

# EAA Ultralight Chapter 75

North Central Wisconsin Lite Flyers

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## Editorial Notes by Larry Gordon

### Tuesday Fly Nights

Flying activities for the year are slowly waning, as are the number and duration of open hangar doors. Thanks are due to those of you who scheduled and sponsored those Tuesday night Chapter events that enticed us out of our hangars and into the air this summer! On these days, we inevitably meet friends to renew those bonds, or make new acquaintances that may grow over time. **I don't just fly towards** wafting grill smoke on the horizon, or the tantalizing smell of beautifully grill marked bratwurst as some are led to believe, but to appreciate all that my flying family offers to each other. Thanks for preparing the table, Mr. Dick Neitzel!

### Wisconsin Fall Colorama

Mother Nature's fall colors are just around the corner. If you are like me, a gawker at heart, flying during fall Colorama is hard to beat. A pair of wool socks or a **little "cabin heat" doesn't hurt** either. The air is usually crisp and clear, making the increased effi-

ciency of our aircraft in the smoother cool air erase those memories of hard fought battles of summer thermals and pop-up thunderstorms. Central Wisconsin, as well as the state in general, has many potential canvases waiting to be painted in the colors of autumn. Hopefully, the weather will be obliging to give us several opportunities to enjoy the beauty of nature, and to briefly lift us from our earth bound routines. It is ours for the taking, and worth the time and effort to get back in the air.

There are several flying adventures that I have taken to view the Fall color change, and that I try to repeat annually. It is easy to become distracted by the sensory overload, and never complete the flight plan originally started. Two highly photographed examples of that are Rib Mountain, and Holy Hill in the West Bend area. A trip to Door County and Washington Island gives you the blue hues of Green Bay and Lake Michigan, in contrast with the reds, yellows, and oranges of the shoreline trees. The Wisconsin River valley,



from Wausau all the way to Lake Vieux Desert, is breathtaking in its entirety. So too is the bluff banked Mississippi River valley. How fortunate we are to have these unforgettable aerial opportunities in our backyards.

### Flying South

Rumor has it that several members of the Chapter are planning a Fall get-away to gain some 1st hand knowledge in Arkansas STOL flying, while volunteering their time to assist in the running of the "[ArkanSTOL Ozark Backwoods Challenge](#)". The event was highlighted in the January 2021 issue of Sport Aviation. Videos can also be watched on YouTube. Last year one of the competitors flew the timed course in a Searay! There have been some sightings of several low and slow aircraft flying in the Little Chicago area in recent weeks, with that frequency increasing as of late. Maybe more information on the reported rumor will be revealed in the coming weeks. Sounds like a story to be sniffed out!

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## August 2021 NCWLF Meeting Minutes

EAA Chapter 75 was called to order on August 21st by Steve Krueger at the FBO in Neillsville. Only one plane flew in because of the weather but it was great to have 16 people there. Self-introductions followed.

Minutes were read and accepted by Bill Kaiser, seconded by Taylor Kaiser. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's report was read by** Larry Wenning. Motion made by Bill Kaiser to accept and sec-

onded by Taylor Kaiser. Motion carried.

Old business:

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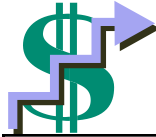
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**NCWLF Treasurer Report September 2021**  
Submitted by Larry Wenning

<u>Checking</u>		<u>Savings</u>	
Balance Forward	\$ 1,777.72	Balance Forward	\$ 16,679.76
Checking Deposits		Interest 8/31/21	.15
	6/9/2021 132.00		
Checking Payments		<u>Savings Balance</u>	\$ 16,679.91
	Cash 100.00		
<u>Checking Balance</u>	\$ 1,809.72	<u>Total Cash</u>	\$ 18,489.63

**EAA ULTRALIGHT CHAPTER 75**

North Central Wisconsin Lite Flyers  
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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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*Send comments, questions, suggestions, etc... to tvosswi@gmail.com*



## August 2021 NCWLF Meeting Minutes cont...

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Steve reported that EAA AirVenture 2021 had the third highest attendance recorded. Thank you to all who volunteered to make it a safe success.

Musky Day at Boulder Junction had two planes in attendance. The 2022 Musky Day will be the 25th Anniversary.

Tuesday Night Fly Nights have come to an end for 2021. Thank you to Dick Neitzel for coordinating.

New Business:

Steve talked about Water Ditching. How to prepare for an emergency landing in the water:

- Declutter the cabin.
- Stow the headsets.
- Unlatch the door.
- Know where the seat belt latch is.
- Try to land near shore as your depth perception will be difficult.
- Try to land near boats so there is help. The plane will float some.

Steve and Karen Krueger attended a seminar put on by the National Association of Flight Instructors titled The Impossible Turn. If at all possible land straight ahead.

The next meeting will be a Pot-luck at Little O'Hare Field hosted by Dan and Patti Marlenga on Saturday September 18th at 10:30. There will be a STOL Competition if pilots are interested. Please contact Dan with any questions.

Karen Krueger volunteered to put a Chapter Calendar together for 2022. Please forward flying related pictures to her.

