

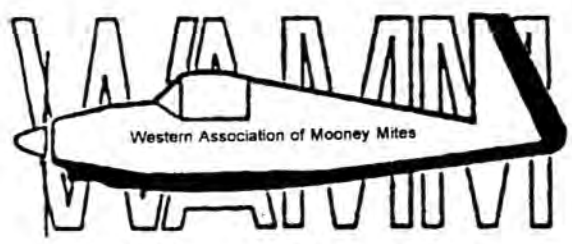
The WAMM newsletter is established as a non-profit voice for the purpose of circulating information of interest or value as well as shared experiences to Mooney Mite owners and enthusiasts. In addition, it is formed in recognition that a newsletter is essential to maintain communication between mite owners in attempting flying condition preservation of the remaining single place Mooneys. The newsletter is published as enough news and information gather to be informative to the mite owners.

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The Y2K appears to be a problem for a great many---lucky for we mite guiders no problems for us because the mites are not computerized! Isn't that a relief? Imagine come 1 Jan 2000 and our mites would not fly? What a nasty thought! And another thing to consider is that the 'millenium' does not start until 1 Jan 2001!!!! How many of you realized that point? Back to the great Mooney Mites.....

So that I do not forget to insert my e-mail address, I'll do it now before I have one of those senior moments. It is [territony@worldnet.att.net](mailto:territony@worldnet.att.net) all lower case letters "superhighway people"! There now, done!.

**For Sale:** Don Darrow has the following mite items for sale. He lives in Washington state. They are:

- \* A65 Continental engine with 254 hrs SMOH, TT 1258 hrs
- \* A controllable pitch prop
- \* Both for \$3800
- \* Phone 425-349-3844....Fax 425-349-3767..dondarrow@msn.com

Doyle Dix from Columbus Ga. is looking for a set of rings and gaasket set for his Lycoming 0-145 and does not care to pay El Reno their rather outrageous prices...very expensive! He is completing a restoration on serial no.# 40 mite with hopes of flying it soon. Doyle, try Fred Schmidt in Camdon, Ohio---he may be more reasonable.

**For Sale:** Mite plans....Contact George (?) at 407-452-0652 in Florida, no last name. Good luck!

The upcoming Porterville spring get-together is around the corner already. The dates are 14, 15, & 16 of May. Remember it is the week-end after mother's day. It would be nice to see many of the M18's there this year - let's try for a dozen or more! Look for the schedule on another page in this issue of the newsletter. It is a great gathering place for us each year at the Porterville Calif. (PTV) airport. So folks grease up your steeds and fly it to PTV....Come on,down, up or whatever direction.

While on the subject of PTV, Bill Vandersande of (N4105) fame is moving his mite plus his Temco T35 there within a few months. He has already completed construction of his hangar just down the path from Ben Favrholt's hangar. PTV will now boast of having two Mooney mites in residence thus reducing the number of mites in Chino to only one! Mine! A few years ago Chino Airport was home to three great mites! Sad, sad, sad for me. But happy for Bill.....

If this spring get-together can not be attended, think of making plans for the next one this late summer, the week-end before labor day. Those dates are 27, 28, & 29 of August 1999. Those of us in attendance at Porterville will talk about where the tentative place for the gathering should be held. Benton was one place, but I'm thinking of two other spots.....Chico or Orville California as alternatives. More investigating is needed.

As for a bit of the unusual, Tim Lucero of Lompoc, Ca. was flying home (in his mite last month) from Casa Grande Ariz. suddenly losing his canopy. Whoops! He contacted me for some info as to where he could buy another, which I informed him accordingly. We shall have to get some details of this ephisode from Tim at the upcoming flyin in May. Get ready to give us the details, Tim!!!

**Eastern WAMM:** I have not heard from anyone as to any eastern activities coming soon. Come on folks, get together back there and have a gathering of mites this summer somewhere. If any guidance is needed contact me or Ted Teach (937-233-7257) for details. The flyin held last May in Ohio was a great success..don't let it fall apart. Have another.

**ARROW: The key word to remember :** A must before takeoff to check in order to be legal. So check:

Airworthiness certificate

Registration

Radio Station License (if applicable)

