



DO YOU NEED TO HAUL YOUR OSPREY 2 SOMEWHERE? We have been advised by Doug Sisemore that a boat trailer works just great. His trailer is a lightweight "Little Dude", 1100 lb. capacity. The wings will stack nicely in the back of an El Camino or pick up using 2x4's & foam and blankets, etc. without damage.

CONGRATULATIONS to one of our Australia builders!! DR. PETER CROOKE has been elected President of the Sport Aviation Association of Australia (SAAA). This job is comparable to Paul Poberezny's job as Pres. of our EAA. This ought to keep Peter busy for a bit. Any of you at Oshkosh last year got a chance to meet Dr. Crooke and hear his many experiences with his beautiful blue and white Osprey. Peter was the first to complete an Osprey in Australia and had quite a time getting approvals of the DOT there. Again, CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES to our friend and co-builder!

OSHKOSH '82 - Seems like just a short time ago we were writing of our Oshkosh 81 activities and here we are planning for '82 already. DAILY FORUMS will be held (such as we had last year on an impromptu basis) for Osprey builders. The EAA is working with us to set up a definite place and time for each day - there will be more definite announcements about this in the future. Also, the OSPREY 2 GET-TOGETHER is already booked for this year. We will meet at Butch's Anchor Inn at 7:00pm on MONDAY, AUGUST 2nd. Hope any of you planning to be at Oshkosh will plan on joining us at this fun "getting to know you better" get together. Wives, children, girlfriends, etc. are all welcome. Cost will be approximately \$6.50 - we will have a large room with more elbow space than last year and more privacy too!

AN EXCERPT from a letter received from one of our builders regarding Dale Wilson's untimely death: "Because we who build aircraft, have the same interests, we seem to develop a bond of friendship, even though we might never meet in person. I feel a loss even though we had never met or for that matter, never written to each other. I really believe that a man such as this must have had many friends such as myself, and we all have lost something very valuable." We thought this was a beautiful expression of what many of us feel.

DON'T FORGET we have T-shirts and buttons available. T-shirts are \$6.50 plus \$1 postage and handling. They come in blue, yellow and orange in sizes, Sm, Med, Lg, and Extra Large. Buttons are \$1.00 plus 50¢ postage and handling and come in two styles - 1) "I Love" (with picture of Osprey aircraft). 2) Drawing of Osprey (bird). Be sure to indicate color and size or style of button wanted.

WE ARE WORKING on a BELT BUCKLE -- a beautiful Brass buckle with aircraft and bird. Should have prices and availability by the next issue.

A NOTE about publication. Please before you lose your patience or think you have not received an issue remember the newsletter is published bi-monthly (that means every other month). Publication months are Jan, Mar, May, July, Sept, and Nov. We try to get the issue out by the third week of the publication month - occasionally we are a little late. The problem arises with the Post Office - Third class mail has some strange regulations and is often times held by local post offices for quite some time. SO UNLESS you have not received your issue by the end of the month following the month of publication (i.e. Feb, Apr, etc.), please do not panic. There have been instances of delivery taking 3-4 weeks (especially the East and West coasts.) Thanks for your concern -- we are not perfect and do occasionally make an error so if you have a question please feel free to contact us (our phone number is now listed along with the address in each and every issue).

SUBSCRIPTION RUNNING OUT?? Please remember that subscription rates were raised in September: U.S. is now \$7.50/yr; CANADIAN \$10.00/yr; FOREIGN \$12.50/yr. Also remember that we must have U.S. FUNDS ONLY.

WANT ADS - (For Sale, Wanted, etc.) will be placed in the Newsletter for the cost of \$2.00 for any ad not to exceed 35 words. Please specify name, address, phone number, etc.

BACK ISSUES are available for the cost of \$1 ea plus a self-addressed, stamped envelope (20¢ postage for 1-4 issues, 40¢ for 4 or more). This is #8.

DISPLAY ADVERTISING of interest to Osprey builders is placed in the newsletter on an individual basis. If you have an ad you would like inserted please send it to us (the exact size you want) and we will write or call and let you know how much the cost will be -- I might add that it's very reasonable!

ACCIDENT REPORT - We, unfortunately, have to report to you another accident which has taken the life of one of our builders. Mr. Bob Mautner of Argenta, British Columbia, Canada was killed on impact when his Osprey lost power on take-off last April. We have been in contact with both the EAA and DOT and the suspected cause of accident is engine failure ---reason unknown. We will provide any and all details as they become available to us. We were notified of this fatality only this past month. Our Sympathy to Mrs. Edith Mautner and her family on this tragic loss.

PLASTIC BRAKE LINES

I used nyla-flo 3/6 plastic brake lines of N276JF and they work perfectly. They are so much easier to install than steel. There is one fitting at the master cylinder and one at the brake. Be sure to provide anti chafe in the retract area. Nyla-flo is available from Aircraft Spruce and Specialty.

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STAINLESS EXHAUST STACKS

I took a chance and bought all of the elbows necessary for the exhaust stacks at Spruce & Specialty. They list the centerline radius of the 1 3/4" elbows as 4" but they are actually 2 1/2" which is just right for the Osprey. It takes 6 ea 90° and 2 ea 45° elbows. I have a tig welder and made the complete stack system, mu-flers and 2 ea 4" dia heat muffers for about \$150. The heat muffers are open ended and not pressurized, one for carb heat and the other for cabin heat.

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