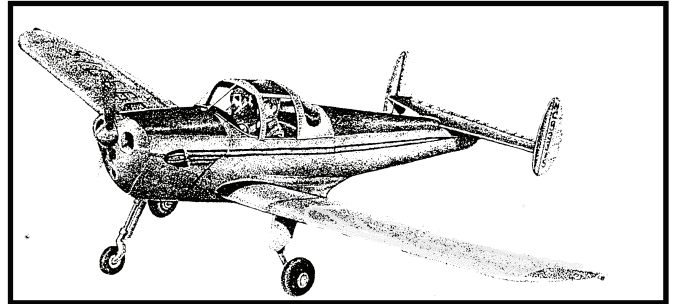


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The Door Coupe

by Skip Carden

Many years ago a gentleman by the name of Howard Treadwell from Florida contacted me about Ercoupes. Mr. Treadwell was a handicapped pilot and thought that the Ercoupe would be a good plane for persons who had no use of their legs. We talked for a while and he said that he would stay in touch. Well in a short time I got a call from Howard, who was then the president of the Wheelchair Pilots Association, saying that he had purchased a coupe. He was very pleased with it and said that it was the perfect plane for him, but there was one drawback, that being the high fuselage sides which made entry and exit very difficult. He asked me if I had ever heard of anyone putting a door in an Ercoupe? I told him that I had not, but he could contact Fred Weick who also lived in Florida and maybe he could possibly help him. This conversation was the beginning of what was to be the only Ercoupe with a door! Over the next few months Howard and I had frequent conversations regarding adding a door to the coupe. He told me that he intended to move forward with this idea and to get an STC in the process. I advised him that this was the way to go but it would be a long and expensive project.

Over the next year or two Howard would call and tell me of his progress and I was right it was a long and expensive process! Then one day I received a call saying that it was completed and that he had the STC in hand and was ready to fly the Coupe with a door. Not only had Howard added a

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door but a seat that could be folded so he could store his wheel chair in the luggage compartment. He had also added a handle on the side that helped him transition from the wheel chair to the wing walk. I told him to send me some photos for the magazine. Not long after the Door Coupe was flying and Howard was flying it all around he decided that the Ercoupe was too small and too slow for cross-country flying. He subsequently sold the coupe and bought a Cherokee. His contact with Fred ultimately resulted in Fred designing a hand control for the Cherokee and had it STC'd and gave it to the Wheelchair Pilots Association. I lost track of the Door Coupe after Howard sold it and he later told me that the STC was sold with it. To my knowledge this was the only Ercoupe ever to fly with a door! Later Howard passed away and so did information on the Door Coupe.

As Paul Harvey would say and now for the rest of the story! After many years of no news of the Door Coupe I received a call from a handicapped pilot in Texas asking me about the Door Coupe.



He told me that it was in North Carolina at Aero Services in Greensboro, NC and was for sale. He asked if I would go up and look at it for him and send him some photos of it. What a surprise the Door Coupe a mere 50 miles away! The next Saturday I drove up to Greensboro and took up a whole roll of film, as I had never had the pleasure of seeing this ship in person. I even volunteered to deliver it to Texas if he decided to buy it. I never had another conversation with the fellow but later learned he had bought it and was flying it. I also learned that it had been destroyed in an accident. Then one day out of the blue a fellow called and said that he had

Howard's STC and would the club like to have it? I responded that we would indeed! He said he was sending it....but it never arrived.

Over the past year I have had several calls from other handicapped pilots regarding the STC. I did a great deal of research and found photos of the plane and "N" number but that was all I could find. I was even told by one fellow the FAA had no STC for a coupe with a door, but I was sure that

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Howard had an STC!

Then, recently, I was on the phone with a fellow in Texas who was selling a coupe for a deceased friend's widow and we were talking about double fork nose wheels. I told him I thought we had a 337 for this and I would fax it to him. I went to the 337 file and looked at the index but there was no 337 for the double fork in our files. I then saw a piece of folded paper that was an updated 337 list and there in folder number 78 was a copy of Howard Treadwell's STC complete with drawings!

