Goat4

Ultralight Glider, Descriptive Drawings



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This file contains 82 drawings which describe the Goat4, an experimental ultralight glider which I have designed, built, and flown.

The Pig plans (a different download from the same website) are worth looking at for Goat4 possible upgrades, since the construction is similar and it is a later design. In particular, the newer quickpins and control line standards may be of interest. Other possible upgrades might be suggested by the Pig's boat seat, simplified nose structure, and prismatic rudder pedals.

These technical drawings are intended to be a description of what I have done, not a set of plans, at least not in the sense of providing instructions or advice to any second party. For liability reasons, I give no technical advice, nor do I recommend building or flying any specific aircraft, nor do I represent myself as any kind of expert.

These drawings is provided in ".DFX" format, an Autocad file format, which can be viewed, printed, and edited with Computer Assisted Design (CAD) software. The .dxf files are primarily provided for CAD users who wish to closely examine and/or modify the design.

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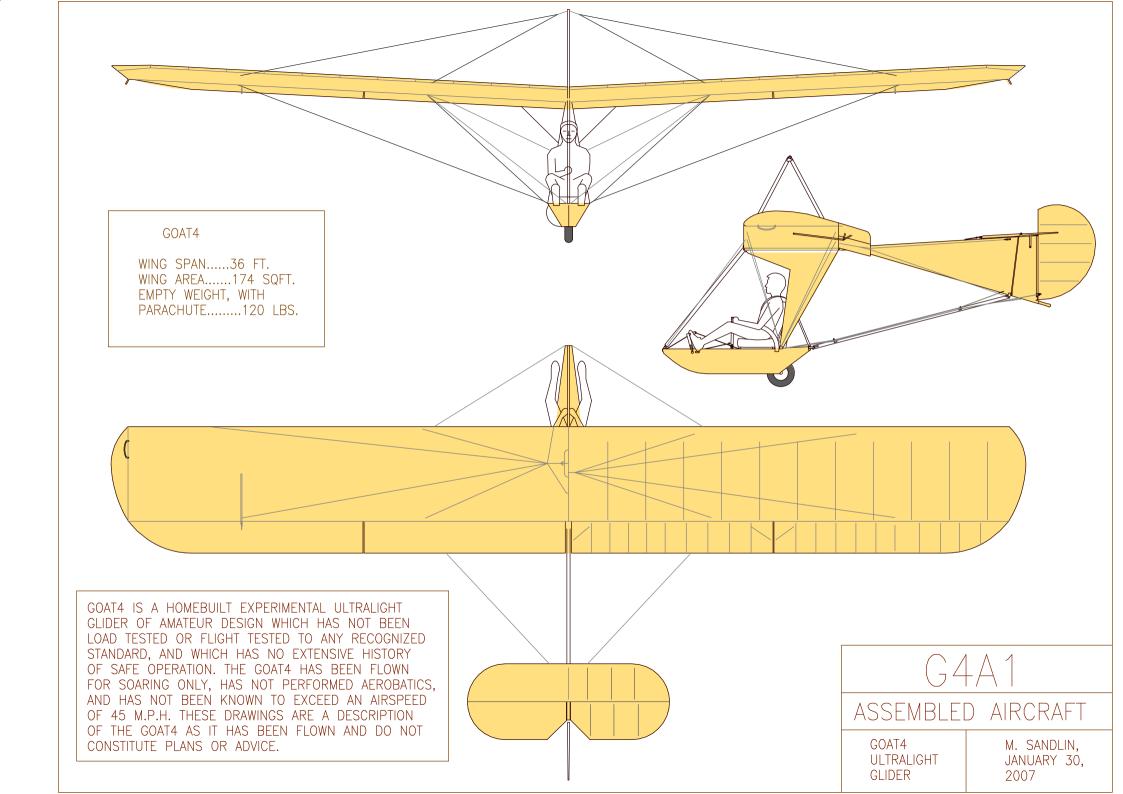
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Additions and revisions to the Goat4 drawings will be posted on my "Basic Ultralight Glider" Website. A drawing that is revised will have a later date than previous versions. (These updated drawings will be included in susequent (higher numbered) Zip files). Check the website for a revision of any downloaded drawing before accepting it as the current version.



FABRIC COVERING IS BY A CONVENTIONAL AIRCRAFT PROCESS, BUT USING LIGHT, UNCERTIFIED CLOTH (POLYESTER). FABRIC PANELS ARE CUT TO SIZE, CEMENTED ONTO THE FRAME, THEN SHRUNK TO CONTOUR WITH A CLOTHES IRON. FABRIC IS SEALED BY BRUSHING ON A SEALANT/ADHESIVE (POLYBRUSH OR BUTYRATE DOPE). SURFACES EXPOSED TO SUNLIGHT ARE PROTECTED BY ADDITIONAL COATS OF DOPE MIXED WITH ALUMINUM PASTE (SILVERING). BRIGHT PAINT IS APPLIED OVER SILVERED SURFACES TO MAKE THE AIRCRAFT HIGHLY VISIBLE.— MAIN WING RIBS ARE SMALL ALUMINUM TUBES BENT TO SHAPE, SPANNING MAIN SPARS RIBS FOR THE TAIL SURFACES ARE A WET LAYUP OF FIBERGLASS. CLOTH TAPE. GRAPHITE/EPOXY ROD. & EPOXY RESIN OVER STYROFOAM - AFT UPPER SWEEP CABLE HORIZONTAL -VERTICAL STABILIZER -**STABILIZER** KING POST. **SUPPORTS** LANDING **RUDDER-**CABLES FLAP PANELS HELD ELEVATOR -IN FIXED POSITION FORWARD SWEEP CABLE TAIL STRUT TAIL SKID 4 POINT SEAT BELTS CONTROL LINES ARE SAMSON "LIGHTNING ROPE" -TOW LINE 7/64 IN. BRAIDED LINE ROUTED RELEASE KNOB THRU MARINE PULLEYS --TRADITIONAL AILERON -STICK & RUDDER CONTROLS -FLYING CABLES -TOW HOOK & RELEASE FOR USE WITH LEADING EDGE SHELL IS MADE OF WEAK LINK (HANG STYROFOAM BLOCKS CEMENTED BETWEEN GLIDER STANDARD) THE RIBS, SHAVED DOWN TO MATCH RIB CONTOUR, THEN SEALED WITH EPOXY RESIN WING TIP SKID NOSE SKID FOR GROUND GROUND BRAKE WHEEL AT CENTER OF LIFT (LOADED GLIDER MUST BALANCE HANDLING -(NO WHEEL BRAKE) NOSE DOWN FROM LEVEL POSITION FOR SAFE STATIC MARGIN) -- HAND DEPLOYED EMERGENCY MAIN STRUCTURE IS MADE OF ALUMINUM TUBE FASTENED WITH NUTS & BOLTS PARACHUTE BRINGS DOWN PILOT (GOAT IS FABRICATED WITH HAND TOOLS, USING NO SPECIALLY MACHINED OR & GLIDER TOGETHER, TAIL FIRST WELDED PARTS). FIXED RIGGING IS BRAIDED STAINLESS STEEL CABLE WITH THIMBLES, TANGS, & NICOPRESS SLEEVES, FOR TRANSPORT, GOAT4 BREAKS DOWN INTO 6 MAIN PIECES: HORIZONTAL TAIL PLANE, TAIL BOOM & RUDDER, AIRCRAFT GOAT4 M. SANDLIN. NOSE SECTION. 2 WING PANELS. & THE KING POST. WHICH IS FOLDED AND

STOWED IN THE NOSE SECTION.

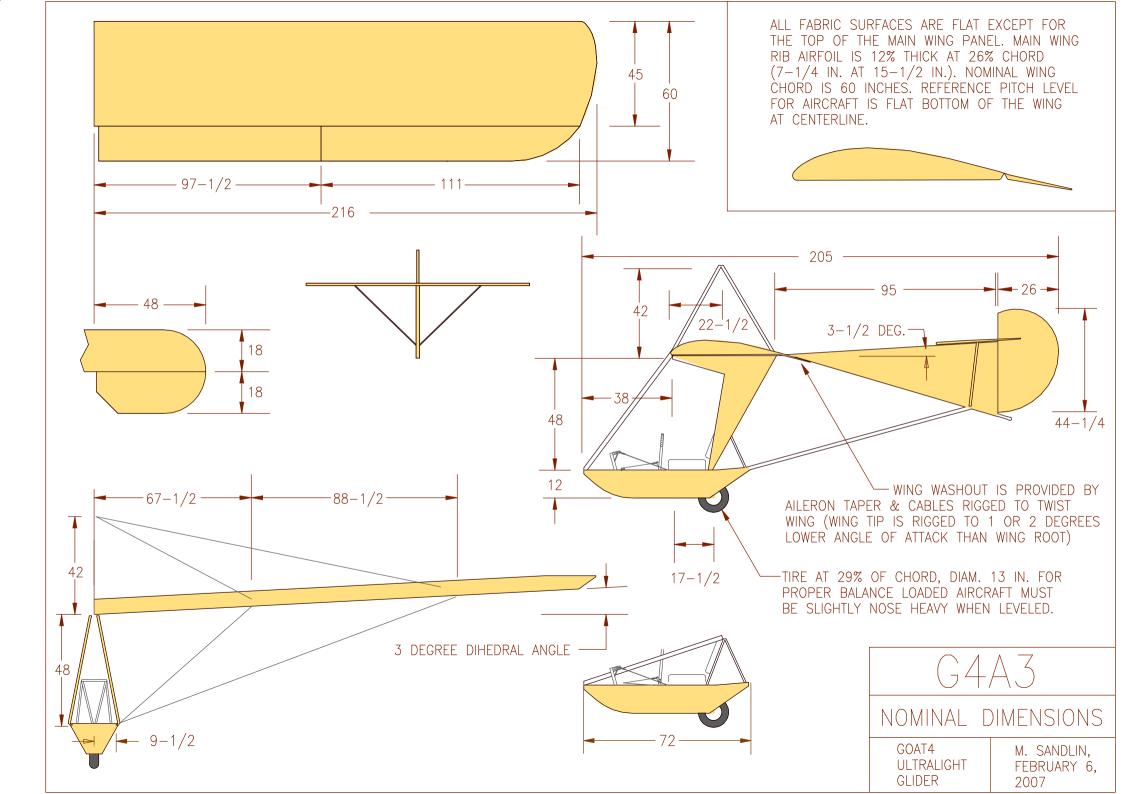
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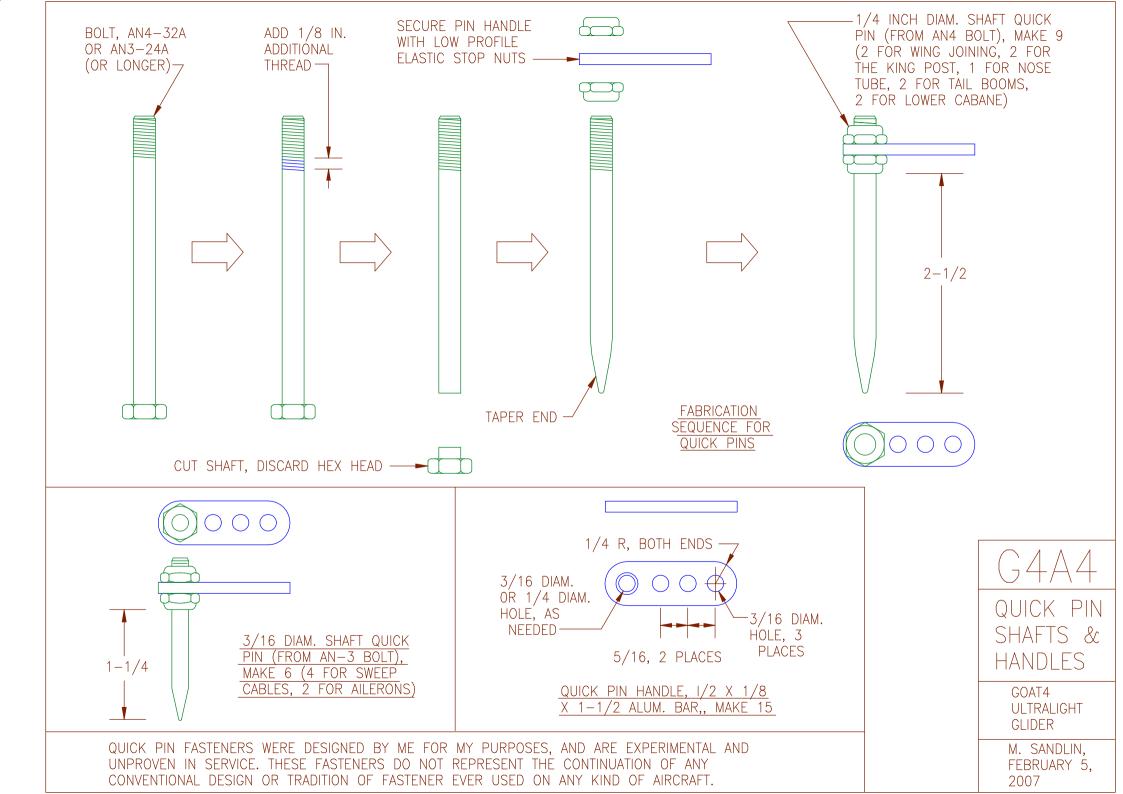
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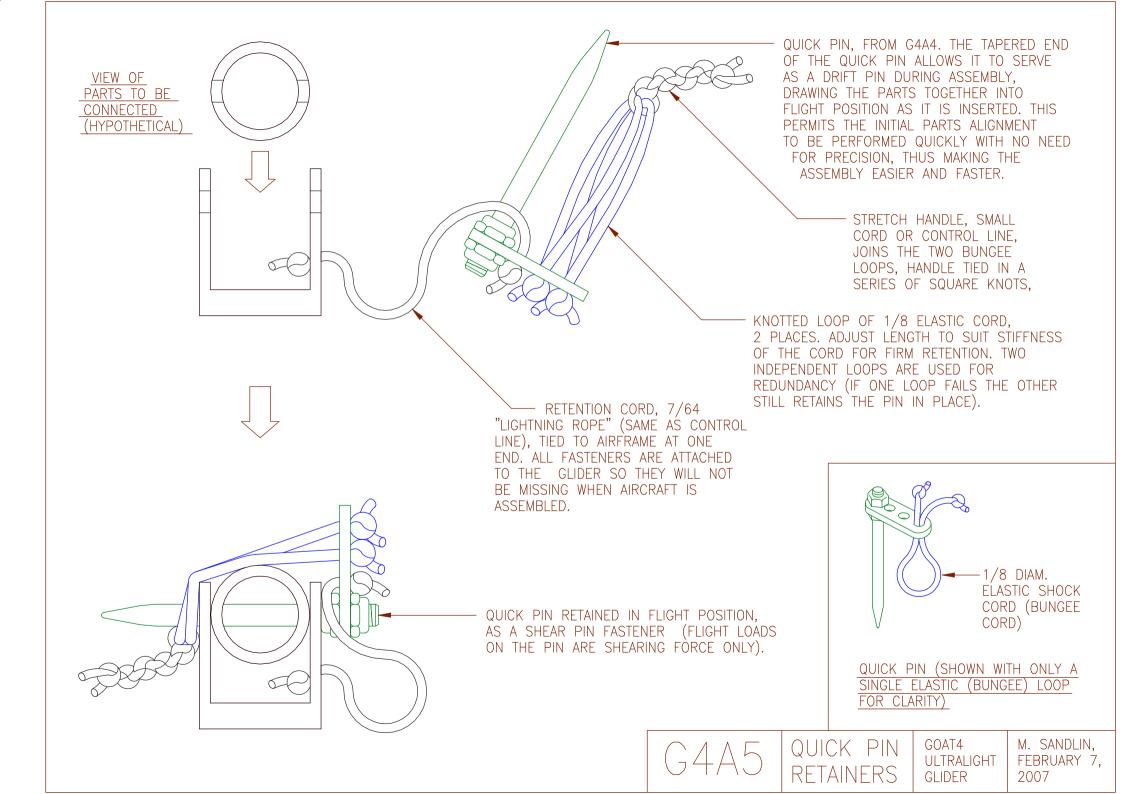
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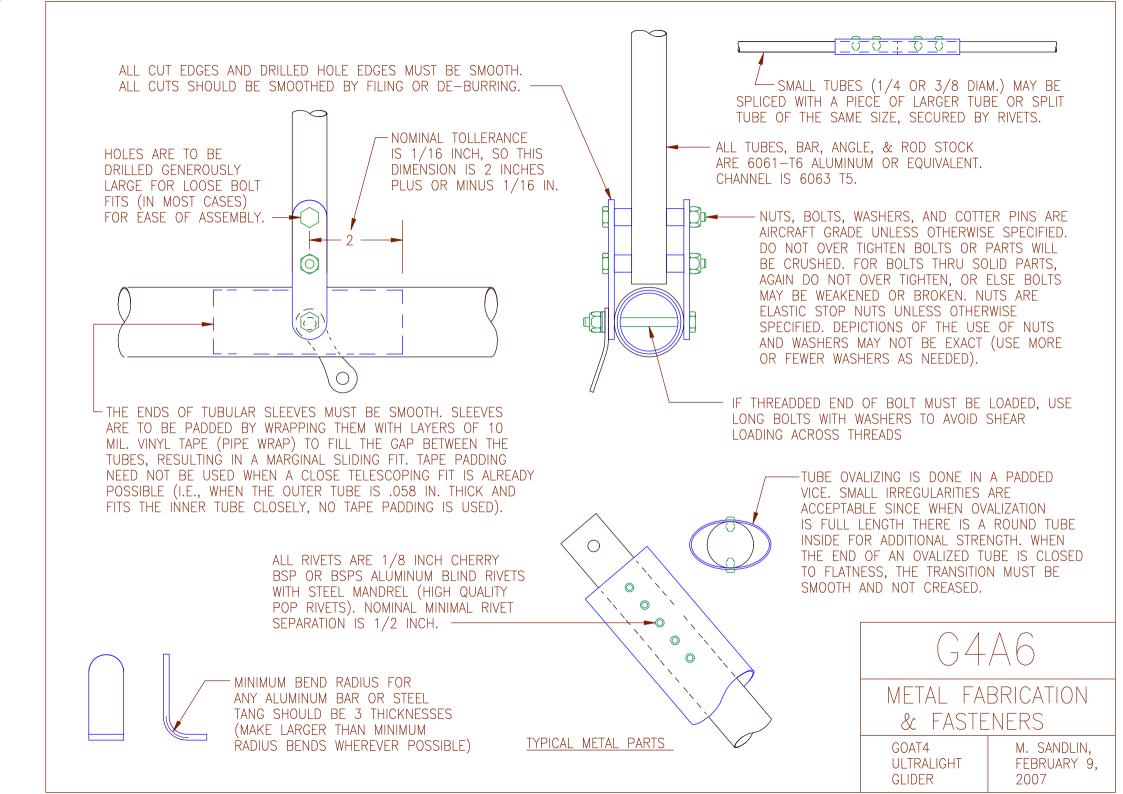
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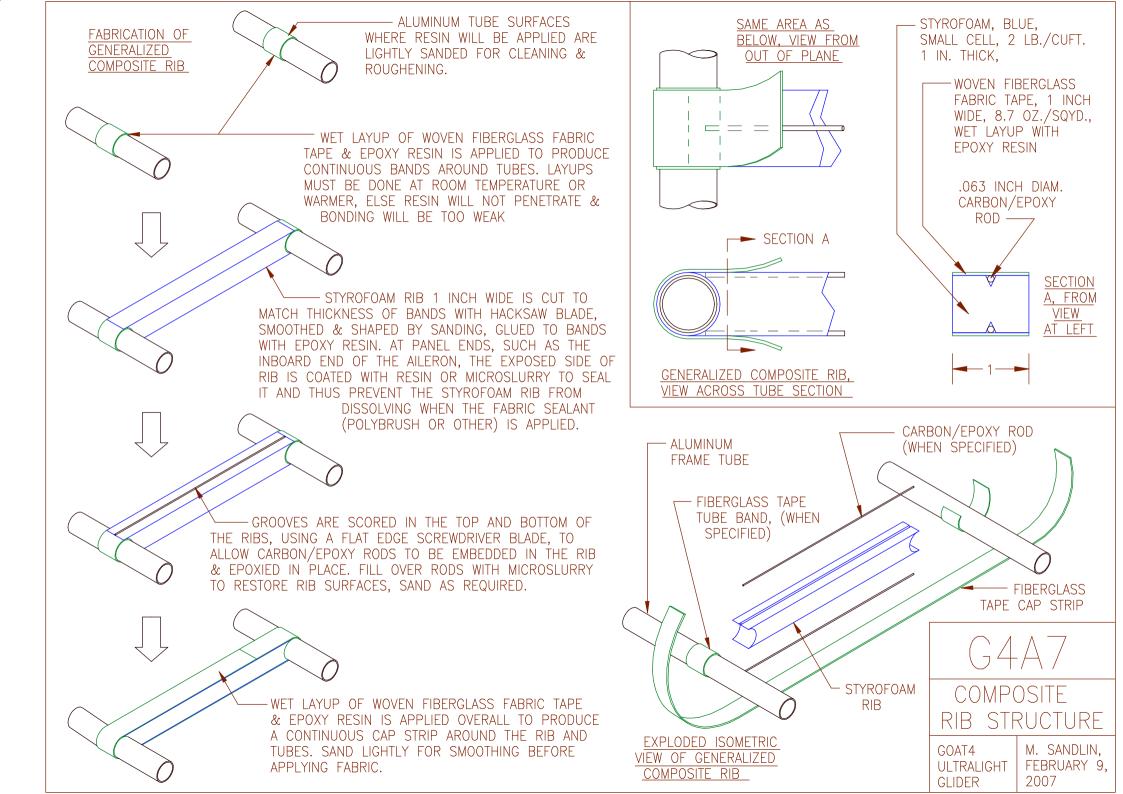
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VIEWS OF CABLE ASSEMBLIES

