

MEYERS OWNERS ASSOCIATION

NEWSLETTER

January, 1984

1984 Fly-in - - Vince, Chuck and Skip Morrison have selected the site - it is the Flying AA Ranch, Ruth, California. Location is in the hills 58 SM west of Red Bluff (brochure enclosed) and the dates are June 28-29-30. Sounds like a delightful setting for our group and the Lodge is only 300 feet from the Airstrip. Our members will undoubtedly utilize the entire facility but the Ranch advises me that we need to have our reservations (including one night room deposit of \$30.00) to them no later than April 1st. Send your check to:

Barbara Bird  
Flying Doube A Ranch  
Ruth Star Route Box 700  
Bridgeville, CA 95526

ITEMS OF INTEREST

- Our dear friend, Ray Betzoldt, suffered multiple injuries when a barn he was helping to repair collapsed. Carrie writes that he is recovering slowly and hopes to be well enough to attend our '84 Fly-in. Their address:

Ray Betzoldt  
8542 Clinton-Macon Rd.  
Clinton, MI 49236

- A note from Jerry Pressley saying he is installing a new Century IV flight director. He has a set of Tip Tanks for sale (15 gallons each) for \$1,500.

- Have received word that Robert Schultz has purchased Ron Donnelly's 145.

- Keith and Pard Diver keep busy taking care of the beautiful Meyers birds.

- Thanks to the following for their contribution to the postage fund:

Gid Miller	\$25.00
Dan Vlachos	5.00
John D. Lyon	20.00
C. L. Stone	25.00
Ralph Johnson	25.00
Charles Brandenburg	25.00
Everet Lange	50.00
Capt. Marion Wright	20.00

- Marion Wright sends a picture of his latest "toy" - - a Loran mounted where the map box was. Also sends a picture of his beautiful bird overtaking a Bonanza at 5,500 ft. Marion and some of his colleagues put on a Christmas Chili Cookout each December at his office-apartment-hangar on Meacham Field, Ft. Worth. Sounds like fun.

- Earl Lange sends a nice Christmas card and note - - says he hopes to soon have some news on his 145 "Little Guy".

- Also a card from Stubs Sapper - - says he wore his Meyers cap at the A.O.P.A. Plantation party in Albuquerque.

- Col "Speedy" Bud Young sends a nice note and advises his attractive friend, Mary, is within spittin distance of getting her Private Ticket. He also says that Hank Spengler has ferried his bird to the U.S. from Scotland. I haven't received confirmation of this from Hank.

- David and Karen Palmer send greetings - - he has a project going to install an autopilot.

- By way of commercials:

- Cabin Speakers, Vince has a few left for \$330.00 each.
- New wing tips available from Mycom for \$245.00 per set -- - again, contact Vince.

Bill Nagle has landing gear decals available for \$10.00/set - - contact Bill at 917 Roseland Ave., Kalamazoo, MI 49001.

- Still a few service and parts manuals for the 200's available from David Hallstrom, \$25.00 for the set. Also Dave has a computer list of all Meyers owners (OTW-145's - 200's) available for \$5.00.

#### TKM ANNOUNCES NEW TRANSCIEVER

The MICHEL MX-170 navcom transveiver is available from TKM, Inc., as a replacement to the KX 170 series of navcom transceivers or as equipment for a new installation. The readouts for both nav and comm are .3-inch gas-discharge displays and the channeling system can store channels for instantaneous sequential recall. The unit is packaged in nine replaceable subassemblies to make the isolation of a defective component easier. All subassemblies may be replaced in about 20 minutes without the use of a soldering iron. The price of the MX-170 is \$1995. To receive more information contact

Glen Kennedy (602) 948-2620

Respectfully,

David L. Hallstrom  
216M

January 25, 1984

Barbara Bird  
Flying Double A Ranch  
Ruth Star Route Box 700  
Bridgerville, CA 95526

Dear Mr. Bird,  
Meyers Fly-In 6-28/30-84

Please reserve for me and Mrs. Lyon for this event. I enclose our check for \$50 as a deposit.

