

Chapter 279 Newsletter



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www.eaa279.org Chapter Monthly Meeting: Second Friday of the month at 7:00 PM Breakfast Fly-in: Third Sunday April through October

Dear Friends and Members,

It's been a few months since I've written for the newsletter and our "Humble editor" Greg has filled the gap in my absence. Thanks Greg. Our last two fly-in breakfasts saw a very good turn-out. We barely made it through the July breakfast when we developed a power problem at the clubhouse. Our power service on the pole kind-of melted down. A licensed electrician came to our rescue the following Monday with brand new equipment and we're back in business. Thanks to the members who helped resolve this. Also, that particular Sunday is was a very hot day. Everyone stuck it out through the heat and electrical problems and served our guests.

We also had an unexpected guest introduce himself to me. David Keith, a long-time member who has long since relocated to Florida stopped by and we enjoyed a nice conversation. Thanks David for your membership over the years.

The Sonex build team is making progress on the Aerovee engine. The Crankshaft and hub have been mated and torqued. The push rods have been installed and the assembly into the case has begun. It's my hope to have the engine back together in a few weeks and mounted on the plane. Once the engine is on, we can determine the remainder of the firewall penetrations and from there we can begin the cowlings and canopy work. That's pretty much all that remains.

Mike Tirone, one of our newest members has taken ownership of the engine work and has been the driving force behind the rebuild. Thanks Mike for your work and attention to detail. As always, Greg and Gerry are the go-to guys for pretty much anything. We're fortunate to have such a thriving build community. Anyway... once we get the build table cleaned off of engine stuff...we can start a parallel project. Assembling the

Pietenpol that we got for free from the folks at the Marlboro airport.

If you're not aware, the Marlboro airport is slated to be closing soon. So if you've not had a chance to land on Massachusetts's shortest runway, you might want to think about getting that off of your bucketlist sooner rather than later. Once Marlboro airport closes, Cranland (I think) will be the home of the shortest runway in the state.

Thanks and hope to see you at an EAA event soon. Mike

Calendar

Friday Aug 10 7:00 PM Cranland Airport (28M) Sunday Aug 19 8:00 AM Cranland Airport (28M) Friday Sept 14 7:00 PM Cranland Airport (28M) Sunday Sept 16 8:00 AM Cranland Airport (28M) EAA Chapter 279 Monthly Meeting EAA Chapter 279 Fly-in Breakfast EAA Chapter 279 Monthly Meeting 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

Check out the Sonex project at http://www.mykitlog.com/EAA279.

The Kitlog site is now up to date. And if you have photos to share, please send them to <u>paul.paquin@umb.edu</u>.

Minutes of the July 13, 2018 meeting

meeting members present; to be determined from the sign-in sheet.

Officers present; Mike Lupo - President, Andy Baker -Vice President, Gerry Scampoli - Treasurer, Paul Paquin – Secretary

Secretary's report: Accepted as reported in the newsletter.

Treasurer's report: A favorable treasurer's report was accepted as read.

Old Business:

- Notice was given that the Pietenpol is stored in the cloth hangar and covered. All documentation received is in a box at Paul Paquin's home, in his bedroom, and clearly marked.
- A discussion was begun about changing our tax designation to 501c3. After a spirited review of

the implications, it was passed that we encourage members to join EAA National for a Chapter meeting on this very issue this October 13th in Connecticut. Several members offered to attend.

- It was passed that we compensate Colonel Yaeger for his out of pocket expenses on behalf of the Young Eagles event which we sponsored (\$200).
- Regarding our event committee, they have not yet met.
- Regarding the possibility of a C150 being available, no status known at this time.
- Regarding the Sonex project, we now have all the AeroVee parts needed to assemble the engine. Moving forward with hot and cold at the next opportunity!
- Thank you to all members who helped with the Father's Day Fly-in! Especially those who handled the logistics and supplies.

New Business:

- Greg L spoke with Bob L who is offering us an electric servo trim tab for 2 years. It passed to accept this kind gift. Thank you Bob!
- Paul B requested to know the full structure of our EAA279 leadership. The members present passed unanimously to second that request. The current officers will attempt to provide this at the next meeting.

Following the meeting, there was no MOGAS meeting.

Our new google members group. https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/eaa279/join Check out the Sonex project at http://www.mykitlog.com/EAA279.

* The following is not part of the July minutes, but addresses the request for the EAA279 directors. As far as I can tell from reading the by-laws and my memory;

Class I Directors are the current four officers;

Mike Lupo - President, Andy Baker -Vice President, Gerry Scampoli - Treasurer, Paul Paquin – Secretary

Class II Directors are the previous president;

Charlie Cottuli And two elected members; Bill Sweeney John Rodick

Google Groups

Notification of the EAA279 newsletter will no longer be sent via email. I will instead be posting notifications to the Google group. If you hear someone complaining about not getting the email, please nudge them in the direction of the group. https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/eaa279/join

July Fly-in

Your humble editor didn't end up with any pics of the July fly-in. However, here are pics of some members helping Gerry Scampoli move his CH-750 from his house on the cape to 28M. The plane is a lot closer to completion than it looks in these images. I understand the wings have been fitted since the pics were taken. Some impeccable workmanship on this project by Gerry. I'm really looking forward to seeing it in the air.

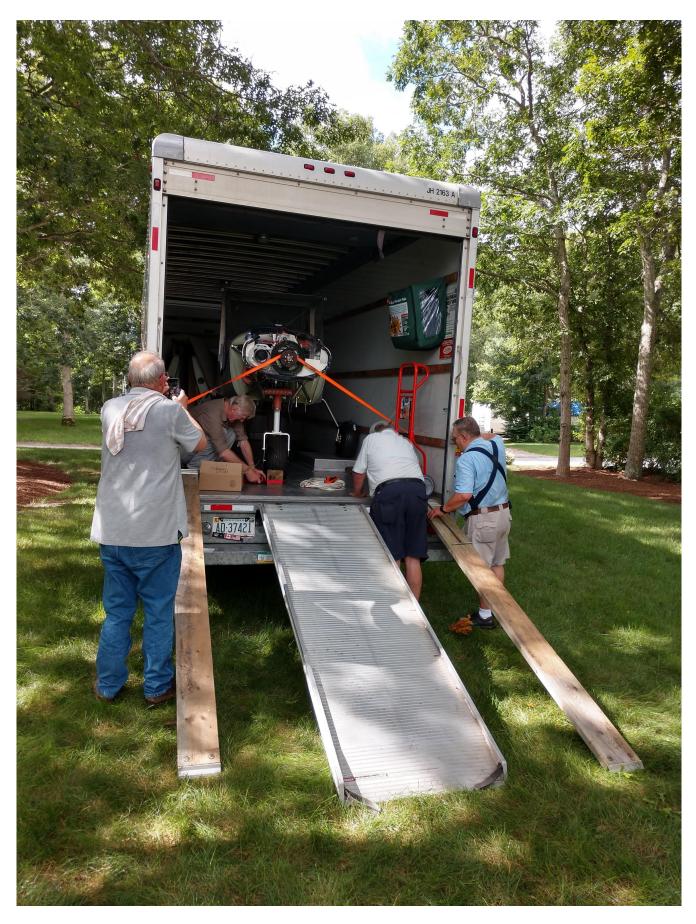
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