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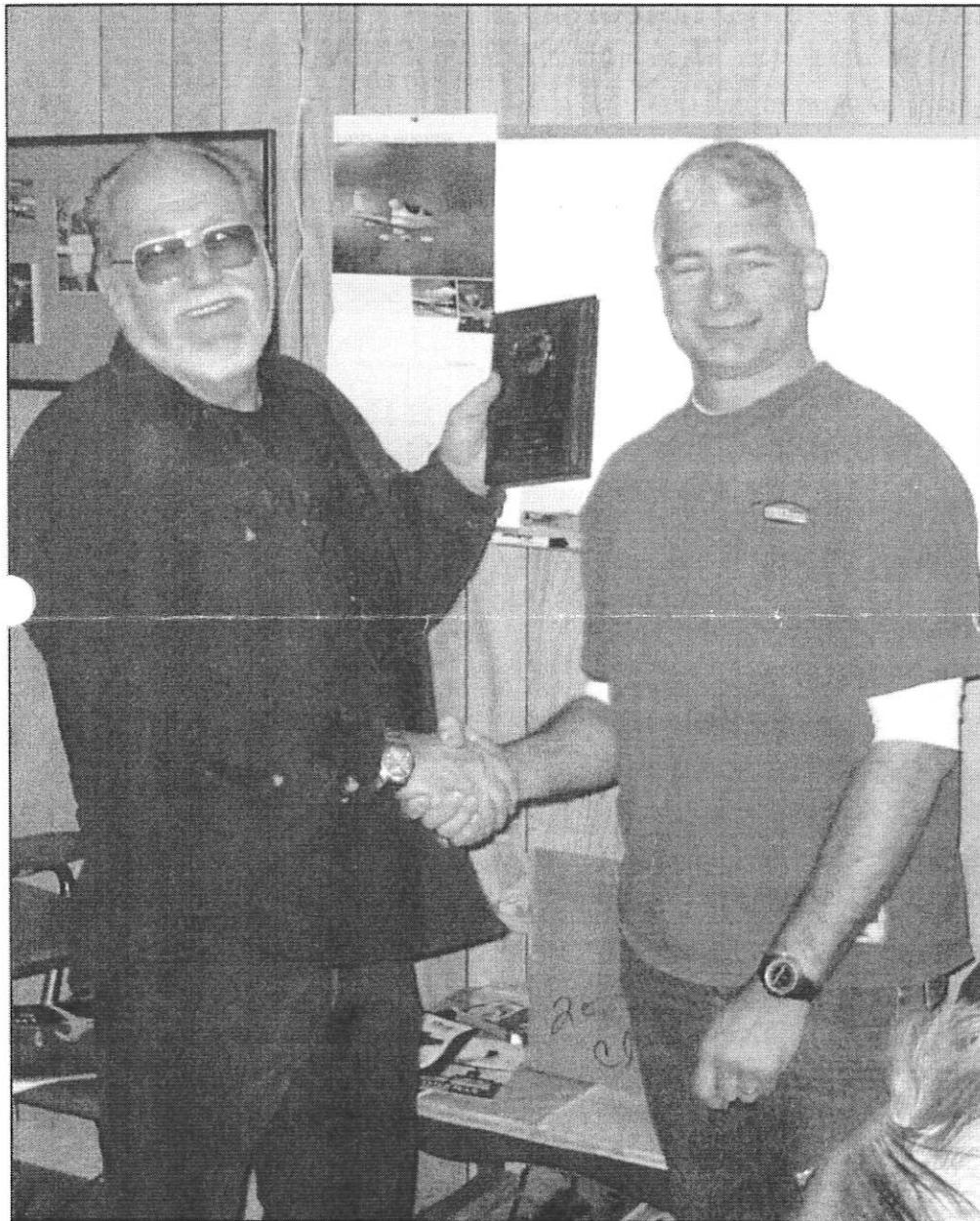
Bud Warren *(L)* receives a first flight award for the November 30, 2003 flight in his new Wheeler/Auriga V-8 powered, fiberglass, 4-place airplane. *More inside...*

February 14th Meeting:

Dalton Nelson will present "Rotary Engines 101" The rotary has been used for years in the Mazda RX-7, and now their new RX-8 sports car.


