

EAA Ultralight Chapter 75

North Central Wisconsin Lite Flyers

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AF One

Air Force One needs a new icebox? Okay, the refrigeration system needs an upgrade, a \$24,000,000 upgrade. Two of the five cold chiller units need this upgrade, yes, just two. And, **doesn't cold chiller sound rather benign, like tax payers wouldn't notice. That is a lot of meals-on-wheels!**

While "Donald" and his entourage are flying to/from Mar-a-Lago and other places, dinning on meals that regular citizen might enjoy maybe once a year, we tax payers have to dig a bit deeper to find \$24 mil. I think the following question is reasonable. If we ask our service men and women, under combat conditions, to eat "MRE's day after day, why can't our political leaders tough it out on AF One at meal time?

In all fairness, Air Force One passengers, press etc., at the end of the flight, are billed on average twenty bucks per meal. Presidential staff dines on tax dollars. All meals are served on gold trimmed A F One china plus presidential seal glassware. Operational cost to taxpaying public, \$180,000 per hour. By the by

"worn out" dinnerware is destroyed so that it doesn't show up on E-Bay.

I'm suggesting the "deciders" pack an Igloo cooler with sandwiches and beverages or "MRE"s; you know, brown bag it. At the very least, why can't the government just shut down those two of five cold chillers until the new Air Force One is completed? A total government shutdown seemed pretty easy back in January. I have more comments but this is starting to sound like a rant.

Oh, just one more shot, politicians don't lie; they are just experts at "terminological inexactitudes."

Notice

At a municipal airport in Southern Illinois: "Toilet out of order. Please use the floor below."

GPS 2018

With our must have gizmos and apparatus, one has to ask what does not have a GPS application or function? Global Position System technology first caught our attention back in Operation Desert Storm, 1991. The actual pioneer development of GPS applications dates back to the 1970's. My head researcher,



Waudz Sup, informs me that by 2019 the number of GPS supported devices will triple.

Like any new technology that we buy into, the package also includes responsibility and common sense. A new heading on accident reports is **starting to pop up, "Death by GPS". The accident event does not always become a disaster but many have to be categorized as silly or stupid. Blind trust in that little digitally fed guidance box may not be wise.**

February found GPS Navigation on the Merrill School Forest lesson schedule and this writer was fortunate to be one of the helpers for the program. Approximately twenty four eighth graders per day for eight days were given classroom instruction on loading GPS routes and then a practicum in locating those way points. Each team had three handheld units, three magnetic compasses and a local map.

Turned loose in the Great North Woods of Lincoln County, the anxiety level dialed up a bit and the need to cooperate also kicked in. All students survived, many

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NCWLF Treasurer Report

March 2018

<u>Checking</u>		<u>Savings</u>	
Balance Forward	\$ 915.50	Balance Forward	\$ 36,659.29
Checking Deposits		Transfer to Checking	5,000.00
Deposit	326.00	Interest	.79
Transfer	5,000.00		
Checking Payments		<u>Savings Balance</u>	\$ 31,660.08
EAA	4,280.00		
Postage	12.92		
Cash - April	100.00		
<u>Checking Balance</u>	\$ 1,848.58	<u>Total Cash</u>	\$ 33,508.66

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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

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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

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



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gratifying. There might be some potential pilots in the green. Keep your needle in the class 2023.

February Meeting Minutes

The February meeting of the NCWLF was held at the Langlade County Airport in Antigo, WI. There were 26 members present. President Steve Krueger called the monthly meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. with the ringing of the Payzer bell (thanks, Bob). Steve mentioned that this **month's meeting would include** a discussion on radio phraseology and airport etiquette after normal business. Self-introduction of members and guests. Thanks given to Amanda Walker, John Szigat, and Pete Dernbach for hosting the meeting and supplying sloppy joes and chips for lunch. There were 25 members present.

The January minutes were read by the acting secretary and approved. Treasurer Larry Wenning reported that we have \$915.15 in checking, and \$36,659.29 in savings for a total of \$37,574.79. Interest earned was under a dollar. Larry mentioned that members should check the print off of renewals for EAA, and the regular member list for your dues. See Larry to pay dues. Still \$12/year. EAA memberships are paid as of

Feb. 15, 2018. Motions made **and treasurer's report was accepted** as read with no additions or corrections.

Old Business:

Chapter calendars – we still have six available from the second order. On sale for \$12 each.

Fly In Events:

A reminder that the annual WI light plane safety seminar will be Saturday, March 17, **2018, St. Patrick's Day, in the EAA Museum Founders' Wing** in Oshkosh. Registration is at 8:00 a.m. and lunch will be available. This will be our 25th year. Guest speaker Dan Johnson.

Flying Reports:

Mike Weinfurter and Joe **Mapes attended EAA's ski fly in** in Oshkosh Sat., Feb. 10. There were 30 planes in attendance. Lots of drive ins, and the ramp was full. It was a cold day, -160, but smooth flying. The next day, Feb. 11, was the annual Mondovi ski fly in event, which was also a memorial to Doug Ward who passed away two weeks before at the age of 94. There were 25 airplanes including a Howard DGA on skis. A Cor-

sair and a P-51 Mustang from MN did a fly over the crowd of 250 people. Doug was a B-17 tail gunner in WWII, and an author and attendee and presenter at Oshkosh for many years.