CABLE TANG, "FIGURE 8", STAINLESS STEEL, 14 GAGE (= .0747 IN. THICKNESS). BEND AS REQUIRED BUT USE LARGEST PRACTICAL BEND RADIUS

CABLE THIMBLE, 3/32 INCH
(AS PER CABLE SIZE) STAINLESS STEEL

NICOPRESS SLEEVE, 3/32 INCH (AS PER CABLE SIZE), SWAGE CENTER BUT LEAVE ENDS FLARED TO AVOID STRESS CONCENTRATIONS IN CABLE

-1/8 IN. OF CABLE END LEFT PROTRUDING

IF THE CABLE HAS A VINYL OR NYLON COATING, STRIP OFF THE COATING IN AREAS TO BE SWAGED. (DO NOT SWAGE OVER ANY PLACTIC COATING, REMOVE IT FIRST). COATINGS ARE THICK, THEY WILL ALMOST DOUBLE THE THICKNESS OF THE CABLE AND ARE USED TO PROTECT THE CABLE AND TO PROTECT OTHER THINGS FROM THE CABLE. HANG GLIDERS USE COATED CABLES TO REDUCE POTENTIAL DAMAGE TO THE EMERGENCY PARACHUTE BRIDLE DURING AN EMERGENCY PARACHUTE DEPLOYMENT. GOAT4 DOES NOT USE COATED CABLES.

ALL CABLE, 7X7 STAINLESS STEEL, 3/32 INCH NOMINAL DIAMETER. ANY CABLE WITH A BROKEN STRAND OR A SHARP AND PERMENENT BEND (KINK) IS UNACCEPTABLE AND MUST BE REPLACED.

USE HEAVY GRADE HEAT SHRINK TUBE ("MARINE SHRINK") TO COVER FINISHED SWAGE AND PROTRUDING CABLE END (OR WRAP WITH CLOTH TAPE, OR COVER WITH FLEXIBLE ADHESIVE)

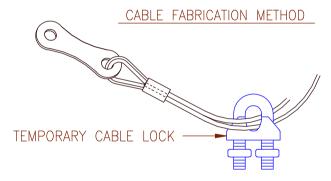
ALL LINES & CABLES MAY BE TENSIONED TO THE POINT OF ELIMINATING SLACK, BUT THERE IS NOT USUALLY MUCH TO BE GAINED BT ADDITIONAL TENSIONING BEYOND THAT.

CABLE TENSION IS IN SOME PLACES MADE ADJUSTABLE BY PROVISION FOR THE ADDITION OR REMOVAL OF WASHERS ON THE RETAINING BOLT. THIS SETUP EXERTS A BENDING LOAD ON THE BOLT, SO FOR POTENTIALLY LARGE LOADS AN OVERSIZE BOLT IS USED. GOAT4 DOES NOT USE TURNBUCKLES FOR CABLE TENSIONING BECAUSE THEY ARE HEAVY AND COMPLEX TO INSTALL & ADJUST. STEEL CABLES ARE EXPECTED TO STRETCH IN SERVICE, SO IF THE RIGGING GETS LOOSER IT IS RE—TENSIONED BY WASHER REMOVAL.

CABLE SWAGING TOOL

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DEDICATED COMMERCIAL TOOL FOR SWAGING NICOPRESS SLEEVES MUST BE USED FOR PROPER FINISHED SWAGE SHAPE. CHECK FINISHED DIMENSION OF SWAGED SLEEVE WITH NICOPRESS GAGE OR MICROMETER. THIS BOLTDOWN TOOL CAN BE SECURED IN A VICE FOR USE.

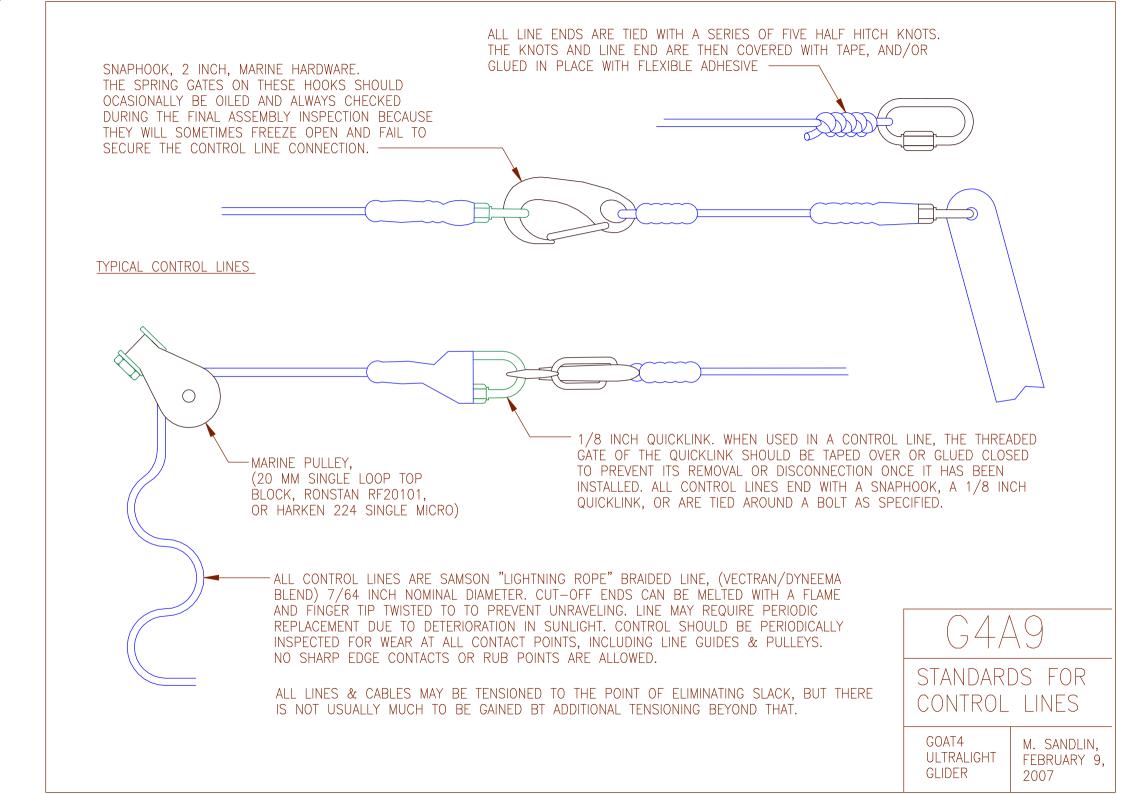


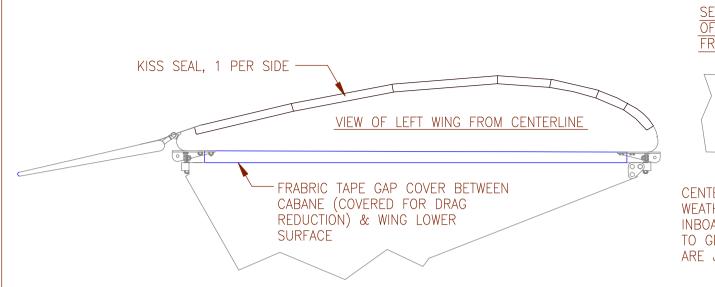
TEMPORARY CABLE LOCK IS USED FOR EASE OF CABLE ASSEMBLY & IN-PLACE TRIAL FITTING PRIOR TO FINAL SWAGING AND CABLE END TRIMMING. CABLE LOCK IS REMOVED AFTER SLEEVE IS SWAGED.

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STANDARDS FOR STEEL CABLES

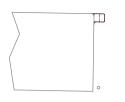
GOAT4 ULTRALIGHT GLIDER M. SANDLIN, OCTOBER 14, 2007

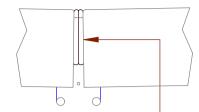




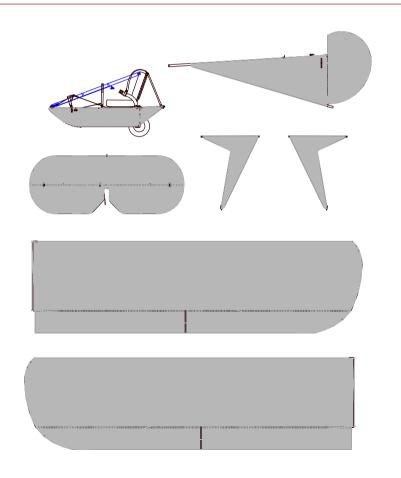
SECTION VIEW
OF WING END
FROM FORWARD

VIEW OF WING INBOARD ENDS JOINED AT CENTERLINE, SEEN FROM REAR





CENTERLINE KISS SEAL, FLEXIBLE FOAM WEATHER STRIPPING, APPLY TO WING INBOARD SURFACES ON BOTH SIDES TO GET LIGHT CONTACT WHEN WINGS ARE JOINED, COVER WITH FABRIC SRRIPS. —



ALL AIRCRAFT FABRIC COVERING MATERIALS AND PRACTICE ARE BASED ON CONVENTIONAL AIRCRAFT COVERING METHODS, NOMINALLY THE POLYFIBER (STITTS) PROCESS AS DESCRIBED BY THEIR MANUAL AND WEBSITE. COVER AIRCRAFT WITH 1.8 OZ./SQYD. DACRON (POLYESTER) AIRCRAFT FABRIC (UNCERTIFIED, HEAT SHRINKABLE), ALL FLIGHT CRITICAL PARTS (WINGS, AILERONS, & TAIL SURFACES) MUST BE COVERED SO AS TO ESTABLISH A CONTINUOUS ENVELOPE OF FABRIC WHICH COMPLETELY ENCLOSES THE METAL FRAME STRUCTURE AND THUS DOES NOT DEPEND ON THE CEMENTING OF FABRIC TO METAL FOR STRENGTH. APPLY TAPES IN THE PRESCRIBED POLYFIBER MANNER SO AS TO REINFORCE ALL HIGH STRESS AREAS (EDGES WHERE FABRIC DEPARTS THE SOLID STRUCTURE) OR AREAS SUBJECT TO ABRASION (OUTSIDE FDGES).

FABRIC MUST BE SEALED TO REDUCE ITS PERMEABILITY FOR BEST AERODYNAMIC PERFORMANCE. THIS GLIDER HAS 6 COATS OF BRUSH APPLIED SILVERING (DOPE WITH ALUMINUM POWDER) ON THE UPWARD FACING SURFACES FOR RADIATION PROTECTION.

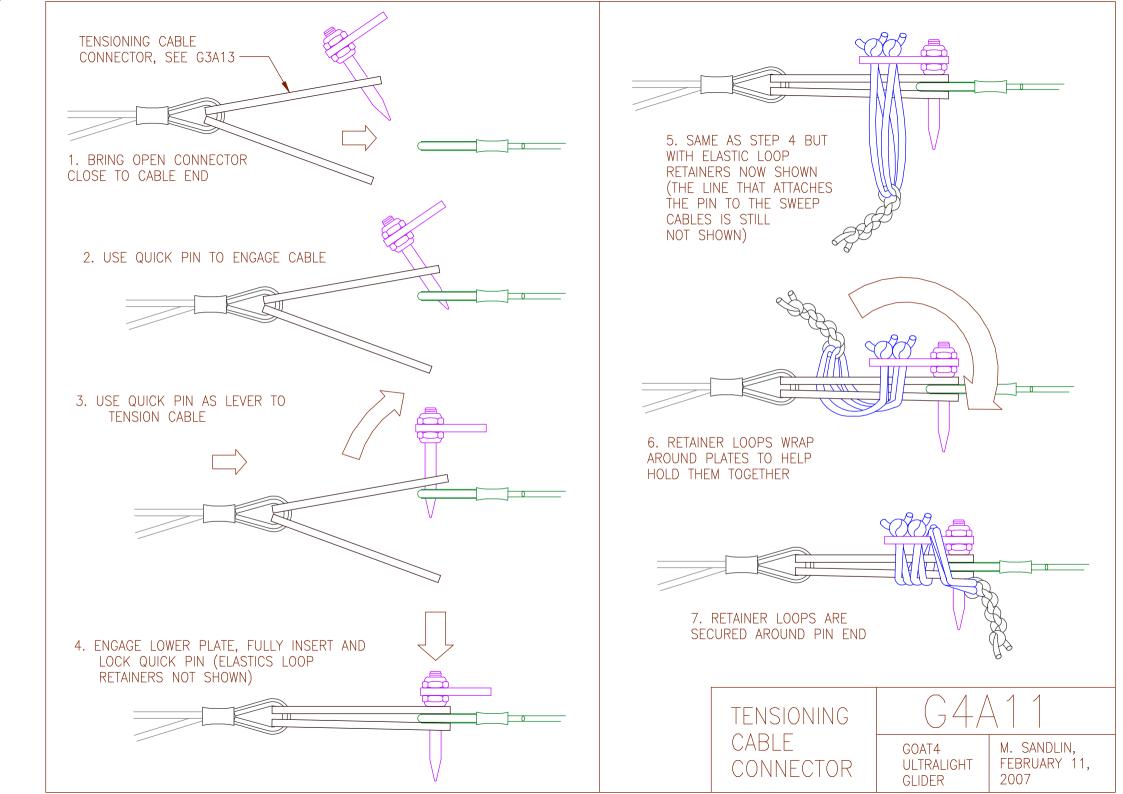
ALL FABRIC TREATMENTS WERE APPLIED BY BRUSH. NO SPRAY RIG WAS USED. ENAMEL SPRAY PAINT (FROM CANS) WAS APPLIED OVER SOME SILVERED AREAS TO CREATE LARGE PANELS OF BRIGHT COLOR TO MAKE THE AIRCRAFT MORE VISIBLE IN FLIGHT.

