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Breakfast Fly-in
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President's Report

Hi Everyone,

We have had very poor weather for our fly-in breakfast these past two months. I am sure that Father's Day will be a wonderful day. I want to thank all those that helped for their support. Cranland and EAA Chapter 279 is a great place to hang out on a summer weekend. I hope more of you take advantage of our location this summer.

Jim

Clerk/Secretary's Report

MAY 11, 2007
EAA CHAPTER 279
MEETING MINUTES

17 Members in Attendance
Guests: Mark Valentine, Ben
Bailey & Son

Jim Lane called the meeting to
order @ 1940.

Jim requested a motion to accept
the Secretary's Report as
published in the newsletter.

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Calendar

Jun 8	7:30 PM	Cranland Airport (28M)	EAA Chapter 279 Monthly Meeting www.eaa279.org
Jun 9	10:00AM	Skylark Airpark (7B6)	FAA Safety Seminar & EAA Chapter 1310 Cookout www.eaa1310.org
Jun 16	8:00AM - noon	Rutland, VT (RUT)	17th Annual 'Taildraggers Rendezvous' Fly-in breakfast www.greenmountainflyers.org
Jun 17	8:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Cranland Airport (28M)	EAA Chapter 279 Fly-in Breakfast www.eaa279.org/279breakfast/breakfast.htm
Jun 19	6:30PM	Quincy, MA	Aviation History Information Center seminar series Info: 617-471-5712 -- Also see more info on the next page
Jun 30		Lawrence, MA (LWM)	NorthEast RV & Canard Fly-in & Seminars www.eaa106.org
Jul 7	11:00AM - 2:30PM	Claremont, NH (CNH)	EAA Chapter 740 Fly-in Barbeque www.ascutneyaviation.com
Jul 7		Owl's Head, ME	EAA Chapter 106 Bus Trip to Owl's Head Museum www.eaa106.org
Jul 23 - Jul 29		Oshkosh, WI (OSH)	EAA AirVenture Oshkosh 2007 www.airventure.org
Jul 26 - Jul 29		Palermo, NY	9th Annual Gulliver Wilderness Ultralight Fly-In www.ulflyers.com
Jul 28		Owls Head, ME	Fly-in Pancake Breakfast Info: copterits@comcast.net

Local News

Aviation History Club Looks at Milestones

Quincy - Beechwood on the Bay's Aviation History Information Center welcomes all to its ongoing seminar series celebrating the early years of aviation on the South Shore. The group will revisit the early days of aviation, learn about Quincy's "First Ladies of the Skies" Harriet Quimby and Amelia Earhart and look at significant milestones in aviation history.

The next meeting is scheduled for June 19th at 6:30PM and will look at local aviation history from 1914-1920 and its relationship to World War I. The July meeting will feature a noon luncheon and birthday celebration in memory of Amelia Earhart. The meetings are open to all but an RSVP is requested. For more information or to reserve your spot, please call Beechwood on the Bay at 617-471-5712.

Lindbergh Re-enactment Proceeds in Spite of the Weather



Bill Sweeney and friends wait for the ceiling to lift at Cranland Airport prior to flying a re-enactment of Lindbergh's historic 1927 fly-by past Halifax Congregational Church.

Bad weather kept all but three of the 25 planes expected to participate in the event grounded.

Classifieds - For Sale

Savannah Aircraft, 2004,
TTA&E 10 hours. \$38,000.00

Contact Roger Roy - Email:
Savannah174@msn.com



Tilt Trailer - 8' x 12' trailer, tilt bed with new 2,000 lb. axle and new wheels. \$500

Contact Lee Pearson at
508-224-3052



Paraplane PM-1 Powered Parachute in excellent condition with twin Solo 210 engines, manual, new carbs, new props and comes with trailer. \$2500/BO. Fred Kawa: 781-447-3202 Email me for pictures. Frederick.Kawa@us.army.mil

Secretary's Report (cont.)

