

EDITOR'S NOTES

OSHKOSH 81 is upon us. Hopefully you will all receive this issue before you begin your trek to Oshkosh 81'. We hope to see many of you there. For those of you not able to attend we will hopefully have lots of input from those we talk with and will take lots of pictures. So the SEPTEMBER issue should be a biggy & one of our most exciting yet.

OSPREY 2 GET-TOGETHER (1st ANNUAL) is planned for TUESDAY, AUGUST 4th, at SHAKEY'S in Oshkosh. Won't you plan on joining us for a fun evening. Everyone building, holding plans, or just interested in the Osprey 2 is invited to attend. We will be served a "bunch of supper" which is a buffet style meal, all you can eat, which will include pizza, spaghetti, mojo's (don't ask me what they are!) chicken, etc. Price will be approximately \$3.50 per person and 35¢ per year of age for children (thus 5 yrs old - \$1.75). Shakey's is on the frontage road off Highway 41 close to K-Mart and Copps. I believe the EAA buses will run to your location. Time is 8pm, we have a room reserved for 70 people so there should be plenty of room, plenty of "hanger" talk and lots of fun for us Osprey 2 lovers.

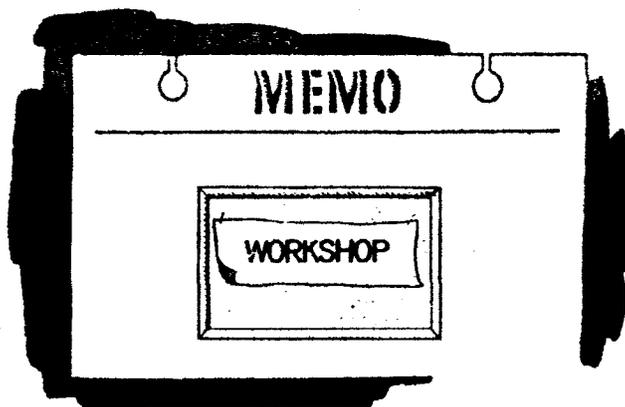
WATCH THE OSHKOSH BULLETIN BOARDS -- We will be putting up signs on all the bulletin boards letting you fellow builders know about the Get-together and other things such as, where we will be located in the camp ground, etc. Subscriptions to the Newsletter will be available for those not already subscribing, so if you know of someone who hasn't heard about us let us know.

A VERY SPECIAL T-SHIRT will be available at Oshkosh for those attending. We are in the process of having an OSPREY 2 T-shirt produced which we hope you will all want and will wear with pride -- helps us all identify each other too. Merchandise with the Osprey is very scarce we have found and after talking with many others we decided we should let the world know more about the OSPREY 2. Thus the T-shirt. There will also be a button available to adorn your hat, shirt, etc. Watch the bulletin board signs and be sure to check around the Osprey 2's on the field for more information about these.

OUR APOLOGIES to the Canadian builders who met on June 5th. We were so happy to have an opportunity to publicize your meeting and would have made it in plenty of time if it weren't for the good old Post Office. Seems there are some regulations in force, that have never been enforced until this time. Thus the delay in getting your newsletters to you. Our sincerest apologies. Can't fight the government -- or so they say. All of our Canadians and foreign subscribers will now be receiving their newsletters in an envelope.

CLASSIFIED ads may be inserted in the Newsletter for a very nominal cost. Only \$2.00 for any ad not to exceed 35 words. Do you have something you want to sell, want to buy, etc? Let us know! (Only Osprey 2 related items please).

BACK ISSUES AVAILABLE - Back issues are available for purchase for the cost of \$1.00 per issue (this is 5) plus a self-addressed, stamped envelope.



Meeting #3 of the Ontario Osprey 2 Builders was held June 6, 1981 at Gravenhurst and was well attended. There were 15 builders present and 5 interested friends.

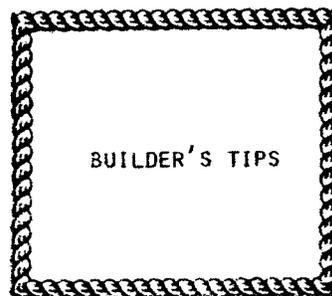
There was considerable discussion of problems with construction and errors in plans and much was learned by all present.

Plan #303 of Dave Richards has been sold to George Sullivan of Midlothian, IL. The project is about 20% complete ... lots of work yet for George.

The next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, September 26th, 1981 at the shop of Fred Oates in Rosseau, Ont.

You may contact Fred for directions and more information at:

Fred Oates
Box 75
Rosseau, Ontario, Canada POC 1J0
(705-732-4026)



BUILDER'S TIPS

Some builders have experienced difficulties in producing optically clear, distortion free rear windows owing to the double curvature required by the shape of the canopy.

High quality rear window panels may be obtained from the following supplier:

THE AIRPLANE FACTORY
"AVIATION IN PLASTICS"
7111 BRANDTVISTA AVE.
DAYTON, OHIO 45424
(513-233-9872)

(Supplied by Ernie Hummel, Vacaville, Ca)

AILERON HINGES - p. 35. For a simpler and stronger rear spar hinge you can leave out the lightening hole and the bent, welded corner tab, and shorten the 2 1/2" length to 2" with the same hole centers. The .080 aluminum back plate can be replaced by large OD wood bearing washers.