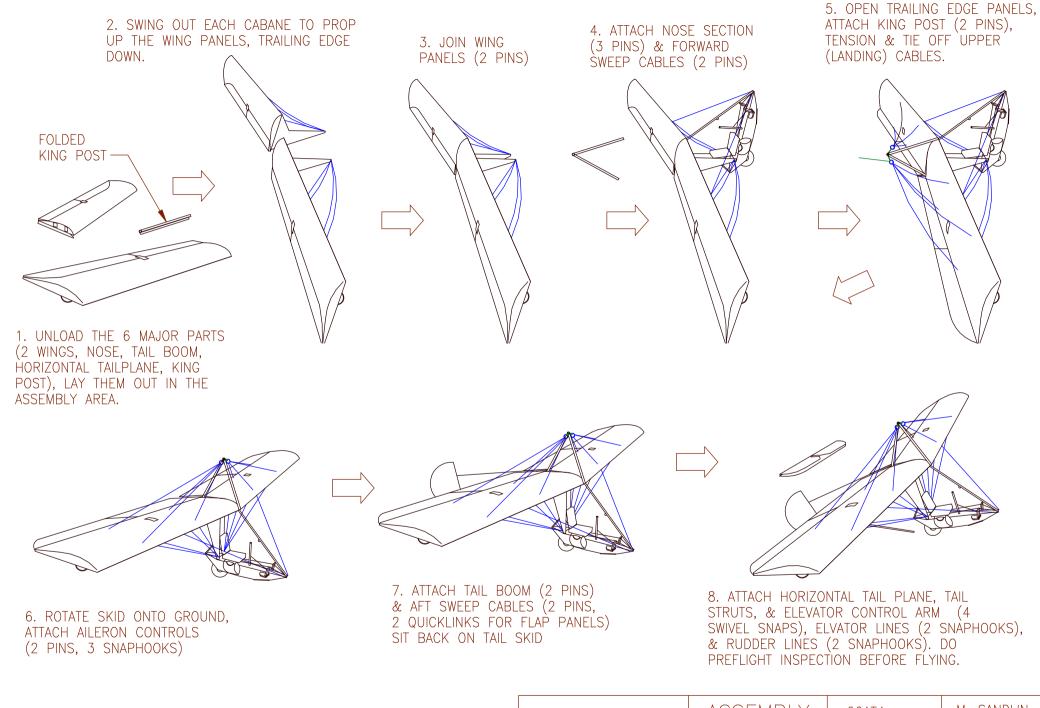
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FABRIC COVERING STANDARDS

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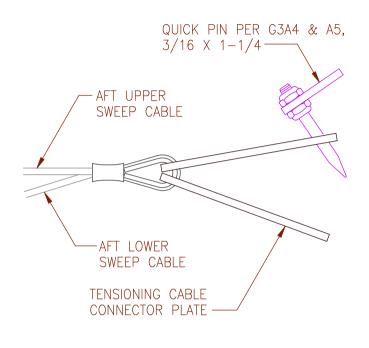


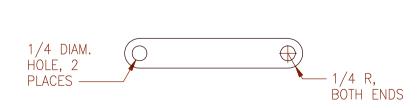
ASSEMBLY SEQUENCE

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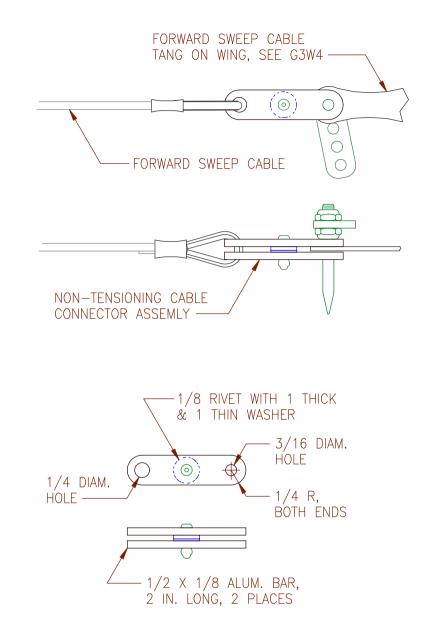
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TENSIONING CABLE CONNECTORS ARE USED FOR THE AFT SWEEP CABLE PAIRS. EACH CONNECTOR CONSISTS OF TWO PLATES ASSEMBLED ONTO A CONTINUOUS CABLE, WHICH BRANCHES INTO THE UPPER & LOWER AFR SWEEP CABLES. SEE G4A11 FOR THE METHOD OF USE.





TENSIONING CABLE CONNECTOR PLATE,
1/2 X 1/8 ALUM. BAR, 2 IN. LONG,
MAKE 4 PLATES TO MAKE 2 CONNECTORS

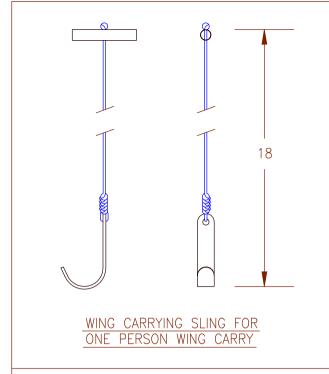


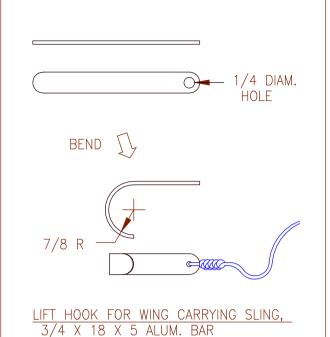
NON-TENSIONING CABLE CONNECTION (RIVETED CONNECTOR) MAKE 2

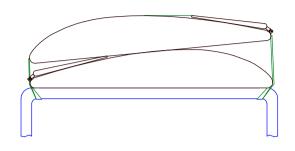
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CABLE CONNECTORS

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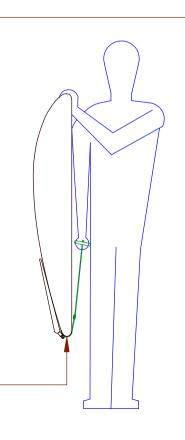




FOR CAR TOP TRANSPORT THE WINGS ARE STACKED ONTO A FLAT PADDED RACK, WING TIPS FORWARD. WEBBING STRAPS ARE PASSED OVER THE WINGS. ADDITIONAL TIES ARE APPLIED AS NEEDED, ESPECIALLY TO SECURE THE AILERONS AGAINST FLAPPING, WHICH CAN CAUSE DAMAGE.

USE OF WING CARRYING SLING FOR ONE PERSON WING CARRY

WING CAN BE CARRIED BY ONE PERSON USING THIS WING CARRYING SLING. THE HOOK IS PLACED AROUND THE AFT SPAR TUBE AT THE BALANCE POINT NEAR THE CENTER OF THE WING.

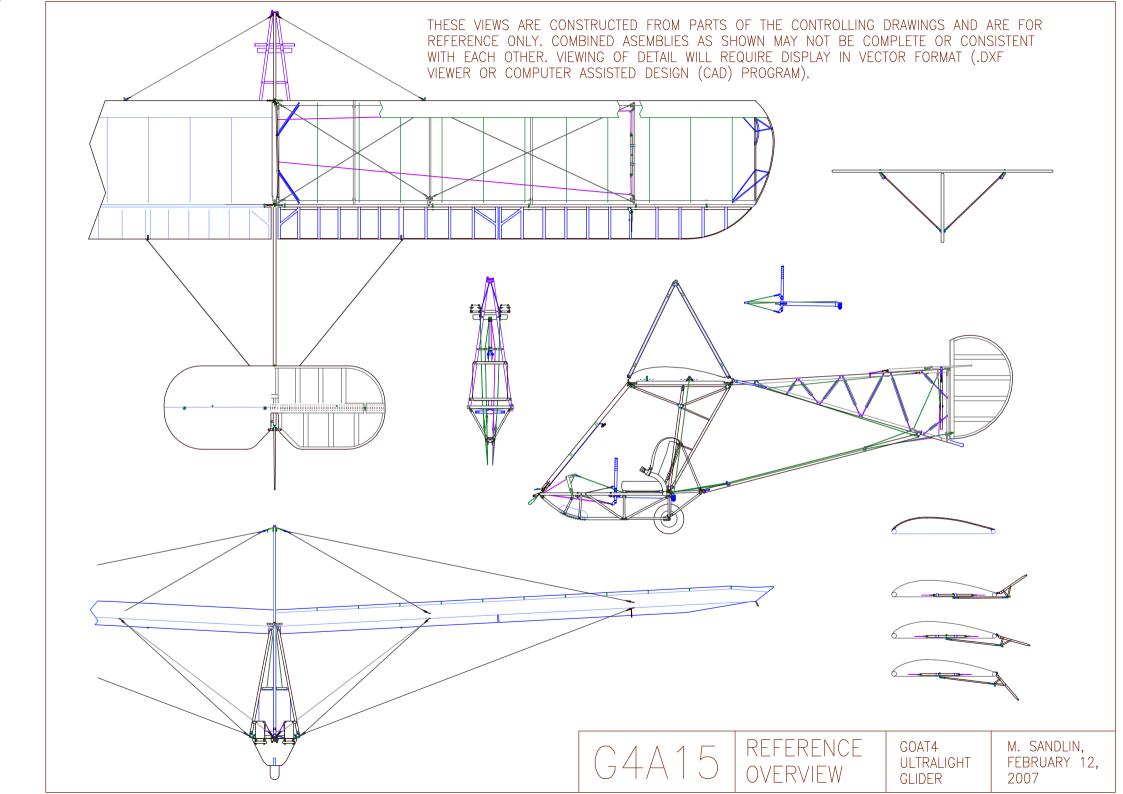


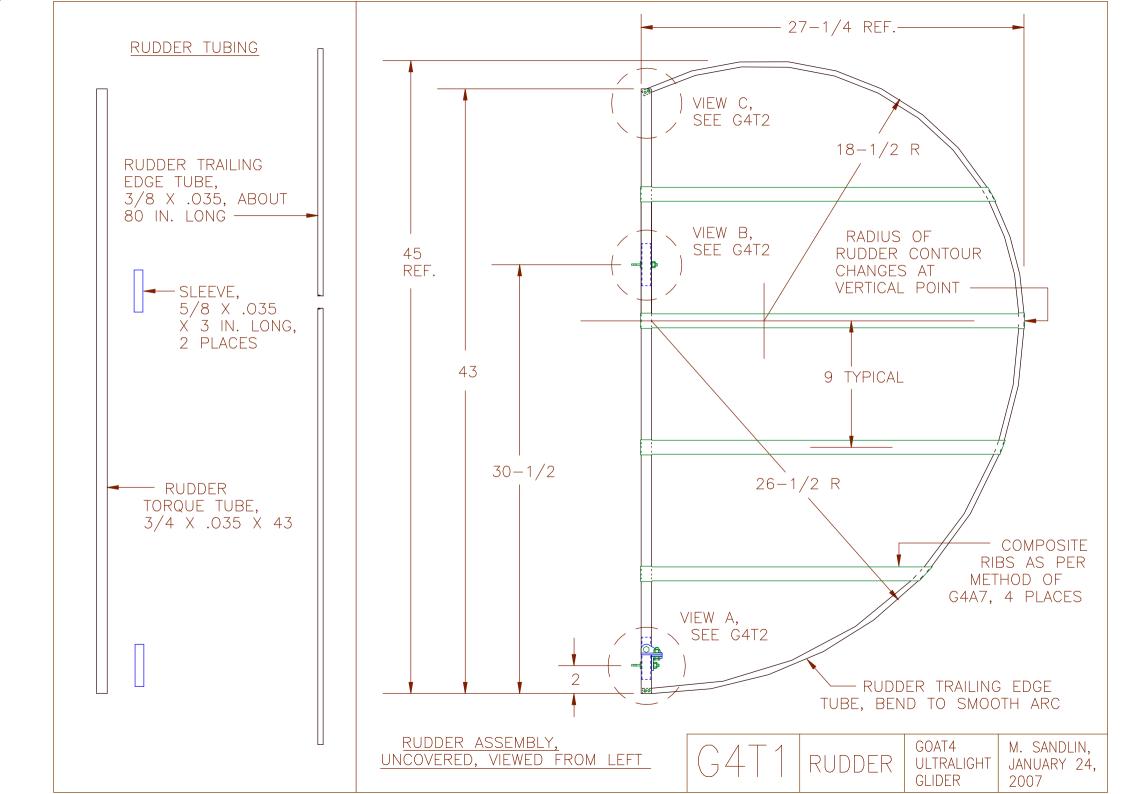
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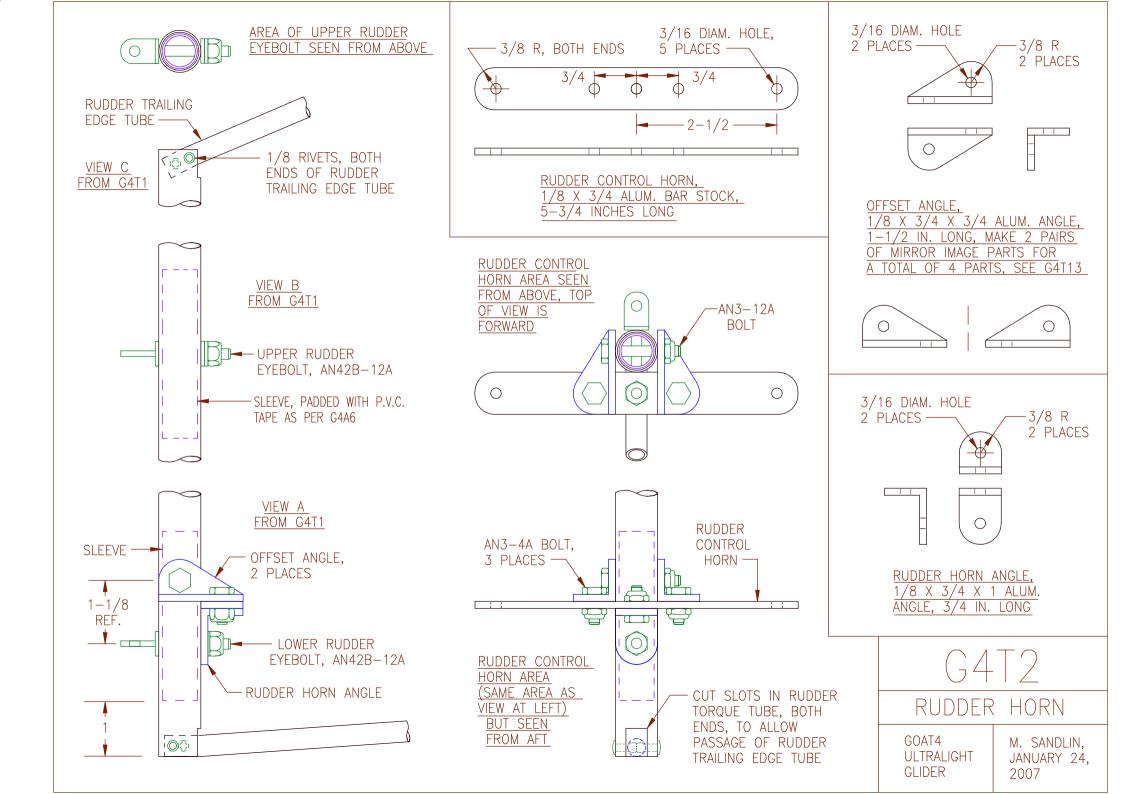
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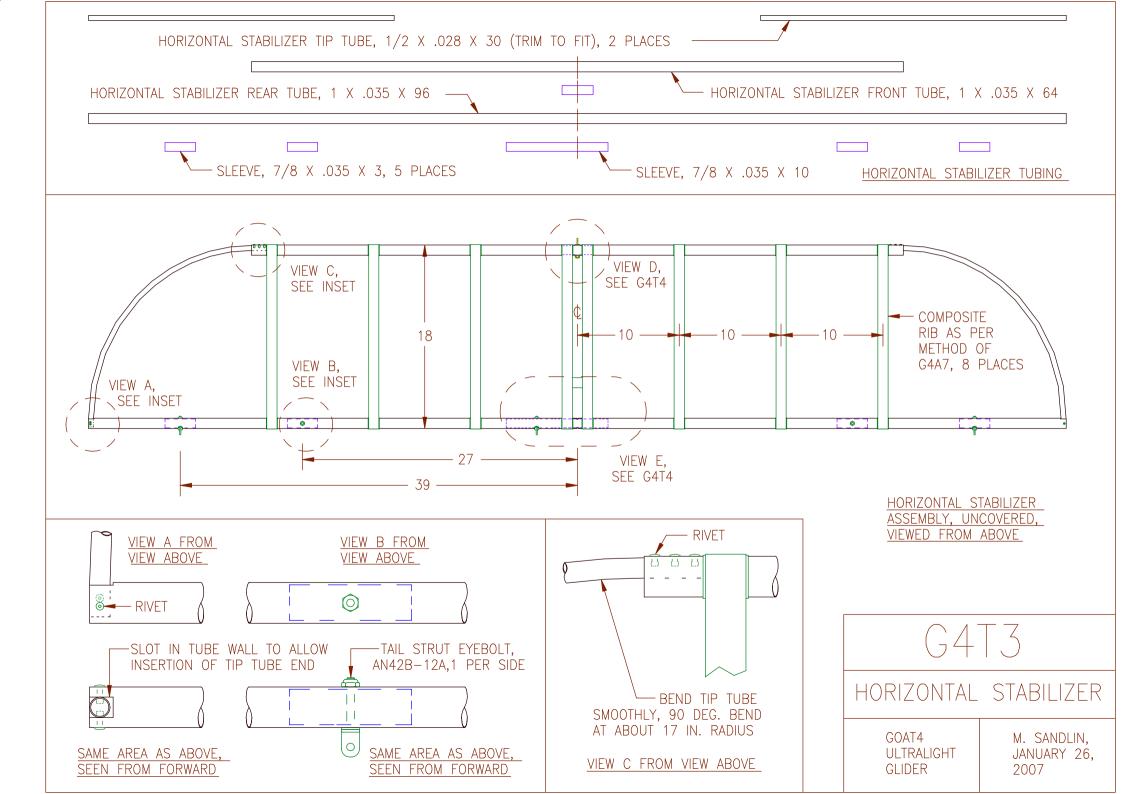
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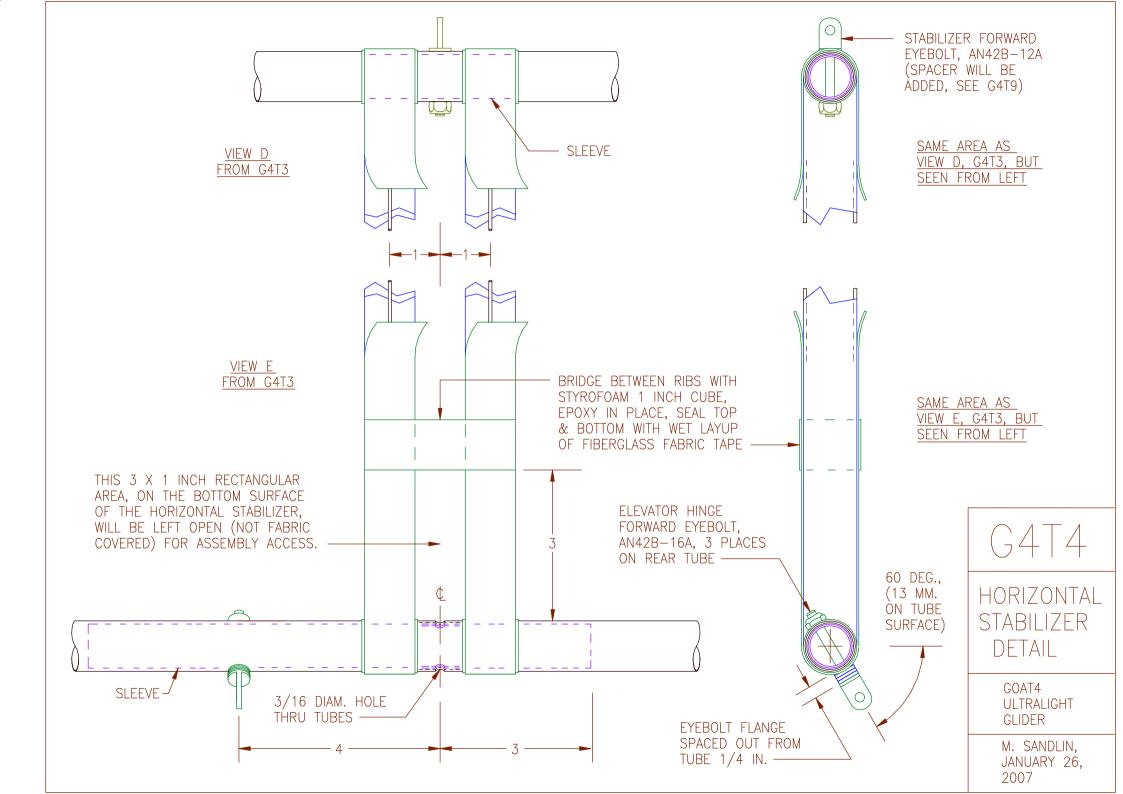
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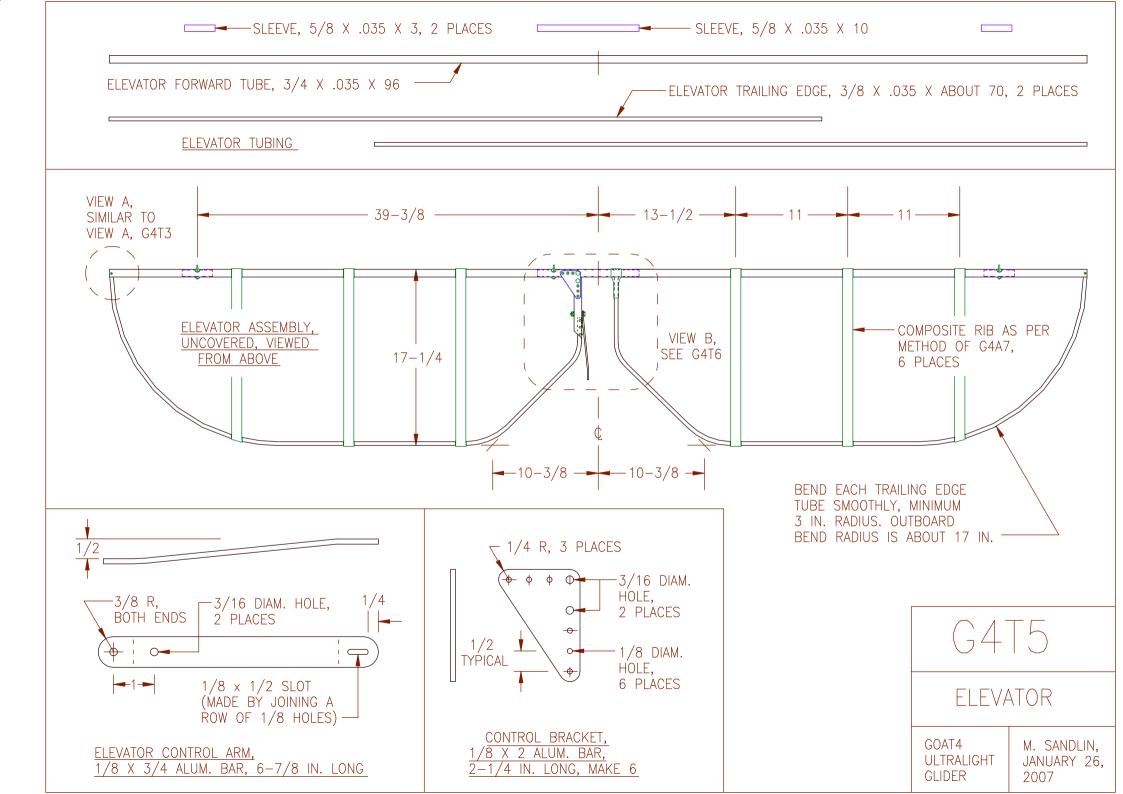


