

August/September 2002

The Northwest



Club

Hello everyone.

I've been out of touch for a while so I didn't get the August letter out. I'm sad to report, with all that time off we still didn't get off on my camping trip. So if I give anyone grief for not getting out, you can throw that one right back at me.

But here's your chance... Some of the WA Seaplane pilots are going to Skamania Island on Sept 8th. Where? It's on the Columbia river across from Multnomah Falls, upstream from Washougal. The Columbia (OR.) Seaplane Pilots are having a get together and we're invited. This seems to be a new theme with the WASPA. They are reaching out to the neighboring organizations to try and promote some joint activities like this. The Oregon group is very friendly and people can bring anything they like .... however, they're saying... "If your age is an even number bring a salad... If your age is an odd number bring a desert... They'll provide hamburgers, hot dogs, and pop. You can park on a sandy beach, so bring lines. No sanitary facilities available, no water, so bring what you need. Most people will arrive around 11am and leave around 4pm. The WSPA website is being revamped... I know I've said that before, but it's happening as you read this. Check out the old website and click on the link to see what's up.

Lake Cushman fly-in is set for Sept 14/15. Dinner Sat night, campout, breakfast Sun. Check the details on the [www.WA-SPA.org](http://www.WA-SPA.org)

Lake Isabel is still an issue, maybe more than ever with the President's recent trip to OR. The promoters of this wilderness bill will probably try to slam the door on this one as soon as they can. If you haven't been to the SPA's web site yet, please go to the Isabel stuff and print it out so you can at least read it on the ... ah, well, when you have a

~~movement~~ moment. For those of you who feel compelled to write a letter, the addresses are on the web site, but you won't find the email... so here you go:

[dunnwa08@mail.house.gov](mailto:dunnwa08@mail.house.gov), Jennifer Dunn

[Rick.Larsen@mail.house.gov](mailto:Rick.Larsen@mail.house.gov), Rick Larsen

[senator\\_murray@murray.senate.gov](mailto:senator_murray@murray.senate.gov), Patty Murray

Tom Hoag finally found a good Frankenstien Crankshaft. Rich Brumm is rebuilding his engine, so hopefully he'll be back in the air soon.

Speaking of in the air soon. Ben Blackett is now about ready to fly N6295K. He finally found his special propeller. (Not the one that came off!) He installed the Hartsell prop with SAE - 20 splines ( no more bolted flange for him!), and the fuselage was repaired by Don Wallace over at Soloy. It looks great and is about ready to go.

The IRSOC is also going through some changes. John is passing the wand to some of the members who have been with the group for a long time ... It's still the best source of information and experts on the old beast that you will find, and will be getting better. If you haven't checked out the International Republic Seabee Owners Club **and Joined?** Go ahead, it's free! They have free classifieds for members [www.mindspring.com/~jhooper3](http://www.mindspring.com/~jhooper3) . Jim Poel's database and clearing house for all Seabee 337 forms and field approvals is also a free service to members. For the time being all forms would have to be faxed to Jim: May to November (315) 531-9168; November to May (386) 767-0706.

### **Planes and Parts (new listings)**

Tamara McKenney is selling their Bee. N6590K is Sn 863. 1330TT, it's only been 25 hours since the engine was rebuilt to a B9F at W.E.Aerotech, and the prop has had the AD's complied with. Bob had replaced the fuel cell, the hydraulics have been reworked, it has the extended tips, wide spray rails and the Cleveland Wheels and Brakes.

Other than a KX-170A and the encoding altimeter the panel is as it came form the factory. Asking price is \$43,000 and there has been some interest, so if you know anyone interested they should call her soon at 253-630-0100 home or 253-549-6515 Cell.

S/N 779, N11NW was spotted on the ramp in Phoenix. TT 700, 200 SMOH and 200 SPOH. Extended

wings, and wide spray rail. Annualled Feb of this year. Asking \$60K.

Contact Louis Hudgin at 480 988-1382 or 602 509 3751.

Steve Mestler has a reconditioned fuel cell he replaced his last year and had the old one reconditioned by Continental Fuel Cells, Spokane, WA. If I had any idea how nice a job Ed (at Continental) was going to do, I would have kept it! I have all the gaskets and instructions.

Shipping included. \$600 USD. [smestler@bellsouth.net](mailto:smestler@bellsouth.net)

Greg restoring a bee and needs to ask, where he can get a replacement elevator torque tube, the one he have has a coiled steel wire on one end which is bent and rusted, or is there an STC for

the elevator system.? He's also searching for a left front window seal.

Contact Greg at [paulajk5@aol.com](mailto:paulajk5@aol.com)

### **Planes and Parts (old listing)**

"Frankenstein" parts ... Rich Brumm in Northport, N.Y. is one of the experts. If you ever heard of a problem the Franklin's have, he has the fix for it! [richkarenbrumm@prodigy.net](mailto:richkarenbrumm@prodigy.net) Phone: 631-757-2216 Office: 516-885-5879

Tom Bennedict in Vancouver, WA. has some Seabee stuff ... 360-896-6494 ... 2 engine cowls with baffles, nose bowl, cabin windows, 3 tail wheels, tail shock strut rubbers, 3 starter and generator fan sets, 3 engine blocks, 18 cylinders, 2 carbs, 1 heat box for carb, 4 starters 2 generators, All items for assembly as push rods & Housing tubes, rocker arms, valve covers, Seals, 4 motor mounts, Valves and springs, 2 fuel pumps, 3 oil pumps, 4 oil coolers(1 small, 3 large), 3 oil pans, 8 pistons, 4 magnetos, 100 new sparkplugs, 2 intake manifolds, 2 lower

cooling shrouds, 1 set engine baffles, 2 set battery ignition, 3 relining seat brackets. He also has a bunch of Cessna and Piper stuff ...