Larry Wenning and Steve Krueger made a YouTube video of their ski plane flying adventures last Sun., Feb. 11, landing on frozen lakes in the area including Lake Alexander, Half Moon, the Willow, **and Kunz's Circle K field.** The video was shown after the meeting.

Project Reports:

Syd Cohen is working on reinstalling the curved windows of his Ercoupe with new welt-ing.

John Szigat is working on the wings of his Hawk, in particular a notch for the ailerons. It included four times at trying to get the pieces of the notch square, about 20+ hours so far. And then there is another side to do. After that it is getting the gas tank seated, and then do the wings.

Howard Conforti brought Carl **Green's Dakota Hawk wing** for show and tell. Howard is

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Next NCWLF Meeting

April 21

No meeting planned for March, Hope to see you at the Aviation Safety Seminar, EAA's AirVenture Museum, Founders Wing, Saturday March 17th.

Our next chapter meeting will be Saturday, April 21, 10:30 am at the Stevens Point Airport. Hope to see you there.

Renewals

Larry Wenning is collecting dues. Our year runs from April, but he will be letting EAA know our member status. Let him know if you want to receive your newsletter by e-mail or paper. Currently there are about 20 members who receive it by paper.

Buy Sell Trade

✈ Don Mahn's 75% Completed Pietenpol. Freshly Rebuilt Corvair engine, Engine is Hung, Paint Fabric, Airframe Complete. \$6,500.00 Contact Mary Mahn 920-460-6848

✈ 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,

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Calendar of Events

- March 17 [Light Plane Safety Seminar](#) EAA AirVenture Museum Oshkosh WI
 - April 4-9 [Sun N Fun Lakeland FL](#)
 - April 21 Chapter Meeting 10:30 AM Stevens Point Airport
 - May 19 Chapter Meeting 10:30 AM
 - June 16 Chapter Meeting
 - July 14 Chapter Meeting 10:30 AM
 - July 23 -29 EAA AirVenture Oshkosh
 - August 12 Musky Day Fly In Boulder Junction
 - August 18 Chapter Meeting 10:30 AM
 - September 8 Merrill Airport Day
 - September 15 Chapter Meeting 10:30 AM
 - October 20 Chapter Meeting 10:30 AM
- Events are preliminary and are subject to Change. Calendar of Events is updated monthly. Contact Tom Voss to list events in subsequent newsletters. tvosswi@gmail.com

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heading up the nomination of Carl Green for the Wright **Master Pilot’s award. He and Carl worked together for a long time in the 70’s and then again just recently.**

(Note: Bill Johnson from Antigo, and a former Stearman pilot, said “hello” and that he just happened to be in the terminal before the meeting.)

Steven’s Presentation:

Before you depart from your local airport to a nearby destination, what do you do before leaving the ground? Check runway orientation, NOTAMS, frequencies, ASOS or AWOS, CTAF. Traffic patterns and altitude patterns used at the field. The sectional now has pattern altitude published as to right or left hand patterns.

RADIO: Listen and think before you transmit. What do you want to say and what is the appropriate language? Who you are, where you are,

and what are your intentions. Be alert for sounds. Your radio may be malfunctioning if you do not hear anything. Could be a stuck mike or volume too low, or on the wrong frequency. Remember, you have two eyes, look outside, a radio is not required at non-towered fields. What to say – keep it short and sweet and talk normally. Make initial call from 10 miles out. Five miles with runway intent. Some input from members on incidents and suggestions for making radio easier.

Check your pattern altitudes – **600’ AGL to 1,000’AGL common. Military /Multiengine/ Turbine can be 2,500’ AGL.** Enter at a level flight. On departing – make a 45o turn to left or right, depending on left or right pattern at a safe altitude.

\$100 Drawing:
Names drawn were Todd Krueger, Chris Werdin, Norb Brost, Bob Noffs, Mike Cor-

nelissen, Bill Heil, Barbra Green, Lyle Banser, Tom LaPointe, Mike Riley, Dan Sire, and the winner was Howard Conforti.

Next Meeting:
Plan to attend the Safety Seminar March 17, in Oshkosh on the third Saturday.

April meeting will be Sat. April 21 10:30AM at the Stevens Point Airport.

Report on Jim Shnowske:
Steve spoke with Jim and Sandy before the meeting, and was trying to get Skype to **have Jim on the “Telly” at the meeting,** but Jim does not have Skype. Jim said that he is going in for his fourth and final round of treatments on Tuesday. His counts all look good, and he said to tell everyone **“hello,” and thanks for thinking of him.**

Meeting adjourned for lunch and fellowship.

Acting Secretary
MaDonna McMahan

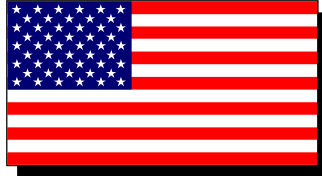
Buy Sell Trade

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- Cabin Heat, New ELT batteries, Extra main wheels with wheel pants. A fun flyer. Great visibility. Asking \$27,000 Ken Whyte 715-891-3912
 - ✈️ 1998 Blue and Black Rans S-5 built by Rans as their show bird for EAA in 1998. Rotax 503 UL DCDI. Aircraft has 268 hrs and engine has 178 hrs. Lots of spare parts, 2 new car-

- buretors , new muffler, radio, and test equipment and much more also go with it. Clear coated for UV protection, always hangared, Based in Antigo \$12,000 OBO. Pete Dernbach 715-350-9068
- ✈️ 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 Hangared 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.**



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