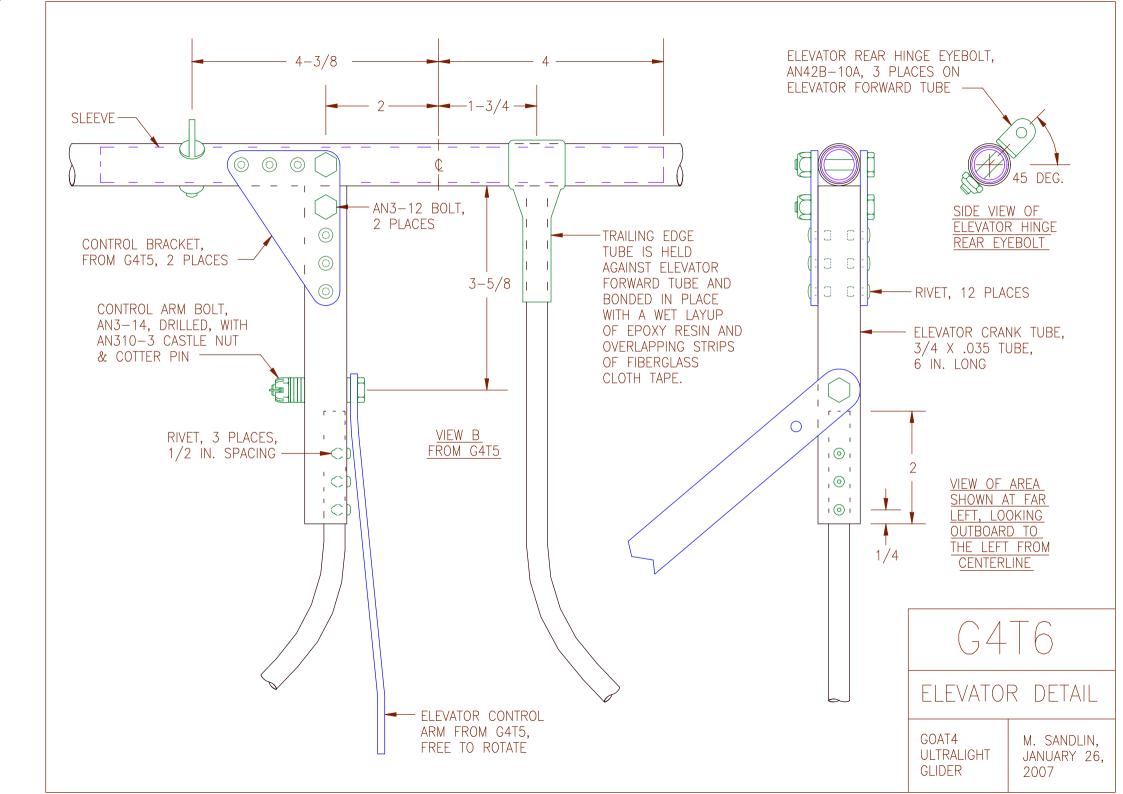


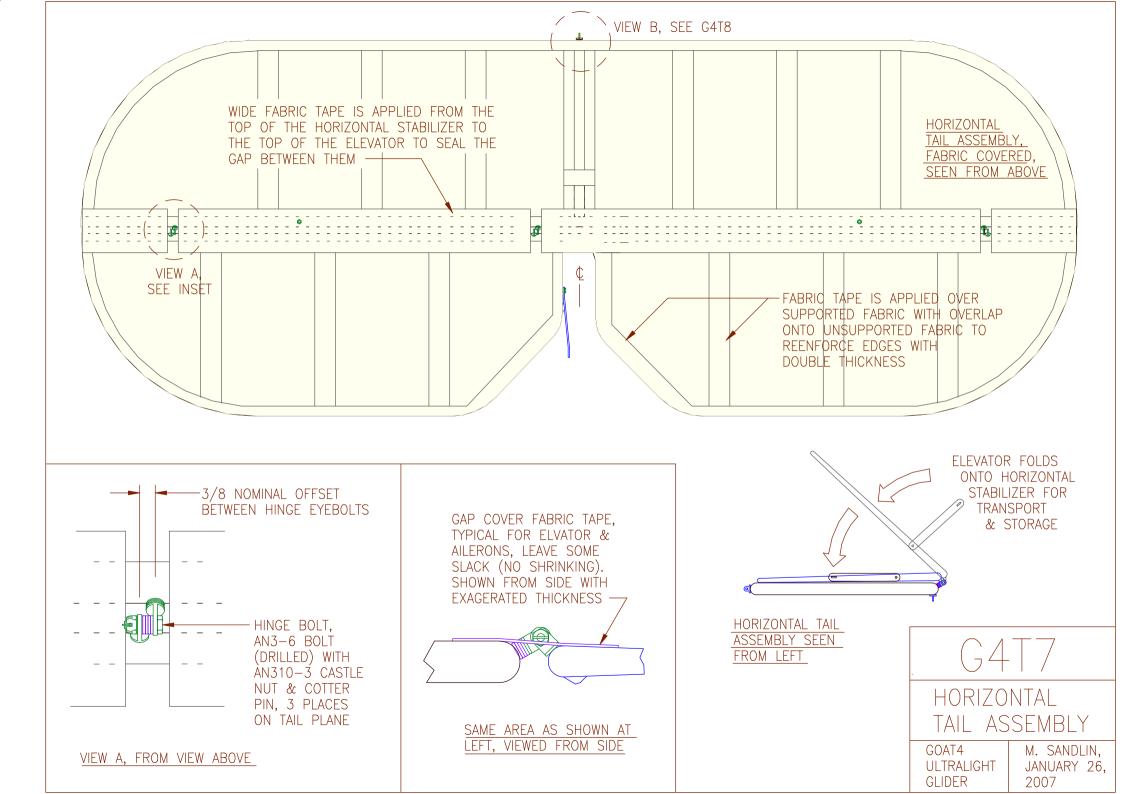


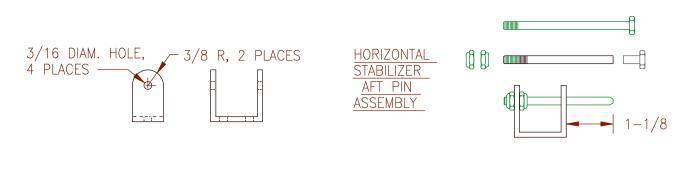






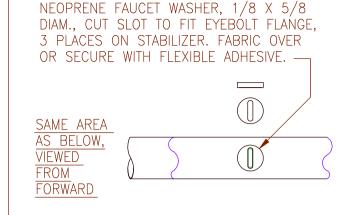




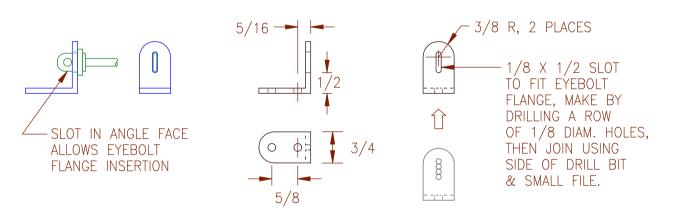


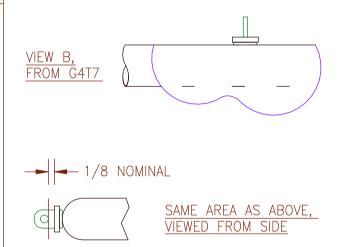


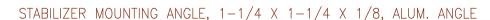
MAKE AFT PIN ASSEMBLY FROM AN3-30A BOLT OR EQUIVALENT, 2 LOCK NUTS, AND STABILIZER MOUNTING CHANNEL (SEE AT LEFT). CUT HEX HEAD FROM BOLT, ADD THREAD, ASSEMBLE AS SHOWN.

