

Notes

Inspired by Amelia Earhart's Last Flight
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I visited the Huffman Prairie Flying Field twice.
It was magical to be at such a cool historical site completely by myself.
It's an open 100-acre field on Wright Pattern Air Force Base and it has been left undeveloped because it's behind the Huffman Dam.

Luther Beard, Dayton Journal Editor:

I used to chat with the Wright Brothers in a friendly way, because I sort of felt sorry for them. They seemed like well-meaning, decent enough young men. Yet there they were, neglecting their business to waste time day after day, on the ridiculous flying machine. I had an idea that it must worry their father.

Torrance Huffman (who rented them the cow pasture as a flying field)
The Wright Brothers are fools.

Quotes from locals:

Nearby tenant farmer: It was magic, they just flew and flew.

Why they succeeded:

Bicycle designers, smart and worked as a tight team.

They were together 24/7 and not afraid to call the other stupid.