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President's Report

Greetings Club members !

Good News, the new and greatly **Exppanded** Tool Room is here! Once all the tools are put into place from the work table, we will have that additional space for work also. The installed cabinets and peg boards in the tool room make it look very professional. **You almost want to keep it looking clean and new, don't you ! ?** Congratulations to Bill and Al as well as others who have labored to bring this about. Looking around the field there are some positive signs taking place; there is a growing scrap metal pile in evidence now with metal gleaned from around the airport making it look more like an active field, likewise the needed grass cutting has also begun (just before our last breakfast fly-in). Speaking of which we did get a decent turnout in spite of the weather. We had plenty of help on hand in the kitchen ready to start well ahead of time. Thanks to all who worked that day. I also believe that financially we are slowly looking a little bit better with each passing breakfast. The on-going one time assessment for this year has also greatly helped us. We were able to make a partial repayment for the building materials used because of our membership's response. Thank you all who contributed thus far.

As a club I strongly feel that we are doing a commendable job in the face of this current adversity and with your help and support we will put the club on a more solid fiscal ground for the future.

Thank you,
Carl Patturelli,
President, Chapter 279

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Calendar

Jul 11	7:30 PM	Cranland Airport (28M)	EAA Chapter 279 Monthly Meeting www.eaa279.org
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Jul 20	8:00AM - 11:00AM	Cranland Airport (28M)	EAA Chapter 279 Fly-in Breakfast www.eaa279.org/279breakfast/breakfast.htm
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Secretary's Report

On June 13th, 2008, at 1936, Carl Patturelli called the regular monthly meeting to order.

- A moment of silence was observed to honor Hamilton "Ham" Horsman, one of the original founding members of EAA 279 who recently Went West.

- A motion to accept the Secretary's Report as printed in the newsletter was made by Gerry Scampoli, seconded by Richard Barker, and passed unanimously.

- Gerry Scampoli reported on our financial state. After some comments regarding the payback of money owed for the Tool Room Project, it was moved by Richard Barker to accept the report, seconded by Ron Houghton, and passed unanimously.

- Gerry Scampoli circulated a membership list

and requested that all members present verify the personal data.

- Tom Constantine requested permission from the members to sell chance tickets at our Father's Day Fly-in to benefit the Plymouth Aero Club. This was approved unanimously without discussion.

At 1945, Richard Barker moved to adjourn and go into the previously announced and notified Special Annual Meeting. This was seconded by Brian Baragwanath, and accepted unanimously by the members present.

- Ron Houghton requested that Ham's name be added to the original EAA 279 incorporation document. Gerry Scampoli replied that he might be able to take care of it.

- Carl Patturelli stated that it was time to con-

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Secretary's Report (cont.)

sider our financial situation, especially regarding the Tool Room Project, and to consider increasing the dues. A constructive and spirited discussion ensued regarding dues, indebtedness, linking our dues with EAA National, membership value, a one-time assessment, paying our 2008 building rent, the doubling of our rental costs by the airport ownership, and the uncertainty of our future.

After a number of motions which were informally retracted, a motion by Al Cavacco, and seconded by Brian Baragwanath, was made to create a special one-time assessment to all members (lifetime members included) of \$75 to pay off the Tool Room Project; it passed unanimously.

The discussion again returned to the issue of annual dues. Al Cavacco moved and Tom Constantine seconded that the annual dues should parallel the EAA National dues. This motion was amended by Al and seconded by Brian Baragwanath to instead raise the dues to \$100 per year, which could be paid monthly for \$10 per month, totaling to \$120 per year, and that LifeTime members would either pay a one-time fee of \$200 to continue as LifeTime members, or would pay \$50 per year. Members wishing to join the LifeTime members now would pay a one-time fee of \$400. After a discussion concerning mainly the effects on membership, the motion passed 10 For and 2 Opposed.

At 2030, Brian Baragwanath moved and Richard Barker seconded that we close the Special Annual Meeting and return to our regular monthly meeting. So voted unanimously.

- Carl Patturelli notified the membership of special NOTAMS regarding Oshkosh should anyone be flying to attend; Tom Constantine noted that he would be flying but not landing at Oshkosh.

- John Duffy reported that he was returning money to the treasury from having cashed in the can recycling.

- Roger Roy reported that he was planning a BBQ tomorrow at the club, and persons interested should meet after the meeting to decide on the menu and details. Many positive comments were heard regarding Roger's talents as a chef and provider.

- John Duffy reported that the tie-down fees have now doubled. There seemed to be confusion about the actual changes from management, and the leadership expressed that they would not react until these changes could be verified. Nonetheless, there is common belief that significant changes at the Hanson Airport are inevitable.

- Conversations were had regarding the Hawk, its ownership and use. Tom Boyle will be contacted by the leadership to clarify its status.

- It was reported that Frank Grant had triple-by-pass surgery, and that he is back home recuperating. Also noted was concern for Dick "Seggy" Seggelin, who we understand is doing better despite the difficult time.

- A discussion was begun as to whether we should sell breakfasts before 0800. No motion was made relative to this, as it was left to the volunteers who show up.

- The monthly drawing was held, with Tom Hassie winning the greater share, and donating it to the club treasury. And Bob Whittier was quite surprised by his unexpected win.

At 2052, the meeting was unanimously moved to adjourn.

Submitted by Paul Paquin

Photo Page / Project Update

Don Morrissey writes to say that a reporter from the Marshfield Mariner did a story on his airplane. "When you have a plane in your driveway occasionally, parked next to your truck...people notice," according to Don. Click on the link below to read the story, complete with video, on the Internet at: <http://www.wickedlocal.com/marshfield/news/x1964422595/Morrissey-builds-plane-at-his-home>

Don also reports that he recently made a 1660 mile round trip, over 3 days, to Fowlerville, Michigan, to pick up his Lycoming O-235 L2C with a Powerflow Exhaust setup from engine builder Ron Cooper (who is a paraplegic and flies his Cessna with hand controls).

Those of you at Cranland on a recent weekend may have seen Don as he mounted his wings on the plane. Don emphatically states, "I could not have done it with Roger Roy's help!! "

The picture below right was taken in Michigan next to a Tiger Moth at Cooper's Hangar. Standing left to right are Don and fellow BushCaddy Builder Rob Irvine, seated (wheelchair) is Ron Cooper.

Follow Don's 965 hours logged over 2 years, 9 months at his web site, www.donsbushcaddy.com.



All photos courtesy of Don Morrissey