

MARCH 1980 NEWSLETTER

Meyers Aircraft Owners Association

OWNERS UPDATE LIST:

The response to our letter and return card was very good. We now have a master list of owners by aircraft type with n. numbers, addresses, phone numbers etc. It was quite a job but we hope it's accurate and current.

PICTURES:

Our request to all '79 fly-in participants for a picture of them with their Bird brought only 4 snapshots - - Mrs. Al Meyers, Mr. and Mrs. David Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Betzoldt and John D. Lyon. How about the rest of you getting these off to me pronto, so I can print a flyer with your picture, names etc. Must have it by April 1 to print it in time for the '80 fly-in.

THE 1980 FLY-IN:

Your officers have decided on the Carefree Inn, Carefree, Arizona. Dates have been set for June 20-22. It's a beautiful hotel only 1/2 mile from the Carefree Airport (Phoenix sectional, approximately 25 miles northeast). We have secured special rates of \$28.00 per day for two people. A brochure is enclosed along with a return card for you to fill out and send directly to the hotel. Transportation is available at n/c from the carefree Airport to the hotel. Tie down fee is \$3.00/day and arrangements have been made with the Airport to block off 50 spaces all in one area. Vince Vanderford is working on the possibility of an air race - - we'll have more on that later. Chuck Haines assures us that his turbo charged N 5509 M will be there complete with Q tip propeller. We will have name tags for everyone, extra cars available for people to visit Scottsdale etc. Also, a free lance photographer to shoot pictures of arrival landings and be available for other shots. We plan to really push this fly-in and hope to have 50 Birds on the ramp.

OFFICIAL IFR IDENTIFIER:

John D. Lyon (N489C) has been advised by the FAA that we should use AC 20 as the type designator. Most of us have been using ME 20, but we can talk more about that at the fly-in.

MAINTENANCE TIP:

Vince Vanderford advises some owners have had problems with the cables at the top of the nosegear strut. I am enclosing a diagram of the system and all owners are urged to check these two cables regularly.

SEAT BELT-SHOULDER HARNESS:

Mort Greenberg had his made at a firm in Long Beach. We don't know the details yet, but here is the company name and phone number. Belt Master - (213) 772-2973.

THINKING ABOUT A NEW PROP??

Dr. Richard Morgan (N 2912 T) is having a Hartzel Q-tip 3 bladed prop put on his 200 D. We understand it's smoother and quieter but no word yet on increased performance.

Hope to see you all in June.

David Hallstrom
Secretary

A G E N D A

M E Y E R S F L Y - I N 1980

Friday, June 20

- A.M. - Arrival (make it a good landing, photographer will be taking your picture)
- Afternoon - Play time, enjoy the Resort's facilities
- 4:00 P.M. - Micom stockholders meeting, room to be announced
- 6:30 P.M. - Wine tasting party, room to be announced
- 7:30 P.M. - Dinner (on your own, list of local restaurants will be available)

Saturday, June 21

- 9:30 A.M. - Ladies breakfast, Main Dining Room (for those ladies who do not wish to attend the General meeting)
- 9:30 A.M. - General Meeting, Room - Arizona South
 - Update on Turbo program
 - Maintenance tips
 - Development programs
 - Horner type wing tips
 - Q tip prop
 - Wing root fillets
 - New seats, seat belts
 - Better door
 - Gross weight increase
 - Improved cabin cooling
 - Noise reduction
 - Speed fairings
- 12 Noon - Lunch, on your own
- Afternoon - Open, (Tire kicking, picture taking, golf, tennis, horseback rides, shopping in Scottsdale, etc.)
- 6:30 P.M. - Cocktails, no host, Patio Room
- 7:30 P.M. - Dinner, Arizona South Room (Prime Rib, \$14.50 per person including tax and tip)
- 8:30 P.M. - Film from A.O.P.A.
 - Auction

Sunday, June 22

Departure

MEYERS AIRCRAFT OWNERS ASSOCIATION

April 1980 Newsletter

The 1980 Fly-in

The Carefree Inn tells me that only 10 owners have made reservations for the big event June 20-22 - - not very encouraging for the people who are working to make this a memorable week-end.

President Chuck Haines is working on a pinch-hitter course to be available, also Susan Oliver (she flew a Meyers to Russia) may be with us to tell of her experiences. Additionally, we have invited Bill Schmidt who may be able to help with the gross weight increase. "Take Two and See" is a 26 minute film (from AOPA) on the danger of midair collisions which we have tentatively scheduled.

Enclosed is another hotel brochure and advance registration card, so make plans now to enjoy the fun, fellowship and beautiful facilities in Carefree-Scottsdale, Arizona.

