

EAA Ultralight Chapter 75

North Central Wisconsin Lite Flyers

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Editorial Notes by Larry Gordon

Summer's End Is Fast Approaching

Our extended summer might be coming to an end this weekend with the forecast of lower nighttime temperatures below 32 degrees. The trifecta for brilliant autumn colors is: a warm summer with good ground moisture, warm fall days, and cool nighttime temperatures above the freezing point. Make the most of the opportunity to enjoy the fall Colorama this weekend with a flight to your favorite forested countryside. Remember, it will be nearly 7 months before you see those same trees with leaves on, of any color!

While you're out flying looking at the fall colors, beware of the birds that you could be sharing your airspace with. While taking a short flight in the local area last week to test fly a couple of repairs to my Rans S-6, I had to deviate my flight path to avoid a red tailed hawk. My 1st reaction after that was to look for more birds in the vicinity. I **haven't been flying as much** as I normally do, so the lack of flight time has decreased my flying proficiency, which in turn has decreased my spatial

awareness of my surroundings.



Bird Strikes

Robert Rossier's article in this October issue of Sport Aviation, "A 'Fowl' Weather Day", presents the reader with a good knowledge of bird habits and habitats to aid the pilot in recognizing areas of potential increased bird strikes. There are over 9,000 annual bird strikes in the United States alone, with 53 percent of them happening between July and November each year.

Increasing our knowledge of daily bird activities, like morning and evening peak feeding times, areas of preferred habitat, and common activities occurring during the day, the more we know about birds and their activities will give us a greater understanding of their likely response to



their perceived threat of us. Gathering data from bird strikes is another means to help us learn where the majority of strikes occur. Nearly 90 percent of all bird strikes occur around airports. Of those, 32 percent occur when taking off, and 62 percent occur while a pilot is on approach for landing. The article also details the fact that 71 percent of bird strikes occur below 500 feet AGL, but decreases as altitude increases.

Birds will normally react to threats in perceived manners depending on their locations when threatened. Birds in flight will normally dive when threatened, and if they are threatened while on the ground, they will likely take to flight. With my new found **knowledge of birds, I don't** think I will be flying any whooping cranes to their winter nesting grounds anytime soon!

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2023 Calendar of Events

October 21 Chapter Meeting
10:30 am. Norrie Brook.
Paul and Sue Buss.

November 11 Chapter Meeting

December 9 Chapter Meeting



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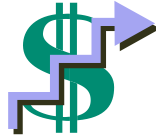
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NCWLF Treasurer Report October 2023
Submitted by Larry Wenning

<u>Checking</u>		<u>Savings</u>	
Balance Forward	\$ 1,018.05	Balance Forward	\$ 10,184.76
Checking Deposits		9/3/2023 Interest	0.09
Checking Payments		<u>Savings Balance</u>	\$ 10,185.02
<u>Checking Balance</u>	\$ 1,018.05	<u>Total Cash</u>	\$ 11,203.07



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North Central Wisconsin Lite Flyers
Application Form for Membership and Subscription

Mail Check Payable To:
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May we Send you an Electronic Version of the Newsletter? Yes No

e-mail _____

Name _____ Phone _____

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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

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Items received by the 5th are considered for that months' publication.

Send comments, questions, suggestions, etc... to tvosswi@gmail.com



September 2023 NCWLF Meeting Minutes

The September 16, 2023 Chapter 75 EAA meeting was called to order by President Steve Krueger at Dan and **Patty Marlenga's Little O'Hare** Airstrip. Thank you so much for hosting. Two airplanes flew in and one airplane lives there. 20 members were in attendance. Introduction of members followed.

Secretary's report was read aloud. Treasurers report was read by Larry Wenning. Motion to accept both reports was made by Dan Marlenga. It was seconded by Mike Riley. Motion carried.

Discussion about the MOSIAC licensing is up for public comment. Paul Buss said there are webinars on the EAA website if you want to learn more. Exciting news!

New Business:

Steve went over an article he had from the AOPA regarding non-towered airports. There are approximately 12,000 non-towered airport compared to approximately 400 towered ones. Things to remember are:

- Monitor CTAF.
- Monitor AWOS-20 to 30 miles out for landing-get what you want and go back to the channel **so you don't miss other calls**.
- Landing lights should be turned on 20 miles out.
- Announce down wind right before you turn **because it's easier to see you when you turn in a bank**.
- Set frequencies ahead of time if possible.
- Take offs and landing are the busiest times of flight so brief your passengers about a sterile cockpit.
- Be courteous and aware - fly the plane all the way to the hangar.

Flying reports:

Evan and Colleen Hansen flew to seven airports last Saturday for the Fly Wisconsin book.

Brian Krueger flew in an acrobatic competition at KI Sawyer last week. He got an award for the best first time competing. Steve told us about the various maneuvers that he did.

Steve also told us about the flight he took with their granddaughter. Miss Audrey was a trooper and they had a very good flight home.

Family Day at Volk Field is October 15. The person to contact is Tech Sgt. Preston Goodman. Preregistration is needed for the day. His email address is Preston.goodman5@us.af.mil.

Next meeting is October 21st at Norrie Brook. Paul and Sue Buss will host.

\$100 drawing was won on the second pull, sorry Dana Podeweltz. The drawing was won by Charles Ercegovac. Thanks Bob!!

Motion to adjourn made by Rob Brown and seconded by Mike Riley. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Colleen Hansen

Next NCWLF Meeting October 21

Our next meeting will be at Paul and Sue Buss's "Norrie Brook Airport" "WI00" near Eland, Saturday, Oct 21st, 10:30 AM.

Directions from Wausau: Take Highway 29 east to Falstad Road, which is about 3 1/2 miles past exit 185 at Hatley. Turn left on Falstad Road and go to the stop sign and take a left on County Road D. Go one mile and turn right on County Road OO. Go about 1 1/4 miles to Paul and Sue's Norrie Brook Airport which is on the north side of the road.

Search Norrie Brook Airport WI00, Contact Paul Buss at 920-238-2519 if any questions

Hope to see you there!

"crashed" a wedding

Rumor has been confirmed that a local pilot and co-pilot "crashed". **By secret invitation they "crashed" a wedding event** that was being held at Scherrico Meadows on Sept. 2, 2023, with a blue Stearman. Many pictures were taken, and a good time was had by all.

Thank you Merrill & Madonna!

Harold Schauer

Scherrico Meadows

2024 Chapter 75 Calendars

Just a note from the First Lady — aka — Chapter Calendar Coordinator.

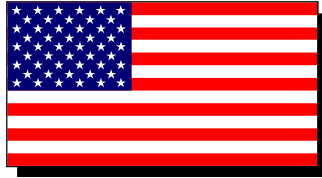
Please send me any pictures that you think might be good

quality for our chapter calendar to our home email at Kruegerfly@aol.com or text me at 715-218-7674.

I will need them by the 1st of November.

Thanks and send lots my way!

Karen Krueger



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