

EAA Ultralight Chapter 75

North Central Wisconsin Lite Flyers

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Editorial Notes by Larry Gordon

The Stage

It seems like only yesterday that we were at the season opener for this summer's Chapter 75 "Tuesday Night Fly-out". The faint savory smell of charcoal grilled angus beef on my 'wisconsin.gov/FlyWI' t-shirt tells me it was indeed hours since we gathered at the Krueger/Banser hangar for the event. The evening's crowd was busy renewing friendships and sharing happenings from the last 400+ days of self-quarantining, as well as planning for a more predictable "near" future. All of this played out under blue skies, a whispering light warm breeze, and the vocalizations of KRRL residence sandhills and red winged blackbirds.

The Arrival

That was the scene that greeted me as I shut down the Rans' Rotax 912 after a brief and pleasant 73 mile flight from Wild Rose(W23). The weather was as predicted by my usual sources: south winds 3-5 mph, 50-60% cloud cover decreasing to 20% for Merrill, precipitation chances 25% and decreasing to 10%, and dew point not a factor with continuing warm temps into the

evening. I shared the joys of the day's flight with three other Chapter flyers venturing to Merrill for the occasion.

The Feast

A keener eye than mine took notice that the hangar crowd was slowly migrating towards



Tuesday night return to Wild Rose from Merrill

the grill and the prepared outside dining area. Be it a survival instinct, life in a large family, or just spatial awareness, it pays to scan the crowd for clues as to why I was getting a sense of an imminent happening. I detected a slight hint of excitement in an individual who has the uncanny knack to locate quality sustenance at least 3 times a day. Without mentioning any names, OTR truck drivers have



that innate ability, and it appeared to be locked on to Steve Krueger's Weber grill. Once the steak sandwiches started coming off the grill, it began to look like Bob Cratchit's family reunion Christmas dinner!

During our meal, the table conversation touched on various aviation topics from recent engine innovations to dealing with unreputable dealers and repair shops. If someone left the table, then returned, there was an inquiry as to how many pieces of pie remained on the serving table. That started the one sided negotiations like, "if you go get the last piece of apple pie, I'll split it with you".

Heading to the House

Soon it was time to say my goodbyes, which would leave me a few spare minutes of daylight upon my arrival to Wild Rose. Steve and Brian Krueger were giving plane rides, as those of us that flew in to the gathering were readying to depart for our home bases. Before my left turnout from departure runway 25, the radio chatter from the recreational flying in the area sounded like it would be a

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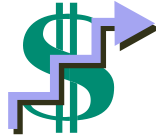
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NCWLF Treasurer Report June 2021
Submitted by Larry Wenning

<u>Checking</u>		<u>Savings</u>	
Balance Forward	\$ 1,714.51	Balance Forward	\$ 16,679.34
Checking Deposits		Interest 4/30/21	.15
Checking Payments		<u>Savings Balance</u>	\$ 16,679.49
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<u>Checking Balance</u>	\$ 1,678.52	<u>Total Cash</u>	\$ 18,358.01

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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 P.O. Box 12 Schofield, WI 54476

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beautiful ending to the already exceptional day. Catching the last goodbyes from departing

flyers is always taken with mixed feelings. Hopefully, we will only stretch the bonds of our comradery until our next

time together, while at the same time, we can seek the solitude of empty airways and right seats to soothe our souls.

Flying 2020



September 14th 2020 was our next Stamping adventure. Flyers that day - Paul Buss, Lyle Banser, Larry Gordon (pogo), and Dan Marlenga. We all left home and joined up in Wild Rose for our first stamp and to pick up Larry. We departed Wild Rose a little before 8 am and set a course for Cindy Guntly Memorial Airport. This privately owned but public use airport is located southeast of Milwaukee in Franksville. We climbed to 5500 feet to catch the 15 mph tailwind and in short order we were flying over the Waukesha County Airport. Guntly Memorial is a nice grass strip airport. There were a few planes tied down here that seemed to be long time residents. We chatted with Thomas Guntly for a bit and then we were off to Sylvania. Paul landed first on the grass runway and because of his report of rough conditions, the rest of us landed on

asphalt. A little to our surprise, no one was around at Sylvania. Sylvania Airport is very popular for the Skydive Midwest Skydiving Center. There were several big Piper Caravans parked there that are

Wisconsin Aviation Museum. Ben, a member of EAA chapter 838 took us into the museum. The Wall of Visitors is one of several very nice displays. This airport has a rich history of hosting some famous flyers.



used by the Skydiving Center.

