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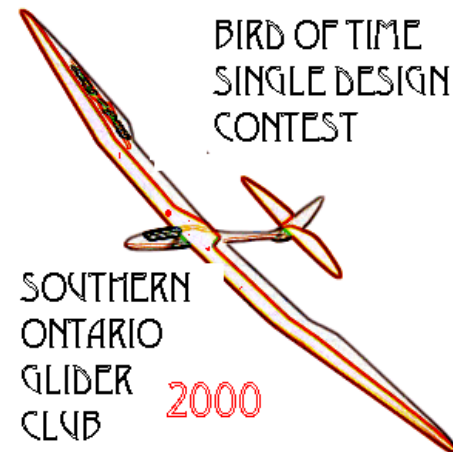
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IF YOU BUILD IT.....

The bog days of winter are with us again – sorry, but I think my new spell checker is dyslexic – and under that thick blanket of white snow the earth sleeps.

This evening of January 20th – St. Agnes Eve, as pen doodles over paper I am reminded of the words of John Keats, Poet and Glider pilot

St. Agnes' Eve – Ah, bitter chill it was!
The owl, for all his feathers, was a-cold;
The hare limp'd trembling though the frozen grass,
And silent was the flock in woolly fold.

Yet there stirs beneath the icy crust – or is it shakes not stirred – the first scratchings and rumblings from the intrepid birdmen of summer. Cluttered workbenches are cleared and made ready with a single swipe. Eyeglasses are cleaned and polished. Lost hobby pins are located by trolling the carpet with stockinged feet, glue bottles are sniffed just to see if they still able to fix things and perhaps, the most important task of all – the ceremonial first rolling out of the plans for the Bird of Time takes place. (Arrgh Jim Lad! Can't you just smell the old monocote a' shrinkin').

Whiarton Willie says you have just six weeks to complete your version of the Big Bird – so recheck the kit, review the wise counsel of the pundits and build the sucker like you were going to anyway.

In this months edition of the newsletter we have included a couple of things that sometimes we overlook or take for granted – like how to tie a barrel knot – my old granny would not be much help in fixing broken winch lines. Old fishermen and younger glider pilots may well be well versed in the technique but I must confess that I neither fish or sail so I need the guidance. The other item is a very interesting article on how to calculate the EDA (Equivalent Dihedral Angle) for a wing – it sounds a little more complicated than it really is but the graph and the worked examples make it fairly straightforward reading. Now we will be able to compare the different performance results obtained from our Bird of Time population and see if it really works!

At the December meeting the members agreed by unanimous decision and acclamation that a Lifetime Honorary Membership be conferred on Peter Ashton. Although Peter has had relinquish flying we certainly hope that he will feel free to visit he flying field and kibitz with the rest of the gallery – or even be an Honorary C.D.

Santa Claus bin berry berry good to me! Wedged in one of my old socks this year was a Scanner (no, not for listening to the police and firemen) for my computer with which I am able to transpose photographs to computer images

and hence into the newsletter. Not only can it do this but also I am able to scan typewritten text (such as Fred's – Why Build Scale Series) and it is converted in to a word processor format so that the text can be manipulated *and* spell checked etc. - yes, there are sum fun tymes ahead. And better *p'ics*.

MINUTES OF SOGGI MEETING DECEMBER 12 1999

The meeting was called to order by Bud Wallace at 2.05 PM. There were 16 members present. Minutes of the November 14 meeting were read by all. Motion the minutes be accepted by Stew Watson Seconded by Fred Freeman

Business Arising from Reading of the Minutes:

Keith Armstrong brought up the topic of the Flying Aces having flying privileges as Associate Members. It was shown that Associate Members do not have any voting rights. It does not say anything about flying privileges in the club constitution dated December 18 1992

Derek Hartwell said he purchased a gift certificate at The Old School a restaurant in Paris for Ben Schouten. Derek stated he would see that Ben receives this gift before Christmas.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Derek stated that there was balance of \$1,780.00 plus \$700.00 in checks for dues. Derek said that the clubs books should be audited. Keith Armstrong offered to do the audit. Motion for Keith to audit the books by Bud Wallace Seconded by Werner Klebert

ONE DESIGN CONTEST:

Fred Freeman wrote an excellent article about avoiding some of the pitfalls when building The Bird of Time. This article should be on top of your plans as a helpful guide.

