home after your flight is relatively easy and if you can leave your rotors in a hanger then you do not have to disassemble them. I did this for quite awhile as Steve Krueger can attest to. I was usually putting them on when he would fly to my dad's and meet me for a local flight, of which there were many. (Some of those untold stories).

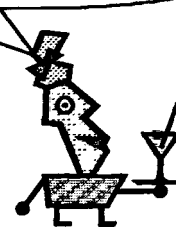
The next thing I wanted in an aircraft was something that was easy to learn to fly and something with a safe rating. The gyros' safe rating came straight from the FAA as being one of the safest aircrafts built. This could open up a very long discussion and seeing as Tom and I do the Newsletter I guess I don't have to worry about space or topic. The fact that I am writing this article attests to the safety of a gyro. Any craft that is capable of three-

dimensional flight has its dangers and must be flown within the limits of the craft as well as the pilots.

To be continued...

Mark Blume

*The purpose of the propeller is to keep the pilot cool. If you think not, stop the propeller and watch him sweat*



## NCWLF Treasures Report

**Balance Fwd. - \$440.20**

### Deposits

**Total - \$ 0.00**

### Disbursements

- Postage - \$19.84

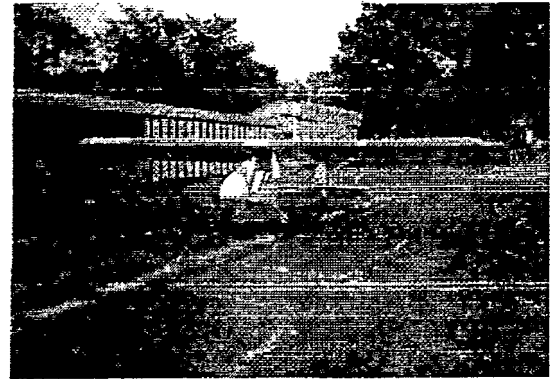
**Total - \$19.84**

**Ending Balance - \$420.36**



# Buy • Trade • Sell

- ✈ 1994 Quicksilver MXL Sport. Rotax 447 180 hrs tt. BRS 5 chute repack due 2001. He-man bar. Dual wing tip strobes. 3 blade IVO prop. Puddle Jumper amphibious floats. EGT. CHT. Tach. Always hangared. \$ 8,000 or trade up to two place. Dave St. Martin (715) 549-5265 Houlton, WI
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Type of Ultralight you fly \_\_\_\_\_

**Membership Due Schedule:**

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_____ \$ 11 JUNE	_____ \$ 5 DEC
_____ \$ 10 JULY	_____ \$ 4 JAN
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_____ \$ 7 OCT	_____ \$ 1 APRIL

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