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Meeting Second
Friday 7:30 PM.
Breakfast Fly-in
Third Sunday,
April thru Oct.

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President's Report

Greetings !

Here we are getting ready for the oncoming winter and it is coming whether we are ready or not ! . Our last Fly-in breakfast in October ended the season on a very wet note but nonetheless contributed to our club in spirit rather than revenues.

We are now anticipating our traditional Christmas Club Brunch to be held in December. (details to follow). While our activities may be diminished during this time, our spirits are not. We can take pride in that because we are entering the winter season largely intact. We are still very much a presence on the field. We are still the largest single group residing at Cranland. Yes, at times, we are a diverse group with differing interests, but I believe we have not lost our common support for the club. Each year that goes by proves it. Optimistically If we grow by projects or future shared interests so much the better. If we continue to strengthen our being as a social support club surrounding flying activities, so be it. In any event We are answering the Important Question, WHAT DO WE WANT TO BE ?? . Let us move forward together in support for the club.

Carl Patturelli

President
EAA 279

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Calendar

Dec. 11	7:30 PM	Cranland Airport (28M)	EAA Chapter 279 Monthly Meeting www.eaa279.org
Dec. 13	10:00 AM	Monponsett Inn Route 58	EAA Chapter 279 Christmas Brunch (www.monponsettinn.com for address & directions.)

Saturday Matinees Coming to Cranland

John Duffy has been busy adapting the video equipment in the clubhouse to enable the screening of airplane related feature movie presentations.

Keep an eye on this space, and your email, for announcements, and more information, about the dates and times of these Saturday matinees.

Photos From the Files



PZL M26 Iskierka/Airwolf
Polish trainer
PZL Mielec

CZAW SportCruiser
2 seat Light Sport Aircraft
Czech Aircraft Works (now
Czech Sport Aircraft)



You never know what might show up at Cranland

Secretary's Report

On 10-09-09 Carl Patturelli brought the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. with 9 members and 1 guest present.

The secretary's report was accepted as written in the newsletter.

Gerry Scampoli gave the treasurer's report which was accepted and approved by the membership.

There was no new business however old business brought up the 501 status issues. With considerable discussion in this area we finally came to a decision to go for a c-4 or c-7 rather than a c-3 status because there was not enough support for the c-3. Gerry Scampoli has been in touch with a lawyer, Patti Arthuir, who has been retained by EAA national and she will file the proper paperwork for a social club status. (most likely c-7) at a cost of \$500 and \$300 for filing. This came to a vote which was accepted and received a second.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 P.M..

Carl then opened the annual meeting and elections for chapter officers were held with the following people elected:

President Carl Patturelli

Vice President Joe Fava

Treasurer Gerry Scampoli

Secretary Tom Hassie

It was also noted that Roger Roy and Al Cavaco resigned their positions as Class 3 Board Directors.

Tom Hassie Secretary

Gone West

Our beloved senior chapter member, John Meehan, was lost to us all on October 14 of this year. He did leave us with a recent valuable memory though, of him being at our September Fly-in breakfast. Both He and his caring brother, Ed, were seated in the clubhouse that Sunday morning greeting all within sight, and very much appreciating the experience. That was very typical of John, always enjoying the moments with us, whether it be at a monthly club meeting, when he was able to attend, or just showing up through the driving courtesy of a fellow member. When he was among us he mostly listened to the group but very actively as we often found out with his usually profound and often amusing comments. He always ended his conversations on a positive note, even if it was at the expense of a remiss or inattentive pilot. John was ready to extend himself to any and all that sought his advice or who just wanted to borrow a tool. He always had a wonderful smile on his face. We hope that he went to his reward as that same smiling soul we knew him to be when he was with us. He will be very much missed by us all.

God Bless you John!

Sincerely,

Carl Patturelli

JOHN F. MEEHAN

BROCKTON John F. Meehan, 86 years old, of Brockton, died unexpectedly Wednesday, October 14, 2009. He was the devoted husband of the late Catherine (Kelleher) Meehan. John was born in Brockton, a son of the late Thomas M. And Mary G. (Slattery) Meehan and remained a lifelong resident of the city. During World War II, John served in the U.S. Army with the occupation troops in Japan. He was a longtime member of VFW Post 1046 Brockton and the American Legion Post 35 Brockton. He was a lineman for over 40 years, working from IBEW Local 104 Boston. John was retired from the MBTA. John had a private pilots license and enjoyed flying his own plane. He was a member of EAA (Experimental Aircraft Association) Chapter No. 279, Hanson. Though he never had children of his own, John cherished the time spent with his many nieces and nephews. He was the brother of Edward Meehan and his wife Nancy of Brockton, and the late James J. And William T. Meehan.