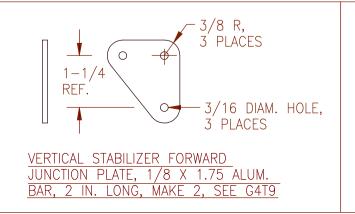


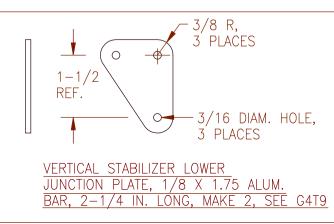
STABILIZER EYEBOLT SPACER, MAKE FROM









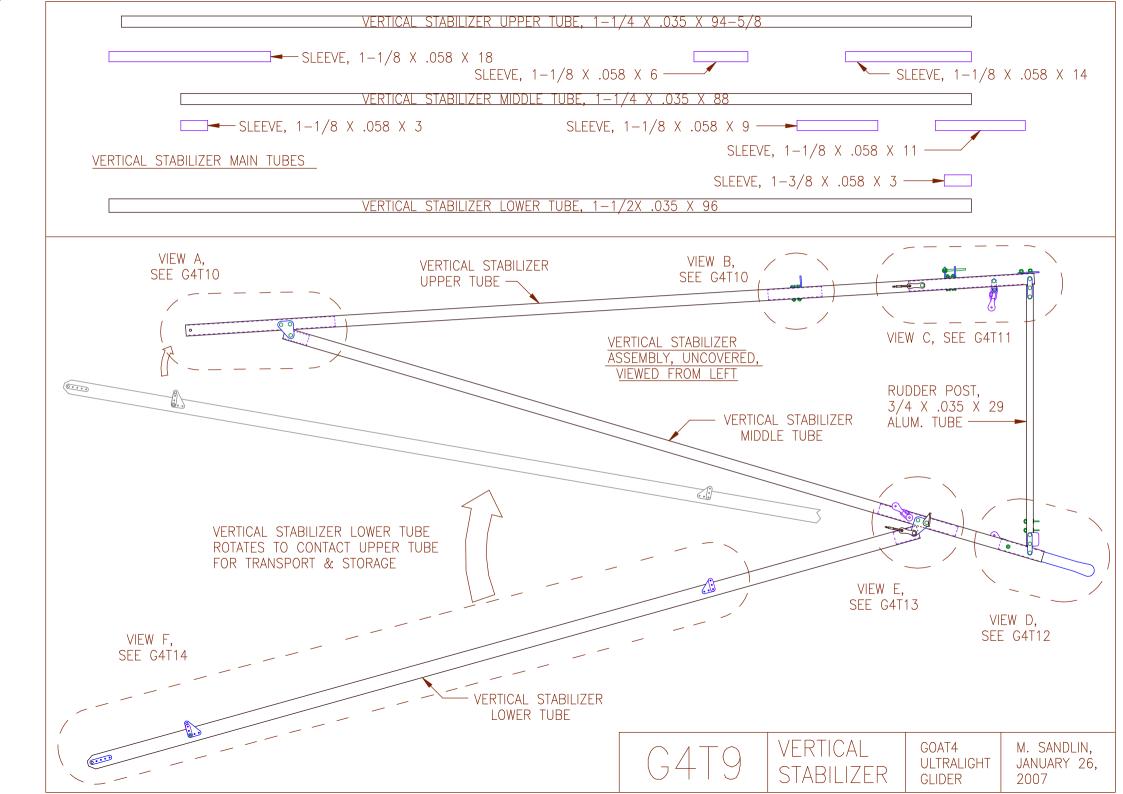


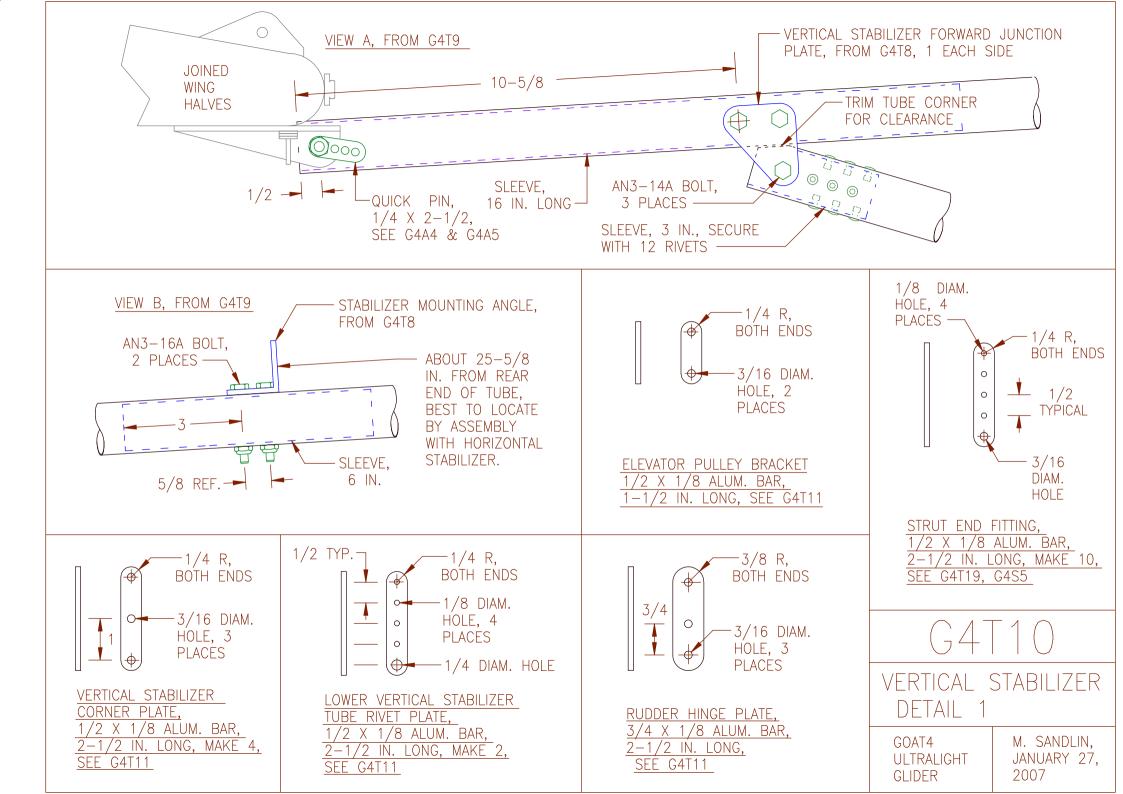
TAIL ASSEMBLY DETAIL

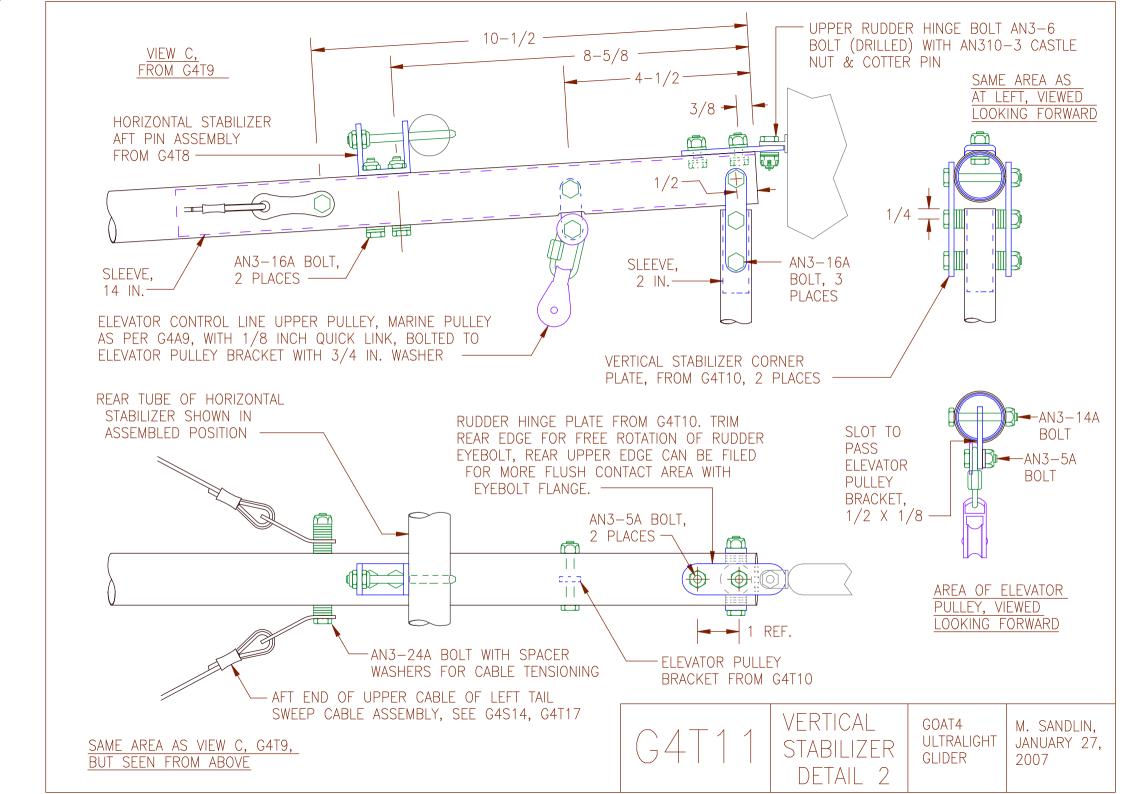
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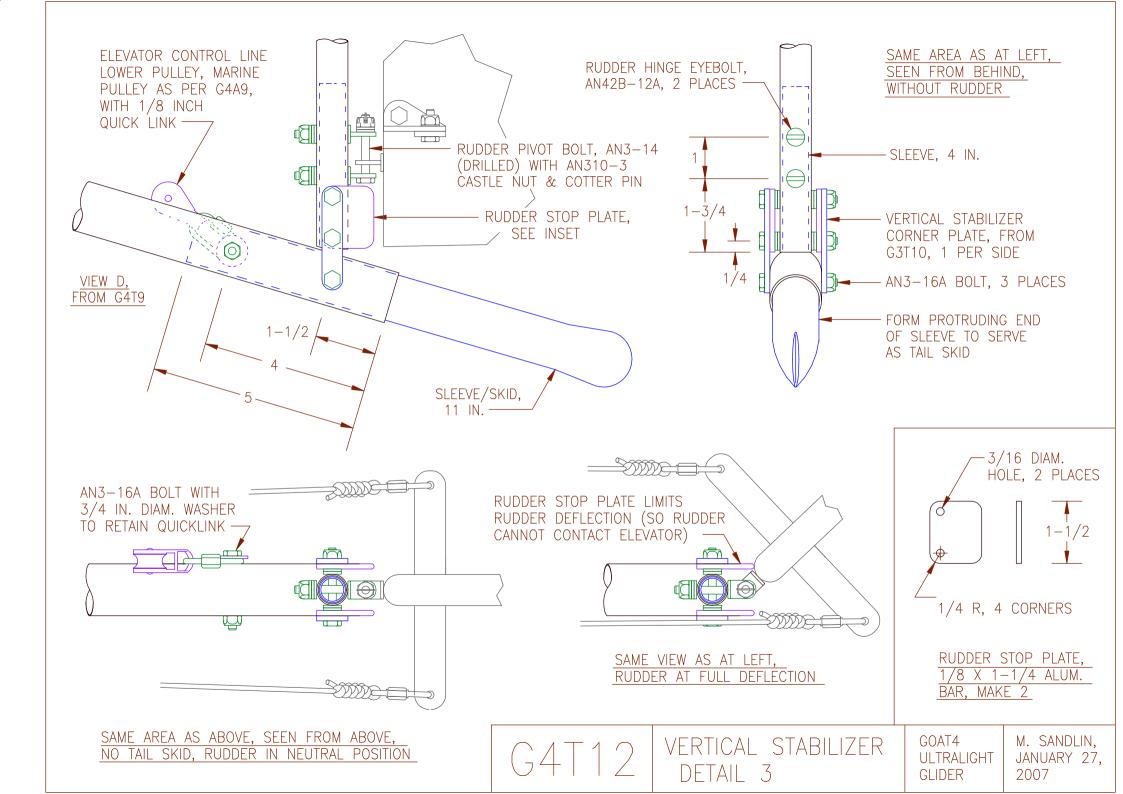
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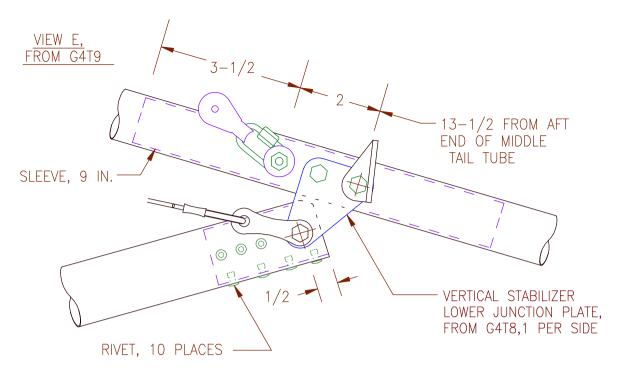
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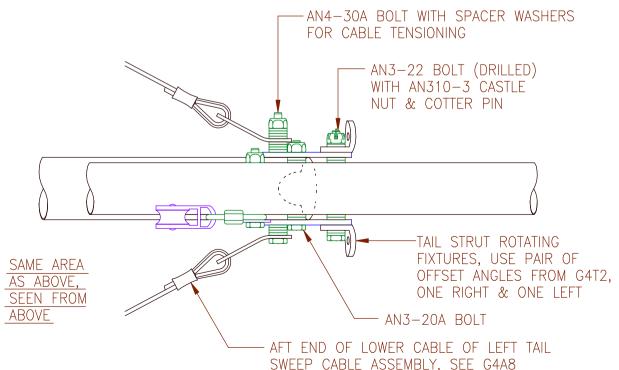




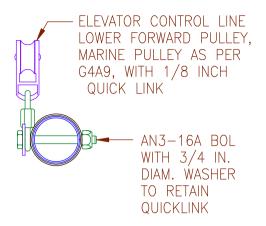


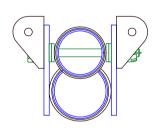






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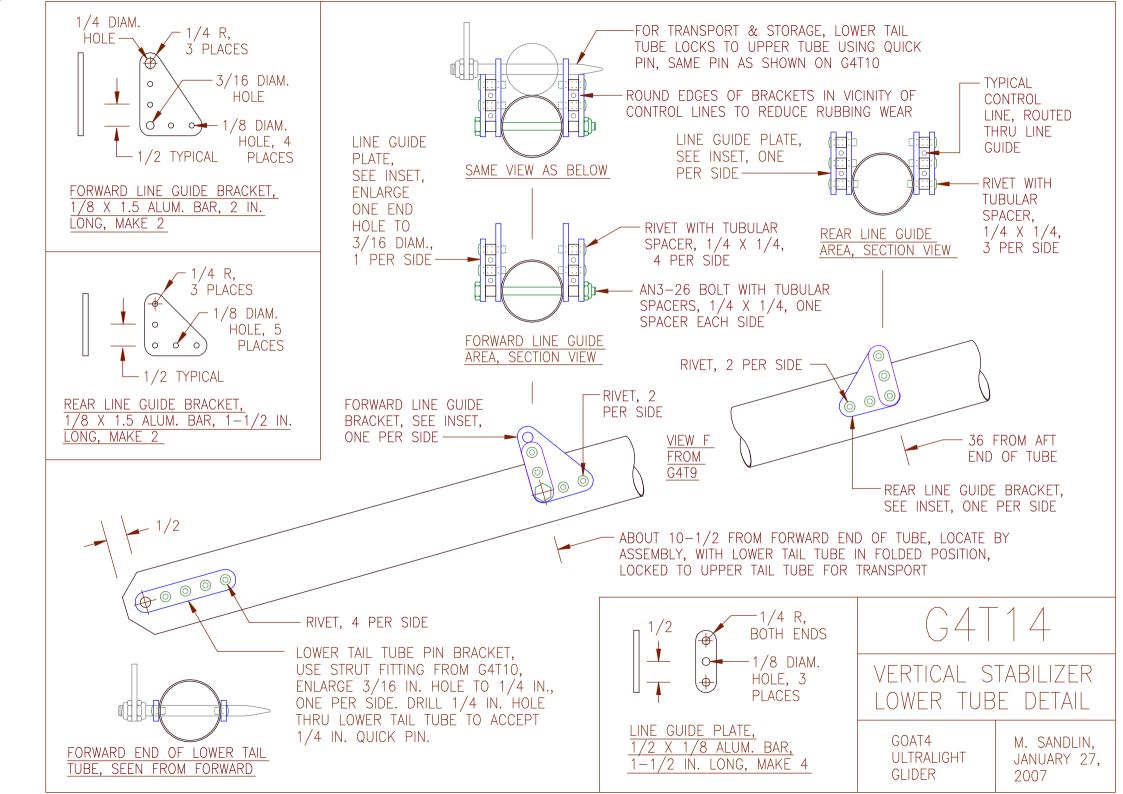


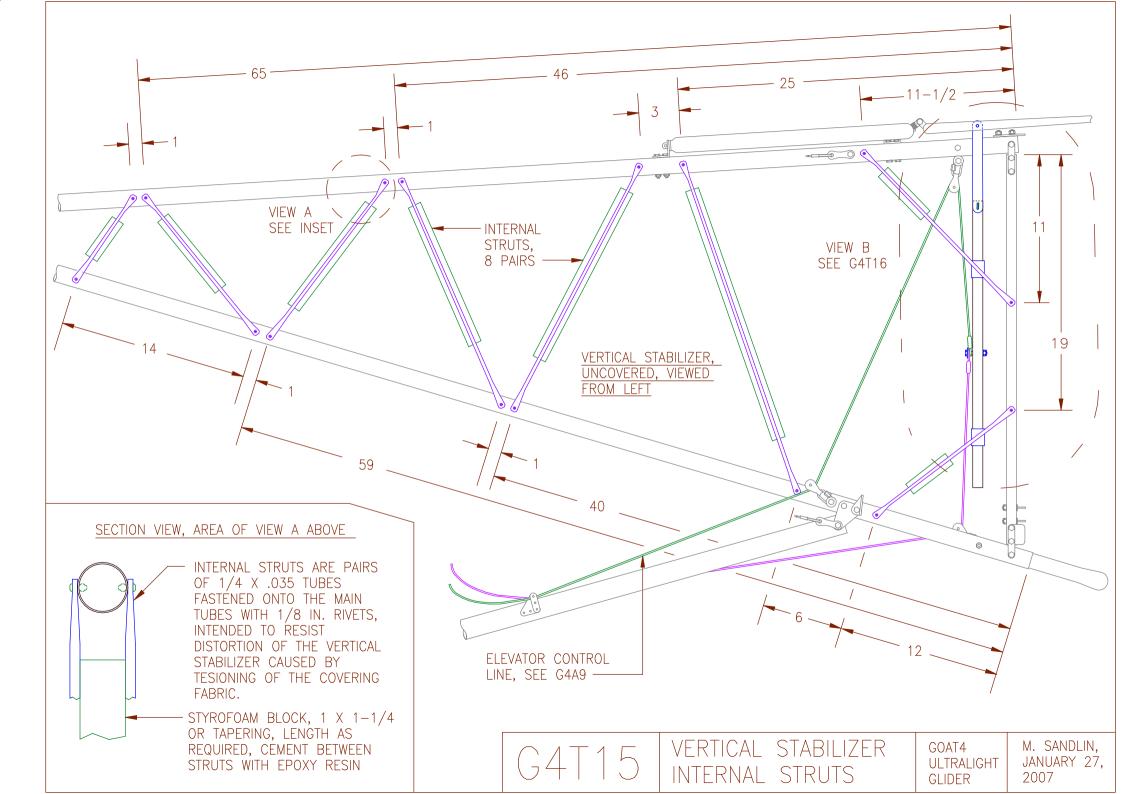
SECTION VIEW OF TAIL STRUT ATTACHMENT & ROTATION FIXTURES, SEEN FROM BEHIND

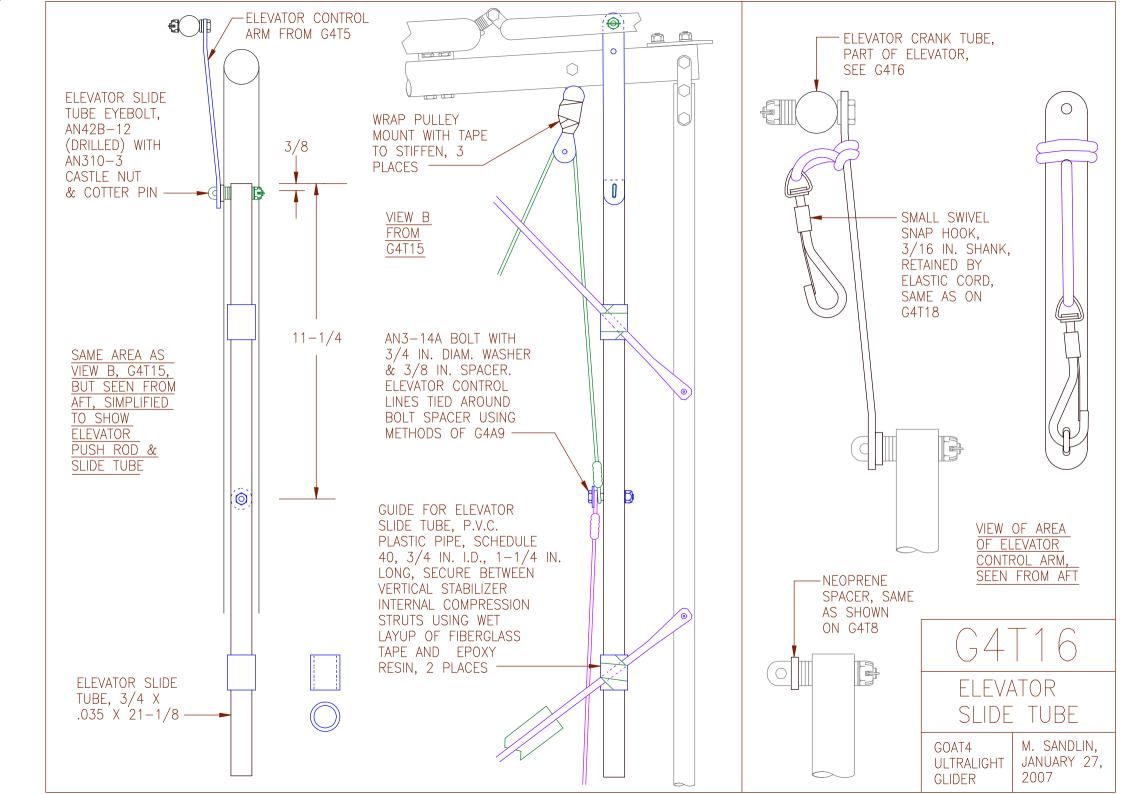
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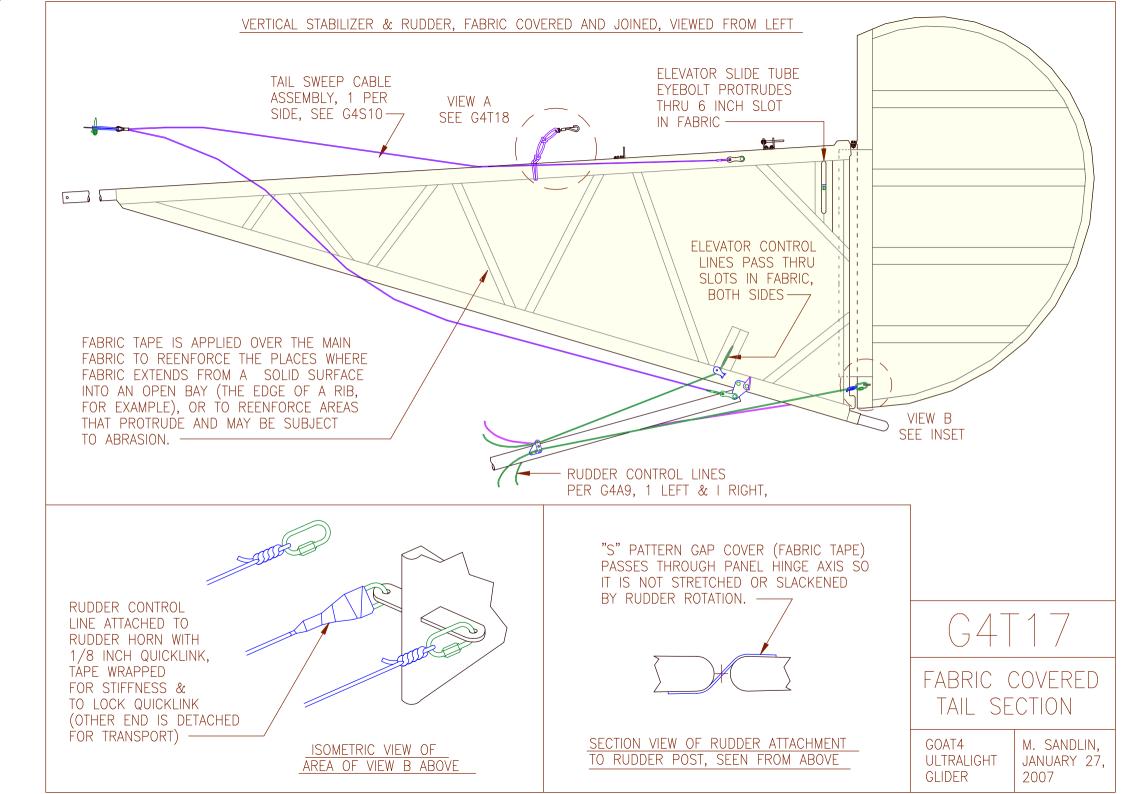
VERTICAL STABILIZER
DETAIL 4

