



RECREATIONAL AVIATION AUSTRALIA INC

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ULTRALIGHT AIRCRAFT AIRWORTHINESS NOTICE

AIRWORTHINESS NOTICE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER : 010906-1

Slepcev Storch SS4

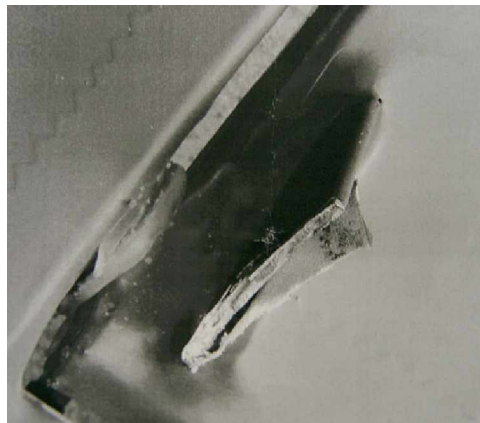
To: All owners and operators of Slepcev Storch SS4.

Reason: A report has been received that the mass balance on the elevator trim tab has broken off through normal use of the aircraft. It was found that cracking had started around the weld and had penetrated through the aluminium bracket until the mass balance finally sheared off. It is unknown whether an unbalanced trim tab will have an adverse effect on the flight characteristics of the aircraft.

Action: Before next flight – carefully remove the fabric from around the mass balance arm and complete an inspection either through dye penetrant or via microscope to detect any signs of cracking. Repairs necessary to the arm are to be conducted by an authorised aircraft welder.

Compliance: The following measure is rendered mandatory from the effective date of this AN. This inspection will be required at every 200hr intervals, until revised.

Further Action: Checks and compliance of AN010906-1 are to be recorded in the aircraft log book. All welding work is to be annotated in the logbook by the welder along with name, signature and authorisation number. All and any defects found are to be reported to the RA-Aus office.



Technical Manager

Defect Reporting is one of the primary ways we have in ensuring continued safety in our operations.