

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

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## President's Report

Hi Everyone,

We have a chapter meeting on Friday the 10th of August. I hope we can hear about Oshkosh first hand from the members that went this year. I have spoken to Will and understand that the weather was great and everyone from our chapter had a good time.

We will have a guest speaker at our September meeting. I have spoken to an FAA medical examiner this week and he will speak to us about flying after having a heart attack and any other medical questions you may have that could cause a problem with your medical certificate. This September meeting will be an important meeting to attend.

Jim

## Clerk/Secretary's Report

EAA Chapter 279

July 13, 2007

Meeting Minutes

Pres. Jim Lane called the meeting to order @ 1934 hrs.

The following members were present: D. Barker, T. Boyle, A. Cavacco, T. Constantine, J. Duffy, J. Lane, W. Lockhart, J. Meehan, P. Paquin, C. Paturelli, R. Roy, W. Sweeney, R. Wilkie, & R. William-

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# Calendar

Aug 10	7:30 PM	Cranland Airport (28M)	EAA Chapter 279 Monthly Meeting <a href="http://www.eaa279.org">www.eaa279.org</a>
Aug 11	8:00AM	Concord, NH (CON)	EAA Chapter 1385 Pancake Breakfast <a href="http://www.eaa1385.org">www.eaa1385.org</a>
Aug 11	11:00AM - 1:30PM	Skylark Airpark (7B6)	EAA Chapter 1310 Corn Roast & Cookout <a href="http://www.eaa1310.org">www.eaa1310.org</a>
Aug 17 - Aug 19		Lawrence, MA (LWM)	EAA 106 sponsors the EAA B-17 <a href="http://www.eaa106.org">www.eaa106.org</a>
Aug 19	8:00AM - 11:00AM	Cranland Airport (28M)	EAA Chapter 279 Fly-in Breakfast <a href="http://www.eaa279.org/279breakfast/breakfast.htm">www.eaa279.org/279breakfast/breakfast.htm</a>
Aug 25	8:30AM - 11:00AM	Skylark Airpark (7B6)	EAA Chapter 1310 Pancake Breakfast <a href="http://www.eaa1310.org">www.eaa1310.org</a>
Aug 25		Fisher Field	EAA UL Chapter 62 Pig Roast See Chip Diggins- ticket sales are limited and going fast. (\$15)
Aug 25	1:00PM	North Adams, MA (AQW)	Berkshire Pilots Association Fly-in Cookout <a href="http://www.BerkshirePilots.com">www.BerkshirePilots.com</a>
Aug 26	8:00AM - 2:00PM	Newport, NH (2B3)	Fly-in Breakfast Info: call 603-863-5192 or <a href="mailto:bddmt@comcast.net">bddmt@comcast.net</a>
Sep 8	9:00AM - 3:00PM	Mansfield, MA (1B9)	EAA Chapter 701 Annual Fly-In
Sep 15	8:30AM - 11:00AM	Skylark Airpark (7B6)	EAA Chapter 1310 Pancake Breakfast <a href="http://www.eaa1310.org">www.eaa1310.org</a>
Sep 23	7:30AM - 3:00PM	Simsbury, CT (4B9)	Simsbury Fly-in

# Secretary's Report (cont.)

son. 14 members on Friday the 13th, 2007.

Jim offered that there was no President's Report following last month's meeting.

Al Cavacco offered and submitted a Treasurer's Report. M to accept R. Wilkie, 2nded R. Seggelin, unanimous by membership.

Stripe painter donated by its former owner. Questions ensued about being able to obtain spray cans. No Problem! Jim offered to send note thanking the donor.

Request of info from nominating committee, nuthin yet. Committee composed of W. Lockhart, G. Scampoli, & R. Seggelin. They will meet & have brain bashing session and propose recommended slate of officers before next Chapter Meeting on August 10, 2007. Recommended slate will be notified and specifically requested to be present on August 10, 2007. Otherwise they will probably be elected.

Jim offered special KUDOS to Paul Paquin, Don Morrissey, Kathryn Paquin & Will Foshey for their participation and diligence during the Fathers Day crunch. They deserve all the plati-

tudes they can get! It was a tough morning! Let's face it the rest of the participants are elders, handicapped or otherwise limited! They are the best of the best offering what they "CAN DO!"

C. Patturelli & Paul Paquin will represent EAA Chapter 279 at Oshkosh this year. Knowing their capabilities they will do us proud! I suggested that we provide them with new shirts to enhance our Chapter 279's vision @ national!! Further discussion ensued.

Jim Lane suggested a BOD meeting to review and potentially change the breakfast menu. He offered that Wednesday, August 8th, 2007 @ 1930 hrs would give us time to prepare and work to determine our goals. For BOD members they will be notified and are expected to attend in order to promote and assist the membership to GROW!

M to adjourn was requested. C. Patturelli made M to adjourn. 2nded by T. Constantine, unanimous by membership.

Respectfully submitted  
Walter L. Lockhart

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# Passing West

Last month Chapter 279 lost one of its most memorable benefactors, Kenny Walsh. Ken lost his four-year battle with diabetes and kidney dialysis treatments. In the years Kenny was a member he reorganized and added books and pertinent aviation articles to our Chapter library. He was instrumental in establishing our investment fund. He established our telephone line and donated our first personal computer especially setup with flight simulator software and later a connection to the Internet.

If our chapter mission statement is any indicator of the pursuit of airplane projects and construction, Kenny saw to it that a project was forthcoming in that of a nearly completed Nieuport 11. Plus he ordered all the necessary aluminum for four additional Nieuports. I remember a bit of Kenny's inspirational wisdom toward his fellow Chapter members when he purchased a dozen books of one title about building Nieuports, a standard to this day. It was a chronicle written by a first time builder and high school math teacher by the name of Dick Starks and titled "You Want To Build and Fly a What?" Kenny handed them out to any member who stepped

forward with any interest in building. A testimonial would be Ron Houghton's completed and flying white with black trim "Rough Cut" Nieuport 11 now hangared at Cranland.

Our Chapter has had, and continues to have many benefactors in its 35 some odd years of its EAA Charter, but Ken



Walsh more than ever lived up to the principles encompassed in our mission statement. We can all learn a lesson from Kenny. There have been others, some no longer with us, who have made the dream of flight by the common man come alive. Not just in building airframes and engines but in warm clubhouse friendships.

Our many volunteers procuring, cooking, serving and cleaning up after our popular fly-in breakfasts. In these many ways all are benefactors to the dream of flight.

As for Ken, it is right and just that when one passes West we take a moment, stand back, and admire the ideals he has shown us. So it is that we think of Kenny Walsh. God speed Kenny.

John Duffy

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