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President's PreFlight *by John Kreitzer*

Well, I think for the most part the flying season is coming to an end, I realize there are those of you that try to fly "year round", but for me, I think everything is winding down. When I first started flying I tried to do the "year round" thing, but found out very quickly that flying and cold weather don't mix, my hands get cold, my eyes start to water and besides all that, the motors don't really like to start that easily. All in all, not really a fun time, so that's why I use this time for building/repairs as I'm sure a lot of you do, too.

On a personal note, our family had some exciting news this month. We were having a "surprise" anniversary party for my wife's parents who celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary. During the party, my in-laws were opening the gifts from all of the grandchildren. They had all gotten together and had pictures taken, first with all of them together and then of the different couples. As it is, only my older son is married - all of the rest are just dating. So as the couple's pictures are opened everyone's commenting that each one would make a great "engagement picture", obviously trying to drop subtle hints. Well, they went through both my nieces and nephews pictures and both were commented on, when they got to my youngest son Jim's picture with his girlfriend Katie, the comments started coming and suddenly stopped, when my son dropped to one knee and asked her to marry him. It was quite a moment indeed, like my wife Karen said, you took 20 people who were laughing and in an instant virtually got them all crying. It was a very memorable moment for all who were there. So, if I'm not around next October 24th, you know where I'll be.

Remember our elections are at the November meeting, as it turns out we actually will be having a couple of races this year. Chris Milbauer and Paul Hohensee are competing for the presidents position (if you haven't heard, I will be stepping down after this year). Bob Lirette and Pete Milewski will be competing for the Vice Presidents position. Tim Becker will be returning as the Secretary/Treasurer as will all of the current board members. As was announced at the October meeting, if you wish to nominate someone to run for any of the offices, you can do so at the November meeting, however their name will not be on the official ballot, it will need to be written in when the votes are cast. So be sure to make it to the November meeting which will be on the 9th at DiMarini's. If you'd like to check out the "Bio's" of the prospective candidates you can do so at our website: www.flyingelectrons.com and go to the "What's New" section.

Lastly, I just want to remind everyone of the Christmas Party, which will be held at the Loft & Chapel in Waukesha again this year. Chris Milbauer will be selling tickets for the party for \$15 each, with children 6 – 12 being \$7.50 and under 6 will be free. The bar will open at 5:00 with dinner being served at around 6:00. You will need a ticket to attend, so be sure to hook up with Chris to purchase your ticket.

Until Next Month,
Have Fun, Be Safe.

Flying Electrons Monthly Minutes
Board of Directors Meeting
October 12th, 2008

Meeting Called to order at 6:00 PM.

Location: DiMarini's Restaurant, Menomonee Falls, WI

Attendee's: John Kreitzer (President), Chris Milbauer (Vice-President), Tim Becker (Treasurer), Todd Davis (Director), Ron Jans (Director), Mike Bohlman (Director), Mike Dorna (Director), Bob Lirette (Charity Event-CD)

The board discussed the ballots for the upcoming election, it was decided to add a "write-in" space for each position available and it was decided to accept nominations in November, however the persons name would need to be written in on the ballot, it would not be added to each ballot.

The treasurer's report was read into the record, the numbers are available upon request. Tim announced that the membership was up to 159, with one new member joining in the past month. Tim announced that he was taking renewals for the 2009 season.

Chris handed out a document spelling out the final numbers from this year's concession stand. Chris had bought out the remainder of the food and drinks at cost. Chris announced that if he is elected president, Pete Milewski would take over the concession stand, if he is not elected, he will remain in charge of the concession. The board thanked him for his time and effort. The concession stand ended up netting \$474.00 for the year.

The Xmas Party was discussed and it was re-iterated that the times would be "Bar Open" at 5:00, Dinner at 6:00.

The Menomonee Falls Xmas Parade was discussed; it was decided to put it in front of the general membership to see if they wanted to participate. (The issue was discussed and it was decided to pass on the idea).

Tim Steinke from the Boy Scouts arrived at the meeting; the board informed him of the amount of money that they would be receiving from the Charity Event. Tim told the board that they would be contacting the local vendors earlier this year to possibly acquire better gifts to be used in the raffle. The idea to move the event to a Saturday (with Sunday as a rain date) was discussed with Tim; he said that it would be no problem for them to cover either day. A few ideas for improving the concession stand were discussed and Tim agreed to the ideas.

