

Sunday, June 20, 2010

317th Cobra flight, 327th PIC, 26 landings

Test flight

Belen Takeoff: 10:56am Belen Landing: 11:34am

Today's Airtime 0.6hrs

Total PIC Time: 840.3 Total Logged Time: 861.5

I did a lot of work on my trike today. Installing a some wingtips for my Stream wing, a Silva 70UN compass below my nose tube and a new monitor for my Aiptek video. The wingtips should give me 2 or 3 mph of free airspeed by reducing the wing tip vortices. That doesn't sound like much, but I'll take it.

The compass is something I have wanted for a long time. Silva makes nice compass that will mount in the console, but it is huge. John S. showed me this smaller one at the Espanola Fly-in, so I ordered one (from England). The monitor replaced the one I tried at the Espanola Fly-in. I didn't survive a bumpy landing at the PPC field on the way home.

I wanted to take a quick test flight to make sure everything was fine on the trike. I did notice a difference on the glide especially in ground effect. I stayed in the pattern and 26 touch and called it quits. Everything worked great.

