

Greetings fellow NCLF members!

### Minutes: July 2004 Membership Meeting

Present - 12 Members, 6 Associates

- **August 7 NCLF Family Cookout Yoder**
- August 8 Sandusky
- August 13-15 Barber (Aeronca Fly-In)
- August 14-15 Mansfield (Lahm)
- August 20-22 Carroll Co. (Total Eclipse)  
Ashtabula Co. (Giant Scale R/C Race)
- August 21-22 Delaware
- August 21 Newark / Wood Co.
- Sept. 3-5 Three Rivers, Mi. (ASC Nat.)
- Sept. 3-6 Wellsville, Pa
- Sept. 10-12 Jasper, Tn.
- Sept. 12 Melon Fest  
Zelienople, Pa
- Sept. 17-19 Osterburg, Pa.
- Sept. 18 A&A Shooting (Shoot & Play)
- Sept. 25 Cambridge (Parade of Planes)  
Clearfield, PA  
Wood Co.

We are planning a photo display for the Melon Fest. Please send pictures of projects, planes and



UL Flying can be dangerous! Be careful out there, Bob!

memorable landmarks to Jonathan (mail, or e-mail), or bring to the cookout.

### Recent Member News

Jonathan Gamble and Don James launched forth towards Kitty Hawk on Thursday, July 15, after having been delayed by weather until Tuesday, then a false start due to haze, followed by a postponement because of the potential of severe thunderboomers on Wednesday. But victory was to be had in 2004. They made it, as evidenced by the cover photo for this issue of the Flyer. The full details are being reserved for a later issue of the Flyer when more time will be available to provide the coverage that their successful effort is due.



Some guys have all the food!

### Trip Memoirs – Don James

July 3, 2004

Due to the fact that VP Cheney was having a motorcade down I-77, flying to Miller was restricted at many airports in our area. Don James left Mayfield at about 10:30 before the airspace was closed. He picked up Ron Ritchey on the

radio, as Ron was very close to landing at Miller. After a mid-air rendezvous, both Ultralights



Early Arrivers at the Miller Pig Roast!

landed at Miller for the Pig Roast. The Chinook+2 and Phantom were some of the first arrivals. The Pig Roast was great, with really good food. The event was well attended by GA and ultralight aircraft. A pair of very nice Lancairs put on a speedy air show. Eventually,



Bruce Bixler's next big UL, er, 'Light Sport' engine?

Bob Essell came in with student Rich Sniderhan

who was getting some cross country experience. Bob did a superb demonstration of wing walking on the " Follow Me " truck, and eventually took the Chinook+2 up for a test flight. After a while, Student Rich and Bob depart to complete their instruction for the day, and Ron & Don departed to head for a little known airstrip, just west of Barber, right on our way home called "Taylor Cub Field." Taylor, a 1300 feet one way airstrip, is owned by Bruce Bixler, whose TriPacer was smashed by a runaway Challenger some years ago at Miller (The Tripacer has been fixed up good as new). Bruce showed them his hidden workshop located in the loft of a barn. Here, Bruce is constructing a "Ferguson" Ultralight, which looks a lot like a Kolb Mark III.



Ron Ritchie Heads Home After A Big Day.

The Ferguson looks much easier to build and should take less hours. The engine to be used is a 3 cylinder Suzuki Metro engine with a Raven Redrive, much less expensive than the comparable HP Rotax, and only slightly more weight. This was a nice visit. From here, they departed for May field, which was Ron's first visit. This also represented Ron's longest flying

day ever, and he really enjoyed it. Now that he has a radio we might see more of him.

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**FOR SALE!!!**

Pennzoil 2 Cycle Oil for Air Cooled Engines, \$30/Case,  
Don James, 330-678-9537, Kent.

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**SEND NEWS TO:      TO JOIN, SEND \$10 TO:**

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**UNTIL THE NEXT TIME!**



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The Kitty Hawk Memorial. It Can Be Done!

**Next Club Meeting – August 7, 2004**

The next Club Meeting is the annual Cookout at Yoder Airport beginning at 3PM. Please bring a dish to share. Eating will begins around 4:30PM. Prospective members, guests and family members are **always welcome**.

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