Sincerely yours,

John D. Lyon

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NEWS LETTER

March 16, 1984

1984 Fly-in - - Plans are really taking shape and we are changing the format this year to make our time together not only great fellowship, but also to learn more about our birds, performance, training, etc. Here is the tentative agenda:

Thursday, June 28: Arrivals - get checked in - fellowship, libations, food, etc (our group will be taking over the entire facilities of the Flying AA Ranch).

Friday, June 29:

10:00 - History of the OTW-145-200s - Ray Betzoldt, Pard Diver.

10:30 - Aerobatics - - Bill Nagle.

11:00 - Mike Fright (for the ladies?) - Marv Rogge.

11:30 - Maximum speed from your 200 - Col. Bud Young.

12:00 - Lunch

1:30 - Auto Pilots for the 200 - David Palmer and E. J. Whorton.

2:00 - Whats in your survival kit? - Marv Rogge.

2:30 - Outer limits of performance

Characteristics - normal operating envelope - Ray Betzoldt.

3:00 - Reducing induction cooling drag - Bob Figge.

3:30-6:30 - Tire kicking plus R&R

5:00 - Mycom Stockholders meeting.

6:30 - Cocktails

7:00 - Dinner - - Program will be Henri and Pam Spengler showing slides and describing the events of flying his 200 from Scotland to Boulder City, Nevada - exciting!!!

Saturday, June 30:

9:30-12:00 - Maintenance session - Chuck & Vince.

12:30 - Lunch, afternoon on your own.

6:30 - Cocktails

7:00 - Dinner (Bar-B-Que Pork Ribs cooked outside but served inside).

8:00 - Program (Jacque Merrihew as MC)

- Guest Speaker: General Jame E. Light

- Awards

Sunday, June 31: Departures

As of this date, the ranch has received reservations from Palmer, Lyon, Whorton, Young, Powers, Vanderford, Morrison, Jacuzzi, Merrihew, Best, Oldham, Hallstrom - - there are only 12 rooms available so get your reservation in by April 1st. Send check for \$90.00 ( 3 nights room deposit) to;

Barbara Bird  
Flying Double A Ranch  
Ruth Star Rt., Box 700  
Bridgeville, CA 95526  
(707) 574-6227

Items of Interest

Thanks to the following for their contribution to the postage fund;

Milton Powers	\$25.00
William Claytor	\$10.00
Col. James Shawn	\$25.00
Herb Plucker	\$15.00
Morton Lester	\$20.00
Henri Spengler	\$15.00
Robert Twombly	\$20.00

Good News

Ray Betzoldt is getting along fine and Carrie and Ray are spending some time in Florida. All of us share in the joy of Ray's recovery.

- Exhaust stacks for the 200s - - Pard and Keith advise that they no longer have a supply. If you will be needing a set in the near future let Pard know by calling him at (517) 423-8040 - - this is important because someone will have to pay for setting up the jig and Pard does not want to do that until he has enough orders to justify the investment.

- We understand that Paul Whetstone (Prop Jets Inc.) has acquired all the Meyers parts from Carl Branson - - none of the parts will be for sale until the inventory is completed which is expected to take 60 days.

David Palmer writes that the century line of Auto Pilots are available for the Meyers - - he will be making a presentation on the subject at our Fly-in but if you are in a rush, call him at (707) 938-2181. On the subject of Auto Pilots, E. J. Whorton advises me that Paul Whetstone will secure an STC for the S-Tec system if about 10 Meyers owners commit to purchase the unit from Paul and have him install it. If you are interested, contact E. J. Whorton (503)838-5873. To reserve your unit, a \$1,000.00 deposit is required - - made out to Prop Jets and mailed to E. J. at 873 Cessna St., Independence, OR 97351.

Attention OTW Owners

Got a nice letter from Russell Kilmer (serial #2) his message was so welcome I decided to print it in its entirety. Enclosed.