Next stop was Batten International Airport in Racine WI. This airport has a Customs Area in the terminal building. I suspect that back in the day, this airport must have had International Air traffic? Some local law enforcement groups were practicing driving skills on the ramp and taxiways. We all took on fuel here, then were off to the South East

John Moody's Easy Riser was on display along with several very nice restorations. Alfred W. Lawson was featured here as an airplane manufacturer and aviation pioneer!

Kenosha Regional Airport was our next stop, and after a stamp and go we were off to Camp Lake Airport. Elliott is the new owner of this nice airstrip located in Trevor very near the WI and IL border. Elliott was very excited to see 4 airplanes arrive in a group just to get a stamp. We visited with Elliott and his mother, who were both busy cleaning up the years of accumulation from the former owner. Elliott was very familiar with central and northern WI, his folks have a vacation place in Three Lakes. He makes a living as a

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Next NCWLF Meeting June 19th

Our Next Chapter meeting is on Saturday June 19th, 10:30 am at Dan and Patti Marlenga's Little O'Hare Field 138059 Short Lane Drive Marathon WI 54448

45°01'22.4"N 89°49'59.3"W

Contact Dan with any questions 715-573-6220.

As much as we want everyone to be able to meet in person, we ask that you please stay home if you are feeling ill or have been exposed to Covid two weeks prior to our meeting.

Thank you for understanding, we are looking forward to seeing you there!

Tuesday Fly Nights

Tuesday, June 1st dawned bright and clear and the Merrill Group hosted our first fly night since August 2019! This gathering was a huge success! There were many in attendance and it was great to be socializing again. Thank you Merrill Group for kicking off our much awaited 2021 fly night season.

June 15 will be hosted by Bill Maguire at CWA. This will be a good opportunity to

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Tuesday Fly Nights cont.

brush up on tower controlled operations.

July 6 Paul Buss will host us in Eland at Norrie Brook. Set W100 in your GPS.

July 20 Dan Marlenga will host us at Little O'Hare South of Little Chicago.

August 3 Harold Schauer will host us in Mosinee at Scherrico Meadows Field.

We fly the first and third Tuesday of June, July and August. If weather is a factor on fly night, we will plan on meeting the next Tuesday. If weather is again a factor, that event is canceled.

I still have one opening, the 3rd Tuesday in August. If anyone would like to host on 8/17, or have any questions about the schedule, please let me know. I can be reached via text message @ 715 891 7213, or email @ flyguy963@gmx.com.

Dick Neitzel

We understand there is still a threat posed by Covid 19. Our gatherings are all open-air events during nice weather. It's been suggested that if any treats are supplied, keep it simple. Ideally have finger food only, to avoid the utilization of common utensils. Perhaps it would be prudent to have hand sanitizer or disinfecting wipes available. Masks are at your discretion.

Flying 2020 cont...

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Jet mechanic in Waukegan Illinois.

Bigfoot Airfield in Walworth was our next stop. A local pilot was working on his airplane there and we borrowed his truck for a trip into town for lunch. Small airports seem to have some of the nicest people! Returning from lunch we toured another hanger where we saw 2 very nice Gyrocopters. Lake Lawn Airport in Delavan was our next stop. We needed to cross the road and go to the resort office for the stamp. Lake Lawn Resort has a very nice setting with a golf course and lake access. Grand Geneva Airport was a nice setting with the airport on top of a ridge surrounded by the golf course. Stamp and go to Burlington Municipal Airport. We next traveled to Fox River Airport in Burlington, the home of

American Champion Aircraft Company. Next trip we will make time to do a factory tour!



Skirting low clouds near Kenosha Wi

East Troy Airport was our next fuel stop and then off to Palmyra. We landed on a beautiful grass strip at Palmyra. Stamp and go. Gutzmer's Twin Oaks Airport in Whitewater was our next stop. We arrived to find several local pilots sitting around a table enjoying a beverage after their day of

flying hang gliders. There was a local plane there that towed the gliders to altitude for the release and return to earth. A

nice fire ring with benches and several covered picnic tables along with several recreational vehicles dotted the airport. Fort Atkinson was our scheduled last stop. No one was around so stamp and head home for Paul and I. Lyle decided to stop for one more stamp at Waupaca. Larry headed for home after Gutzmer's.

7.1 hours on the Hobbs and many great memories of all the airports we visited. We now have over 100 stamps in our Fly Wisconsin Airport Passport book. More adventures to come as we continue with the best flying summer of our lives!