With no other business to be discussed, the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by:

John Kreitzer

Next Meeting

Sunday, November 9
7:00 PM at DiMarini's
Board Meeting @ 6:00 PM

Next Event

Sunday, December 14
Christmas party

Member Notes:

Renewals

Renew now, renew often!

Club renewals are accepted any time after you get your 2009 AMA card.

Send a copy of that along with your Electrons renewal notice and your 2009 member ship card will be on its way.

Send to:
The Flying Electrons
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Looking for club documents?

The club secretary has them available electronically. If you would like a copy send Tim Becker an email at tim_b2008@yahoo.com. The following documents are available:

Bylaws	Start Up Cost Estimate	Pilot-Instructor Checkride
Field Rules	Training Program	Sound Abatement
Flying Electrons Application	Field Manager Duties	New Member Orientation
Ground School	Criteria for Honorary Life Membership	

Pilot Status

Attention student pilots! Once you pass your pilot checkride make sure you give me a shout so I can send you a key and update the club records. You can keep and use your Student (yellow) card with the club instructor's signature on the back or request a Pilot card with your key.

The Milwaukee R/C Association is holding the 31st Annual Auction and Swap Shop on January 4th, 2009. Volunteers are needed to support the event. You can sign up for 3 different time slots: 7:00 – 9:00, 9:00 – 11:00, or 11:00 – 1:00. By supporting the event you get free entry and the Flying Electrons will receive \$10 for each member that helps out.

To get involved contact Laurie Jones at 414-461-6013.

Building a Scale Jug – Part 20

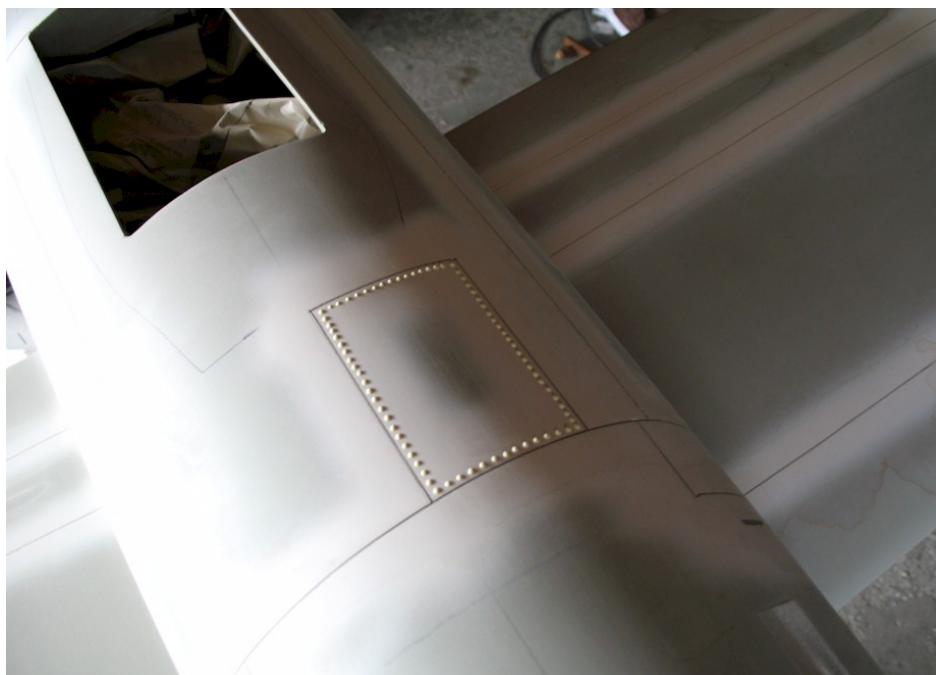
By Steve Maurice

This month I began making the rivets for the P-47. I was having a hard time deciding how to do this. The P-47 had flush rivets, and I know of 2 techniques to make them. One method is to take a hot brass tube and burn circles into the paint put on in the panel line step. This is often done by modifying a soldering gun tip or by heating the tubing with a candle. While that technique is probably more accurate to true flush rivets on a full scale airplane, I pictured myself still making rivets 3 years from now. My other concern with this technique was that if mistakes were made, repairing them would be a lot of work. With that in mind, I decided to go with glue rivets.

