



# EAA Ultralight Chapter 75

North Central Wisconsin Lite Flyers

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## Editors Notes by Rich Prange

### Solstice

We citizens of earth have completed another circuit around our sun and it strikes me that it was a pretty bumpy trip. Hopefully 2016 will bring some stability to our climate, hopefully our politicians will learn to play nice (I think they failed kindergarten), hopefully mass shootings will be history written for 2015 only, and finally I hope our diverse cultures can learn to share the same sand box.

It was a nice peaceful night December 21. At 10:48 pm CST we turned the corner toward more daylight. Did anyone go outside, run around to celebrate winter solstice?

### Propellers

Shopping for a new propeller-- a real education for this writer. For ground adjustable props there is some compromising to consider and fortunately for us builder/pilots there are a lot of choices to suit material and flight properties.

Research and asking lots of questions of the manufacturers reduced my angst considerably before I wrote the check. I chose eastern maple blades with composite leading edges. They are in the mail. I looking forward to some ice landings on the Wisconsin River - if it freezes.

### North by Northwest Trivia Question

Anyone remember that old Hitchcock movie featuring Cary Grant? In a chase scene Mr. Grant is pursued by a biplane crop-duster as he makes his escape into a corn field. The aircraft then makes another pass and dusts the actor out into the



*A little more thrust and I can fly this thing.*

open. I won't go any further, I don't want to spoil the movie for you. This flick is available on Net Flex.

So what kind of biplane was doing the dusty work on Cary Grant? A bug spraying Waco? Nope. Then it must be a fertilizer spewing Stearman - no again.

Hard to tell from still photos but the tail suggests a Waco. According to my research team it is an N3N repainted and rigged for dispensing herbicides and pesticides. These trainers were produced by the Navy Aircraft Factory (NAF), wholly owned by the U.S. Gov't in Philadelphia, 1934. Nicknamed "Yellow Peril", NAF



produced about a thousand N3N's as primary trainers for the Navy and Coast Guard.

### Jeppeson

How many pioneer pilots got their first taste of flying in a C-tiss Jenny? Elrey Borge Jeppeson was one of them. At age 14, four dollars and ten minutes later "Jep" was hooked.

Sounding just like many of his contemporaries, at age 18 he joined a flying circus and very quickly earned enough flying time to get an airplane off the ground. Of course his first purchase was a JN-4.

As a pilot for hire he flew airmail routes and aerial surveys for Fairchild. Pilots of the day depended on Rand McNally road maps, IFR (I fly railroads) and other landmarks. Elrey Borge Jeppeson is the father of modern navigation charts.

By maintaining meticulous notes on his flying routes and collecting phone numbers of farmers willing to give him weather conditions, Jeppeson began producing charts desirable to other pilots. His aerial navigation chart business firmed up in 1934 and the rest is history.

Keep your needle in the green.

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**NCWLF Treasurer Report  
December 2015**

Checking		Savings	
Balance fwd	<u>\$ 3,033.62</u>	Balance fwd	<u>\$ 46,630.90</u>
Checking Deposits		Transfer to Checking	
Transfer		Interest - qrtly	3.60
Deposits		Savings Balance	<u>\$ 46,634.50</u>
Checking Payments		Total Cash:	<u>\$ 49,101.54</u>
Checks	566.58		
Cash			
Checking Balance	<u>\$ 2,467.04</u>		

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- \$ 12 May      • \$ 9 August      • \$ 6 November      • \$ 3 February
- \$ 11 June      • \$ 8 September      • \$ 5 December      • \$ 2 March
- \$ 10 July      • \$ 7 October      • \$ 4 January      • \$ 1 April

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## December 2015 NCWLF Meeting Minutes

Steve Krueger thanked everyone for the delicious food brought for the combined Chapter 640 & 75 Christmas get together at Merrill Airport. He also thanked Rich McCullough for the use of the hanger for today's get together. Steve

reminded everyone that Thursday, December 17 is Wright Brothers Day, so go flying if possible. Larry Wenning's Mangy Fox was in the hangar for all to see.

Names drawn for the \$100 were: Robert Caughron, Dave

Meyer, Brandon Buss, Greg Stevenson, Bill Maguire, Landis Sensenig, Jay Schnur, Jim Heizler, and the winner, Carl Greene.

Second assistant secretary, Sue Buss

## Next NCWLF Meeting January 16

The next Chapter meeting is our Annual Christmas Party, Saturday, January 16, 2016, at noon in Glen Burts Hangar (formally Rick Coes) at the Wausau Downtown Airport.

All parking must be done outside the fence east side of Glen's hangar, use the provided walk thru gate directly in back of Glen's hangar. Gate code 20135# Glen's hangar is located next to the maintenance and fuel truck storage building.

Party details:

Chapter 75 will provide the broasted chicken, please bring your favorite dish to pass. We will do a \$10.00 gift exchange again this year, guys bring a man's gift and the gals bring a ladies gift. Label the gift if it is for a man or women and who it is from. Door prizes and that crazy fun dice game will follow. Thank you Glen for your great warm facility again this year.

Hope to see you there!

## In Remembrance - Donald R. Mahn (1932 - 2015)



Don Mahn, was always there for his family age 83, with his expertise to lend a helping hand, no matter how big or small the projects. He loved fishing with his kids and grandkids. Don and Mary recently celebrated their 40th Wedding Anniversary. He always remembered his heritage as a member of the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin and actively participated in council meetings.

Don retired from Thilmany Mill in Kaukauna after 41 years. He enjoyed life to its fullest. Don

Don's passion was flying! For the past 25 years he was an

active member of the Wild Rose Idlewild Airport Club and the EAA Ultralight Chapter 75 Club, Merrill, WI. Don and Mary cherish the memories they made at the airport and their retirement home with family and friends in Wild Rose, WI.



## Buy Sell Trade

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

✈️ 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 Trans, ext ant, push-to-talk, intercom. Airframe TT 3164 hours. 787 SMOH. STC autogas (SA730GK, SE634GL) Current annual 6/2010 Hangered Stevens

Point, WI \$8,000 Charley White 715 344-5646

✈️ 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.

✈️ 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

## Chapter 75 2016 Calendars

Pick up your 2016 edition at our January meeting. Cost is \$12.

A special thank you to Steve Norris and Karen Krueger for making the calendars possible

## Calendar of Events

Jan 16 Chapter Meeting - Events are preliminary and are subject to Change. Calendar of Wausau Downtown Airport. Events is updated monthly. Contact Tom Voss to list events in subsequent newsletters.

Feb 20 Chapter Meeting

March 19 Chapter Meeting

April 5-10 Sun N Fun Lakeland FL

April 16 Chapter Meeting

May 21 Chapter Meeting

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