AC 200 D For Sale

Robert C. Kline, Jr. has one for sale. Serial No. 371, 765 hours TT. KX-170, Narco Mark 12 (360) Narco ADF, 3 light marker, Britain Electric Turn and EBC Elt. Price not known, but his phone number is 206-833-5566.

New Horner Type Wing Tips

See Reverse for information.

Prop, etc. for Sale

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522, S. Marlyn Ave.
BALTIMORE, MD 21221
Phone: (301) 686-0342

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21 March 1980

Dear Chuck:

I am writing to you to see if anyone in the association would be interested in a 0 time prop for the Meyers?

This prop had only eleven hours since new when it had tip damage it was sent to SENSENICH for repairs and I guess you can see they really took advantage of the situation.

This prop has never been removed from the shipping carton.

This prop is for sale at \$700.00

I'd appreciate it if you or anyone in the association would help me dispose of the prop as it looks, I don't see any Meyers for me in the near future. I also have a few other parts such as a hydraulic selector valve for the gear (used purchased from Interceptor Co.)

A.C. float gauge for the fuel tank, one eight day clock with elapsed time and sweep second hand, one A.C. tachometer 0 time rebuilt by the instrument shop, one hobbs hour meter (new) Four Fuel flush valves, the type that does not stick out in the air stream, one slaved directional gyro. I only have the instrument, no amplifiers.

I also have one nose gear fork used and purchased from Interceptor.

Edward H. DePoitiers



The Founder, Allen H. Meyers

Some of those attending the 1979 Fly-in

Jackpot, Nevada



Mrs. Allen H. Meyers



John Lyon



Ray and Carrie Betzoldt



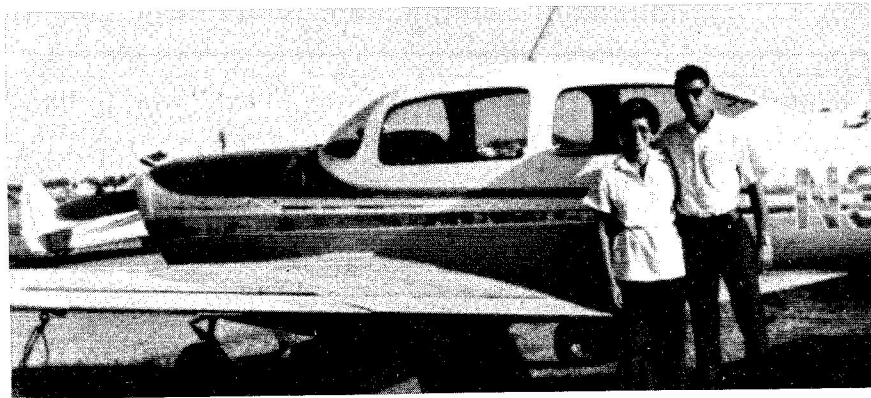
L. Richard Morgan, M.D.



Gary and Jacque Merrihew



Patty Hallstrom



David and Karen Palmer

ALL MEYERS 200 OWNERS

We Need Your Help in Regard To:

- NEW HORNER TYPE WING TIPS -

We have been experimenting with a more aerodynamic, efficient wing tip. You may have seen a fiberglass model on Vince Vanderford's plane. The tip looks similar to the tip Bonanza uses and really improves the looks of the aircraft. From a performance standpoint, we don't have measured data, but we know it gives a better roll rate and should provide more effective wing area due to the decrease in tip vortice interference. Our new design will be made of polycarbonate ("Lexan" tradename) material which is extremely strong and also clear. We plan on enclosing strobe lights, running lights and possibly, antennas in the tip to eliminate drag. The lens for the light is simply the tip material. The inside will be painted to match the wings or whatever scheme is desired and the lens area masked and left clear. We have contacted a small plastic house to do the work and they have given us a quote. They are pilots and are giving us rock bottom prices. We will pass them on to the Meyers owners at our cost. A close approximation of costs amortizing tooling and set up charges including material, shipping, painting and a budget to STC the tips are as follows:

<u>No. of Sets</u>	<u>Price/Set</u>
5	\$1,040
10	\$ 630
15	\$ 495
20	\$ 425
25	\$ 385
30	\$ 360
35	\$ 340
40	\$ 325
45	\$ 310
50	\$ 300

Before we begin, we need to know how many owners are interested in acquiring these tips and what price bracket they are willing to pay. If you would please bracket the price range you would consider (as in the example) and fill in the information on the bottom of this page and return in the enclosed envelope. We will soon determine if we should develop these tips. I really believe we will need a minimum of 15 to 20 commitments to make this program practical. For more information call:

Vince Vanderford (916) 673-2724
Chuck Haines (714) 979-9055

Thanks for your help.