- 1: Elevator pivot tube should be reinforced
- 2: Extend the wing saddle 3/8 on the outside of the fuselage.
- 3: Install spoilers (All agreed this is a must for this plane).
It was suggested that blade type spoilers be used.
- 4: Werner Kelbert discussed a plug in wing instead of rubber bands.
- 5: Use spruce instead of basswood for the spars.
- 6: Use basswood instead of balsa for the wing tips.
- 7: Stiffen the base of the fin.
- 8: Add 1/4-inch washout in each wing tip.

CONTEST DATES:

The Millennium **Postal** Contest for the Bird of Time organised by Stan Shaw and the ORCC. This contest will take place on any day in June 2000. Bob Thayer distributed a copy of the rules for this contest. It was decided to move the clubs October 15 2000 Bird Of Time contest to June 18 2000 (Rain date June 25 2000). This way we can combine the first 3 flights of our contest with the Postal Contest. The Postal Contest is optional. The entry fee is four (4) .46 cent stamps.

NEW BUSINESS:

Peter Ashton a long time member of SOGGI has offered to give the club a new battery for the winch. Fred Freeman offered to pick up the battery.

As Peter has health problems he can no longer fly. It was decided to give Peter a lifetime membership and refund his year 2000 dues. A check was given to Fred Freeman who will deliver it to Peter.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

A motion that the Executive be returned to office for another year was tabled by Werner Hildesheim. As there were no objections. Motion seconded by Stew Watson. All in favour.

SHOW AND TELL:

Werner Kelbert brought in his newly built and designed Fugeita (Brown Eyed Susan) Werner gave a detailed description of how he designed printed out the plans for this glider. He stated that the day before he had three flights. The plane flew up to Werner's expectations.

Meeting Closed at 4:00 PM
Motion to adjourn Bill Woodward
Seconded Bud Wallace.

MINUTES OF SOGGI MEETING JANUARY 9th 2000

The meeting was called to order by Bud Wallace at 2.15 PM
There were 9 members present.
Minutes of the December 12 meeting were read by all.
Because there were only nine members present a quorum could not be formed.
Therefore no official business pertaining to club activities could be passed.

ONE DESIGN CONTEST:

Several topics about the Bird of Time were discussed.

- 1: Bob Thayer stated that spoilers could be purchased from Rosie's for about \$19.00.
- 2: Fred Freeman made a mock up of a spoiler for the Bird of Time.
- 3: Put the spoilers in front of the spars.
- 4: Use a clear tape for the hinge.
- 5: Spoilers should take up at least 2 bays.
- 6: Use magnets or weights to bring the spoilers down.
- 7: When building the stabilizer build a right and a left side.

SHOW AND TELL:

Jack Linghorne brought in some wings, a fuselage, a Sagitta Glider and some books.
Which he offered to give to the members.

Meeting Closed at 3.30 PM.

**Is there anybody out there? – Who has an article inside just bursting to get out
- We publish for free!**

Calculation of the Equivalent Dihedral Angle

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Introduction

Wing dihedral refers to the angle of wing panels as seen in the front view. The arrangement and amount of these angles determines in part the roll moment generated by the wing as a function of yaw angle. The dihedral of different wings can be quantified by a single value. Aerodynamicists quantify dihedral with the coefficient CIB (Pronounced "see el beta"). Translated, this is the coefficient of roll moment due to yaw angle. Equivalent dihedral angle, EDA, is a similar measure that is more easily visualized. It is the dihedral angle of a V-dihedral wing with equivalent roll moment. Aerodynamicists do not use this term, although they may understand it. It is a simplification to say the EDA is constant for a given wing in all flight conditions, but it is a reasonable simplification.