Humbly Submitted,
Dan Marlenga

May 2021 NCWLF Meeting Minutes

Saturday, May 15, 2021, NCWLF EAA 75 Meeting at Krueger Hangar, Merrill Airport, WI

President Steve Krueger called the monthly meeting of NCWLF EAA Chapter 75 into order at 10:40 a.m. with the ringing of the Payzer bell. A cloudy and slightly cool day with a heavy shower mid-meeting. First in-person meet-

ing since Sept. 19, 2020 during the lockdown. Thanks were given to our hosts Steve and Karen Krueger with assist from Mary Banser.

Self-introductions of the 36 members present were made. Steve talked of the chapters founding members: Dan Marlenga, Steve Norris, Steve Krueger, Mark Blume, Rhiney Hirsch, John Verfuether, Rich

Papa, and Gordy Radke. Rich, Dan and Gordy once flew their **ultralights to Sun 'N Fun in Lakeland Florida**. The first meeting was undertaken on a January night, 25 years ago. The purpose was to help each other, no matter what you were flying. To celebrate our 25th year there will be a special cake with lunch following the end of the meeting.

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May 2021 NCWLF Meeting Minutes cont...

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New Business:

Larry Wenning's treasurer's report was approved. No reading of the minutes, as we have had none for a while.

Dues: A reminder to check with Larry Wenning on the status of your membership. Annual dues are up in April.

Nominations for Officers:

Next month will be election of new officers. Dan Marlenga officiated the nominations.

°President: Steve Krueger

°Vice President: Dan Marlenga

°Treasurer: Larry Wenning

°Secretary: MaDonna McMahan has announced her retirement after June and would like to nominate Colleen Hansen for the position as Secretary. Evan Hansen (Colleen's husband) accepted the nomination for Colleen, as she was not present. We appreciate Colleen's acceptance.

We also have three board members to elect – the board includes the officers plus three other members. Nominated: Paul Buss, Joe Mapes, Lyle Banser.

Motion was made and accepted, and nominations were closed.

Rich Prange was acknowledged as our retiring newsletter editor (after 100 editions), and Larry (Pogo) Gordon was



introduced as our new editor. He already has a couple of issues under his belt. Thanks to Rich for his outstanding service and Congratulations to Larry! We look forward to continuing interesting news and facts.

Last year Dan Marlenga, Larry Gordon, Lyle Banser and Paul Buss did a summer passport program in WI and completed it by landing at every airport in the state. The program includes online training, and a jacket, badge and shirt for completion. The WI program was started in 2017. Chapter 75 stories started in September 2020 and the reporting will continue in upcoming newsletters until all the adventures are done. The WI Pass-

port program is going strong, and other chapters members also continue to participate.

2021 AirVenture is a GO! Updates will be forthcoming from headquarters.

Projects:

Brian Krueger announced that he is building a grass strip five miles south of Merrill. It will be approximately 2300' x 200'. More to come.

Tuesday Fly Nights: First and third Tuesday of each month. Three openings available. Contact Dick Neitzel for information or available dates. If weather forbids, we will be notified by a call or e-mail for the next Tuesday or the next event, if that is also weathered out. First event June 1 at Merrill Airport.

\$100 Drawing: Winner was the first name drawn: Ken Petznick! Congrats, Ken. Thanks, Bob.

Next Meeting of 75 Chapter: At Dan Marlenga's Little O'Hare Field Saturday, June 19, 2021 at 10:30 a.m.

MaDonna McMahan
Secretary

Calendar of Events

June 15 Tuesday Fly Night
CWA Mosinee Bill Maguire

June 19 Chapter Meeting
10:30 am Little O'Hare Little
Chicago Dan Marlenga

July 6 Tuesday Fly Night
Norrie Brook Field Eland
Paul Buss

July 17 Chapter Meeting
TBD

July 20 Tuesday Fly Night
Little O'Hare Little Chicago
Dan Marlenga

July 26-Aug 1 EAA AirVenture
Oshkosh

Aug 3 Tuesday Fly Night
Scherrico Meadows Mosinee

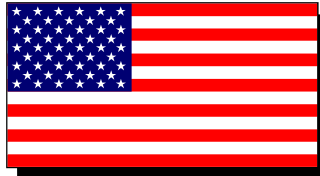
August 8 Musky Day Fly
In Boulder Junction KBDJ

August 17 Tuesday Fly
Night TBD

August 21 Chapter Meeting
TBD

September 18 Chapter
Meeting TBD





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