Name _____
Address _____
Phone _____
Aircraft _____

Future Projects:

1. Wing root filets
2. New seats
3. Better door
4. Gross weight increase
5. Improved cabin cooling
6. Noise reduction
7. Misc. aerodynamic cleanup

NOTES FROM
1980 MEYERS FLY-IN, CAREFREE, ARIZONA

General

Some 25 beautiful Meyers/AC were parked on the ramp with over sixty people in attendance. Accommodations were nice, food above average, fellowship excellent.

Owners Meeting

Turbo Program, President Chuck Haines had his Turbo on display. Modifications are about complete and it's scheduled to go for the STC in Spokane, Washington shortly. Performance data will be available from MICOM Corp. on completion of STC.

Seat Belts - Now available at \$171.00 for a set of four. Most colors. Beltmaster Corp., P. O. Box 295, Manhattan Beach, Ca. 90266 (213) 772-2973.

Nose Gear - Vince Vanderford reminded owners to check cables and be sure spring is intact. Diagram sent to all owners in April by Association.

Q Tip Prop - Dr. Morgan had one installed on his 2912T but had to remove it for flight to Arizona until STC is secured. He reports no change in speed but much quieter and smoother. Cost is about \$2,200.00 plus another \$200.00 for spinner and backplate.

Oxygen - Milt Powers, 31CC, has developed an economical system using military parts. Contact Milt or Av-Ox Inc., 15766 Stagg, Van Nuys, Ca.

Main Gear Retraction - Be sure pressure is 50lbs (5 lbs more or less is OK) otherwise gear could retract during taxi. Also use Goodyear tires - - Walter Best reports Uniroyal expanded and gear would not retract.

Mufflers - Mort Greenberg installed new type, reports substantial noise reduction. Marv Rogge has painted his with new Hi-temperature white paint - looks sharp.

Gear Lights - Bud Young made simple modification which shows green when gear down, red when gear in transit and no light when gear is up - - write Bud for schematic. Vince Vanderford has installed outside mirror so gear can be visually checked for position.

Fuel Lines - Owners were again reminded to install new Aeroquip 302 fuel lines. Sets and installation can be done by Jim Martin in Yuba City, Ca.

Hydraulic Lines - Bill Nagle cautioned owners to check hydraulic lines in electrical panel that go to flaps and gear. Some have failed due to electrolysis.

Air Filters - Improved filters available from Vince Vanderford or David Palmer.

Century 3 Autopilot - Originally had STC for Meyers - - available for about \$7,500.00 installed. Reported that Edo-Air will no longer sell them to Meyers owners - - further information is available from Chuck Haines.

Cowl Snap Rings - with Phillips head available at Van Deusen outlets - - sizes may vary for upper and lower cowl.

Low Generation - Problems solved, contact David Palmer.

Vacuum System Failure - Bud Young reports cover vacuum pump when washing or cleaning engine.

IFR Identifier - After discussion, John Lyon authorized to write FAA requesting Mike Echo 20 as official identifier.

Corrosion Check - Ray Betzold advised method and type oil to use in checking wing spar, steel tubing in center section and gussett on engine mount for corrosion. Contact Ray or Pard Diver for specifics.

Group Insurance - Ken Meigs asked about putting together a group. Marv Rogge advised too many variables and too small a group to derive any benefits.

Check list for Annuals - Vince Vanderford agreed to develop check list - when complete, copies will be available through Association.

Wing Tips - Horner type Lexan Tip being developed by Vince and Chuck. May be able to incorporate lights, antennas, etc. 21 people said they would be interested at price of about \$425.00/set. Names given to Vince.

Door Seal - Chuck Haines working with supplier in Santa Paula on inflatable door seal - - also working on thicker windshield, speed fairings, cabin cooling and gross weight increase.

Door Hinges - Don Petty installed Piano wire hinge - works great. Also Don moved hydraulic pump to allow more floor room - contact Don for details.

Noise reduction - Ray Betzoldt advises most noise comes through floor and firewall - use more insulation in those areas.

Oil Cooler Leaks - Bill Nagle advises new material on the market to seal small leaks in oil cooler - - contact Jack Burnett at Kal Aero in Kalamazoo, Mi.

AIR RACE

Vince Vanderford announced Air Race to be September 14-15, Yuba City, Ca. to Jackpot, Nevada. \$1,000.00 in prize money being put up by Jackpot Hotels.