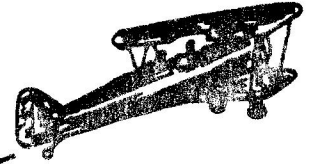
- Nice note from Bill and Yvonne Claytor - they live in Winchester Virginia and think it would be nice to have a Fly-in on the East coast - - when we took a survey of owners 2 years ago, 34 thought we ought to have two Fly-ins, one for the East coast and the other out West - - maybe Bill would like to put one together for his area - - if so, I'll send him a list of Eastern U.S. owners.  
- Also got a note from Ted Whitcomb in Warranton, Virginia. He owns serial #25 OTW with a Warner 165. He has performed regularly for the past three years in Air Shows with his own routine.  
- Morton Lester writes that he had engine failure during take off failure in the fuel injection system but Pard and Keith Diver have the ship back flying - - perhaps he will share his experience with us at the Fly-in.

See you all at the Flying AA Ranch June 28-31.

David L. Hallstrom  
216M

# SACRAMENTO AERO SERVICES, INC.

NATOMAS AIR PARK  
3801 AIRPORT ROAD  
SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA 95834



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916-929-0885

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11 Feb 1984

Meyers Aircraft Owners Assoc.  
Box 4280  
Scottsdale, Ariz. 85261

Dear Sirs,

The home of the oldest flying Meyers (OTW serial #2) is Natomas Air Park at Sacramento, California.

To those Meyers owners who may need a stop in the Sacramento area while enroute to or from the 1984 fly-in at Ruth, Ca, we would like to extend our hospitality. We will provide free overnight tiedowns and gasoline at our discount price which is normally available only to our local accounts. Av gas on that program is \$1.62 (80 octane) and \$1.67 (100 octane). If anyone needs ground transportation we will try to provide that too. Advance notice would be helpful on the ground transportation planning. Our phone number is above.

If a number of OTW's show up, we would like to do some formation flying, and we have a professional photographer (air to air type) available to produce some great photos of those wonderful Meyers birds.

We are looking forward to serving the needs of all Meyers owners during the fly-in.

Yours sincerely,

  
Russell W. Kilmer  
Airport Manager  
Meyers OTW owner

RWK: aeg

**A WORKING CATTLE RANCH**, nestled in California's Coast Range Mountains. Ideal for the "Get-Away-From-It-All" vacation. Truly unforgettable experiences of outdoor relaxation await you, your family or your favorite flying club. Spend a weekend or a month - relax and do nothing or keep busy with the many activities available for all ages.



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**MEALS:** A-la-carte-Feature barbecue ribs/chicken-steak-lobster-prime rib. Menu allows good variety for breakfast, lunch, dinner.  
 Groups of 10 or more: 15% gratuity will be added to total.

**WEEKEND** daily rates. (Friday noon - Sunday noon)  
 (Double occupancy)  
 1 King-\$40.00 2 Doubles-\$42.00  
 2 Queens.....\$ 43.00  
 Roll-Aways, Cribs or Extra Person ..... \$10.00  
 Tent houses/showers available ..... \$20.00  
 Cottages and Mobile Homes available for groups.  
**Deposits required for each day reserved:**  
 Rooms \$30.00  
 Tents 15.00  
 Trailers 50.00

**WEEKEND'S** - June 1 - Aug. 31 2 day minimum.  
 Memorial Day, Fourth of July & Labor Day week-ends-----3 day minimum.

**EXAMPLE:**  
 5 days -- 1 Bedroom 1 Bath  
 Double Occupancy (ea. person) \$ 253.25  
 1 Adult .....\$ 353.25  
 Child under 10.....\$ 172.90  
 American Plan - Rates do not include taxes or Gratuities.  
**ADULT** rate includes 6 hrs. horseback, 3 hrs. bike, 1 Hayride, incidentals.  
**CHILD** rate includes 10 hrs. with sitter or supervised activities. **PLEASE MAKE ADVANCE ARRANGEMENTS FOR CHILD CARE.**

Do to bad experience in the past with underaged persons drinking on our property; because they are under our care, custody and control and could jeopardize our liquor license, we **DO NOT ALLOW** anyone to bring liquor on to our premises.  
**ALL PRICES SUBJECT TO CHANGE.**

**AS OUR GUEST** you are invited to enjoy, without extra charge:  
 Tennis Courts  
 Swimming Pool (Heated from May 30 - Sept. 1)  
 Horseshoe Pitching  
 Volleyball, Badminton, Ping Pong  
 Hiking (many scenic trails)  
 Chess in our Fireside Lounge  
 Fishing in Lake or River (Own gear required)  
 Hunting

