

EAA Ultralight Chapter 75

North Central Wisconsin Lite Flyers

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Editorial Notes by Rich Prange

Retirement

Yes, this is a retirement announcement, effective August 2021. That date will mark 100 editorials written and will give the Chapter 75 board of directors plenty of time to conduct interviews for my replacement. With the help of my loving wife and family, we came to the conclusion that it was time to reduce my hectic schedule and enjoy the "golden years".

Bee keeping, flower gardening, knife throwing and a finish coat of paint on my house were some of the suggestions to maintain my mental acuity. Until then I have twenty one more editorials to write before riding off into the setting sun, or getting fired.

Winter Solstice

Aviators, were you flying on Dec 21? Perhaps you weren't paying attention but this is what you had to work with unless you have an IFR rating. Sun up at 7:33, sun set at 4:19 for a total of 8:46:19 hrs of daylight. On that same day you lost three minutes. Time of the winter solstice--shortest day, longest night, 2018, was 5:23 PM.

If your daylight flying time needed to be extended using civil twilight at both ends, you had an extra 58 minutes of legal visibility. Jumping ahead

to the next day we gained one minute of daylight. Try to remember this info for next year.

Trig

As we cruise around the sun on our yearly tour, earth is also turning on its own axis; right? How fast? Everyone knows our surface velocity at the equator is about 1,037 mph, but what about here in Central Wisconsin? **Let's say Wausau?**

Just north of the Wausau city limits is the 45th parallel. Here is the math/trig. Cosine of 45 is $0.0707 \times 1,037\text{mph} = 733\text{mph}$. That is your rotational speed right up near Ballweg Toyota Wausau on old Rte 51. This has nothing to do with your runway choice on departure for your next flight.

Northern Most

4R5 located at La Pointe, WI, is our northern most public use airport. Also known as Major Gilbert this airport supports air traffic on Madeline Island. 04/22 looks like an interesting strip. If you need to put your aircraft down in Wisconsin anywhere north of 4R5 you may be SOL.

So who is Major Gilbert? Not a clue at this time. Using web search tools, the closest I could get was Margorie Gilbert once living in Altoona. This writer's Christmas adventure destina-



tion is Bayfield WI; I'll do some real "gumshoe" detective work when I arrive.

My Daddy is a Pilot

Written by 5th graders at Beaufort grade school, S.C.

o Pilots don't need much school! They just have to read the numbers so they can read the instruments.

o I guess they have to read a road map too.

o Pilots have to be brave so when it is foggy and they can't see through the clouds they won't be scared or when a wing or the motor falls off.

o The salary is another thing I like. They make more money than they know what to do with. This is because most people think flying an airplane is dangerous, except pilots because they know how easy it is.

o I hope I don't get airsick because I get carsick, I couldn't be a pilot then I would have to go to work.

I wish you well for 2019.

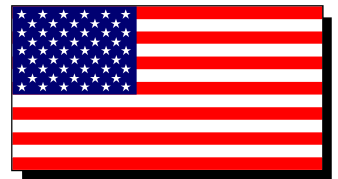
Keep your needle in the green.

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NCWLF Treasurer Report

January 2019

<u>Checking</u>		<u>Savings</u>	
Balance Forward	\$ 1,124.50	Balance Forward	\$ 30,167.11
Checking Deposits		Interest	.77
Checking Payments		<u>Savings Balance</u>	\$ 30,167.88
Larry Wenning	123.46		
<u>Checking Balance</u>	\$ 1,001.04	<u>Total Cash</u>	\$ 31,168.92

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Membership Dues Schedule

- \$ 12 May
- \$ 9 August
- \$ 6 November
- \$ 3 February
- \$ 11 June
- \$ 8 September
- \$ 5 December
- \$ 2 March
- \$ 10 July
- \$ 7 October
- \$ 4 January
- \$ 1 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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Items received by the 5th are considered for that months' publication.

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



December 2018 NCWLF Meeting Minutes

Dec. 8, 2018 NCWLF & EAA Chapter 640 Meeting @ Merrill Airport

The December meeting of NCWLF, Chapter 75, was held at noon at the Merrill Municipal Airport, along with EAA Chapter 640 for our annual joint meeting / pot luck. As usual, the tables were groaning with a wonderful variety of main dishes and desserts. Rich McCullough generously donated the airport FBO hangar for the event. We thank all who brought such a wonderful variety of holiday staples and surprises.

