

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

# E.A.A 279 Newsletter

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

## President's Report

So far, it's been a great year for our Fly-In Breakfasts. Every month it seems, we worry about the weather right up until the morning of the Fly-In and just as we begin to cook, the gods of wind and rain decide to smile on us! This can't go on forever. Last month we served almost 150 adults and the field was parked solid with airplanes. A great time.

A big THANK YOU to all who came out to help. Without you we wouldn't be able to do this. The September Fly-In will be on the third Sunday, as usual, September 21. Mark that date on your calendar. Again, we can use all the help we can get. There are positions in the kitchen that should have more fre-

quent rotations so that all can enjoy the day.

We have been promised a report of the nominating committee at the next meeting. Anyone that would like to serve the chapter in any capacity next term, please mention that fact to Bob Wilkie, Walter Lockhart or John Duffy.

I will be pretty much tied up with business demands for most of this month, a seminar to attend, a couple of trips to evaluate machinery, plus I'm enrolled in a course that will tie up every Tuesday evening for the next three months, so I won't be as available as usual. We will survive! Next meeting: September 12, 2003, 7:30 PM. See you there! Gerry

## Secretary's Report

### June minutes submitted:

Our chapter meeting was brought to order at 7:30 P.M. We had guests from Connecticut, Carl and Sandy

Galbert. There was no secretary report available so Al Cavacco gave the Treasurers report which was accepted by the membership.

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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:

#### June meeting minutes

The The Old Colony Flying Club meeting was brought to order at 8:10 P.M.

Bob Jackson asked permission to make John Greenlaw (CFI) an honorary member so he could fly the C.G.S. Hawk to better prepare those learning to fly for transition to the Hawk. This motion passed and was approved. After the winch is installed in the new hangar, the PA-11 Cub will be brought over from Plymouth. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 P.M. Respectfully submitted Tom Hassie.

#### Hanger doors:

Activity has continued to progress with welding of the support beams, cross track beam and folding doors for the vinyl hanger. Dick "Seggy" Seggelin, Al Cavacco and John Duffy worked hard and diligently this past Saturday to accomplish this "mile stone" task. Priming of the bare metal steel door frames are next,

# Secretary's Report (cont.)

**Old Business:** Bob Jackson, Jim lane, and Tom Boyle helped the local scouts with their aviation merit badge. John Duffy demonstrated preflight inspection with his colt and Walter Lockhart utilized his R.C. model to demonstrate control surfaces.

**New Business:** A suggestion was made to upgrade the outside bulletin board. UL Chap. 62 is making an Aqua plane which is powered by water and rises a few feet.

**Project Updates:** Roger Roy has his fuselage together and is progressing rather quickly with his project.

The Nieuport group has the fuselage sides together and the tail post gusset's are finished.

**Tonights raffle** winners are Roger Roy and Earl Mahoney. There were 16 members at tonight's meeting which adjourned at 8:10 P.M. Respectfully submitted Tom Hassie

### August minutes

The meeting was called to order by our president Gerry at 7:30 PM. A visitor, Dick Murphy was welcomed and introduced as a potential new member. The Secretary's report was accepted as published. The Treasurer gave a highly detailed report and concluded that we are \$1162 dollars ahead on breakfast income as compared to last year.

#### Old Business:

John Duffy pointed out that Paul Paquin has been regrettably overlooked and not been given the credit he deserves for the wonderful and extremely well prepared, including video and projection screen presentations, he made on Auto-giros and their beginnings. There was wholehearted agreement by the membership.

The President mentioned that EAA had returned a copy of our membership list indicating those who were not currently national members. One of the comments was that one of the reasons people don't pay their national membership dues is that the month after you pay your dues you are billed for the next years dues. Not wanting to pay ahead of time members put it off and may not :

remember to pay at the time it is actually due. In the future we will ask to see verification of EAA membership when members renew.

#### New Business:

The Nominating committee is working and will have a report at the September Meeting. If any member is interested in an office please contact Walter.

Roger reported that his plane the "Savanna", is constructed and he is now waiting for decent weather to paint it. Tonight's guest, Dick Murphy, shared his adventures of flying a 150 back from Florida.

Chip gave the Oshkosh report of perfect weather, lots of new engines and a great show.

Ken Walsh mentioned that the Nieuport group has begun the assembly of the first hull and they "are using aluminum like it is going out of style".

Many members expressed an interest in the Chapter 62 fly in on Sunday 9/31.

The construction crew, with the help of our welding instructor, Dick Seggelin is making metal doors for the cloth OCFC hangar.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:42PM. Respectfully submitted, Bob Jackson

## Prop Wash

**Around and about:** Ron Houghton has "completed" his Nieuport 17!

# Prop Wash (cont.)

He is now taxi testing at the Plymouth Airport. Ron's advice to other Nieuport builders is to "just keep plugging along, and your plane will get finished". As for me he said, "it's only been 27 months since I started building the Nieuport, from scratch, but I've loved every minute of it!". Of course he said, "a huge vote of thanks go to Al Cavacco who has let me use his hanger all this time".

**Chip Diggin's** UL 62 EAA Chapter ran a successful Fly-In and barbecue Sunday the 31st. A dozen airplanes flew in the Parade of Airplanes in front of enthusiastic spectators. There was a candy drop for kids and many other activities. Of special note was the kiddie Hydro piston lift airplane. Smiles on each of the young pilots faces who flew it told it all. A big vote of thanks goes to Larry Bean, Al Cavacco and friends who completed the wooden kiddie monoplane which rose up and down by comands from the young pilots. All would not be possible if it were not for Chapter 279 member Al Sherman's brilliantly machined water activated piston, attached to a common garden hose.

Also at the Fly-in we found a visit was paid by Wilbur and Orville Wright. The Wright Brothers visit was sponsored by Will Thorn and Nick Thomas in honor of their upcoming 100 years of aviation celebration in December.

It should also be noted that **Chip Diggin's** was presented this years Ultra Light Aviation achievement award at New York's Mohawk Valley Fly In last month. It was presented by Mary Jones editor of EAA Experimenter magazine. The perpetual trophy is given every year to the person who best represents his or her efforts in promoting safe Ultra light aviation. The handsome trophy is given in memory of New York states pioneer in building, organizing, teaching and flying Ultra Light aircraft. It was a presentation and award much deserved by Chip.

**Dick Murphy** now our newest 279 member has taken our hot kitchen staff environment to heart and on his own, with the help of his air conditioning company employee's, has installed **central air conditioning** throughout the entire Club house! It works fabulously! A large **At-A-Boy** to Dick. What a guy. So when you see him, he has the gray Cessna 150, give him your thanks for a job well done.

I've included some pictures snapped from around and about.

Happy flying,  
John Duffy

then comes the corrugated skinning of the doors and it's done. Seggy's welding and door hinge pin alignment, one of the most critical parts of the project, has been slick as a whistle.  
(Editor).

**For Sale:** John Duffy has for sale a Light Miniature Aircraft LMA1. It is a ¾ 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. The wheels and tires are tundra type (large). The wheel brakes and wing tanks are installed but not connected. \$7500.00. Call 508-378-3411.

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

