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Notice of Meeting: Thursday, February 24, 7:30 PM

Topic: Four Chapter members will talk about some particularly interesting aspect of their project. A similar evening last year was one of our best meetings!!! On tap are:

- Louis Beaulieu, RV-9
- Carlos Sa, CH-601
- Michel Moreau,
Engine replacement on his Q-2
- Michel Boivert, Sonex

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Kitten on Skis**Doug Remoundos**

Most Chapter members find it challenging to remain airborne during the winter months. Doug, the die-hard aviator, fitted skis to his Grover Kitten ultralight, and takes advantage of the better air density afforded by our Northern climate. Here is a photo of happy Doug, (blue jacket), friend and bird:

**A few words from our Membership Director****Ross Holden**

1. Four new members joined our chapter in January; a good way to start the New Year. Please welcome Paul Czernenko, Hal Birkett, Jerry Adams and Marc Bourdon to the Chapter. Paul and Hal are deciding which aircraft kit to select; a big decision for sure. Marc Bourdon is the owner of Alexandria Airfield. Jerry, former owner of that airfield, is Marc's new partner in building a Volmer VJ-22.
2. We do have a few members who have not paid their membership fees for 2005. Members can renew by mail (the Chapter address is at the bottom of the page) or at a meeting. Keeping your membership fees up to date is a good way to sustain a healthy chapter!

Jerry Adams and Marc Bourdon's Volmer VJ-22 Amphibious Flying Boat Project

Fourteen years ago, Marc Bourdon purchased a Volmer VJ-22 project from its original builder. This project was mostly complete with some components having already passed their pre-cover inspection. Here is a photo (see right) of the fuselage resting comfortably on its retractable main landing gear.

Recently, Marc purchased the Alexandria airfield from Jerry Adams, and Jerry is now Marc's new partner in the Volmer project. Jerry says that their goal is to get this amphibian into the air by August 2005!

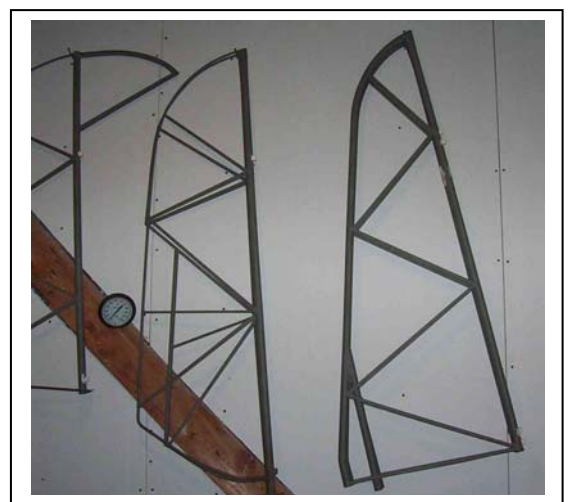


The airframe is built of spruce timber and mahogany plywood. The following photo (right) shows the pleasing simplicity of the mostly-completed cockpit controls and instrument panel, as seen through the open gull-wing door, a Volmer trademark.

Marc and Gerry are preparing their aircraft for a tractor-mounted Lycoming 290. The engine mount (painted yellow) is finished and is shown trial-fitted (see below). The engine is being overhauled locally. Below (right) shows the fin and tailwheel already in place.



Gerry says he is hoping for an empty weight of less than a thousand pounds and a cruising speed of about 100 mph. Wings will be standard Champ wings, covered with fabric and dope, which have been purchased. Here is Jerry displaying the skin for the vertical stabilizer (below left). Tail feather's tubing is primed and ready for covering (below right).



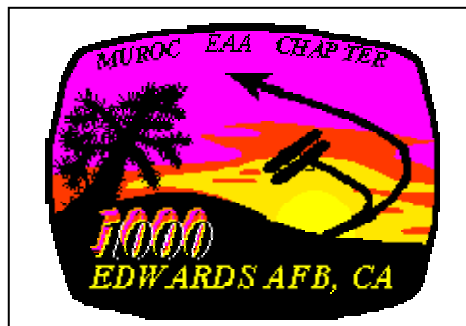
For more history on the Volmer VJ-22, visit <http://www.volmeraircraft.com/>

Website of the Month**Mike Lustig**

This section is dedicated to recognizing outstanding achievement for a website in the field of amateur and experimental aviation. This month's selection is the website of EAA Chapter 1000: <http://www.eaa1000.av.org/>

EAA Chapter 1000 is based in Muroc, CA and holds its monthly meetings in the USAF Test Pilot School, Scobee Auditorium, Edwards AFB, CA. Many members are Air Force Test Pilots.

Be sure to check out their Technical Articles page at:
<http://www.eaa1000.av.org/technical/techidx.htm>



Awesome site, Chapter 1000!!!

If you have a nomination for Website of the Month, please email Dave at david.cyr@sympatico.ca or me at mike.lustig@progression.net

This space available for news of YOUR PROJECT or AIRCRAFT!!!!

We at EAA 266 are always on the lookout for photos and stories of our member's projects and aircraft. A random survey showed that approximately 100% of members do have photos of their projects or aircraft, many already in digital format!!! Don't be shy, e-mail them in to mike.lustig@progression.net. You'll be glad you did. No digital camera? Just bring your photos to the next meeting for scanning:

Put your airplane photo here!
Please send in your best winter flying
pictures for March publication.

Unclassified

FOR SALE or TRADE ON 4 PLACE: 1946 Champ 7AC, 3610 TT. Fabric:-fuselage 1994, wings-spar 2002. A65-8, 1385 SMOH, (80-80-80-79). New baffles, shielded wiring, plugs & tires. New McCauley 7443 prop (NEW not O/H). Fresh C of A Sept 2004. Beautiful certified a/c, new interior, always hangared. \$34,000. ladair@megacom.net, Tel. 450-834-6860, Fax - 6192.

For sale: Two Aeronca 7AC fuselages - one rusted overall and one with primer still visible on most parts. One A-65-8 engine - 800 hours, with logs. Wings for one airplane. A basket case but likely rebuildable. Most parts appear to be available. Also a selection of Amateur radio equipment. Estate sale. Rigaud area. For further information call **Frank Hofmann** 696-4572

(1) Firewall forward kit for installation of Subaru E-81 Stratus engine, on Avid aircraft. Kit includes cowling, engine mount, radiator, all fittings, hoses, and drawings

(2) 14 gallon (US) wing fuel tank for Avid of Kitfox

(3) Set of drawings for Acro Sport II biplane - see **Ron Hills**, or call him at 514-684-6581

Submit your Technical Questions

At the November Chapter meeting, Frank Hofmann answered a Technical Question on the regulations and equipment required for night flying. His answer was very detailed and greatly appreciated by all. Given there is a wealth of technical knowledge within our Chapter, we will answer questions of a technical nature related to homebuilt construction, so submit your technical question(s) at the next meeting, or e-mail or phone it in ahead of time to any member of the EAA 266 Executive. Questions will be answered ASAP by our panel of experts.

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