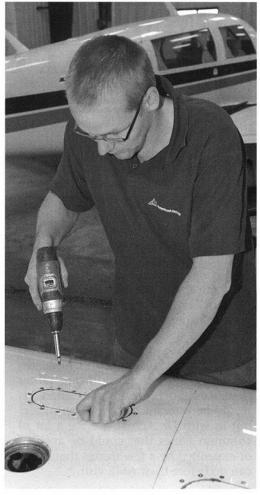


Paul Beck welcoming Rick Sijp

WEEP NO MORE CROSSES THE ATLANTIC

By Bruce Jaeger



Mooney owners worldwide wait the time when their tanks show that inevitable blue stain or the first smell of fuel creeps into the cabin. What's an owner to do? When questions came from Europe it was difficult to be optimistic. Was there need for a European Weep No More associate?

Through EMPOA (European Mooney Association) Pilots and Owner's contacts, we learned that there were plenty of fuel tank issues in their part of the world. At a European Mooney training event, fuel tanks were part of a dinner time conversation. The process of selecting a European Weep No More associate was under way. Through the efforts of EMPOA and Weep No More the search ended with the selection of Mastenbroek Aeroskill of the Netherlands. Their previous Mooney service experience, facilities, staff and sincere desire to be involved resulted in my personal visit. In many ways, their service business reminded me of our own and I was excited about the possibilities.

I presented the obstacles opportunities. As both were welcomed, an agreement was ultimately reached and plans were made for training at the Minnesota home base. Awaiting Rick Sijp's arrival were multiple projects from minor leak detection and repair to total clean and reseal. The original Weep No More seven-year learning curve was to be accelerated into a one-week training session. Rick and Paul accepted this huge challenge and are confident that with open lines of communication, our Weep No More associate is ready to help the European Mooney owner.

Specialized equipment and materials are on hand and Mastenbroek Aeroskill is prepared. Whether a minor leak repair or total clean and reseal, the tools are now conveniently placed for the European Mooney owner. To learn more about this new service, visit www. weepmorellc.com or drop a note to Paul at paul@weepnomorellc.com.