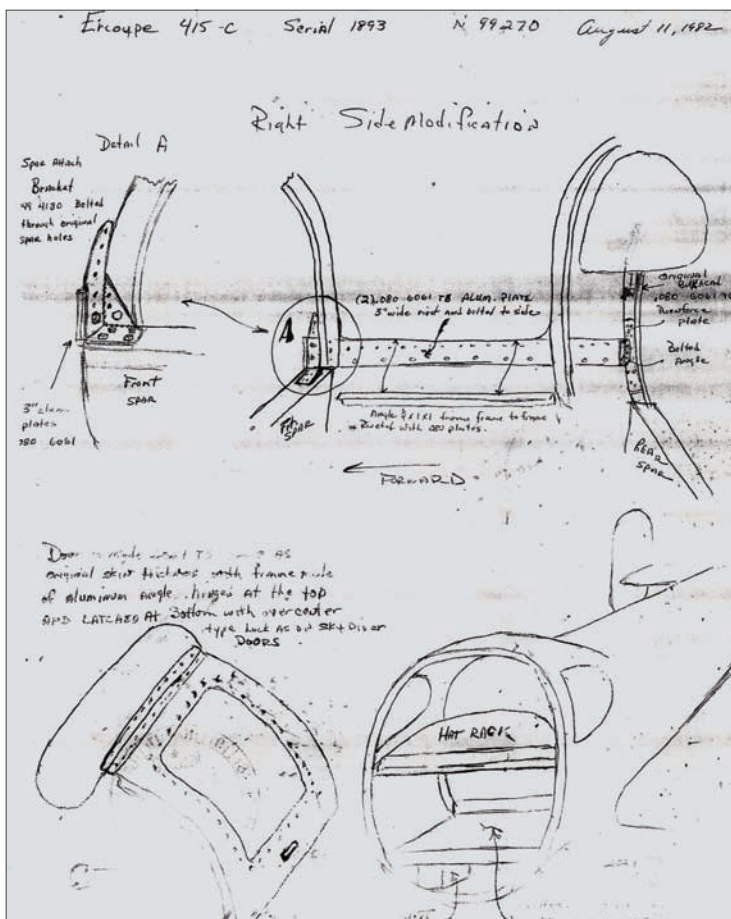
For anyone interested it is STC# SA503SO. Although I found there is little or no value because under limitations it states "Data pertaining to this modification are considered inadequate for duplication to other aircraft. This approval is limited to the installation made in ERCO Model 415-C, S/N 465 only. So, I guess there was and will only be one Door Coupe.

