

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

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## President's Report

Hello Everyone,

As most of you know, there was a tragic aviation accident at Cranland resulting in the death of a local pilot and EAA Member. My condolences go out Lem Crittenden's family and friends.

On Tuesday, September 11th, 2007, an American flag should be displayed outside every home in the United States. Every individual should make it their duty to display an American flag on this anniversary of our country's worst tragedy.

We will have a guest speaker at our next meeting. Dr Ross will speak to us about medical certificates and heart attacks. Dr Ross is an FAA medical doctor from RI. I believe this meeting will be very interesting and informative. I hope you will be there.

Jim

## Clerk/Secretary's Report

EAA CHAPTER 279  
August 10, 2007  
Meeting Minutes

Pres. Jim Lane called the meeting to order @ 1930 hrs. It came to order about 19:32!

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# Calendar

Sep 14 7:30 PM Cranland Airport (28M) EAA Chapter 279 Monthly Meeting  
[www.eaa279.org](http://www.eaa279.org)

Sep 14 - Sep 17 Plymouth, MA (PYM) Collings Foundation B-17, B-24 & B-25  
[www.collingsfoundation.org](http://www.collingsfoundation.org)

Sep 15 8:30AM - 11:00AM Slylark Airpark, CT (7B6) EAA Chapter 1310 Pancake Breakfast.  
[www.eaa1310.org](http://www.eaa1310.org)

Sep 15 10:00AM - 4:00PM Westerly, RI (WST) Wings Over Westerly  
Info: [amelia.noseheart@cox.net](mailto:amelia.noseheart@cox.net) or Humphrey at 401-348-0007

Sep 16 8:00AM - 11:00AM Cranland Airport (28M) EAA Chapter 279 Fly-in Breakfast  
[www.eaa279.org/279breakfast/breakfast.htm](http://www.eaa279.org/279breakfast/breakfast.htm)

Sep 16 10:00AM - 2:00PM Myricks, MA (1M8) Fly-in Cookout  
Info: Mike Doyle 508-889-4064

Sep 23 7:30AM - 3:00PM Simsbury, CT (4B9) Simsbury Fly-in

Sep 29 1:00PM North Adams, MA (AQW) Fly-in Cookout  
[www.BerkshirePilots.com](http://www.BerkshirePilots.com)

## Classifieds - For Sale

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

Call Lee Pearson at 508-224-3052



**Layton Special** Airplane minus the engine. \$5,000 - Great homebuilder's project.

Call Rich Layton 508-224-3052



# Secretary's Report (cont.)

He announced that R. Wilkie & R. Roy had been in a MVA enroute to this evening's meeting. Not a lot of specific details. We wish them well & that they get their backsides to the breakfast!!

Ku-Do's were again offered to John Duffy for his eloquent presentation in the Chapter News Letter about our former member Ken Walsh. He was a stalwart aviation enthusiast and Chapter promoter! May God Speed him on his journey Westward.

Jim suggested that ALL MEMBERS respond to EAA's request to support house bill # 2881 to "Say No to user fees." Bob Whittier, via T. J. Boyle, suggested having a petition available @ the Fly-In breakfast meetings. All agreed!

Al Cavacco offered and submitted a Treasurer's Report. He listed monthly expenses and income from breakfasts and other means. M-R. Seggelin, 2nd-G. Scampoli - unanimous to accept report as read.

Al requested rather than deduct occurring expenses during the event from income @ breakfast that those in control take the expenses from the \$100.00 cash draw. This would make the cost/breakfast for the season more readily obtainable. M-G. Scampoli, 2nd R. Williamson. Unanimous.

Jim announced that there will be an antique Ahrens-Fox fire engine arriving @ the next breakfast. He requested a volunteer to escort and assure that the fire fighters get a breakfast as a donation by EAA 279. G. Scampoli agreed to get away from coffee pot to assist & guide. Again Richard Williamson offered to assist.

## NEW BUSINESS

Some shortages in the donation cup for the Klondike ice cream bars made available by Ron Houghton was brought to light. Knowledgeable members offered that there was more money earlier but it was pilfered in between gatherings. Not Nice! Lengthy discussion ensued and those present carried M & 2nd to reimburse Ron from Club Treasury.

The approach walk way from the outside steps from the road has become a water drainage pass and somewhat difficult to maneuver by some guests (& Members). This has been addressed by varying members, notably Bill Sweeney. He had a couple of quotes. One for concrete & another for black-top. Either appeared amenable to those present but more specifics were needed. Bill will get specific quote from black-top offer.

An Apache Twin is available for about \$45,000. Contact Jim Lane for details.

Meeting adjourned to our guest speakers: Paul Paquin, Catherine Paquin, Carl Patturelli, & Will Foshey. All were participants and adventurers at the 2007 Oshkosh Phenomenon! Their slides & videos told of their observations, thoughts and wishes for the future of EAA & general aviation. We (me in particular) enjoyed their experiences and show this evening.

We thank you all!

Respectfully submitted,  
Walter L. Lockhart

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# Photo Page

Bill Sweeney submitted this aerial photo of a corn maze he spotted while flying over Plympton. There's always something interesting to see from above!



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## Ethanol-Free Fuel is Available

Ethanol-free auto fuel is currently available at three New England airports. The airports include Minuteman Airport (6B6) in Stow, Massachusetts (978-897-3933); **Plymouth Airport (PYM)** in Plymouth, Massachusetts (508-746-2020); and Skylark Airport (7B6), East Windsor, Connecticut (860-623-8085).

Only ethanol-blended gasoline has been available at New England service stations over the past several years. This has made it

impossible for pilots who hold autogas STCs, or other aircraft that can use autofuel, including many light-sport aircraft and homebuilts, to find suitable fuel. But since automotive gasoline sold at airports for use in aircraft is considered "aviation" gasoline, it is exempt from oxygenated fuel requirements under the Federal Reformulated Gasoline (RFG) program. Therefore importing non-ethanol gasoline into regions such as New England is allowed.