

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

# E.A.A. 279 Newsletter

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the hands of the  
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the first of the month,  
for that month's issue.

## President's Report

Greetings Clubmembers!

Hope you are all well and busy. The summer is sure going by BUT there is still a lot of flying left to do before winter. So it is with me and I trust most of you, though we have had the sweetest part of the summer slide by us almost without us looking. Now we are faced with Fall flying which can bring us its own bright colors and moderate temperatures for a limited time. Then the colors will all too soon fade and the temps will fall. (Perhaps that's why they call it "FALL.") We have only two more breakfasts to go before our major revenue source ends for the calendar year. Whatever we have gleaned as residual income from our breakfasts, dues, various sales and assessments will have to cover us. The upcoming increase in dues for the new year will help provide some additional cash when we traditionally need it. Hopefully we will have picked up a new member or two by then. I will keep recruiting at the remaining breakfasts and all of us should be on the lookout especially among the "regular" breakfast flyin attendees.

Still need some suggestions for guest speakers for our monthly meetings, folks. I will be happy to approach any of the names you provide me for this.

Thank you all for your efforts over the summer season, It was GREAT!

Carl Patturelli, President,  
EAA Chapter 279

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# Calendar

Sep 12 7:30 PM Cranland Airport ([28M](#)) [EAA Chapter 279 Monthly Meeting](http://www.eaa279.org)  
[www.eaa279.org](http://www.eaa279.org)

Sep 12 - Sep 15 Plymouth, MA ([PYM](#)) [Collings Foundation Wings of Freedom Tour \(B-17, B-24, B-25 & P-51\)](http://www.cfdn.org)  
[www.cfdn.org](http://www.cfdn.org)

Sep 18 - Sep 21 Lawrence, MA ([LWM](#)) [Flights in EAA's 1929 Ford Tri-Motor](http://www.eaa106.org)  
[www.eaa106.org](http://www.eaa106.org)

Sep 21 8:00AM - 11:00AM Cranland Airport ([28M](#)) [EAA Chapter 279 Fly-in Breakfast](http://www.eaa279.org/279breakfast/breakfast.htm)  
[www.eaa279.org/279breakfast/breakfast.htm](http://www.eaa279.org/279breakfast/breakfast.htm)

Sep 21 8:00AM - 3:00PM Simsbury, CT ([4B9](#)) [EAA Chapter 324 - 23rd Annual Simsbury Fly-In](http://SimsburyAirport.com)  
[SimsburyAirport.com](http://SimsburyAirport.com)

Sep 26 7:30PM Cranland Airport ([28M](#)) [EAA Chapter 279 Board of Directors Meeting](http://www.eaa279.org)  
[www.eaa279.org](http://www.eaa279.org)

Sep 27 Limington, ME ([63B](#)) [EAA Chapter 141 Fly-in Breakfast & Poker Run](http://www.eaa141.org)  
[www.eaa141.org](http://www.eaa141.org)

Oct 4 - Oct 5 Lawrence, MA ([LWM](#)) [2008 NorthEast LSA Vendor Showcase & LSA Fly-In](http://www.eaa106.org)  
[www.eaa106.org](http://www.eaa106.org)

Oct 4 8:00AM - 12:00 Rutland, VT ([RUT](#)) [EAA Chapter 968 - 18th annual 'Leafpeepers' fly-in breakfast](http://www.greenmountainflyers.org)  
[www.greenmountainflyers.org](http://www.greenmountainflyers.org)

## Classifieds

**For Sale - Brand new Tire and Tube.** 500x5 Goodyear tire with new Michelin tube. Best Offer. Call Brian 781-293-0366



**Newsletter Editor Position -** The Newsletter Editor is retiring after almost 5 years at the keyboard. Call Tom Boyle at 781-749-5266 to apply or to find out what's involved in producing the Newsletter.

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# Secretary's Report

EAA Chapter 279 Meeting  
August 8, 2008

President Carl Patturelli opened our Friday night general EAA 279 membership meeting at 7:35 PM.

Members present were: Carl Patturelli, Jim Lane, Paul Paquin, Tom Hassie, Gerry Scampoli and John Duffy.

The Secretary's Report of last month's July meeting as published in the August Newsletter was accepted by all members present.

The Treasurer's Report, as given by Treasurer Gerry Scampoli, was accepted. Gerry did note however, that our Fire/Home Owner's Peerless insurance policy has been paid off in full. Also, six new life membership fees are being held in reserve temporarily before being funneled into our investment portfolio.

## **Old Business:**

The Fly-in breakfast for the 17th was discussed with member John Duffy filling in for Dick "Seggey" Seggelin who is vacationing in Alaska.

The food order will be taken on Wednesday and phoned into Cirelli's Foodmart for pick-up on Friday.

Gerry Scampoli did a nice job machining new bearings for the windsock mast. A new windsock has now replaced the ragged and torn one that had been up there for the past two years.

## **New Business:**

Tom Hassie had questions concerning the number of members not renewing their membership due to the high cost of the coming January dues increase. A suggestion of honorary or auxiliary members category could be established for less money thus keeping some of our most important volunteer members active throughout the year. This will be taken up at the next BOD meeting scheduled for September 26th.

Restart of 501(c)(3) charitable club designation will be on the next BOD or directors meeting. Membership would still like the designation to be pursued. It was noted that our official chapter name usually found on our annual report to the state, matches that which they have on file. It has been a hassle in the past. Executive Vice President John Meade will be contacted for where he last left the procedure.

Gerry Scampoli has now installed a new combination lock that had been approved by the club in the clubhouse entrance. Please see or contact a club officer for the combination and operating tips. This lock should greatly increase our building

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# Corn Maze Season

Bill Sweeney spotted some corn mazes from the air again this year. It looks like some competition is growing among the local farmers.



Photos by Bill Sweeney

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## Secretary's Report (cont.)

security, especially with the new tool room finished.

Club hangar (Al Sherman's) fix-up was brought up for discussion. At this time maintenance fix-up will not be borne by our club treasury. Any repairs or improvements must be born by the renters as agreed when the hanger was acquired.

Charitable giving by the club to surrounding groups was discussed. Consensus was favorable among the members but not until our treasury is on firm financial footing.

### NOTICE OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Carl Patturelli has called for a B.O.D. meeting on Friday September 26, at 7:30pm at

the clubhouse. All directors should attend.

On the agenda will be steps needed to proceed with a 501(c)(3) charitable designation. Paul Paquin has shown interest in championing the cause, as we have had no contact from Executive Vice President John Meade.

Our President can make appointments to the B.O.D. whose terms are expiring at this time.

Motion to adjourn and was passed at 8:40PM.

Respectfully submitted in absence of the Club Secretary, by John Duffy.

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# New Construction Project

EAA Chapter 279 member and former Vice President Bob Jackson has started work on a Buckeye Dragonfly powerchute, The vehicle will be Part 103 legal. Bob relocated to Pennsylvania when he retired, but he still drops in at Cranland when he's in the area.



Photos by Bob Jackson

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# Photo Page

People have been busy on their airplanes this summer. This month we present a gallery of recent work on the field at Cranland Airport.

Brian Baragwanath and his restored Ercoupe.



Roger Roy and his restored Grumman.



All photos by John Duffy