Motion by Bob Wilkie, second by Tom Hassie. Unanimous.

Jim requested a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as verbally presented by Al Cavacco. Motion by Bill Sweeney, second by Tom Hassie. Unanimous.

Jim reminded members that they are invited to the synopsis of the investigation triggered by the disaster of the JFK, Jr flight. This is scheduled @ PYM meeting hall on May 31, @ 1800. This event is offered by the Plymouth Aero Club. The club dinner will be served after at the Alpha-One hangar.

Old Business - none offered.

New Business

Jim reminded members of the Chapter breakfast on May 20!!! Thanks to those continuing assisting members.

Jim requested a nominating committee for the next slate of officers. Action to be taken later.

A brief discussion prevailed about the visit from the Pembroke Board of Health rep. There were no unusual findings or recommendations.

There is the annual Hampton Fly-In & Flea Market on May 19 & 20.

Jim mentioned a photo of Bob Whittier & Paul Poberezny at the election of Bob into the EAA Hall of Fame. Hooray for a long time, eloquent member of our Chapter. We all should assist Bob when & wherever we can.

Jim advised the membership that Mark Valentine would be bringing the Flag Truck to the breakfast on May 20, 2007. Further discussion prevailed about the proposed presentation in Halifax Center during the breakfast morning. There is also an anticipated aviation flight from Cranland to pass by the church steeple, as Lindbergh did, to highlight the presentation. Cranland airport was formerly an apple orchard. This may have been during the time of Lindbergh's flight to Paris. Mark discussed plans in Halifax to commemorate the telegraph message to the residents of Halifax from Lindbergh after his arrival in Paris. He thanked them for Cheering Him On!

Motion by Bob Wilkie to give Mark an EAA 279 hat. Second by Bill Sweeney. Unanimous.

Jim announced that there was no specific further agenda and asked Tom Constantine to give the members a synopsis of his journey to Texas with his cousin.

They left on April 21 from PYM, and his journey took him to and through areas to get them to Beaumont, Texas. They observed, stopped or otherwise noted Lock Haven, PA, Washington City, PA, Sporty's College (no landing fee), KY, followed the Ohio River to the Mississippi River and on to Cairo, IL. The Mississippi River was brown muddy & sluggish to Vicksburg, Mississippi, where they stopped at 5:30PM. They discovered that the food was lousy at the Diamond Jack's Casino! Lousy weather began in Louisiana the next day necessitating a precautionary weather landing in Essler ANG base in Louisiana. The weather started

Secretary's Report (cont.)

downhill entering Houston, TX, and then Corpus Christi. T' boomers, etc! They finally got back on track to Beaumont.

On the way home they made a fuel stop in Little Rock, AR, and participated in an EAA BBQ! The next stop was at Evansville, IN, on back to Lock Haven, on to Findleyville, PA. They lost the rear tire, and were assisted by a great guy named John Waltrowski. This is a 2500' down hill strip on top of a hill. The next morning they left for PYM. The flight took 2 hrs, 20 mins.

Tom added that they averaged 7.5 gph. It took 22 hrs to TX, and 22 hrs back to PYM. Quite an adventure. The members thanked him for

sharing his flight. Tom finalized by mentioning they took lotsa pictures. Perhaps he can share them at another meeting.

Jim uncomfortably mentioned that Sun & Fun wasn't as much fun as he anticipated. Ultralights were so far away from any activities that one almost needed a passport to go from their area to the main activities.

Jim introduced Ben Bailey & his son, visitors from PYM. It was a pleasure to have them!

Motion to adjourn, second by Ron Houghton. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted, Walter Lockhart



Who are these people and what are they doing at Cranland? See next page for the answer.

Photo Page

John Duffy sends photos he took of this year's Cranberry bog spraying. They flew/drove in, set-up, sprayed 5 bogs and were all gone in 45 minutes.

Photos: John Duffy