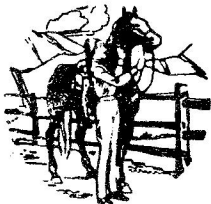
**ON PREMISE**but not included in rates:  
 Rental Cars - Fee, plus gas  
 Pool Table  
 Cocktails & Soft Drinks  
 Gift Shop / Speed boat lake excursions  
 Automatic Trap Shoot (Bring own gun or guns for rent)  
 Fishing boats & motors available  
 Shotgun Shells  
 Bikes, \$3.00 hr./\$15.00 day  
 Hayrides Fri. evening \$1.50 per person  
 Scenic Bus Tours - Lake & vicinity (bring camera)  
 Minimum of 8 people \$ 7.50 ea.(approx 2 hrs)  
 Aviation Fuel 80/87 -- 100/130 (min. sale \$15.00)  
**HORSEBACK RIDING** (guided rides)\$10.50 1st. hr.  
 (lessons,10.00 ½hr.) **PADDOCKS & STABLES** for **YOUR horse \$5.00 a day.**

**GROUPS OF 10** or more: Breakfast & Picnic rides - Mid-week overnight trail rides. Live music and child care when arranged for in **ADVANCE.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ No. of Persons \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_  
 State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date Reserved: From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cabin Preferred: 1st \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd \_\_\_\_\_  
 Deposit Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Deposit must accompany each reservation and is NON-REFUNDABLE unless cancelled 10 days prior to reservation date.

Weekends: June 1 - Aug. 31--2 day minimum.



Memorial Day, July 4th & Labor Day weekends-----3 day min.

**WHAT TO WEAR**

Jeans, slacks, and long-sleeve shirts are recommended for riding. The pattern at the ranch is informal; shorts are popular. A sweater or a jacket will come in handy for an early morning walk, or a stroll in the moonlight. Western boots are best for riding but not necessary. Tennis shoes must be used on the Courts and are OK for strolling about, however serious hikers should come prepared with sturdy hiking shoes. Don't forget your swimsuit. Evening wear is the same VERY casual.

**WEATHER**

May & June: Warm days, Cool at night; July & August: Average 82 degrees, Nights refreshing, but not cold; Sept. & Oct.: Nice days, Chilly at night.

**ELEVATION-AIRPORT-UNICOM-(FUEL)**

2700' N. S. runway: with 600' Runout on NORTH end, 300' Runout on SOUTH end. Prevailing wind from N. One mile approach from either direction. Recommended L. H. pattern. Location 5 m S. of Ruth Lake on Mad River. Elevation: 2700 feet. Please check by calling the ranch for local flying conditions.

We will assist you in arranging air transportation from Eureka or Redding upon request.

**PETS** - Not recommended due to ranch animals on premises, however small animals (dogs, cats) on leashes are permitted.

**WE RECOMMEND** that you bring a camera. Spring and Fall offers a special opportunity for camera excursions.

**REMEMBER** to call in Advance for arrangements to **BRING YOUR OWN HORSE.**

**CALL:** (707) 574-6227 or 574-6417 **EARLY** for Reservations or  
**WRITE:** Ruth Star Rt., Box 700  
 Bridgeville, Ca. 95526

**THE FLYING DOUBLE AA RANCH**

## MEYERS OWNERS ASSOCIATION

## NEWSLETTER

July - 1984

'84 Fly-in - - - it was indeed a success with about 25 Meyers 200's, one OTW and one 145 parked on the ramp at the Flying AA Ranch - - (one V-Tail Bonanza also tried to join the classy display of speedsters as did Karen Palmer who arrived in her own Cessna 150). The setting was ideal for our group, food was good and there was plenty of opportunity for fellowship and shop talk. Marv Rogge made two fine presentations, one on "Mike Fright" and the other on survival kits.

