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The Monthly Newsletter of the Sherman, TX EAA Chapter 323

February 2017

Monthly Meeting—Thursday February 16th

At this Thursday's meeting, Walt King will discuss crash scene investigations. The meeting will commence at 7:00 PM.

Project Visit

A big thank you to Frank Connery and Steve Riffe for allowing the members to visit their respective RV projects. Frank is building a RV-14 while Steve is building a RV-8. Those special efforts the club members do helps make our club special—truly grassroots.

Teamwork—thanks!

It goes to show you how helpful of a club we have. On my Kitfox SL5A, which has a Rotax 912iS (electronic fuel injection), a mandatory service bulletin was issued to replace the stator. It is located at the rear of the engine and it provides electrical energy. The service bulletin required the rear of the engine to be replaced as shown in the photos below. I'm very grateful to the teamwork and support several club members gave me:

Joe Nelsen—Engine lift and got me out of a bind when I stripped a bolt head during removal

John Horn—Excellent skill in knots to secure the engine for the lift and a good third hand

Robert Honey—For keeping me on even keel, advising me to get an engine lift, and how to use a latex glove to contain oil drips from open hose lines

The whole procedure took most of a 3-day weekend. I did have to redo the coolant seal once—it dripped during testing. But, I ordered a new one (about \$2) and a few bolts later, all good! A big thank you to all! I learned a lot about the engine and am much better versed in its intricacies should you have any questions.

-Article submitted by John F. Halterman





Upcoming Chapter Events

- Thursday February 16 Monthly Thursday meeting at the Sherman Airport Terminal
Subject: Walt King presents "Crash Scene Investigation"
- Saturday March 4 First Saturday event: Joe Nelsen Sonex hangar visit to review project at Finney Field
- Thursday March 16 Monthly Thursday meeting at the Sherman Airport Terminal
Subject: John Halterman presents "Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta!"

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