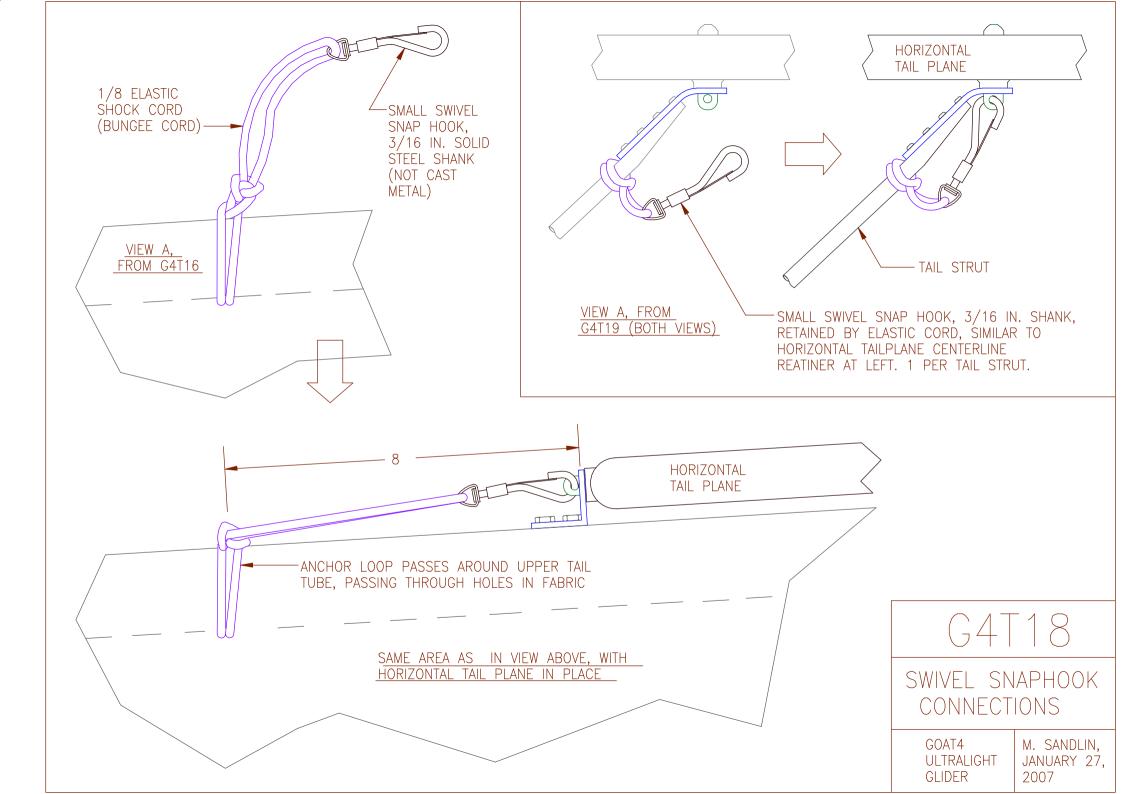
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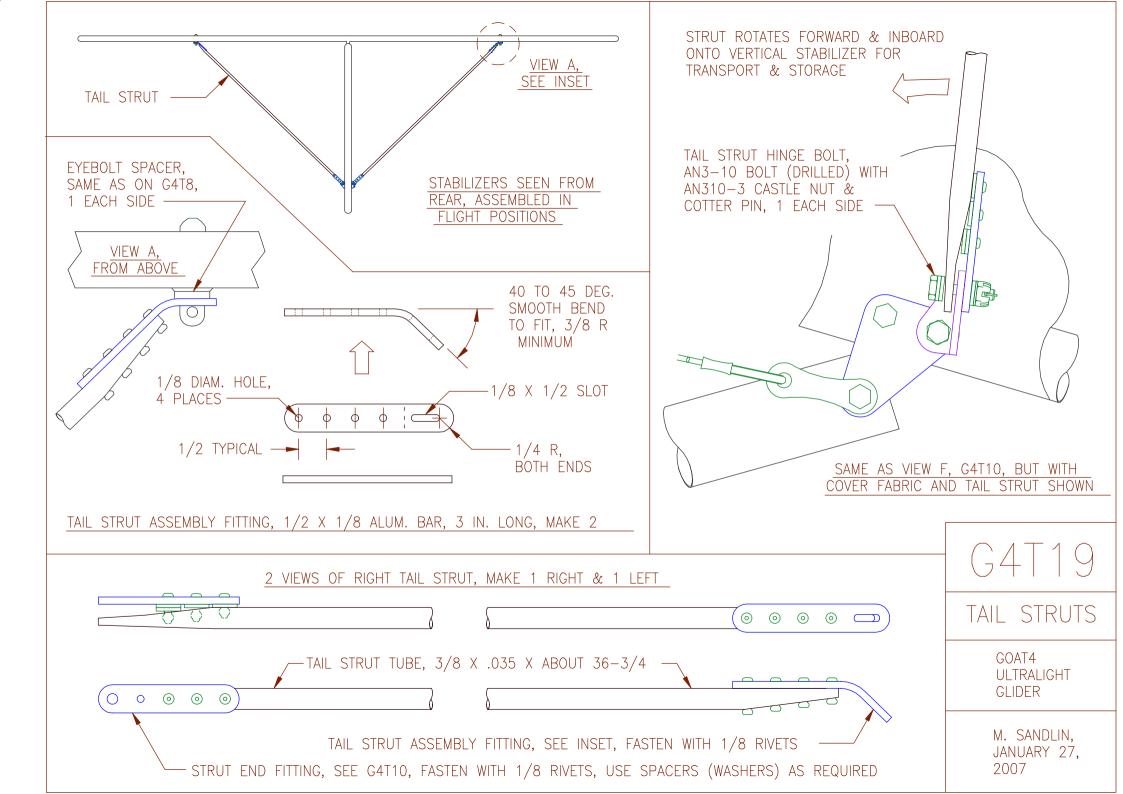