Getting into the 'Coupe



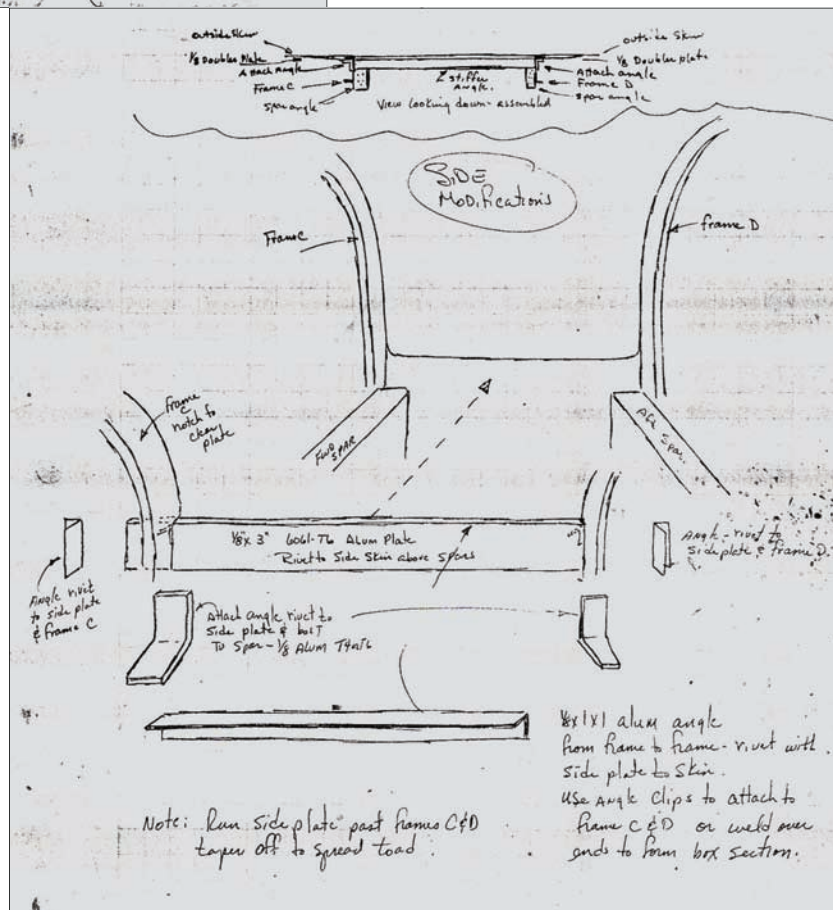
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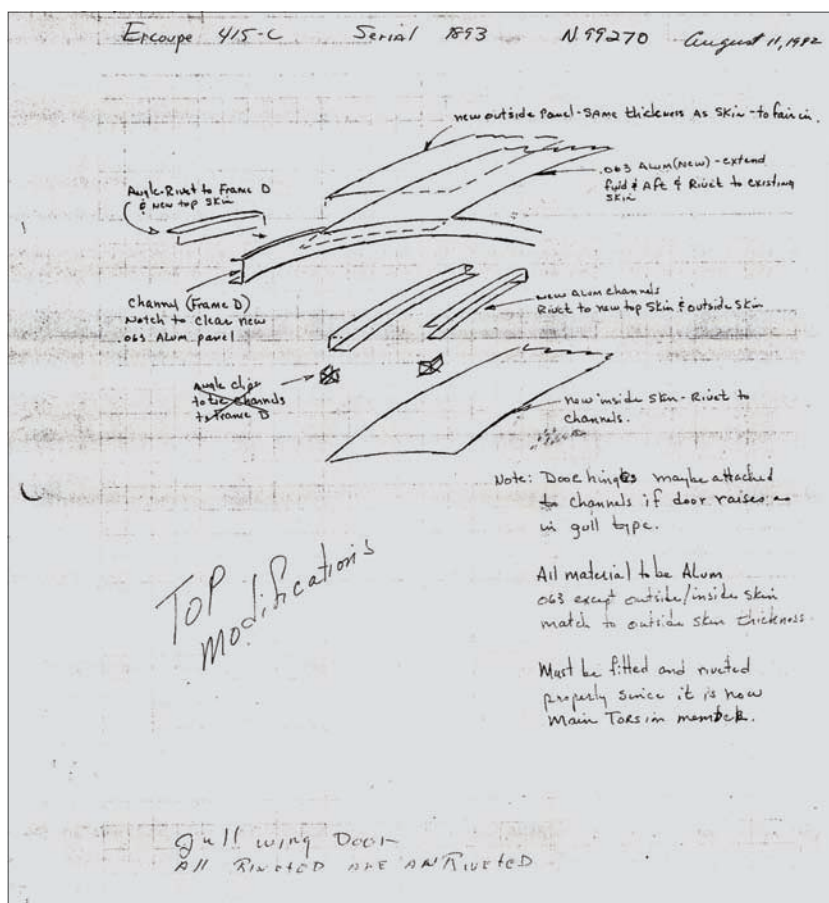