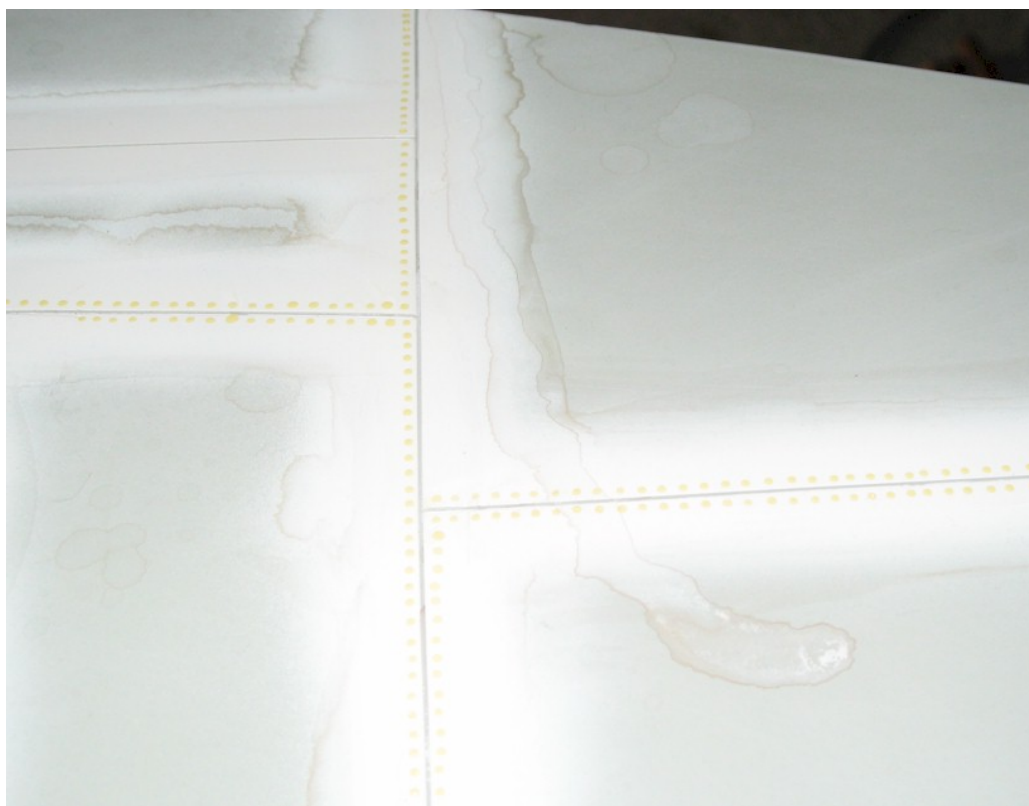
This technique of making rivets is pretty simple, you just place drops of glue where you want the rivets to be. Here are all the tools needed, a bottle of Titebond and a small bottle with a hypodermic needle tip (the hypodermic bottles are available from a company called Gaunt Industries in Chicago).



You don't want to mix up too much glue at a time, you really use it very slowly as you add rivets. As you can see from the picture, I added about ½ inch in the bottom of the bottle, and added about a tablespoon of water to dilute it. Mix it up and you are ready to start riveting. The nice thing about making rivets this way is that if you make a mistake, you can just wipe the surface clean and start over. Here is a picture of the rivets with the glue still wet.



Once the glue dries, the rivets become much less visible, but the weathering step will make them stand out. Here are some dried rivets.



If we were dealing with normal rivets, these rivets would be done now, but since there are flush rivets there is one more step. After the entire plane is riveted, I'll carefully sand the rivets down flat. That will give them more of the appearance of flush rivets.

That's about it for this month, the addition of rivets is a slow and tedious process! I'll leave you with one last picture, of my pilot inspecting the rivets...



As always, if anyone has any questions or comments, you can email me at stevemaurence@wi.rr.com. See you next month!



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