Operations Limitations And Weight & Balance data

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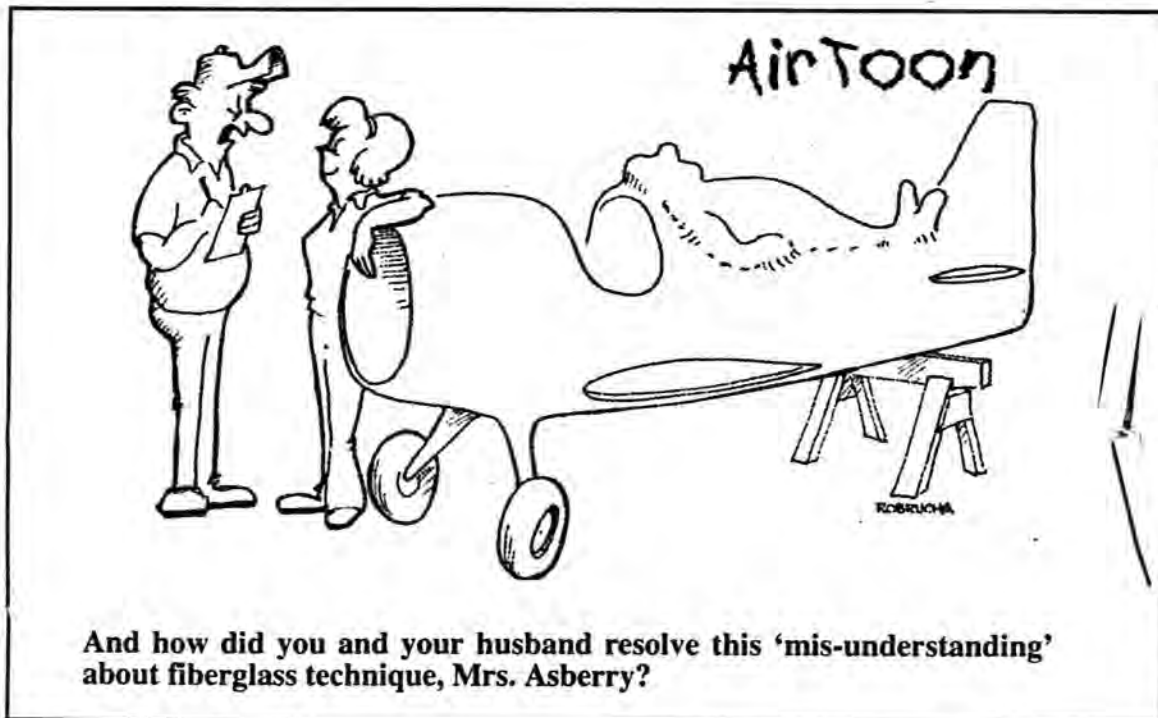
**Mal Gross Jr.** : Wrote me a note (letter) stating he will be in Germany for six weeks; therefore, unable to attend Porterville. Mal is a director in EAA, living in the state of Washington on an island and has been flying his mite to the flyins. He has an M18C55 model which flies rather consistently for his fun flying. The other plane is a Cessna T210 for business purposes. Along with his letter he sent a copy of an article from "Flying" (cerca 1948) written by Max Karant a well known aviation writer in those days. The interesting feature is that this article is quite popular because it describes the first early mites with the Crosley engine. The article contains some information about the early mites that makes for good reading. Try the library to obtain a copy of this material.

In addition to the article, Mal mentioned that he conducted a CO test (carbon monoxide) in the mite finding more CO than realized. He mentions the readings somewhere to 40 parts per million. Whether this is good enough or not he did not know; however, OSHA has set a max of 50 ppm in workplaces!!! This all came about because Mal was/is having CO problems with his T210.

The above is a good warning to we mite pilots to monitor CO content in our flying activities. He does not have much faith in the miniature CO indicator sold for aircraft. I have been monitoring CO in both of my planes constantly for years, just being aware is a good start. In the mite, there is enough air sneaking in from every corner, I hope, to keep the CO at a safe level!!!! I hope, I hope, I hope!!!

Another great flying year lies ahead, I sincerely desire to express that all we mite guys enjoy the best of conditions (weather) and safe flying for the ensuing months. Those of you in the cold country probably can't wait to start the flying soon....Happy flying.

**Oh! Oh!** : Almost had another senior moment. A new aviation magazine recently came on to the scene, called 'Custom Planes'.....The April 1999 issue has a great article about the Mooney Mite of Gary Gramman of San Diego, Calif. with some great detail of our fine flying machine. Buy one and save the article for your files. Some nice photos too. Hurray for Gary!!!!!!!



# Western Association of Mooney Mites

## *1999 22th Annual Mooney Mite Spring Get-Together Porterville Airport California*

### *Suggested Schedule--*

#### *Friday-14 May 1999*

*3.00 - 6.00 pm - Greetings  
6.30 - 7.00 pm - Sunset Flyby  
7.30 - until pm - Dinner & Hangar Flying*

#### *Saturday - 15 May 1999*

*6.30 - 7.00 - am - Dawn Patrol  
7.30 - 9.30 - am - Breakfast Flight  
9.30 - 12.00 - pm - Greeting More Arrivals  
12.00 - 1.30 - pm - Lunch  
1.30 - 2.30 - pm - Relaxation & Mite Talk  
2.30 - 5.00 - pm - Short Flying Safari to ???  
5.00 - 7.00 - pm - Relaxation  
7.00 - until pm - Happy Hour & Dinner*

#### *Sunday - 16 May 1999*

*6.30 - 7.00 - am - Dawn Patrol  
7.30 - 9.00 - am - Breakfast  
9.00 - 12.00 -pm - More Mite Talk or ????  
12.00 - ..... - Lunch or/and Departures*

*Accommodations: Campout or Town Motels  
Mite Mania Fun: Don't Miss It!!!!!!*

*Remember---Keep the Mites Flying*