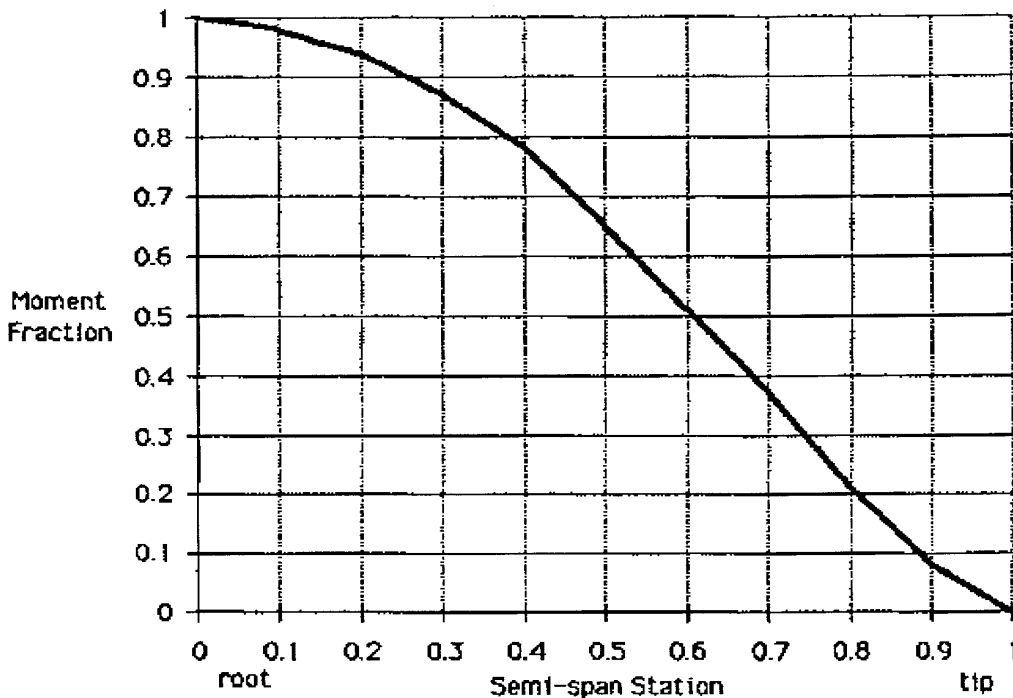
EDA is a major factor in roll response, roll rate and spiral stability. For a rudder and elevator model at a given airspeed and yaw angle, the steady-state roll rate will be proportional to EDA. EDA is also one of three key factors in spiral stability (Reference 1).

This note describes how to calculate EDA for an unswept wing, the planform of which is reasonably elliptic.

Different Dihedral Schemes

Model airplanes use a variety of dihedral schemes. The most basic is V-dihedral. The dihedral angle of a V-dihedral wing is measured from the horizon to the wing, where both wings are at the same angle to the horizon.

"Polyhedral" wings break the wing up into two or more panels per semi-span. The dihedral angle for each panel is again measured to the horizon.



The figure above shows a curve relating the relative rolling moment of the wing as a function of the semi-span station. The basis is the moment at the root, or semi-span station zero. Thus, the relative rolling moment at station 0 is 1.0. This means that at the root the wing generates the full rolling moment.

Halfway out the wing at station 0.5, the wing generates 0.65 of the rolling moment. Even though less than half the wing area is outboard of station 0.5, it has a longer lever arm, so it generates nearly two-thirds of the rolling moment.

At station 0.8, the rolling moment is down to 0.2. Despite the long moment arm here, the much smaller area of the assumed elliptic planform tip cuts into the rolling moment. Planforms that are broader in the tip would have slightly more moment generated outboard.

Calculation of EDA

Calculation of EDA is straightforward. First locate the semi-span station of each dihedral break. Second, measure the dihedral of each panel. Then calculate the EDA of each panel alone as if it is the only panel with dihedral. Then add up all the panels to get the total EDA. By the way, do this only for one side of the airplane - the other side is assumed to be symmetrical!

This may be easiest to explain by example:

A wing with a dihedral break at 0.5 semi-span, with a flat center panel and tips bent up 15°:

The EDA of the inner panel is:

$$0^\circ(1-0.65) = 0^\circ$$

The EDA of the outer panel is:

$$15^\circ(0.65-0) = 9.75^\circ$$

The total EDA of the wing is:

$$0^\circ + 9.75^\circ = 9.75^\circ$$

A wing with a dihedral break at 0.5 and 0.8 semi-span, with dihedral angles from inboard to outboard of 5°, 10° and 15°:

The EDA of the inner panel is:

$$5^\circ(1-0.65) = 1.75^\circ$$

The EDA of the middle panel is:

$$10^\circ(0.65-0.20) = 4.50^\circ$$

The EDA of the tip panel is:

$$15^\circ(0.20-0) = 3.00^\circ$$

The total EDA of the wing is:

$$1.75^\circ + 4.50^\circ + 3.00^\circ = 9.25^\circ$$

Perhaps it is clear by now that a wing with any number of panels can be calculated. Note also that the calculation of a V-dihedral wing EDA is trivial.