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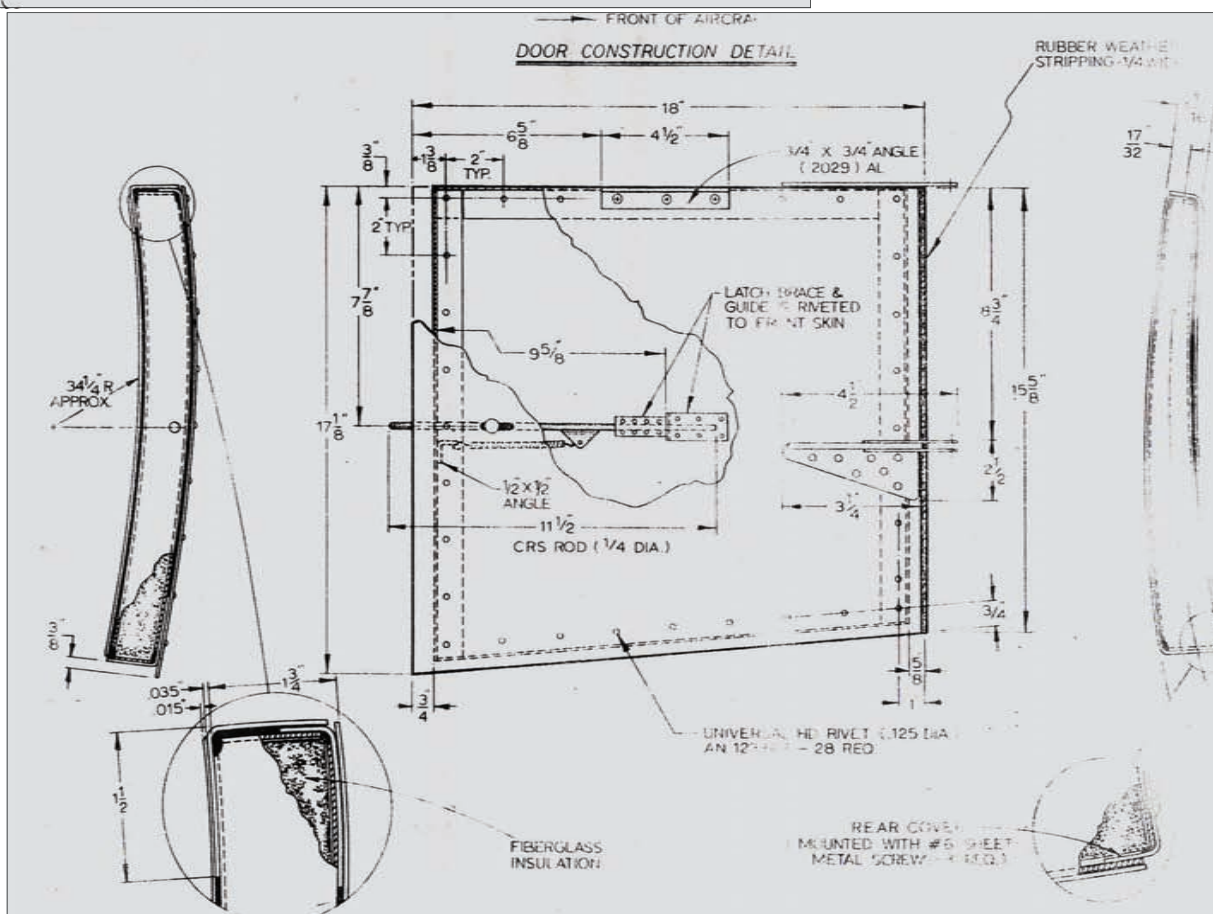
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Top Modifications

