

**Experimental Aircraft Association  
Chapter 701 – Mansfield, Massachusetts**



**October 2007  
Newsletter**

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**From the President's Desk** *by Mike Vidal*

The following letter was submitted and printed in the Sun Chronicle the Wednesday after the Fly-In. I thought it was important to get something out to the public so that they would not be discouraged about future events at the airport. It was written with the help of EAA Public Affairs. It was a tough weekend, but we'll be back.

Be Safe,  
Mike

To the editor:

The members of Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 701 wish to thank everyone who came to the Chapter Fly-in on Saturday, Sept. 8, and especially to those who volunteered their time and aircraft for people to enjoy that day.

As many of you are aware, an aircraft not involved with the chapter fly-in had an accident while departing the airport just as our event began. Our thoughts and those of all in the Mansfield Airport community go out to the families of those men who died in that tragic event and our hopes for the full recovery of those who were injured. Federal authorities will determine the cause of the accident in the coming weeks.

To clear up some of the questions that may have arisen following that accident, that flight was not related in any manner to the EAA Chapter 701 activities, but rather was an individual flight taking place elsewhere on the airport. Following the accident, local authorities asked us to end our fly-in activities early. In the spirit of cooperation and respect for the rescue efforts and all those involved, we complied and sincerely appreciate the efforts of those who helped close the event in a safe and orderly manner.

Those who have attended our Fly-ins have always had an excellent time, and we plan to continue offering additional aviation events in the future. As always, we will continue maintain public safety as the primary concern at all such events. We encourage anyone with an interest in flying to join us to discover more about the fun, camaraderie and joy in the world of flight. Aviation, as with driving, boating or just walking down the street, has an element of risk, but as with those activities, proper preparation and judgment can offer a unique freedom unavailable in any other pursuit.

Yours truly,  
Michael A. Vidal  
President, EAA Chapter 701

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## **Secretary's Report** *by Barbara Beech*

### **EAA Chapter 701 Meeting Notes—Tuesday, Sept. 4, 2007**

- The meeting was brought to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Mike Vidal.
- The August minutes were approved as published.
- The Treasurer's Report was read by Joe Kelly and approved by the members.
- The Airport Commission notes were read by Tony Correia:
  - Quadrant 1 paving was to be done on Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>.
  - The PAPI project is complete and the FAA will check it.
  - Bridgewater State College has ended the flight school contract with Delta at New Bedford.
  - The school flights will be conducted at Taunton, Mansfield and Plymouth airports.
  - King Aviation will be buying new aircraft for the flight school.
  - It was voted to install new fuel pumps that will be upgradeable to credit cards.
  - A special meeting will be held on October 24<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Old Business:**

- Doug Mowry discussed the set-up, tear-down and clean-up plans for the Fly-In.
  - A local student will be selling cookies as a fund raiser.
  - Dave Dinneen has arranged for a bi-plane to sell rides.
  - It was voted to donate \$15.00 to each of the military vehicles that attend in order to compensate them for fuel expenses.
  - Hand helds are needed for airplane parking.
- Young Eagles flights will be held on Saturday, Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m to noon. There will be no rain date.

#### **New Business:**

- A discussion was held on Chapter membership and the challenge to raise money for either a building or a double-wide trailer. The meeting schedule published in the Sept. newsletter was discussed and ideas to refine it should be brought to the next meeting. The current aims of the chapter will be discussed. Tony Correia gave an overview of the history of the chapter and its aims and activities. He mentioned that Members can make use of the trailer to plan flights, utilize the tools and workbench, watch videos, etc. Members can obtain a key to the trailer for a slight fee. In the past the keys have been available from the President.
- The Director's Meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. before each regular meeting.
- A Girl Scout Silver Award event is planned at the airport for Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>.
- The annual Christmas Party will be held on Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> at the Tavern From Tower Square.
- The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

## Young Eagles in October

There will be a Young Eagles event to be held on Saturday, October 13<sup>th</sup>. There will be no rain date. More information will be provided at the next meeting and details will be finalized as we get closer to the date. We will need pilots and ground volunteers for this event. If you have questions about the event or would like to participate, please contact Paul LaFratta (508-695-0120) as soon as possible. If you plan to participate as a pilot, please review the requirements, complete and sign the form below and return this to Paul or one of the officers at the next meeting.

### EAA 701 - Young Eagles Event - Requirements Acknowledgement Sheet

The Young Eagle Pilot requirements are basic, but must be followed:

- All participating pilots must hold an Appropriate Airmen's Certificate (Sport Pilot or greater)
- Pilots must possess a current Medical Certificate (if applicable)
- Pilots must be current EAA National Members
- Pilots must be current to carry passengers in the aircraft the plan to use.
- Pilots must have a current Flight Review
- Aircraft Passenger Liability Insurance is required for the aircraft used (owned, rental or borrowed)
- The Young Eagles registration form must be completed before the flight complete with parent or guardian signature.
- The aircraft used for the flight must be in airworthy condition.

As an EAA member, pilots participating in the Young Eagles program are eligible for an additional \$1 million of passenger liability insurance coverage, if they carry a minimum of \$100,000 per seat liability insurance.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(First, Last, printed name)

I, \_\_\_\_\_ having read the requirements above, attest that I meet these requirements and am therefore a valid volunteer participant for the Young Eagles program.

EAA National Member # \_\_\_\_\_ EAA National Membership is Current? Yes / No

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



### A note about the holiday party

Due to the tragic crash that took place on the day of the fly-in, the airport and the event were subsequently closed down for the day. This resulted in an overall financial loss for the chapter. The chapter generally subsidizes the expense of the holiday party to keep the price lower for the membership. In lieu of the lack of income from the fly-in, it has been decided by the officers to raise the price from \$25 to \$30 per person. It is anticipated that this would be necessary for this year only. Please raise any questions to one of the officers or during the next meeting.

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**...from EAA Chapter 701**

Please join us at our annual holiday party

*Saturday, December 8, 2007  
From 6:30 PM to 11:00 PM*

\$30 per person for dinner and dancing at:  
The Tavern from Tower Square  
119 Washington Street (Route 1)  
Plainville, MA  
508-699-7600

Please RSVP by December 4<sup>th</sup>

Give or mail your check made out to EAA Chapter 701  
and your meal choice form to:

Joe Kelly  
71 Arnold Road  
North Attleboro MA 02760-1006

Bring a present for you and your guest to be  
included in the raffle which will be  
conducted by a certain jolly gentleman.



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**Mansfield EAA Chapter 701 – Holiday Party Reservation Form**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Guest Name: \_\_\_\_\_

We would like:

\_\_\_\_\_ Roast Prime Rib Au Jus

\_\_\_\_\_ Scrod Baked in White Wine, with Lemon Butter and Topped with Seasoned Bread Crumbs

Cheese and Crackers and Fruit Appetizers  
Soup, Salad, Rolls & Butter  
Potato, Vegetable, and Dessert  
Coffee and Tea

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**Don't Forget the October Meeting!**

The next regular chapter meeting will be **Tuesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 7:30PM** at the EAA 701 trailer at Mansfield Airport (1B9).

Topics for discussion include: Young Eagles, Holiday Party, and Officer Elections