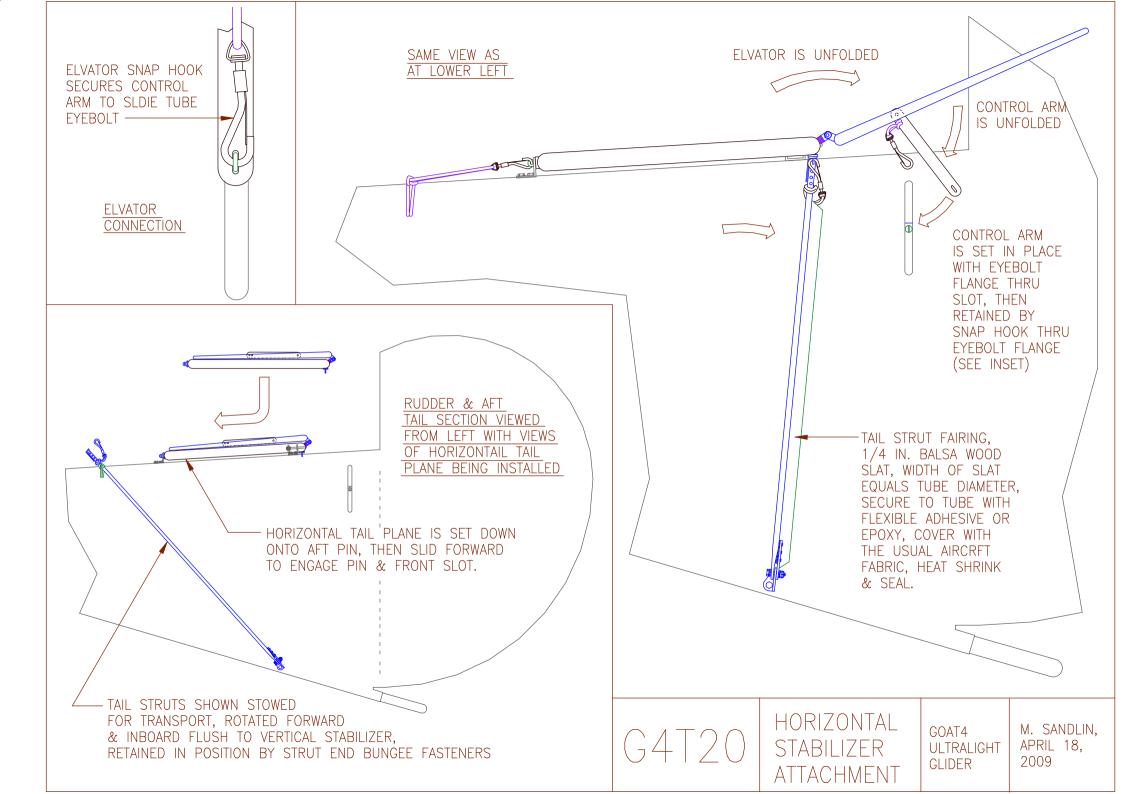


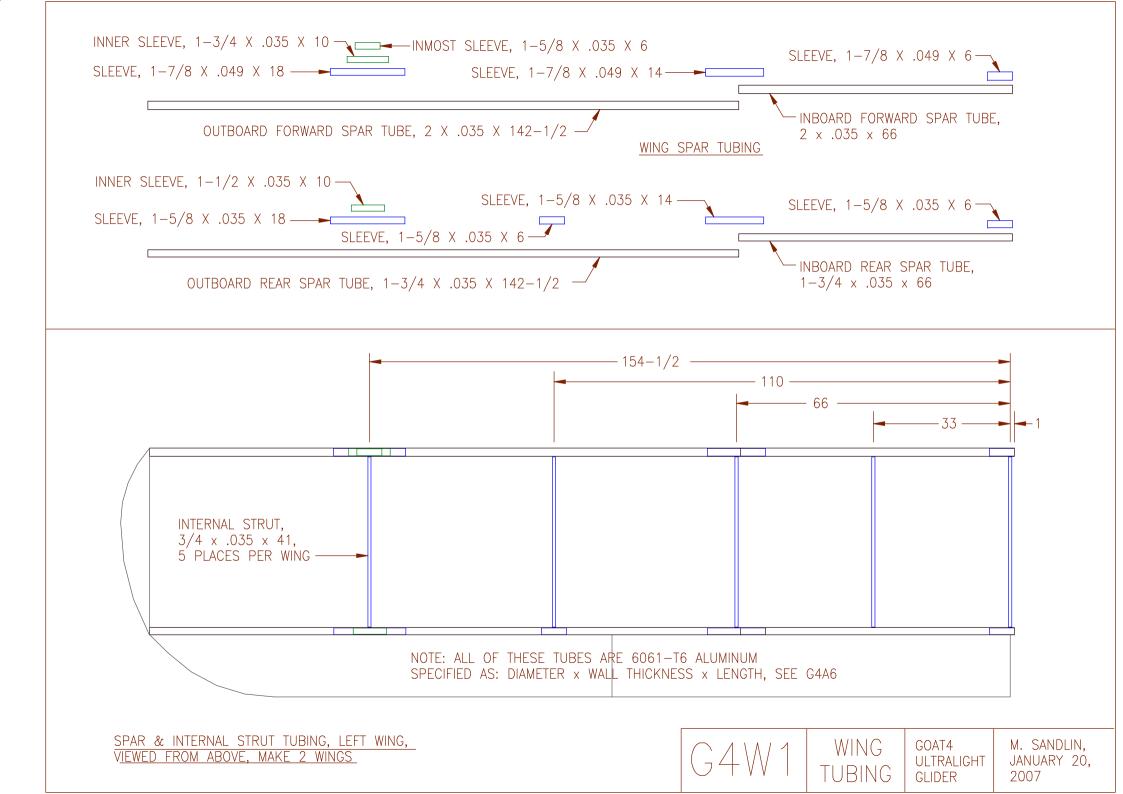


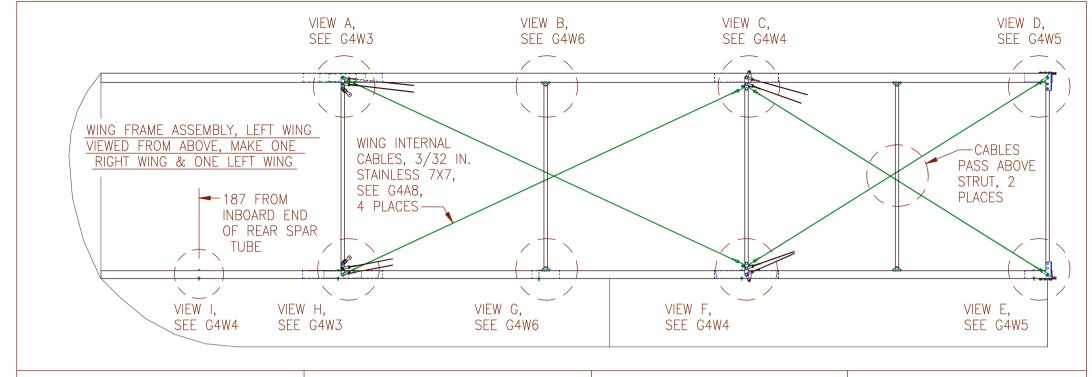


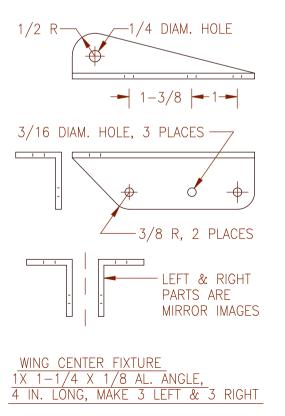


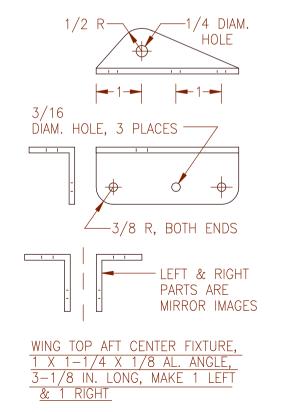


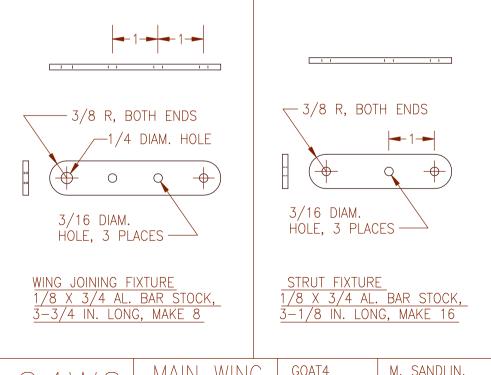












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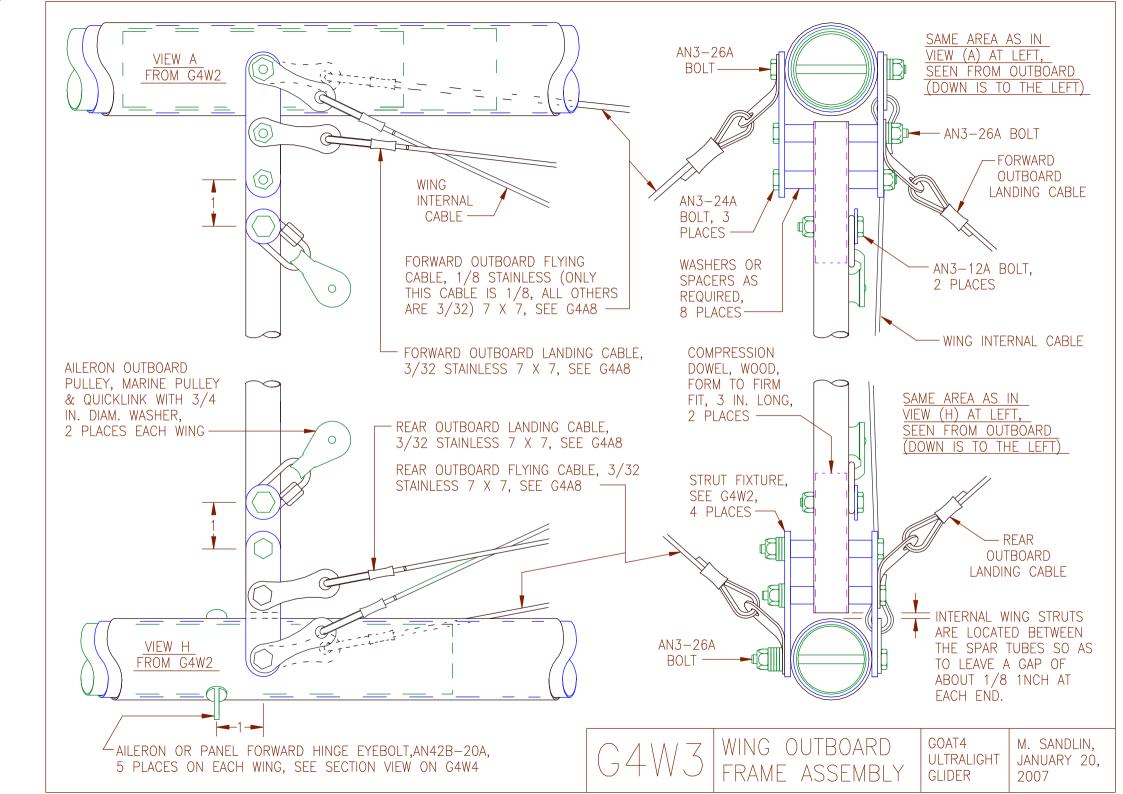
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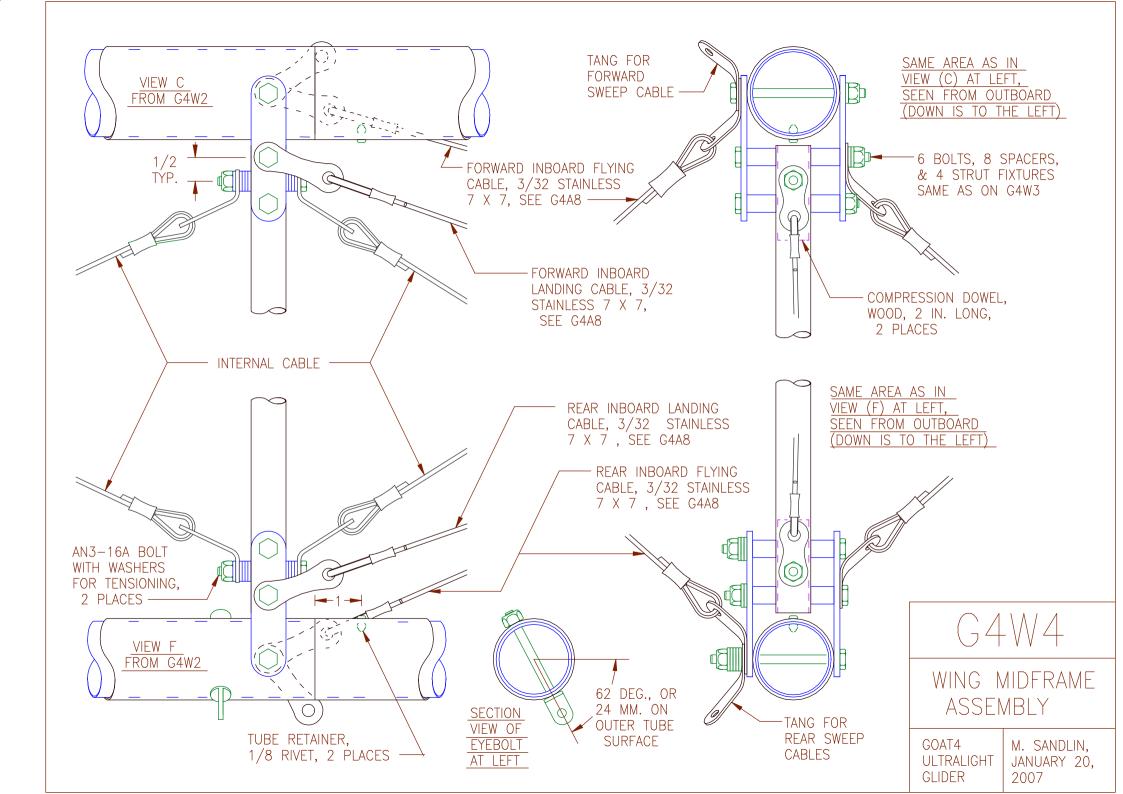
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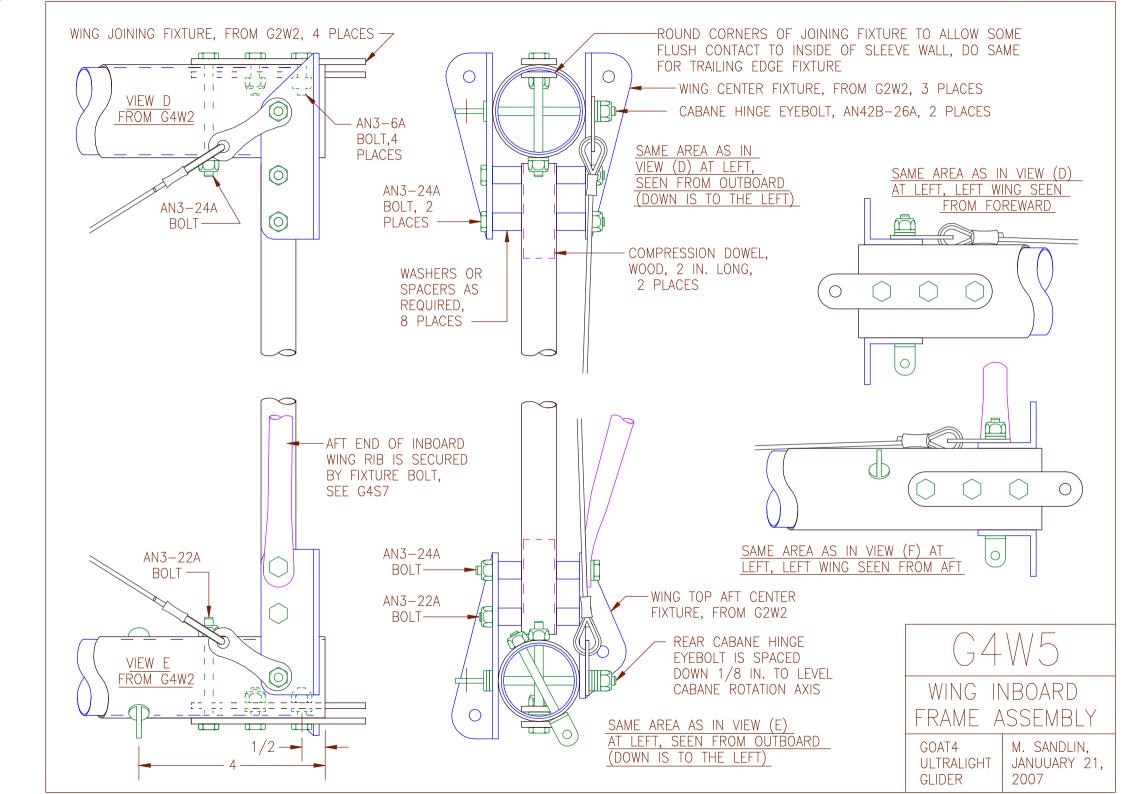
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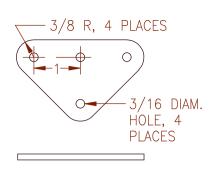
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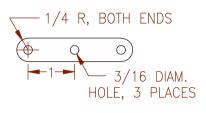




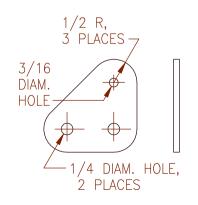




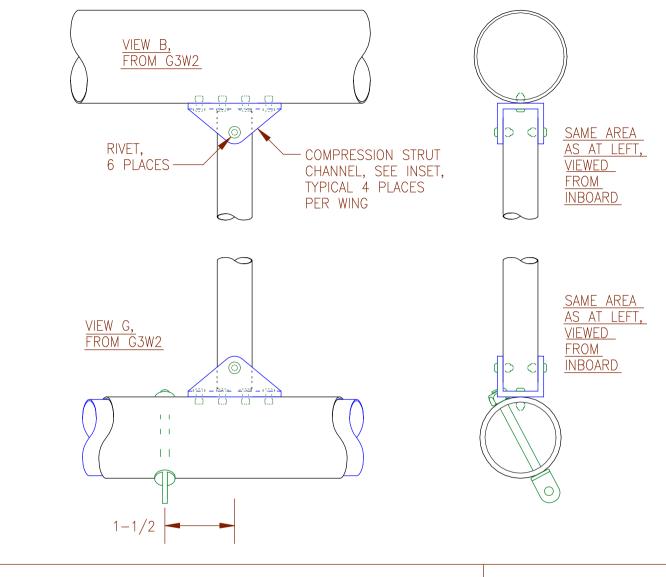
CABANE CENTER PLATE, 1-3/4 X 1/8
ALUM. BAR, 2-3/4 IN. LONG,
MAKE 4, SEE G4W9

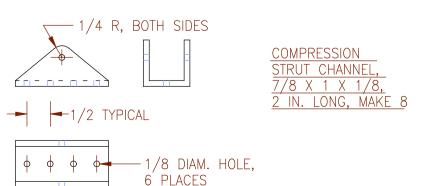


CABANE UPPER BRACKET, 1/8 X 1/2
ALUM. BAR, 2-1/2 IN. LONG, MAKE 4,
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CABANE LOWER PLATE, 2 X 1/8
ALUM. BAR, 2 IN. LONG,
MAKE 4, SEE G4W9