Our special thanks to Rich and family and the Friends of the Merrill Airport for hosting the December meeting.

President Steve Krueger made a few short announcements after the noon meal. The chapter calendars were available at the event, and this year the cost was only \$5.00. All the previously ordered calendars as well as the extras were sold out.

Please see Larry Wenning for your 2019 dues.

Old Business:

Jack LaSee, who had a minor **stroke before our last month's** meeting was in attendance Saturday. It was good to see that he is doing well.

Karen Krueger had an update on Jim Shnowske. He and Sandy are home now from Texas, and all of his reports are showing good results from his treatments there! Wonderful news. He will continue with follow up at Rochester, MN.

We are planning a surprise caroling for them again this year, as we did last year. Please meet at the Mosinee Kwik Trip at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 10, to travel together to their home. Sandy knows we are coming, but it will be a surprise for Jim.

\$100 Drawing:

The first name drawn was the winner, and he was in attendance. Congratulations to Loren Mytas!

Dave Conrad gave a short **report on Chapter 640's Learn, Build, Fly** project and their new hangar.

Next Meeting of 75 Chapter:

Will be in the New Year, January 19, 2019, the 3rd Saturday. This will be our annual **Christmas party at Glen Burt's and Rick Coe's hangar in Wausau.**

Report on the caroling event:

Monday night's caroling at the Shnowske's was a great success. About 20 to 25 people showed up. (I lost count.) It was cold, but clear, and Jim was really surprised. He and Sandy came out in the cold and Jim personally thanked and greeted each singer. Our thanks, also, to Mary Banser who supplied the caroling sheets, although she and Lyle could not attend this year because of previous commitments. A few carolers adjourned to the new Mosinee Brew Pub for a warm-up afterward. No food, but you can order take in from the nearby Mexican restaurant, La Margarita. A good time was had by all.

MaDonna McMahan, Acting Secretary

Next NCWLF Meeting January 19

Our Next Chapter meeting is our Annual Christmas Party, Saturday, January 19th, 2019, 12 NOON, at the Glen Burt / Rick Coe Hangar, Wausau Downtown Airport.

All parking must be done outside the fence east side of hangar, use the provided unlocked walk thru gate directly in back of hangar. The Glen Burt/Rick Coe 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 share. We are doing a \$10.00 gift exchange 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 woman and who it is from. Door prizes and that crazy fun dice game will follow. Thank you Glen and Rick for your great warm facility again this year.

Hope to see you there!

Calendar of Events

Jan 19 Chapter Meeting Wausau Downtown Airport

Feb 16 Chapter Meeting

March 16 Safety Seminar Oshkosh

April 2-7 Sun N Fun Lakeland FL

April 20 Chapter Meeting

May 18 Chapter Meeting

June 15 Pioneer UL Light Plane Day EAA Oshkosh

July 13 Chapter Meeting

July 22 -28 EAA AirVenture Oshkosh

August 11 Musky Day Fly In Boulder Junction

August 17 Chapter Meeting

September 7 Merrill Airport Day

September 21 Chapter Meeting

October 19 Chapter Meeting

November 16 Chapter Meeting

December 14 Chapter Meeting

Buy Trade Sell

- ✈️ 1990 Rans S12S 711.6TT Rotax 100HP 743 TT, Conditional Inspection March 2017, Microair 760. Complete rebuild gear box by LEAF March 2017. Wing tip strobes, Nav lights, Intercom, Cabin Heat, New ELT batteries, Extra main wheels with wheel pants. A fun flyer. Great visibility. Asking \$27,000 Ken Whyte 715-891-3912 Ken-fly140@aol.com
- ✈️ 1990 Kolb Firestar 503 Rotax \$4,500 David Breger 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 bta-plin@msworldnet.com

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Tuesday

January 8th 2019. 7:00 PM sharp.

Calculating weight and balance



With Joe Norris

Every airplane needs proper balance to fly. How it's built and loaded are very important to its performance. Joe has been actively involved with EAA, serving as a Technical Counselor and Flight Advisor, and has been an officer in two EAA chapters. Joe has volunteered at the EAA convention for many years, and was one of the 5 original members of the EAA Homebuilt Aircraft Council.

This is the first major presentation of the year for Learn Build Fly. Joe is a master in many areas of aviation. He is coming to the Wausau Downtown Airport / Learn Build Fly Education Center to share with you what he knows. I hope you can make it.