

TAIFUNNEWS

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Excuse the skimpy format, but we're just learning how to do this in "Microsoft Word", as I'm unable to convert "Microsoft Publisher" creations (my regular program) to "Adobe Acrobat" for easy reading by recipients. I promise to improve my work in the future, especially if YOU contribute stories, questions, answers or photos .

A new friend:

Gillian Bryce-Smith, publisher of "Motorgliding International", the internet based magazine, has been added to our mailing list.

Gillian has asked for our help in submitting stories and/ or photos of our Taifuns in North America.

You can submit them to me for transmittal to her or send them directly to: bryce.smith@virgin.net

If you haven't seen her magazine, go to: www.glidingmagazine.com

If you'll scroll down the first page, you'll see my trusty old 65MA motoring above our Irish Hills lakes in southern Michigan. Don't have any thermalling pictures yet, but they'll be forthcoming this summer.

Important service bulletin:

Our friend, Cornelia Korff, has forwarded the above attachments for our information and immediate action. At this time, six defective central bolts have been discovered in Germany and one in the U.S. Since they expect a fair number of failures, Korff has ordered 50 replacements which should be available in a few weeks. Order form attached hereto. Several other Service Bulletins regarding other items will follow as I receive them.

Other taifun owners:

When I first contacted all of the 25 Taifun owners registered in the United States, I received only 17 replies by folks wanting to participate in our group . Even with a follow-up mailing, I am still missing 7 or 8 Taifuns in the U.S. If you know of anyone who is not a member of our group, please encourage them to join us, especially in light of the attached Service Bulletins. I can't imagine anyone not interested in getting information about their motorglider, especially since we have no factory to send out bulletins!

TAIFUN FOR SALE:

Bill Starick is offering his Taifun 17-E for sale: just refinished, no structural damage, rebuilt engine, 80HP, manual propeller. E-Mail inquiries to Bill at martistarick@hotmail.com

Don't forget.....

To send me your questions, answers, stories, pictures, etc. Isn't this E-Mail GREAT? Now it will be much easier for me to send out newsletters more frequently, *providing YOU cooperate with submissions!*

Joe Volmar, Publisher
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