Drawing for the \$100 would have been won by Jim Jakel but he was not in attendance. It was won by Larry Wenning. Thanks Bob!! Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Colleen Hansen  
Recording Secretary

## Next NCWLF Meeting September 18

Our next chapter meeting will be Saturday, Sept 18th, 10:30 am at Dan and Patty Marlenga's Little O'Hare Field. 138059 Short Lane Drive, Marathon WI 54448

We will be doing a pot luck, Please bring a dish to pass. Broasted Chicken provided by Chapter 75.

Dan Marlenga 715-572-6220.

Hope to see you there!

## Calendar of Events

September 18 Chapter Meeting & Pot Luck. Little O'Hare Field. Little Chicago Dan Marlenga

October 16 Chapter Meeting TBD

November 13 Chapter Meeting TBD

December 11 Chapter Meeting TBD

## Flying 2020



Today I will be combining a few shorter stamping trips into one article. On July 1st Lyle and I flew to Norrie Brook Airstrip in Eland WI, the beautiful private airstrip and home of Paul and Sue Buss. After a smile and a nod it was off to Shawano Airport for lunch and the famous \$100 hamburger. Paul got his stamp in Shawano as Lyle and I hadn't yet received our Fly Wisconsin Passport Book. Not wanting to just go home, we decided to fly north to Piso Air-



port in Suring WI. Our plan was to make a loop for more flying so we taxied up to the local gas station for a fill up. The locals didn't think anything of an airplane pulling up to the pumps

but we did get some looks from passing motorists.

We departed for Crivitz Municipal Airport for a stamp and go. The pilot check in center, "Small

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## Tuesday Fly Night Wrap-up

Our 2021 fly nights were a huge success! Only one fly night had to be moved to the following Tuesday because of inclement weather.

I'd like to thank the members that hosted. We all appreciate the time and effort it takes to host. Without your participation there would be no fly nights. Thank you also to those that attend these outings. Our fly nights were blessed with safe flying.

Our 2022 schedule is pretty much wide open if you are interested in hosting. I can be reached via a text message to 715 891 7213, or email: flyguy963@gmx.com

Dick Neitzel

## Flying 2020 cont...

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"Pilot Shack" was locked. We tried several combinations hoping to strike the correct combo but no luck. After finally reaching the airport manager we were told that no one knows the combination, because the one guy who knew had died. At 3 pm it was time to head home and call it a day. 3.0 hours on the Hobbs.

September 10th I flew to Pils Airport for the stamp and visited with the owner of this nice little grass strip. On to Crivitz Airport where the Pilot Shack had been unlocked where the stamp was available. 3.0 on the Hobbs.

September 11th Paul, Lyle, and I flew to Marshfield to get stamped. Next was Neillsville Municipal Airport, the main runway is east/west and the taxiway to the terminal runs along the once north/south grass strip. No one around today so off to Chippewa Valley Regional Airport in Eau Claire. In route to Eau Claire from Neillsville there is a huge tower standing a little over 2000 ft high. It reminds me of the 2 huge towers west of Madison. We had lunch at the terminal building and then off towards home. Lyle diverted to Wisconsin Rapids for a stamp. He then visited Stevens Point, Central Wisconsin Airport in Mosinee, and the Wausau Downtown Airport for stamps. Paul flew past my place and continued on to get his stamp at Crivitz. I landed at Little O' Hare with 2.6 on the Hobbs.

Our next short trip was on October 3rd and 4th 2020. Lyle Ban-



*Dan Marlenga at Flying Feathers Airport in Chilton, WI*



*Pioneer Airport in Oshkosh, WI*

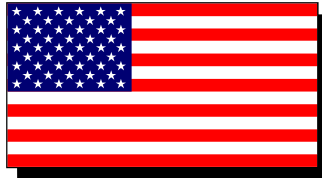
ser, Paul Buss, and I flew to Pulaski Airport for a stamp and to call Austin Straubel International Airport. I called the Green Bay tower to get permission to land in Class C Airspace. We did not have transponders, but permission was granted and Green Bay was our next stamp. Clouds were on the lower side and we experienced some light spotty showers. After an hour delay waiting for the weather to improve, it was decided to head home. 2.9 hours on the Hobbs.

Sunday October 4th was a clearer day with a little more wind. Lyle could not join us today so Paul and I soldiered on flying to Chilton WI. Dean Heimermann is the owner at Flying Feathers Airport and Countryside Avia-

tion. He showed us his fleet of Ag Cats spray planes. Wow are these airplanes big! Dean told us about his airport and Spraying operation, maybe the largest in the Midwest? He and Paul traded stories of flying into the small mountain airstrips out west. Dean just returned from a western flight with his father and 2 of his pilots. They made the trip in Dean's DC-3. We next flew to Oshkosh to go visit the EAA museum. Off to Fond du Lac to return Brandon's borrowed Kitfox and then a return to Norrie Brook to bring Paul home. Today was 3.6 on the Hobbs.

Humbly Submitted,

Dan Marlenga



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