

EAA Ultralight Chapter 75

North Central Wisconsin Lite Flyers

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Editorial Notes by Larry Gordon



With the shortening of the days til the Winter solstice, flying time comes at a premium. Factor in the wind and temperature, depending on **an individual's comfort zone**, we can now open new avenues to pursue as a fill-in for flight times lost beyond our control. I will shoot for one more window of opportunity to break my earthly bonds, in **hope that this weekend's SW** prevailing winds are kind. We shall see.

ethanol midgrade gasoline to help reduce water entering the tanks due to condensation. A good gasoline treatment additive is also used by



In anticipation of the onslaught of winter, my preparations have already begun with procuring miscellaneous supplies to help ensure that next spring will not present me with problems due to neglect. For the last 12 years, my process for short term storage of my Rotax powered Rans aircraft has centered on **the plane's fuel**, electrical, and air systems, as well as my assault on the neighborhood rodent population.

Starting with the fuel system, I will be topping off all fuel tanks with at least non-

some, making sure it is mixed in the tank, and the engine is run long enough to ensure the treated gas is in all lines, filters, and carburetors. Some use a 50/50 mixture of gas to 100LL, or drain all the gas and use all 100LL.

Next, the electrical system battery needs to be fully charged at a slow rate. Disconnecting the battery leads will ensure that any electrical accessories will not discharge the battery over the months of not running the engine. A working battery maintainer on the system will also keep the battery charged. Remove

any electrical components that are susceptible to cold ambient temperatures that may occur during Wisconsin winters.

The State is subject to periods of high humidity due to melting snow, rain, and foggy conditions. The humidity increases the likelihood of the oxidation of engine parts, which could pose expensive repairs or replacements of damaged components. Adequately oiled air filters a/o bagged air filters, along with a filled sock or packets of Silica gel inserted in the exhaust pipe will reduce internal engine moisture. Be sure to seal the exhaust pipe(s).

Unauthorized hangar residents such as mice, are one of the likely critters to inhabit your plane for the winter, and they will abuse your generosity without paying their bills come spring. Several deterrents include poison baits, traps, and clothes dryer fabric softener sheets in the plane interior. I have also had suc-

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NCWLF Treasurer Report December 2024
Submitted by Larry Wenning

<u>Checking</u>		<u>Savings</u>	
Balance Forward	\$ 1,387.17	Balance Forward	\$ 9,185.96
Checking Deposits		11/30/24 Interest	.07
11/02/2024	92.00		
Checking Payments		<u>Savings Balance</u>	\$ 9,186.03
11/7/2024 1101 - Tom Voss	269.63		
11/08/2024 Cash - Sept, Oct, Nov	300.00		
<u>Checking Balance</u>	\$ 909.54	<u>Total Cash</u>	\$ 10,095.57

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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 _____

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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



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cess with sprinkling scouring powder, such as Comet or Ajax, around and on the tires. Mice hate walking on the sharp crystals, and possibly the taste. It is also a good way to determine their presence. It sure beats having destroyed

wiring to find out you were violated!

Be sure to be cognizant of what your winterization process entailed, so you remove ALL preventive measures used on, in, and around your plane. Red tagging plane parts affected by the procedure, or a written itemization

of the process will be invaluable, come those first days of spring. Also, a thorough engine check, AND checklist inspection will be a great benefit to your peace of mind. Do not ASSUME!

Good health and happiness to you all in the coming year.

November Meeting Minutes

The Chapter 75 EAA meeting on November 16, 2024, was called to order by President Steve Krueger at the Marshfield Airport. Thanks goes to our hosts - Dave and Nancy Meyer. There were 29 members and one airplane on this foggy morning.

Self-introductions followed.

We would like to extend a welcome to our newest members, Dan and Zack Kayhart from Marshfield.

Secretary's report was read.

Motion made by Paul Buss to accept and seconded by Bill Maguire. Motion carried. Thank you to Lyle Banser for taking notes at the October meeting.

Treasurer's report was read

by Larry Wenning. Motion to

accept made by Dan Marlenga and seconded by Dave Meyer. Make sure to check with Larry on your dues status.

Old Business: 2025 Chapter Calendar order was passed around. Karen Krueger received a lot of pictures after the last meeting, thank you for that. Brandon Buss has agreed to help personalize the calendar with meeting dates, AirVenture dates etc.

Pro Tips for Pilots webinar was attended at the Merrill Airport by 15 people. Very interesting to learn about flying near helicopters and all that it involves, how much room to give them and all that goes on with them in the area. The next one is Decem-

ber 11 in the Conference Room and begins promptly at 7 pm. Our president makes great popcorn!

Bill Maguire talked about his plans-built Raven. His experimental airplane needs 50 hours of flight time to get insurance.

The Merrill City Council passed a vote to build a 100 X 100' **maintenance hangar** at the Merrill Airport. Construction to begin next year.

Dan Bauer talked about the Aviation History of Marshfield. The airport has several displays and a lot of history in one place. Thank you for showing us and the explanation of the exhibits.

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Next NCWLF Meeting December 14

Our next meeting will be Saturday Dec 14th, Merrill Municipal Airport, new terminal Building, 1701 Champagne St.

12 Noon (Note different Time)

Hope to see you there!

FAAST Pro Tips for Pilots Webinars

FAA Safety Team Webinars. These interesting and informative webinars include a variety of important safety topics designed to reduce risk and increase the level of safety in aviation operations.

This recurring event every 2nd Wednesday of the month thru March is hosted at the Merrill Airport Terminal Conference room 7PM. Fresh popcorn for all that attend. Contact Steve Krueger for more information.

Hope to see you there!



Calendar of Events

December 11 FFAST Pro Tips for Pilots Webinar, Merrill Airport Terminal Conference room 7PM

December 14 Chapter Meeting Merrill Municipal Airport Champagne St Terminal Building

January 8 FFAST Pro Tips for Pilots Webinar, Merrill Airport Terminal Conference room 7PM

January 18 Chapter Meeting

Feb 12 FFAST Pro Tips for Pilots Webinar, Merrill Airport Terminal Conference room 7PM

February 15 Chapter Meeting

March 12 FFAST Pro Tips for Pilots Webinar, Merrill Airport Terminal Conference room 7PM

March 15 Chapter Meeting

April 19 Chapter Meeting

May 17 Chapter Meeting

June 3 Tuesday Night Fly Night

June 17 Tuesday Night Fly Night

June 21 Chapter Meeting

July 1 Tuesday Night Fly Night

July 15 Tuesday Night Fly Night

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The \$100 drawing was won on the fourth try. The drawing was not won by Tom and Sue Brown, or Heinz Roth or Kaycee Kaiser. It was won however by Joe Urban. Thanks Bob!

Next meeting on the second Saturday of the month- December 14 at noon at the Merrill Airport New Terminal. Watch the newsletter for details.

Motion to adjourn made by Joe Grassl and seconded by Larry Wenning.

Respectfully submitted,
Colleen Hansen

Recording Secretary

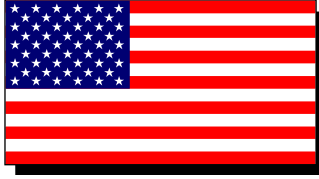
2025 Chapter 75 Calendars

We are excited to announce that our calendars will be available for pick up at our December 14th meeting in Merrill.

Thank you to everyone who sent in pictures for this year's calendars, and a very special thank you to Karen Krueger and Brandon Buss for their

efforts to make the 2025 calendar better than ever.





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