GALA SATURDAY NIGHT

Cocktails, Prime Rib, Magician Acts by Chuck "Hudini" Haines and the annual auction of model Meyers and miscellaneous donated items. (Raised \$761.00 for the Ass'n Treasury). Mrs. Al Meyers (Ray and Carrie Betzoldt) won the prize for coming the greatest distance.

Next Year's Fly-in will be somewhere in the midwest - - any suggestions should be forwarded to President Chuck Haines.

Respectfully,



David L. Hallstrom
Secretary

(H)=Home
(B)=Business

Plane No.	Name	Address	Phone No.
	Ray and Carrie Betzoldt	8542 Clinton-Macon Rd., Clinton, Mi. 49236	517-423-4086
N34387	George and Sarah Brechtbill	9595 Alta Mesa Rd. Wilton, Ca. 95693	916-687-7327
2977T	Dr. Bob and Lovey Clark	415 Alturas St. Yuba City, Ca. 95991	916-671-2944 916-674-9427
29127	Clive and Carla Evans	39 Pebblewood Pines Chico, Ca. 95926	916-891-5335
216M	John Fedrizzi	P. O. Box 4694 Scottsdale, Az. 85258	B 602-948-6810
N34385	Don and Marky Gard	147 McKiernan Folsom, Ca. 95630	916-985-3409
N2961T	Mort Greenberg	1620 Centinela #305 Inglewood, Ca. 90303	H 213-823-3951 B 213-643-3774
5509M	Chuck and Lucy Haines and 2 sons	1806 Hummingbird Dr. Costa Mesa, Ca. 92626	714-546-3592
216M	David L. and Patty Hallstrom Western Adv.	5842 E. Redwing Rd. 85253 14821 N. 73rd St. 85260 Scottsdale, Arizona	H 602-948-7873 B 602-948-6810
N489C	John Lyon	1130 Linda Flora Dr. Los Angeles, Ca. 90049	H 213-472-3773 B 213-552-7225
N235M	Dick and Mary Mayborn	P. O. Box 98 San Miguel, Ca. 93451	805-467-3589
N418	Kenneth D. Meigs	1688 Crucero Dr. San Jose, Ca. 95122	408-286-1826
N2908T	Gary and Jacque Merrihew	199 S. Washington St. Sonora, Ca. 95370	H 209-532-2826 B 209-532-7174
N34383	Mrs. Allen H. Meyers	Box 100 Tecumseh, Mi. 49286	517-423-7629
2912T	Dr. Richard Morgan and 2 children	578 Rio Lindo Chico, Ca. 95926	916-891-1311
N260M	Bill and Nancy Nagle	917 Roseland Ave. Kalamazoo, Mi. 49490	B 616-342-2031 H 616-381-7795
243M	Richard and Susan Nesham	4601 N. 1st Ave. Tucson, Az. 85718	
2918T	Mr. & Mrs. Tony Nosek, III	15 Corte Del Coronado Larkspur, Ca. 94939	
2990T	Richard and Timmie Oldham	12605 Skyline Blvd. Oakland, Ca. 94619	415-638-2200
N34392	David and Karen Palmer	19470 Victoria Ct. Sonoma, Ca. 95476	707-938-2181
	Kenneth S. and Paul Pisanko	10300 Hibiscus Orland Park, Ill. 60462	
N97M	Marv Rogge	2809 King Way Las Vegas, Nv. 89114	702-876-4614
34386	Haig Sakajian	177 N. Mansfield Ave. Los Angeles, Ca. 90036	

34333	Floyd and Nadine Stilwell and daughter, Ann	4043 E. Rancho Dr. Phoenix, Az 85018	
2910T	Rex and Sandra Twaits	ABC Insulation, 8601 Production Ave. San Diego, Ca. 92121	
N7MV	Vince Vanderford	5852 Boque Rd. Yuba City, Ca. 95991	916-673-2724
111JR	Col A. L. Young, Son Mark	104 Westerfield, Clovis, Ca. 88101	
200AW	Adrian Zollinger	Rt. 1 Ligonier, Ind. 46767	
898LF	Bill Matthews	3506 N. 5th St. Niles, Mi. 49120	
31CC	Milt Powers	212 E. Providencia Ave. Burbank, Ca. 91502	
2957T	Bob Micelli	939 Bubb Rd. Cupertino, Ca. 95014	
2956T	Walker E. Best	Box 50444 Indianapolis, Ind. 46250	
	Bob McFarland	28313 Redondo Way So. #209 Redondo, Wa. 78054	
200DP	Don and Marie Petty	1728 E. Turquoise Phoenix, Az. 85020	