

SEABEE NEWSLETTER

Next meeting of CHICAGO SEAPLANERS CLUB will be THURS., JAN. 25, 1900 hrs.

at

*SHARKO'S RESTAURANT & LAOUNGE (Their phone:776-6644)
7840 South Western Avenue
Chicago, Illinois*

Smorgasbord, or order from the menu. Dutch treat, as usual. Easy to find, too.

Note that this is the FOURTH Thursday, done quite intentionally, as we just didn't have time to get out a letter and take care of the necessary paper work for Uncle after our return from the West.

Also our apologies for the length of the NEWSLETTER this issue, but news was mighty scarce. Hope this doesn't set a precedent for 1973.

FROM CHICAGO---George Pomeroy (N217G) was present in person to see Apollo 17 blast off. He also got to see Fulton Ivy's latest with extended wing and flaps, and ailerons moved outboard. Drooping ailerons with flaps reduces stall speed into the forties. Ivy is working toward certification, so possibly the modification may become available to other Beekeepers.---Yours truly spotted an unusual machine under construction at San Fernando, Calif. Turned out to be the replica of Benny Howard's DGA 6 (Mister Mulligan). Builder acquired the remains of the original in Arizona desert, and by piecing together information from the late Benny Howard, his widow, Gordon Isrial (noted most recently for his work with Bill Lear), and from model airplane data, was able to compile sufficient information to construct almost exact copy. It wasn't covered and structural details were quite impressive, as design was stressed for 12 Gs. Yet despite its empty weight of some 2500 lbs., it still performed well, lifting more than its own weight and topping in excess of 300 mph. Not bad, considering the original was designed and built in the early '30's.---Former Beekeeper Robert Otto traded his Apache for another upsidedown twin, only this time manufactured in Wichita and named, quite appropriately, Travelair.

FROM DALLAS-FORT WORTH---Dick Sanders (N6458K) advises that if anyone wants Seabee patches, with or without their own "N" number, to contact him. There is a minimum order of 20, so he will hold yours until he gets enough to meet the minimum requirement. Capt. R.W.Sanders, P.O.Box 29056, Dallas, Texas 75220.

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