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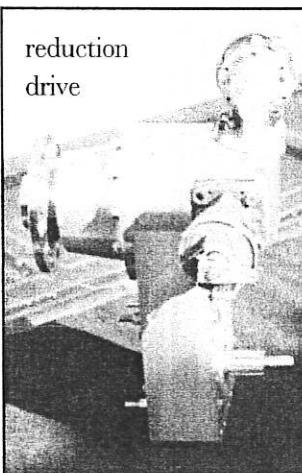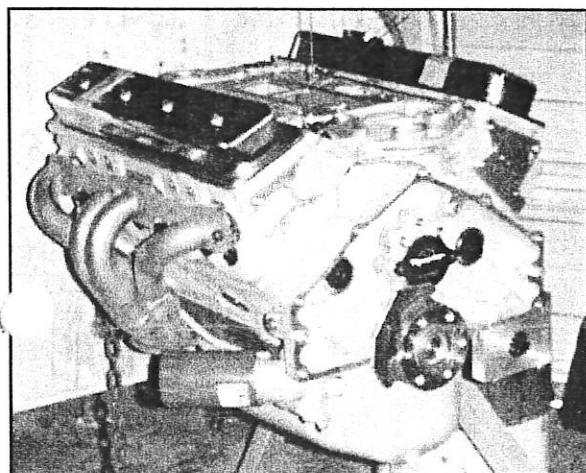
Yes, there is a Chevy 400 c.i.d. V-8 in Bud's plane! He has been working on the V-8 package for years. First was the challenge of fitting it into the cowling, then building a gear reduction drive for it, keeping it running smoothly, keeping it cool... it has been a major challenge. The first flight was one of those high speed taxi accidents where he was playing near rotation speed and before he knew it, he was flying. He says, "That flight scared me to death. There were a were a whole bundle of problems to fix." Someone with a camera caught him on hands and knees, kissing the ground after the first flight! After the many repairs, he said, "The second flight merely worried me. After the flight there were more repairs to be made." The third flight was to be after our January meeting. Bud thinks everything is fixed, and he can have a normal flight. Congratulations, good luck Bud!
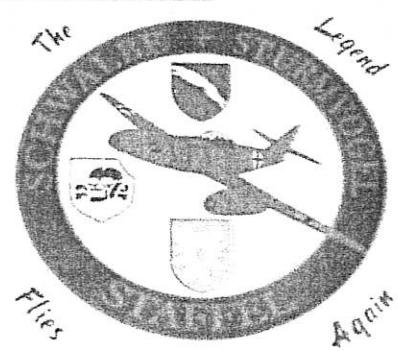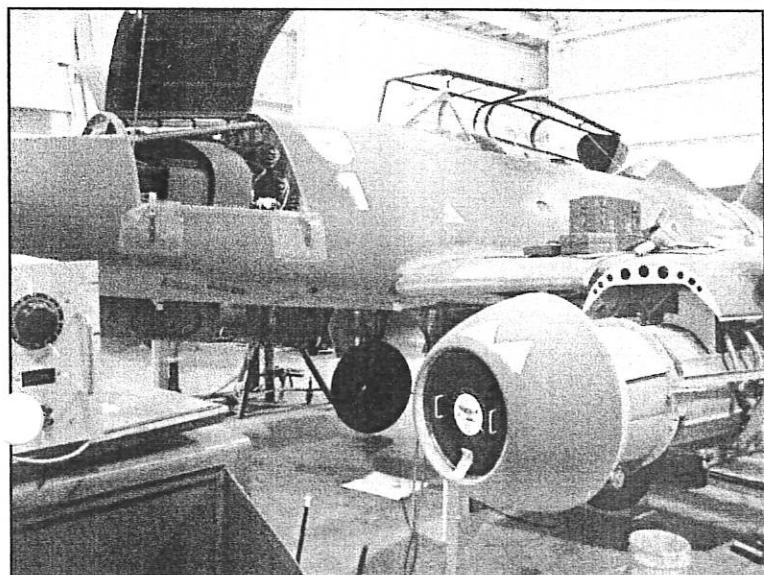
Your editor was in Everett, WA last month. At Paine Field, there are 5 new Me 262A-1a jets being built! Messerschmitt and a Texan are buying the first two. The Germans produced this model near the end of WWII. Only 7 of the original are left and none fly. One new one has been flown so far.   www.stormbirds.com