The Seabee CD ... Steve Mestler, N9042N (The Marty B) has produced a CD with all the Seabee Service Bulletins, Flight Manual, Parts Manuals, etc.. He states ..."Everyone I have sold this CD to has found it most useful. I have re-typed all of the Service Bulletins and reformatted the parts manuals for easier reading. No special software is required. All files are in Adobe Acrobat format and I include a reader with the CD. Once the Acrobat Reader is installed, just put the CD in the computer and it starts automatically! The charge is \$25 which includes shipping. " Contact Steve at [smestler@bellsouth.net](mailto:smestler@bellsouth.net) **I have it and I love it, it's a great reference!** It now comes with a Seabee Hat for \$50.

Kathy Anderson from XP Mods. writes ..."We've had a Sea Bee here for a long time and the owner wants us to find the remaining part, used. It's a **reversing control block with spool**, for a Hartzel reversing (3-bladed) propeller. The part number of the part I need is A4117. Waaaaay too expensive to buy new. Can you help??" [xpmod@tgi.net](mailto:xpmod@tgi.net) I am looking for bow door, rudder, complete landing gear front and rear, or a gear set I could borrow so I could duplicate it, Complete control column, yokes, etc. My address is 365 Monitor rd. Silverton, Or. 97381. Where I own a steel fabrication shop . Byron Miller 503-873-2857 shop 503-873-1113 house email [majajudi@teleport.com](mailto:majajudi@teleport.com)

Seabee RC-3 N6019K and all parts and equipment \$60K. Annual -01-01-01, 1135.6 hrs TT , 347.6 SMOH, Prop 37.8 hrs (9-15-99 OH), No salt ever, overhead throttle quadrant, 20" wing extensions, KX 170 B comm, TX(non mode C), nav and strobe lites, Nice Bee Call me if interested. 361-547-6692. Out of town until 12-26-01. Thanks for the interest. A.K. Young, [Margaretvictor@cs.com](mailto:Margaretvictor@cs.com)

FOR SALE, Seabee suffered Off Airport Ldg. due to ignition failure., S/N 1035, TT 590, B9F eng. with 9 hr. smoh, prop 20 hrs smoh, mod. hull damage, wings , struts, floats/struts, tail feathers all OK. New or OH instruments, new Valcom and KT-76 Tx, support equipt., work stands etc., plus extra complete B9F engine and parts. \$14,500. Sam @ Ph (503) 678-5114 or E-Mail [czechride@juno.com/](mailto:czechride@juno.com)

Needed Seabee fuselage, preferably with little or no corrosion to complete project aircraft. Gordon @ Ph(503) 694-5316.

We have a completely stripped B9 Engine with most parts in good condition ...digital pictures available on request ...There are both Fed-Ex and DHL offices in Cape Town for easy shipment to the US and SAA fly direct to Fort Lauderdale and Atlanta twice weekly. Mark Becker email: [markb@za.ibm.com](mailto:markb@za.ibm.com) IBM House, V&A Waterfront, PortsWood Square, PortsWood Road, CAPE TOWN, 8000 Tele. +27(0)21-402-5900 Fax. +27(0)21-402-5515 Mobile. +27(0)82-448-2779

I am in need of a wing float strut. Lower priority needs include a lift strut and RH lift strut fuselage fitting. If any one can help him, it's Tom Kennedy, 50881 O'Byrne Rd, Sardis, B.C. Canada V4Z 1B6. [thos2kennedy@yahoo.com](mailto:thos2kennedy@yahoo.com) 604 824 9090

There's also this Super Bee for sale over on lake Chelan, Michael Stevens [seabee pilot@aol.com](mailto:seabee pilot@aol.com) 509 682-3531 home, 206-658-0333 work.

### Interesting Web Sites

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Seabee> *If you don't want to join the group right away, you can log in as "seabee guest" with a password of "Seabee". Enjoy, it's a great site with lots of great pictures and links.* These are mostly B.C. stuff, but I'm already dreaming of next summer ... if they're listed in blue, you may be able to just click on them to launch your browser ...

<http://tappix.com/506824>

<http://www.members.home.net/makins40/>

<http://www.bcfloatplane.com/>

<http://www.alertbay.com/eagleair/> Looks like a great place to go, *let's plan a trip!*

<http://www.canadianseaplane.com/index.htm>

The flying Seabee model! This is cool! Easy to build with a 72" wing span, check out [www.rcairplane.net](http://www.rcairplane.net) *Has anyone built this? I'd love to find out more about it.*

Work like you don't need the money.

Love like you've never been hurt.

And dance like no one is watching.

Bee Sea n'ya,

Bruce

360-769-2311 home

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