Door Construction Detail





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(*EOC Coupe Events)

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2008

Jan 1-19—Reg 6, PA Coupers, Fly Now! Aviation posters, CPAM, College Park, MD

*Jan 12—Reg 7, CA Coupers, Cable Air Fair

*Jan 14—Reg 8, AZ Coupers, monthly mtg, Deer Valley, AZ

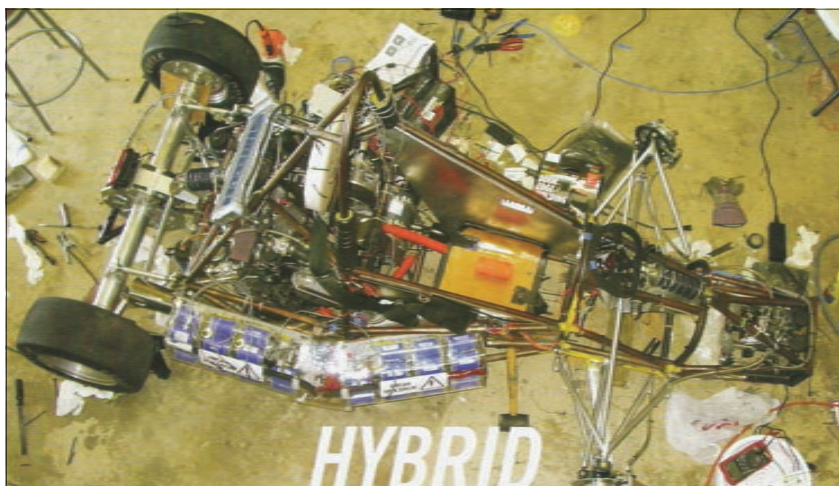
*Jan 26—Reg 7, CA Coupers, San Gabriel 99's Poker Run, CA

2008 Major Fly-ins

*Sun 'n Fun - April 8-13—Lakeland, FL

*July 25-28 - EOC National—Wausau, WI

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by Robert Ross

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Regional News



Region 6 Maryland News

College Park Aviation Museum's fundraising arm, "Field of Firsts." We are having an August 2008 tour of Seattle (Boeing plant, Museum of Flight) and other locations including the Abbotsford Air Show. Betsey Weick, Fred's daughter, says "hi to all." She is treasurer of our board.

Bob Kovalchik, President
[more information to come]

Region 7 California News

The Flabob Veterans Day Fly-In was held Saturday November 10th. The weather was comfortably warm with light breezes & reasonably clear skies (a bit hazy, but nice). This event is like taking a step back about 50 or 60 years and enjoys a WWII & 50's vintage environment & event with chow hall, a big band, classic cars, hot rods, & airplanes, etc. In the past we've had great turn out at Flabob however; the past year or so the weather has worked against us.

Attendees included: Linda Abrams N3437H, Larry Conley N3452H, Sean & daughter Alex Farrell N269DS ("Fast Ercoupe" - RV-7A @ WVI), Larry Fortier N6373V (drive in), Dan Hall & Anna Marie Flowers N3968H, Jeff Scholz N99732 (drive in), MJ Rado

Drive in (restoring a Coupe).

Region 11 REKLAW 2007 Alan Fairclough Texas Wing Leader

The fourth weekend in October is the date for the annual event that has now turned out to be Texas' #1 aviation event

This year exceeded all expectations. Unfortunately, not all those who attended registered or paid the small voluntary suggested fee that keeps this event running, so a complete count was not possible. The EAA associations that prepared the food report having fed more than 1000 people on Saturday. They ran out of food twice and had to make two quick raids into town to get more.

The best count was over 400 aircraft. The weather was absolutely perfect and everything went just fine during the three-day event. Many had arrived on Thursday so for some it was a four-day event.

Many ercoupers had other engagements or mechanical problems so turnout of coupes was lower than previous years, however those who did won the following awards:

■ Longest distance flown:
Dennis Babbitt with only 151 miles. (easy win).

■ Youngest pilot:
Dennis Babbitt again, born in 1960 (too easy) but as these are

my awards, they are also my rules so the next in line is John Clark, born in '54 who will get the youngest pilot award.

■ Oldest Project award:
Neil Strong with his coupe being rebuilt for over 7 years now and counting. He claims there is not that much work remaining but hopes to have it finished before the next Nationals.

■ That leaves the oldest pilot award that I won for the first time in my life and I am still fighting the associated depression.

