



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,

Once again we have enjoyed another very successful Fly-in this past September with 310 guests. I don't think there are too many restaurants that can provide over 300 breakfasts in a little over 2 hours but good old EAA Chapter 279 managed to do it thanks to the dedication and hard work of our member volunteers. Being a part of this select group of members is a pleasure and a challenge but its more fun than work for me since we all get to meet a lot of new people and renew some old friendships in an aviation environment. Does it get any better than that? Now we get to do it one more time this year and I'm looking forward to it. There is something special about fall fly-ins here in New England don't you think?

Our cloth hangar now has a new cover on it thanks to our volunteers. We had a very good turnout Saturday, Sept. 26, and that made the whole process take less than 2 hours to complete. A little more tweaking and that will be a done deal. Take a look, it's amazingly bright inside due to that new white cover.

Progress on the Sonex is a bit slow but very steady. It draws a lot of attention at our Fly-ins and for me that's another bonus this project brings. It won't be long before it's on the gear, another milestone.

This month's meeting will be our Italian Dinner/Meeting with all the fixins so don't miss it. This month's Chapter Video Magazine has an article about the 40th anniversary of Burt Rutan's VariEze. If you want to see one, Chapter 106, Boston, is having their meeting the next day, Saturday, Oct 10, featuring a restored VariEze at Lawrence MUNI, 10:00. The video magazine also has an interesting "Hints for Homebuilders" about testing Dacron Covering. I know I'll be interested in that.

Thanks, Charlie

Calendar

Friday Sept 11 7:30 PM	Cranland Airport (28M)	EAA Chapter 279 Monthly Meeting
Sunday Sept 20 8:00 AM	Cranland Airport (28M)	EAA Chapter 279 Fly-in Breakfast
Friday October 9 7:30 PM	Cranland Airport (28M)	EAA Chapter 279 Monthly Meeting
Sunday October 18 8:00 AM	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

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

Minutes of the September 14th, 2015 meeting members present 11

18:00 A cookout was enjoyed by all. Thank you to our chef Chuck!

Officers present; Charles Cottuli, Gerry Scampoli, Paul Paquin

Secretary's report:

Accepted as reported in the newsletter.

Accepted as read at the meeting.

Treasurer's report:

The treasurer's report was accepted as read. Again an excellent Fly-in raised our balance significantly.

Old Business:

Cloth Hangar Renovation;

- At \$2416, the new cloth hangar cover is on its way. It has a 24" skirt which should allow us to fully seal the space.
- Chip volunteered to pick up all the scrap metal left in the hangar and recycle it. Thank you Chip!

New Business:

- Gerry recommended a pasta dinner for next month, and it was quickly supported. Try not to miss it!
- Chuck will present Peter with a \$100 gift certificate for his work with our water main repair. A very sincere Thank You to Peter!
- An idea was presented by Gerry to help Bob with his DAV work helping veterans "trick out" and personalize their powered chairs. A motion to donate \$200 was passed unanimously. Thanks Bob for your efforts!
- A review and discussion of our member list was completed by our members present. Gerry volunteered

to send an email to all members who are in arrears. Wow! Did we really have that many members years ago?

- A discussion was had regarding hosting a Fly-Market at our October Fly-in. Chip will call and get the details.
- The old picture of Cranland needs to be reframed; Tom and Paul volunteered.
- The members present were alerted to future events.
- Paul brought attention to the National Flight Academy. Because of his young and favorable experience in the Air Force, working on cutting edge radar and computer technologies, he believes that it might be a worthy gesture to let young people know of the amazing experiences and careers available to them in the service of their country. He suspects that even if they don't intend to join, an experience like the following will probably be life changing. Goto <http://www.nationalflightacademy.com/> . We never know what will spark an individual to greatness.
- Discussion was begun for our holiday party. Early support was for repeating last year's successful event.
- After discussion, there were no nominations for officers.

At the end, Chuck again showed very interesting videos. Thank you!

The Sonex project continues at <http://www.mykitlog.com/EAA279> .



Cranland Then



Cranland Now (well a year or 2 ago)



September Fly-In

The weather looked a little sketchy at the beginning but turned out OK. Good showing of airplanes, cars, motorcycles and a boat. Great turnout from the locals.