Other presentations were Bud Young on getting max speed from your 200. David Palmer and E. J. Whorton on autopilots. Chuck and Vince moderated the maintenance session and Jacque Merrihew did a great job as MC for our Saturday night program and dinner. Highlighting the program were Pam and Henri Spengler who showed slides and narrated their eventful trip across the North Atlantic in their 200D (200HS). Marv Rogge did his annual auction of Meyers belt buckles, earrings, etc. which netted \$755.00 for the Postage Fund.

Here is a list of those in attendance:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>A/C NUMBER</u>	<u>FAMILY/GUESTS</u>
Joseph Chabal	RD 3 Box 434E Gibsonia, PA 15044	2962T	Char
Henri Spengler	1256 Denver St. Boulder City, NV 89005	200HS	Pam
Dan Jacuzzi	984 Hillcrest Ave. Yuba City, CA 95991	2981T	Jean
Walter Best	8111 Bay Berry Ct. Indianapolis, IN 46250	2956T	Richard
Carl R. Schwarz	17603 S.E. 292nd Pl. Kent, WA 98042	551	Pat Procriv
Bob Micelli	939 Bubb Rd. Cupertino, CA 95014	2957T	Holly, Heather, Robin
Tom Sigmon	131 Garbarda Way Portola Valley, CA 94025	480S	Gale
Bill Perry	1134 Rockefeller DR. Sunnyvale, CA 94087	2919T	
Leslie Tar	34 Roau St. Auburn, ME 04210		Les, Jr.
David Palmer	19470 Victoria Ct. Sonoma, CA 95426	34392	Brian
Karen Palmer	19470 Victoria Ct. Sonoma, CA 95426	11323	
Vince Vanderford	5852 Boque Rd. Yuba City, CA 95991	239M	Kay Wilcoxon
L. Richard Morgan	18 Williamsburg Lane Chico, CA 95926	2912T	Marilynn, Sean, Peter
Robert Stickle	2200 Sunrise Key Blvd. Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33304	229RS	
Robert Clark	415 Alturas St. Yuba City, CA 95991	2977T	Lovey
Richard Oldham	Box 6 Quartzite, AZ	2990T	Timmie
E. J. Whorton	873 Cessna St. Independence, OR 97351	200AW	Jeanette, Doug
Col. Bud Young	104 Westerfield Clovis, NM 88101	111JR	Mary, Bruce
Marv Rogge	2809 Kings Way Las Vegas, NV 89102	97M	Marian, Sherrie, Lisa
David Hallstrom	5842 E. Redwing Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85253	216M	Patti
James Daniel	1939 E. Skyline Vista La Habra, CA 90631	5504M	Mickie, Rick, Marilyn
Skip Morrison	680 Jones St. Yuba City, CA 95991	236M	Bonne McConnell



Les Grant	314 E. Corrillo St.	5511M	Alice
	Santa Barbara, CA 93101		
Gary Merrihew	199 S. Washington	2908T	Jacque, Erik,
	Sonora, CA 95370		Scot
Herb Plucker	4332 Rio Tinto Ave.	23799	
	Scaramento, CA 95821		
Earl Lange	P. O. Box 246	34362	Lewis Christensen
	Manchester, CA 95459		
Ralph Prince	117 Rockwood Dr.		
	Grass Valley, CA		
Ken Meigs	P. O. Box 2330	418	Karen, Krist
	White City, OR 97503		
Chuck Haines	1806 Hummingbird	5509M	Lucy
	Costa Mesa, CA 92626		
George Brechtbill	9547 Alta Mesa Rd.	34387	Sarah
	Wilton, CA 95693		
Mrs. Allen H. Meyers	4401 Macon Rd.	34384	M/M Jack Betzoldt
	Tecumseh, MI 49286		Virginia Murray
Milt Powers	212 E. Providencia	31CC	
	Burbank, CA 91502		
William Haley	6404 W. 85th St.		
	Los Angeles, CA 90045		