Other attendees were Mike Sinclair who will only get a T-shirt and one other Ercoupe who arrived and left before anyone could get his name. (No T shirt for him)

Awards will be mailed out today and should arrive before Christmas.



21st North Las Vegas Ercoupe Fly-In & Halloween Party

by Dan Hall, California

The **21st** annual North Las Vegas International Ercoupe Fly-In & Halloween Party was the week-end of November 2nd to 4th, and is now history. Many thanks to Max, Joan, Tom and others from the NV & AZ Ercoupe Groups for their efforts putting on such a special & long running event.

Several NorCal VIP Ercoupers drove or flew to Jean on Thursday, while a gaggle of SoCal Ercoupes flew out on Friday. We joined a total of about 30+ Ercoupers at Jean to celebrate life, flying, and our special airplanes.

Ercoupers gathered once more at the Jean Sport Aviation Airport (OL7) adjacent to the Gold Strike Motel & Casino. The airport is a 5-minute walk from the Gold Strike Casino however; Ercoupers who drove provided regular rides to and from the Casino for those who preferred not to walk.

The weather cooperated nicely Friday, Saturday, & Sunday; de-

spite warnings of Santa Anna winds due to a frontal passage a day earlier (Thursday). The days were CLEAR, sunny, and warm; and the nights cool & crisp. We did have some mild to moderate winds but they probably didn't exceed 20 MPH and were straight down the runway - no problem for our Ercoupes and nothing to prevent some fun flying to the dam or a nearby dry lake bed.

Upon arrival about sunset on Friday, the SoCal Coupers were greeted by our hosts and treated to food & drink at the Jean Sport Aviation Airport Pilots Lounge (BTW - it's quite nice!), which served as home base for the group & event. Old acquaintances were renewed and some new ones formed as everyone made the rounds meeting & greeting each other. Some retired early, while others sat and chatted, and the more adventurous took in the Casino's various activities (a moderate and appropriate bit of celebrating & libations).

Saturday dawned sunny & mild with moderate winds. Several NV Ercoupers arrived during the day, stayed for a few hours to say hello and show their support, then departed.

The vast majority stayed for the Saturday evening 5:00 PM Happy Hour and 6:00 PM dinner. Sunday morning dawned with fair skies. Those who had flown or driven in prepared to leave and made the rounds to say 'So long until next year'.

We all enjoyed ourselves and look forward to next year's event. We hope to see the same friendly faces and a few more at Jean in October of 2008.



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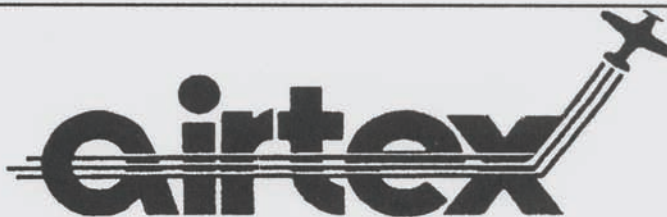
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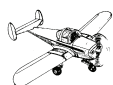
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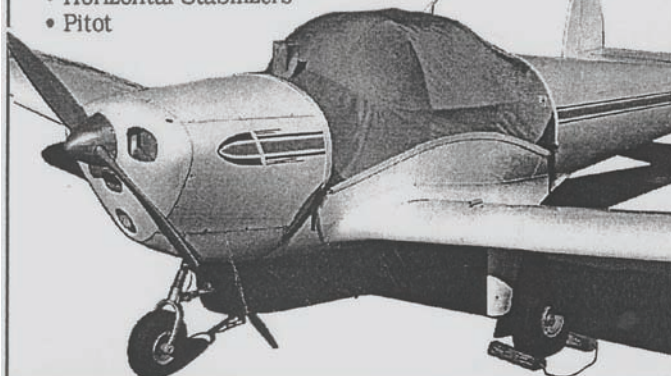
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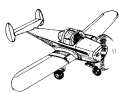
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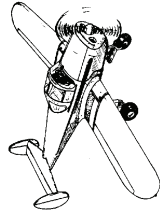
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