

# CHAPTER 42 NEWSLETTER

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Anchorage, Alaska

Monthly newsletter from Chapter 42 of the Experimental Aircraft Association

# FROM THE LEFT SEAT

Our esteemed newsletter editor is out trekking in the bush. Luckily he left behind the brains of the business and Lovely Ann has agreed to put out an abbreviated newsletter (letter-ette?).

This month we have 2 events scheduled. Below are details of an open house. The column to the right has our monthly meeting information. We'd love to see you at both events...so mark your calendar!

**Brent Davidson** has agreed that, on Sunday, September 26th from 1 to 5 pm, he will open up his shop for our viewing pleasure. His project is the **Titan Tornado**. To get to Brent's place, drive toward the Chugach State Park Nature Center on Eagle River Road, past the Wal Mart and continue 2.4 miles. Take a right on West Lake Drive. The house is on the right at **9420 West Lake Drive**.

The Tornado 2 incorporates material and systems not com-

monly found in aircraft comparably priced. This is combined with Titan Aircraft's renowned reputation for high quality product, superior aircraft performance and outstanding customer support.



## The kit

has an estimated build time of 150 - 300 hours and includes all required material, components and fasteners. This aircraft combines friendly low speed handling characteristics with agility and high performance. The Tornado 2 is designed to a +6g/-4g load limit capability at 1000 pounds gross weight. When operating with the Rotax 582 engine, the cruise speed is in excess of 110 mph. The stall speed in landing configuration-flying solo is 35 mph.

# **NEXT MEETING**

Our monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 28th at 7 pm. It will be held in the UAA Aviation complex at Merrill Field in the auditorium. We will have a guest speaker and a general membership meeting. Our guest speaker is Pete Kalamarides, He will talk about the Stits Process of covering aircraft. It should be very interesting.

#### **FAOs about Stits:**

What is the Stits Poly-Fiber process?

The "Stits" system, uses Poly-Fiber fabric and all-vinyl coatings. Our vinyl coatings do not support combustion.

Can I cover my own airplane? I'm not an A&P. Most of the airplanes covered today are done by owner/builders. Fabric covering is easy to do, it's just time consuming. A knowledgeable A&P with an AI will usually supervise your work for a reasonable fee, then sign the paperwork and logbooks if you do a good job that meets with his approval. Ask around at your airport, or in your EAA chapter.

What if it's an experimental airplane? No A&P supervision is required here. You can legally do the whole thing yourself.

<u>Directions to the UAA Aviation Complex:</u> Take Airport Heights Road and turn west on Merrill Drive. Building is on your right. Look for room location on the board in the lobby.



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MONTHLY MEETINGS

4th Tuesday of most months

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