

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

E.A.A 279 Newsletter

March 2004

Volume 2004, Issue 3 \$5.00



CLUB OFFICERS

PRESIDENT

Jim Lane

781-749-6120

VICE PRESIDENT

Bob Jackson

781-834-9861

TREASURER

Alfred Cavacco

508-224-4563 Work

508-224-8209 Home

508-224-5832 Fax

SECRETARY

Kelly Barker

508-230-9194

TECHNICAL ADVISORS

Tom Hassie

781-848-4899

Tom Boyle

781-749-5266

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Walter Lockhart

508-587-2908

Information must be in the hands of the Newsletter Editor by the first of the month, for that month's issue.

President's Report

Hello everyone I hope you all will be able to attend our chapter meeting on March 12 th. I am sure you will enjoy the evening because we have a lot going on. Between 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM (1800 – 1930) Gerry Scampoli will serve "Lazy Man Lasagna" with meatballs and sausages. We'll have a salad and some cold drinks". Bring your appetite. The chapter meeting will start at 7:30 PM and I will introduce our special guest speaker Joe Buckley. Joe, the author of "Wings over Cape Cod" will present to us a narrated slide presentation about the Chatham Naval Air Station

from 1917 to 1922. I saw this presentation last year and I was very impressed. I know you will like it.

I hope everyone is as excited as I am that April is around the corner. The fly-in breakfasts will start soon and we need all the help we can get. If everyone could volunteer for just two hours it would help so much. The dedicated volunteers we have had in the past would not have to work all morning. They could also enjoy the day.

Jim

Secretary's Report

These are the Regular Chapter 279 Meeting Minutes for February 13, 2004.

Officers present: Jim Lane, Pres., Bob Jackson, V.P., Al Cavacco, Treas., Kelly Barker, Secretary.

1. J. Lane called meeting to order @ 19:30 sharp.

President's Report see Page 1

Wing Tips see Page 3

Secretary's Report see Page 1

Interesting Article see Page 3

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:

Secretary's Report (cont.)

2. A delightfully decorated cake was offered to recognize that Walter Lockhart has successfully reached the significant age of "69."
3. Advised that USAF rep not available tonight. To reschedule.
4. J. Lane took deposits from those planning to go to Oshkosh
6. J. Lane reviewed B.O.D's membership requirements. Discussed Class 1, 2, & 3 stature. No objections.
7. B.O.D. meeting report by J. Lane. C. Diggins **M** to give Richard Murphy Life Membership. **2nd** W. Lockhart. **M** carried by membership
8. Membership agreed to pay \$50 fee to have Joe Buckley presentation. **M** W. Lockhart, **2nd** C. Diggins, membership agreed
9. **M** W. Lockhart, to invite J. Buckley to Fathers Day bkfst. Allow Buckley to offer to display, sell & autograph his book. **M 2nd & approved**
10. **M** to accept secretaries report from newsletter as submitted, **2nd & approved**
11. C. Diggins to provide learning session at April meeting. Fabric covering?
12. None the members present appeared interested in parking aircraft at bkfst.
13. Peter Annis has again requested that we remind members to avoid driving on any grass areas of the airport during the late winter/early spring thaw period! NO EXCEPTIONS!
14. A. Cavacco presented Treasurers report. Beautiful! Brought tears to those present! **M** G. Scampoli to accept, **2nd** J. Duffy. Membership approved.
15. **M** to accept Secretaries report as submitted in Newsletter & **2nd**. No names, however group accepted.
16. **M** to adjourn. **2nded**. Accepted. No names.

M = Motion, **2nd** = seconded, bkfst (s) = breakfasts

Respectively submitted, Kelly R. Barker

Wing Tips

This month's column gives you a few reminders about inspecting control cables in our airplanes.

At each annual inspection, control cables have to be inspected for broken wire strands. Any cable that has a broken strand located in a critical fatigue area (pulley, sleeve, fair-lead, etc.) has to be replaced.

Wire or strand breakage on the outside of a cable is easy to see, but other kinds of problems, like wear, corrosion, and/or distortion are not so easily spotted. Therefore, you should remove control cables periodically for a more detailed inspection. With the cable out of the system, pass a cloth over the cable at the critical fatigue areas. This will clean the cable so you can get a better look, and will find broken wires if the cloth snags on the cable. Also, look carefully, since a broken wire will not always stick out, but may lie in the strand and remain in the position of the helix as it was manufactured. Bending and flexing a cable (just be careful not to kink it) is the only way to see the condition of all of the strands. You'll also need to "untwist" the cable a little to see if there are any broken strands on the inside.

While you're at it, inspect your cables for a popped core or loose strands. Replace any cable that has a popped core or loose strands regardless of wear or broken wires.

When you've finished taking a good look at your cables, use a cable lubricant to reduce internal friction and prevent corrosion. Then reinstall the cables, carefully adjust the tension in accordance with the airframe manufacturer's recommendations, and go out and enjoy your flights!

For a complete treatment of this topic, see FAA's Advisory Circular AC 43.13-1B "Acceptable Methods, Techniques, and Practices - Aircraft Inspection and Repair," Chapter 7, Section 8.

Tom Boyle

TIPS FROM TOP GUNS

"We're all accident prone
Flying does present hazards
If your emergency training is up to date,
You can survive an emergency."

Test Pilot Tony LeVier
