



# Chapter 279 Newsletter



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

## Dear Friends and Members,

Our bad weather saga had continued through the month of November making it difficult to enjoy a weekend.

I did manage to get to Florida for Thanksgiving. 10 hours down. Definitely better time than the old Cherokee.

We've managed to have one good flying weekend in Dec so far. I hope this trend can continue. We've paid our bad-weather dues and now we're way ahead!

The Sonex engine is coming along. We mounted it on the airframe. Since last month's newsletter we have received the kit to build the baffling though we've not started that just yet.

We have been working on firewall penetrations for mounting the secondary coils as well as a voltage regulator.

We also have the oil cooler, but the mounting plate needed to secure it to the engine is on back-order.

Our Christmas party is this coming Sunday, 16 December, in Halifax, at the Monponsett Inn, 5 pm.

It's also time for Annual Dues. The party is a great place to do that. So please bring your checkbook.

Don't forget it's also \$15.00/pp at the door to Gerry for the meal. Check or cash. I'm sure he'd prefer cash if you can do that because we can use it that night to pay the Monponsett Inn for our meal.

Lastly, the EAA Chapter meeting this Friday. 14 December, 2018 at 7pm. Hope to see you there.

Thank you,  
Mike

## Calendar

Friday Dec 14 7:00 PM Cranland Airport (28M)

EAA Chapter 279 Monthly Meeting

Friday Jan 11 7:00 PM Cranland Airport (28M)

EAA Chapter 279 Monthly Meeting

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

[www.eaa279.org/279breakfast/breakfast.htm](http://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 [paul.paquin@umb.edu](mailto:paul.paquin@umb.edu).

### Minutes of the November 9, 2018 meeting

**9 members present**

Officers present - Mike Lupo, Andy Baker

The Secretary's report was accepted as reported in the newsletter with no changes.

Gerry Scampoli was not present and no treasurer's report was provided so it was tabled till next meeting.

#### **New business:**

Paul Babcock discussed the STC that he has gotten to convert any C65 into a larger horsepower by installing larger cylinders and pistons. Sorry that I do not have all the details.

Andy Baker was congratulated for passing the airworthiness inspection for his Sling 2 project.

Paul Babcock reminded everyone to get in touch with Mike Tirone about Christmas party reservations.

Paul Babcock is preparing to cover his cub so anyone wanting to see and learn how this process is performed should contact him. He will be doing it in the next week or so.

Additional components are required for the Sonex engine. We need an oil cooler, oil cooler mounting plate, a baffling kit and a voltage regulator. The total cost was about \$275. Chip Diggins made a motion to purchase these parts. Charlie Cottuli seconded it. It passed unanimously

Mike Lupo reported on the EAA leadership boot camp. He and Mike Tirone attended. There was information on a 501C-3 organization. They made a suggestion that all club members wear name badges to make new members feel more welcome. This idea was supported by all the members and Mike has ordered some EAA name badges that we can print labels with our names. Leadership should create a survey of the members so that it can be determined what people want the club to do. An EAA Facebook page for the chapter was discussed. It was learned that a Young Eagle flight participant can be reimbursed by EAA for a demo flight with an instructor up to the \$166. Also flight training scholarships are available through the Ray Foundation. The funds are paid directly to the flight school by the National EAA. We discussed 2 potential candidates from the CAP Squadron.

Jim Lane asked about the leftover food. It appears that a lot of it has been distributed.

Meeting was adjourned about 8:10 PM.

**Our new google members group.** <https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/ea279/join>

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

## Build Night

As Mike mentioned above, we have been working on firewall penetrations. Here we are mounting the secondary ignition coils. First thought was to just bolt them on but it would be a nightmare to get at the bolts once the fuel tank is installed. So, we spent some time on Wednesday eve putting some 1/4" nutplates on the back side of the firewall.