Notes from Maintenance Session

- Vince will contact Paul Whetston to find out how much he would charge to get STC for increase in gross weight.
- New mufflers - available from Vince for about \$250.00.
- Door seal - Use open cell foam rubber and apply silicone.
- Door latch - Vince has one fiberglass latch left and will be making more.
- Wing parts - Ribs and other parts available from Ralph Haven, Mid City Products, Sherwood, Ohio. (419) 899-2158.
- Switches - Micro switches for fuel selector are available from Electric Switches, Inc. 2478 Fletcher, Los Angeles 90039 - Part No. 111SM11-1.
- Windshields - and windows available from C. Bailey in Long Beach - - designate which model Meyers you have.
- Kick panel - Bud Young made a modification in his which allows some 3 inches of additional foot room.
- Gear circuitry - Bud Young made modification that is fail safe (Diagram enclosed).
- Nose bowl - New nose bowl and prop shaft extension done by owner of 235M in Albuquerque; nose bowls available from Vince for about \$450.00.
- Tire pressure - When doing annual, pump tires to 40 pounds, cycle the gear and adjust bale turn buckle to accommodate larger size.
- Scrapbook - - - everybody is to send pictures and negatives of shots at Ruth to David Hallstrom - - Sept. 1 dead line - - production will depend on response.
- 1985 Fly-in - Locations suggested were River Ranch in Florida, Lake Powell or Possom Kingdom in Arkansas - - Bob Stickle will check these out.

Items of interest:

- George Brechtfill says his 200B is for sale at \$48,000.
- Milt Powers has a tail section for a 145 for sale - - also a complete set of "Flying" magazines dating back to 1960.
- Nice note from Marion Wright - he sends a complete new check list he has developed - - if interest, write to him at Hanger 19 South, Meacham Field, Ft. Worth, TX 76106. Marion also sent the info below on hydraulic pumps -
- info is from August '84 issue of "Light Plane Maintenance".

**Pump Predicament**

The hydraulic pump on my 1967 [redacted] is damaged during an annual inspection. It was then sent to Approved Aircraft Accessories for rebuilding, since the part (PIN 67A025 N.Y. Air Brake) is no longer available. They, in turn, said: "The pump is too far gone to rebuild." Now, how can I get a replacement pump? Is there another make that can be substituted? I've spent an unbelievable amount of time calling various sources (including Trade-A-Plane listings), to no avail.

The engine is a Continental IO-520-A. Anything that you can suggest would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Ed Bengaliat  
2 Hamilton Ave.  
Weehawken, NJ 07087

Almost without a doubt, the pump in question has an industrial counterpart with similar specs and performance; we suggest you contact the manufacturer directly (New York Air Brake Co., Div. of General Signal Corp., Starbuck Avenue, Watertown, NY 13601 - telephone 315/782-7000). Do not identify yourself as a plane-owner, however. Manufacturers are often hesitant to sell a non-FAA approved substitute component if it is known that it will be used on an aircraft.

Try to gather information on the pump's specs (design speed, output, etc.) before you go shopping. Check your aircraft service manual to determine the hydraulic system pressure, and look in the engine manual to find the operating speed of the pump drive pad. (Torque limitations of the various accessory drive pads will be found in the Type Certificate Data Sheets for the IO-520.) Pump weight is also important. Give this information to the New York Air Brake tech rep, or try your local Piper dealer (many Piper aircraft use engine-driven hydraulic pumps, one of which will surely fit your needs).