Conclusion:

A wing can be quantified as being equivalent in dihedral effect to a V-dihedral wing dihedral angle, or Equivalent Dihedral Angle. This angle is easy to calculate approximately. This angle influences roll behavior and spiral stability.

References

1. Beron-Rawdon, B. `Spiral Stability Augmentation with a Piezo-Electric Rate Gyroscope' in Michael Shellim's R/C Soaring web site, rc-soar.com, January 2000

For Sale: Want Ads: Personals

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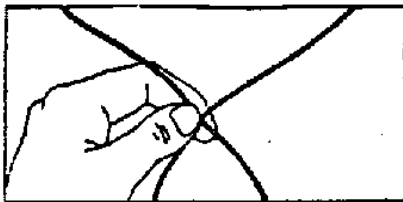
Gentle Lady Wing – Some Tree Damage, good for Spare Ribs
 (Includes instruction manual, Sears Catalogue, and BBQ Sauce
 THREE Rolls of Decorator Duct-Tape)

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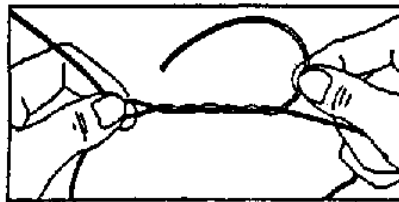
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Barrel Knot

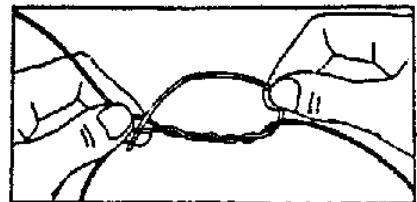
The barrel knot will not slip if properly tied. If, when you inspect your finished knot, both tag ends stick out the same side, the knot is not properly tied and may break. When tied correctly, the tag ends should emerge from the knot at a 180-degree angle to each other.



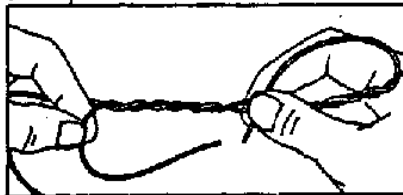
Barrel knot: Cross both pieces of material in an "X," leaving plenty of overlap.



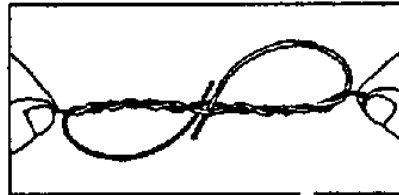
Wind one end around the standing part of the other piece three or four times.



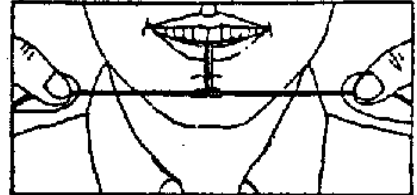
Pass this end back through the loop formed by the intersection of the two pieces.



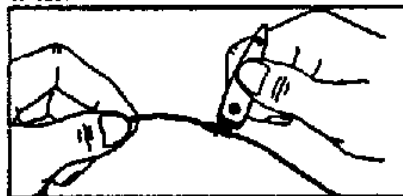
Pinching the first half of the knot to keep the end from slipping back through, wind the free end around the standing piece in the opposite direction three or four times.



Pass this end through the same loop as the first end. The ends must enter the loop from opposite directions.



Hold both ends together while pulling on the standing parts to tighten. The easiest way to keep them from slipping through is to hold them in your teeth. Don't put any pressure on the short ends when tightening.



Trim the tag ends as closely as possible.



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Deadline for April Issue of Task: March 22nd 2000

2000 Calendar of Events

- Feb 13th SOGGI General Meeting Rockton Library, 2.00pm
- Mar 12th SOGGI General Meeting Rockton Library, 2.00pm
- Apr 9th SOGGI General Meeting Rockton Library, 2.00pm
- May 14 One Design Phase 1 CD BudWallace/Cliff English
- June 4 Otto Bandman Club Day CD BudWallace
- June 4 Optional Triathlon CD Cliff English
- June 11 Golden Oldies CD BudWallace
- June 18 One Design Phase 2 CD BudWallace/Cliff English
- July 9 One Design Phase 3 CD BudWallace/Cliff English
- Aug 13 One Design Phase 4 CD BudWallace/Cliff English
- Aug 27 Novathon CD Fred Freeman
- Sept 3 Big Bird Bash CD K. Armstrong
- Sept 17 One Design Phase 5 CD BudWallace/Cliff English
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