

Chapter Monthly
Meeting Second
Friday 7:30 PM.
Breakfast Fly-in
Third Sunday,
Starting in April.

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President's Report

As I write this, I've just returned from a week of cruising the Western Caribbean and Eastern Mexican shores, daily temperatures in the low 90's and severe clear weather. Looking out the window at drizzle and snow drifts makes me wonder why I bothered to come home. Oh yes, the need to eat, that's right.

Before going on vacation, I stopped by to see the progress Roger Roy is making on his new project, a Savannah. WOW! Roger is building away at a frantic pace. Nice quality work, too! You wouldn't expect anything less from him, would you? I'm really impressed with the aircraft that he's building. It's similar to a CH701 in size and features,

but a little better performer and a lot less of an "ugly duckling". Of course, beauty is in the eye of the beholder.

I have received a tape from "Sun & Fun" with all the necessary procedures to fly in to that event. That will be at the meeting for anyone interested. Also, there are two websites that I've received emails about, asking to be mentioned in our Newsletter. So here goes: www.homebuiltairplanes.com and www.airporthomes.com. Both are fairly interesting and probably worth a visit.

The next meeting will be March 14th at 7:30. See you there. Gerry

Secretary's Report

The Valentines Day meeting opened at 7:35 P.M. In attendance were the **unromantic** members. Or should I say, the ones Cupids arrows missed! Minutes of the January meeting were then accepted.

The treasurers report indicated that with our current cash position, we will now pick-up paying the monthly phone bill. A discussion was held on changing insurance carriers on the building and its contents. Our current insur-

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Old Colony Flying Club

The Old Colony Flying Club meets directly after the regular Chapter 279 monthly meeting on the second Friday of each month.

Flying Club News:

Members are waiting for the snow to melt.

This just to get over to the Hawk and Kolb hanger and check out the situation and determine what will be needed for the new upcoming flying season.

Secretary's Report (cont.)

ance has increased in cost to \$750 per year. The other policy being considered costs \$310 per year. It is not yet definite that the new policy is identical to the current policy. It was recommended that the Directors convene to review the policies. The treasurer's report was accepted.

Old Business:

Bob Jackson reported that he and Gerry Scampoli would attend the March meeting of the area Boy Scout leaders to work out with them how we can assist Scouts in attaining aviation merit badges.

Bob Wilkie Jr. requested that a full discussion of breakfast work tasks take place at the March meeting.

The president will contact Paul Paquin to get a copy of the bylaw committee's work to date.

Sergio Quadros asked the club to support a fly in at the Plymouth Airport on May 10th and 11th sponsoring the event and getting the EAA fly in insurance for it. He stated that these activities could provide the club income and recognition. The fly in will have a static display of vintage aircraft and Warbirds along with vintage autos and booths by groups such as the Bridgewater College aviation program and the Alpha One

pilot training school. He also asked the club to coordinate the daily breakfast. During the discussion it was made clear that the club did not want to put on the breakfast themselves. Sergio indicated that it would be OK if the club wanted to coordinate locating a caterer to do the breakfast or to not participate in the breakfast at all. The club could have a booth at the event to display planes and projects. After discussion it was agreed that the President Gerry Scampoli would contact EAA National to see if an insurance rider could cover the fly in at Plymouth Airport. Gerry will report back to the club at the next meeting.

New Business:

John Duffy will send a list of our breakfast fly in dates, third Sunday of the month April to October to the Yankee Flyer for publication.

A field trip to New England Air Museum will be held February 22nd for those interested in seeing an authentic replica of the Wright Flyer.

The meeting closed at 9 P.M.

Respectfully by submitted Bob Jackson filling in for George Fortin who was unable to attend.

Prop Wash

The New England Air Museum at Bradley International Airport in Connecticut was again visited in February by seven of our members. The theme this year was to view and photograph an exact replica of the Wright Brothers Wilbur and Orville's, glider number 3. The replica is on tour in the United States and was shortly to be disassembled and leaving for Texas. I have included some photos of the visit on the back page. Two vehicles were used to transport members. Al Sherman drove his six passenger van and Al Cavacco drove his new pickup truck. Bob Jackson, Jim Lane, Tom Boyle, Bill Sweeney and myself made up the rest of the crew. After viewing and taking digital pictures of the Flyer we found ourselves examining one of several Wright Flyer "kiddie pedal cars" found in one corner of the

Museum. This being a possible Club project to go along with the Aquaplane project was discussed, although nothing was decided.

One aircraft of particular interest was an authentic, passenger carrying, parasol wing S-39B. This was a popular design in it's day. It is also the type that accidentally sunk sometime during the 1930's in a distant Alaskan lake.

Known to exist at the bottom of the not to well chartered lake, it was the object for many years of Peter Annis who tried to recover it from the depths, but to no avail.

Throughout the Museum many references were made to the large contribution the state of Connecticut has made and is still making to aviation. There is much to see and experience at the New England Air Museum. It's a must see!

Happy Flying, John Duffy

FOR SALE

For Sale: John Duffy has for sale a Light Miniature Aircraft LMA1. It is a $\frac{3}{4}$ scale Ultralight type single place (does not fit the weight limit) of a Piper Cub J3. It is in excellent condition. It has a Rotax 503 but will need a prop. The wheels and tires are tundra type (large). The wheel brakes are set-up but not installed. \$7500.00 firm. Call 508-378-3411.

For Sale: Bob Wilkie informs me he his putting up for sale his Kolb. His asking price is \$8500.00. Bob can be reached at 781-878-4215.



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