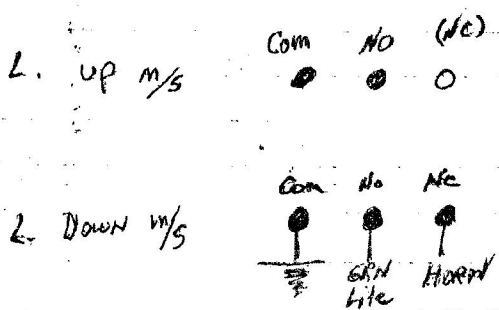
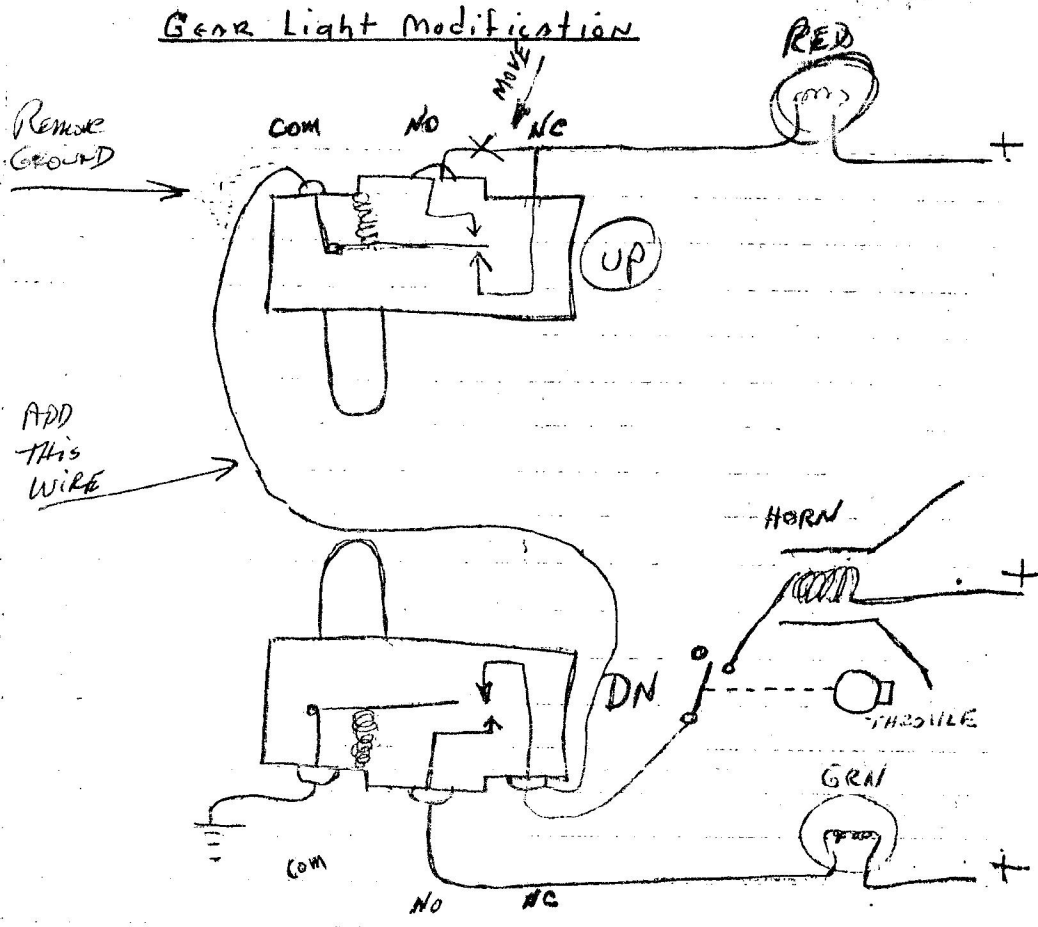
For further information on hard-to-find Rockwell/Meyers 200 parts, try Beaumont "Pard" Diver of Tecumseh Aircraft, Al Meyers Airport, Tecumseh, MI 49286 (phone 313/447-3752)...Gid Miller, Frenchtown, NJ 08825 (201/996-2176) ... and/or Vinson Vanderford, 5852 Bogue Rd., Yuba City, CA 95991 (916/673-2724). All three of these individuals qualify as

Contributions to Postage Fund

Pat Prociw	\$ 5.00
Walter Best	20.00
George Brechtbill	20.00
George W. Meyer	25.00
Richard Boren	25.00
Doug Koeppen	20.00
Richard Oldham	25.00
Cass Hanawalt	10.00

- Frank Tindall writes that his OTW will be for sale - - N26458, Serial No. 11. His address is: 19 Nolan Road, Allentown, N.J. 08501
- Robert A. Shaw in Prescott, Arizona wants to buy a 200D - - his phone is: (602)778-0310.
- John and Melinda Lyon have a new addition to the family, Congratulations!
- We will be looking for a location for the 1985 Fly-in - - any suggestions for a midwest or semi-eastern spot would be appreciated. Main criteria is that hotel is located within walking distance from our aircraft.

David L. Hallstrom  
216M  
Secretary (until another one is found).



For additional info -- contact COL. Bud Young (505) 762-7120