



Chapter 279 Newsletter



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Chapter Monthly Meeting: Second Friday of the month at 7:30 PM

Breakfast Fly-in: Third Sunday April through October

President's Message

Dear Members and Guests,

Spring is here (more or less) and we are getting more and more ready for the Fly-ins and thanks to Paul Paquin we now have a "new to us" refrigerator. Thanks Paul! Add this to the new grills and mixer and we are looking pretty good for 2014.

If you look through some of our old newsletters you will see that this is not the first time we have hosted a breakfast Fly-in on Easter Sunday but it does present a "not so new" challenge. Since many of the cadets will be spending time with their families we may not have quite as much support from our good friends at the CAP as we have become accustomed to so a strong turnout of chapter members would be much appreciated.

Unfortunately due to rising costs, this year we will be raising the price of the adult breakfasts to \$7.00 each and children's breakfasts will remain at \$3.00.

On another note the chapter project is moving forward at a good rate on Wednesday evenings thanks to the efforts of our regular Sonex crew. It's great to see that aircraft take shape. If you haven't been to the Sonex work shop, then I can tell you that you're missing out on all those great shop tips from Tom, Greg, and Gerry.

This month we are lucky enough to have Aaron Knight as our guest speaker at the regular monthly meeting and he will tell us about building and flying his Sonex. See you then!

Thanks,
Charlie

February Meeting Minutes

The chapter meeting was brought to order on 3-14-2014 at 7: 30 PM by our President Charlie Coutuli . Followed with the pledge of allegiance.

The secretary report was accepted as written in the newsletter with a second from Greg Lutz. Gerry Scampoli gave the treasurers report and after some discussion was accepted with second from Greg Lutz.

Old Business: Greg Lutz brought forth a motion to change the combination on the door lock every April and after some discussion this was passed. The metalizing of the cloth hangar came up but was tabled pending further research on pricing. We need to gather information on the Pitts S-1 so we can advertise it on Barnstormers for sale. Greg Lutz will gather the information and do a write up so we can submit it to Barnstormers. The old refrigerator will be removed by Bob Letourneau and he will donate a used one.

New Business: There was considerable discussion to raise the price of breakfast at our fly-ins due to rising cost of utilities etc.. The first proposal was for \$7 across the board which did not pass, Then an amendment was proposed by Chip Diggins to reduce the breakfast to \$6 for pilots and passengers that fly in. After considerable discussion it was decided to do this as an experiment for the first two breakfasts and then make a final decision.

Chip Diggins brought forth the suggestion of having a good size fire extinguisher available outside during the fly-ins and to inspect the crash cart and make it easily accessible too. Chip will get a price and advise the club at our next meeting.

Pictures of the Neiuport stock and Ron Houghtons Neiuport were taken by Paul Paquin, Gerry Scampoli, and Charlie Cotouli which will be emailed to potential buyers.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Submitted by Tom Hassie for Paul Paquin.

Calendar

Friday Apr 11 7:30 PM	Cranland Airport (28M)	EAA Chapter 279 Monthly Meeting
Sunday Apr 20	Cranland Airport (28M)	EAA Chapter 279 Fly-in Breakfast
Friday May 9 7:30 PM	Cranland Airport (28M)	EAA Chapter 279 Monthly Meeting
Sunday May 18	Cranland Airport (28M)	EAA Chapter 279 Fly-in Breakfast

Every Wednesday evening is Sonex night. Stop by and help us put it together.

www.eaa279.org/279breakfast/breakfast.htm

Upcoming Stuff

Aaron as you all know built a beautiful red Sonex powered by a Jabiru 3300, 120HP engine. He has flown it all over the USA and then some and he will talk about building and flying his airplane at the chapter meeting this Friday 4/11.

The Aero Club of New England, ACONE, will present it's very prestigious Godfrey L. Cabot Award to EAA's own Richard VanGrunsven in Boston on June 6, 2014. For more details on how you can participate in honoring him, and on the Godfrey L. Cabot Award, [open this PDF file](#). This is from James E. Ellis, EAA196 and ACONE.

The Shea Naval Aviation Museum on old NAS South Weymouth will host a lecture and book signing by aeronautical engineer and noted naval aviation author Tommy H. Thomason on Saturday April 26th. The lecture is free and all are welcome to attend. The subject of the lecture is the Bell HSL-1, which was the first helicopter designed specifically for anti-submarine warfare. Mr. Thomason will have copies of his many books available and will gladly autograph them for purchasers. [See this flyer in PDF format for more details](#). The came to us from Marc Frattasio, Museum Director and PAO.

Sonex

The horizontal stab is together and we have started on the elevators. So far we haven't made an glaring mistakes.