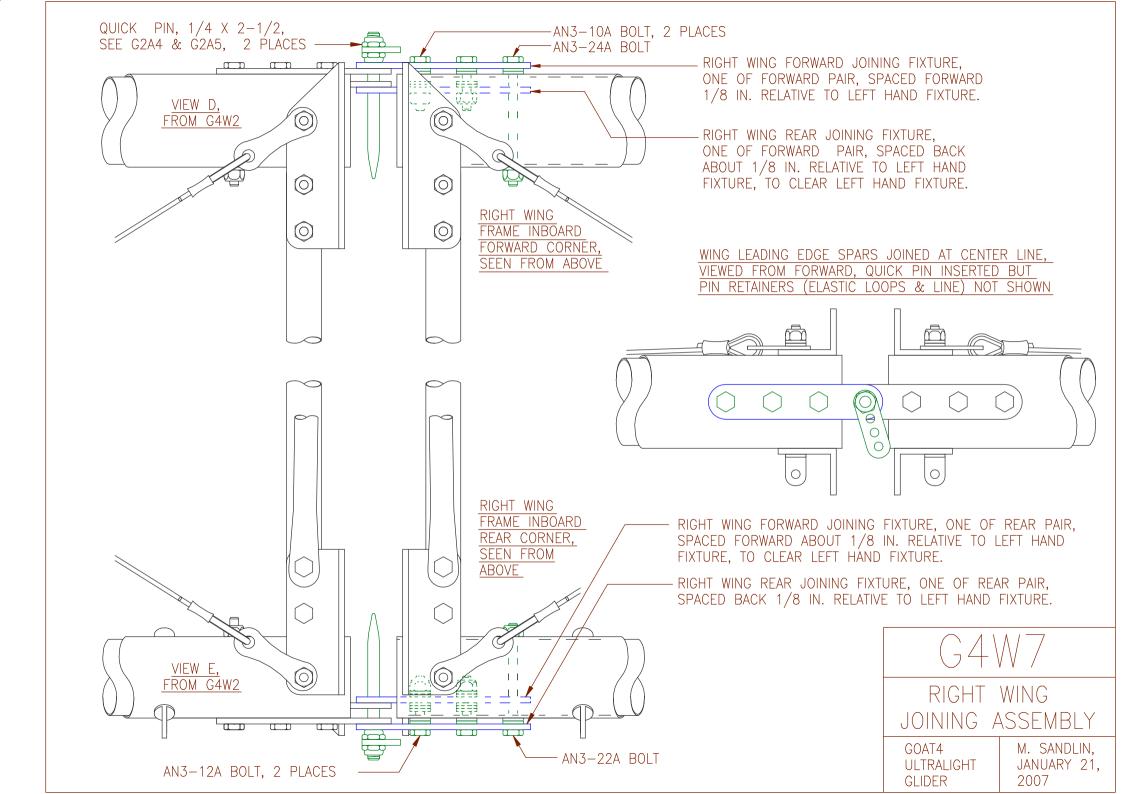


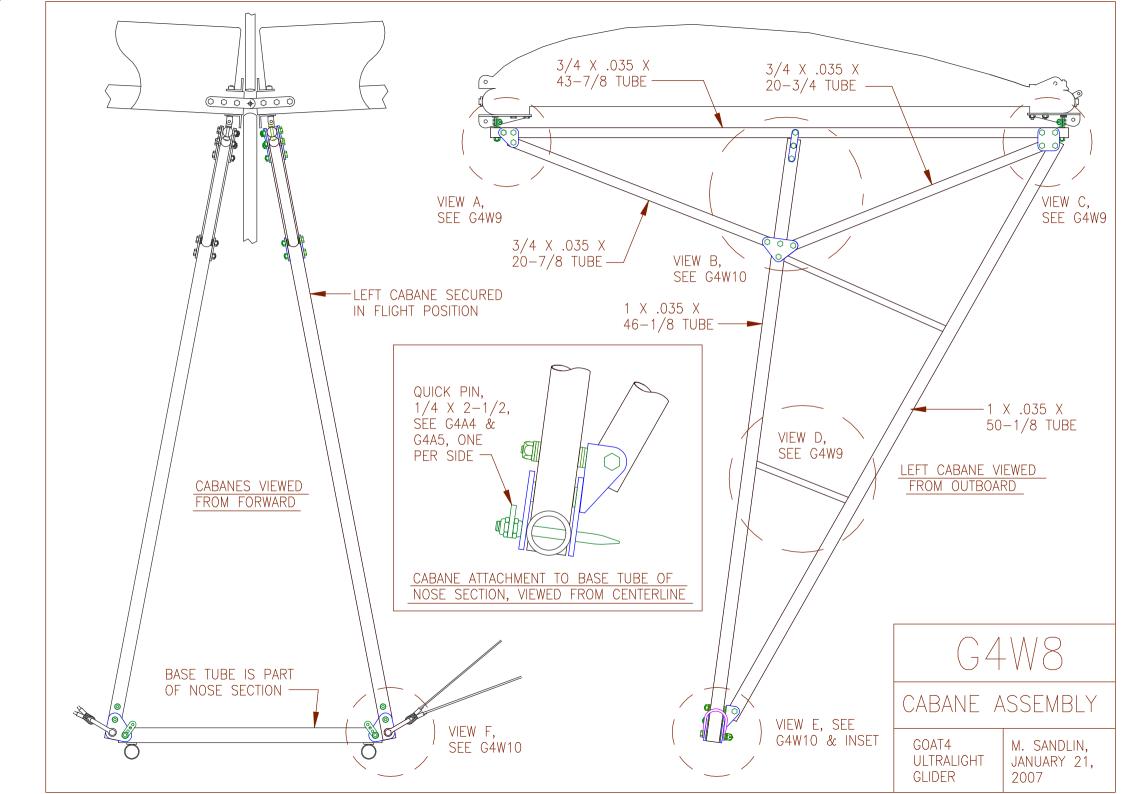
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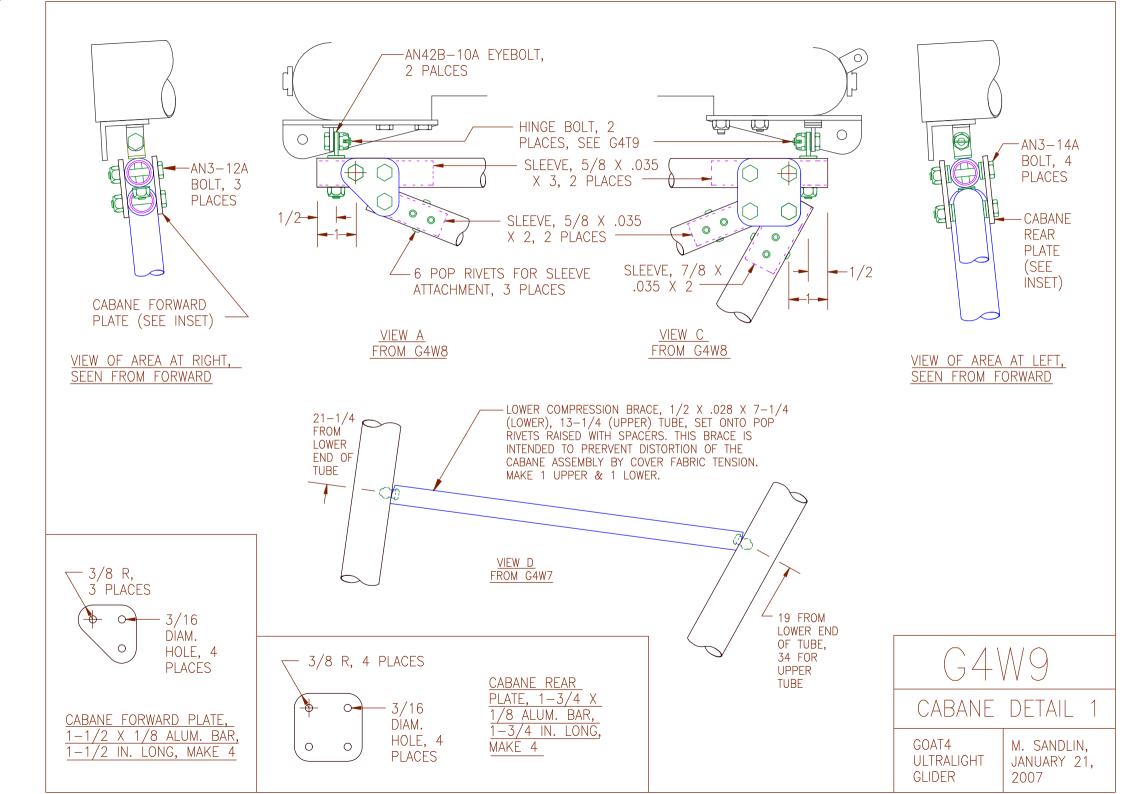
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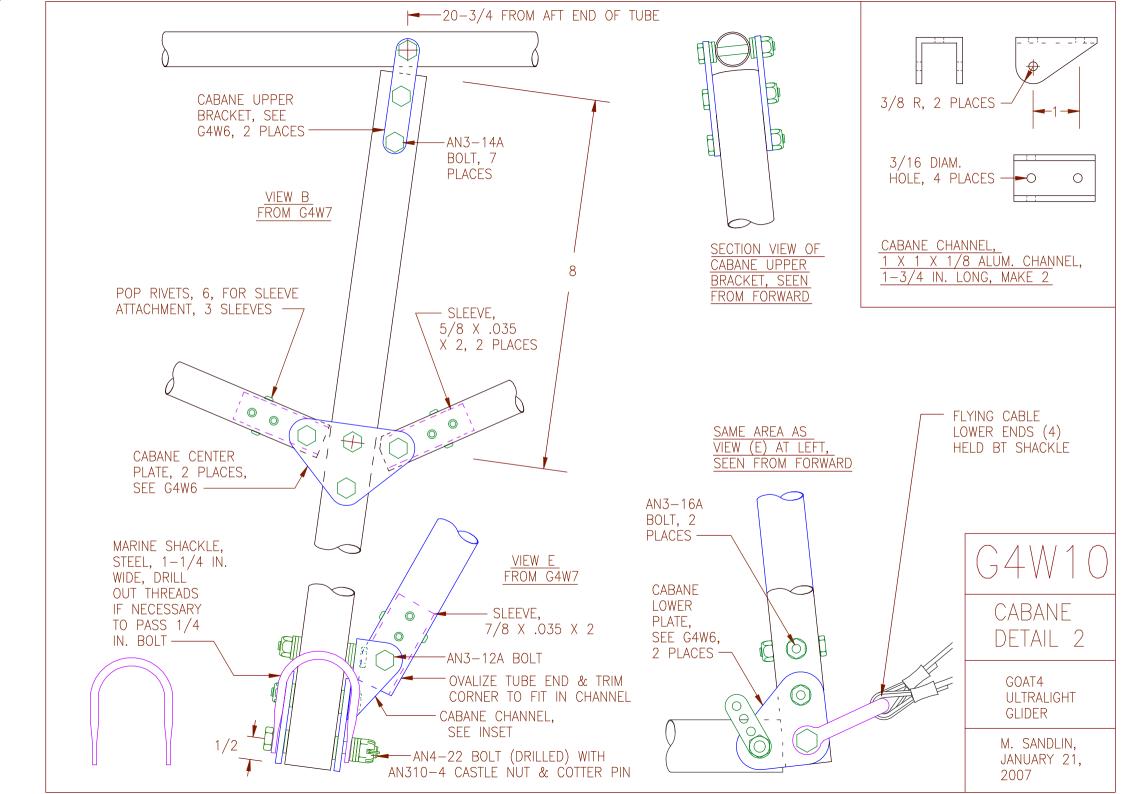
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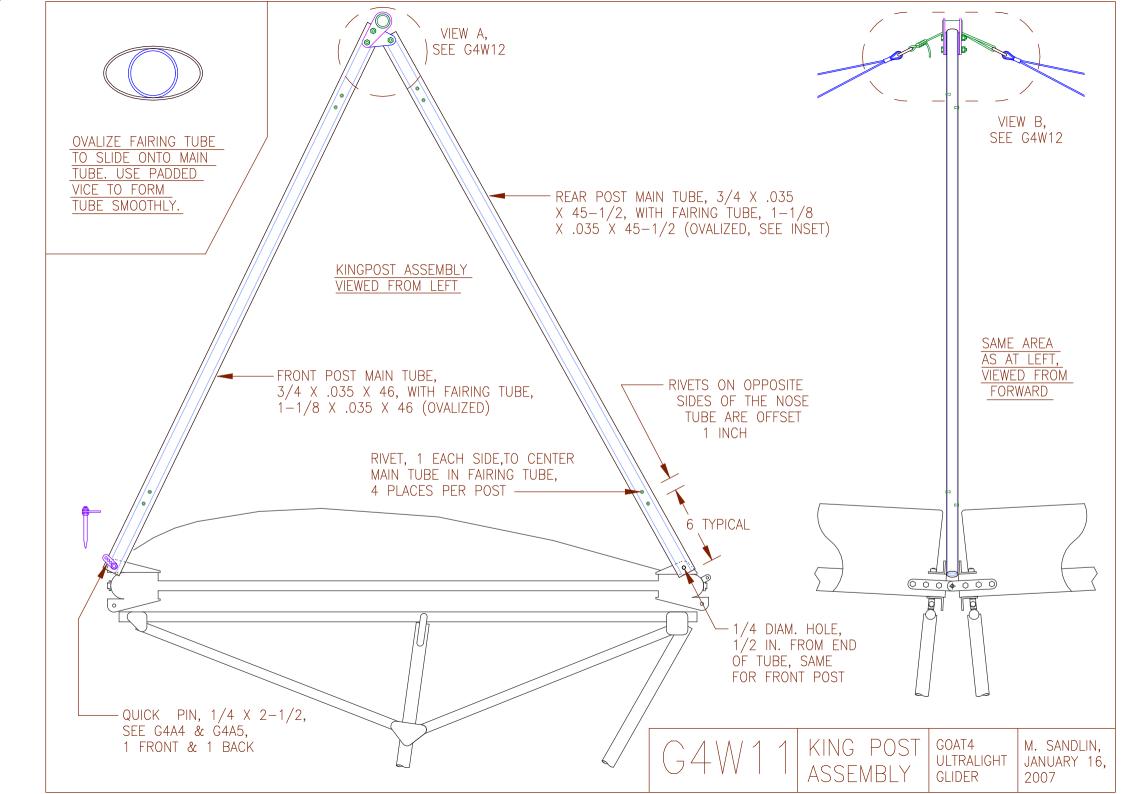
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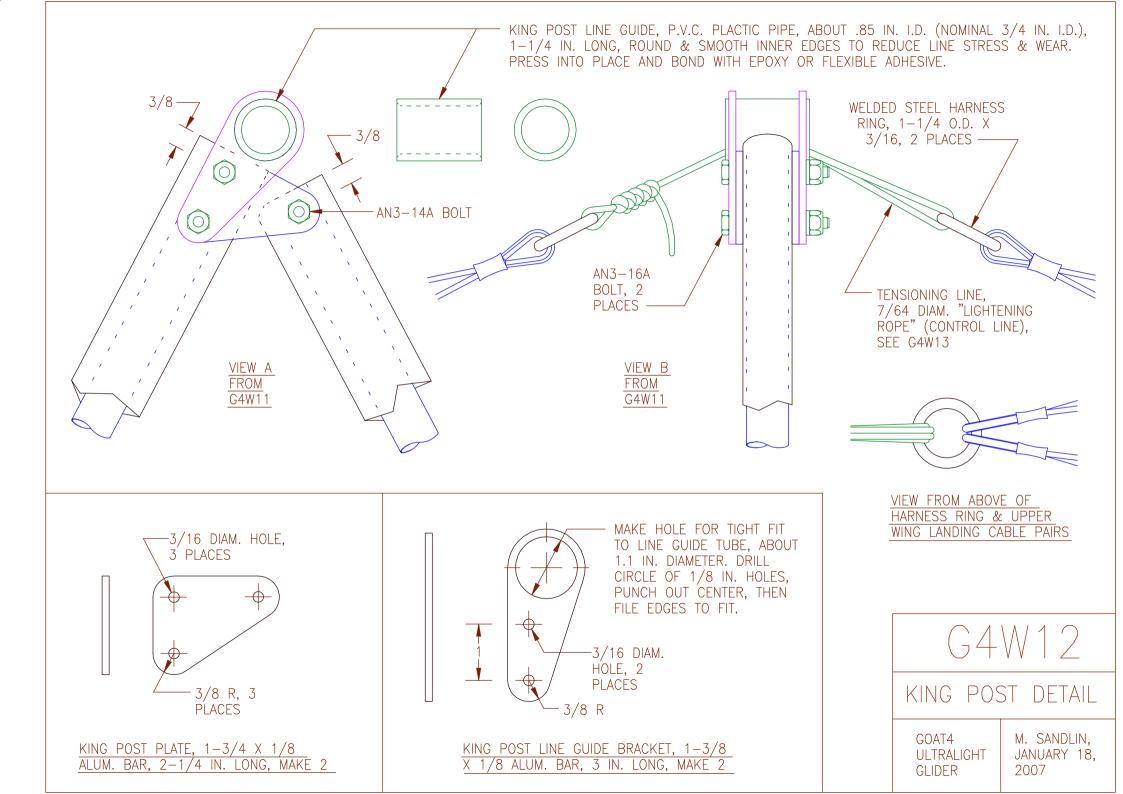


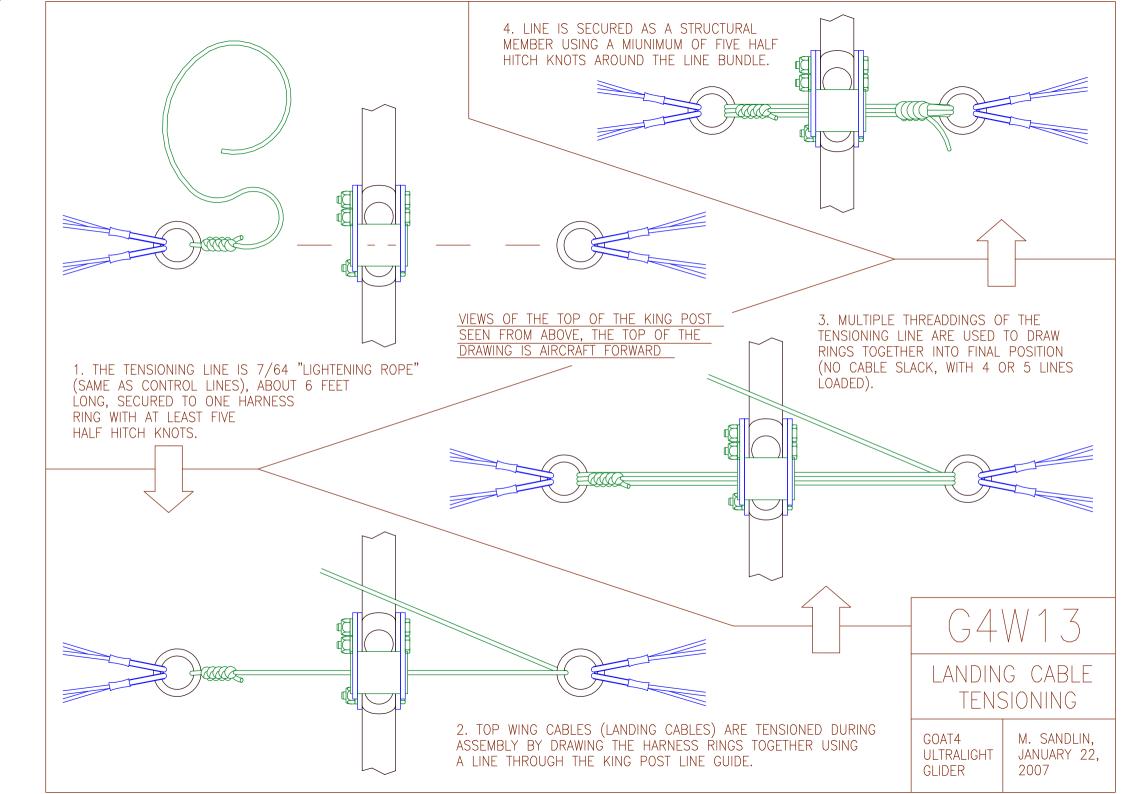


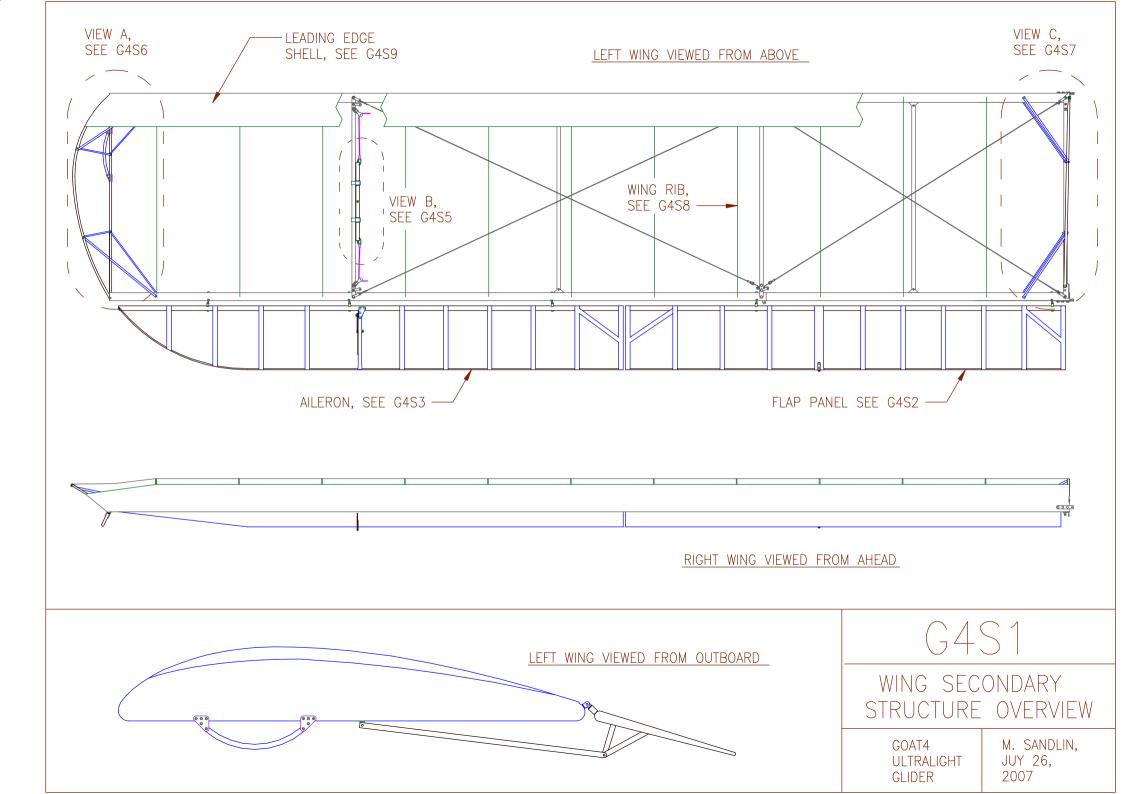


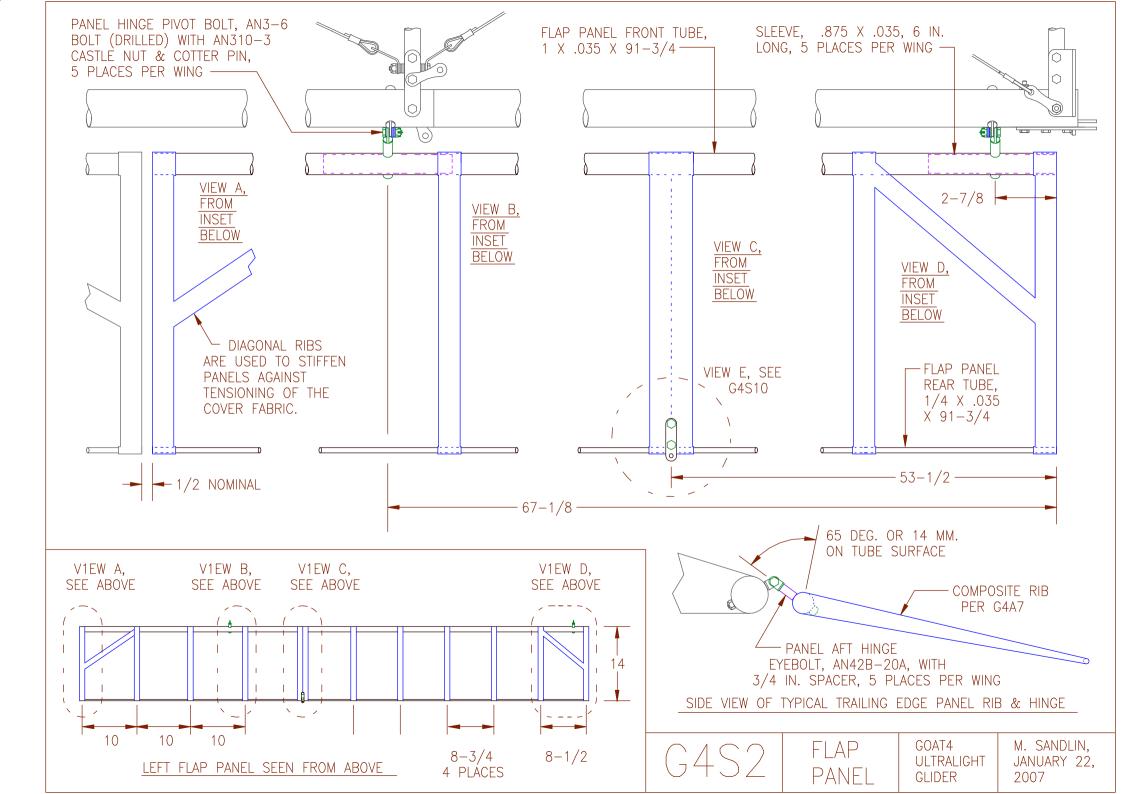


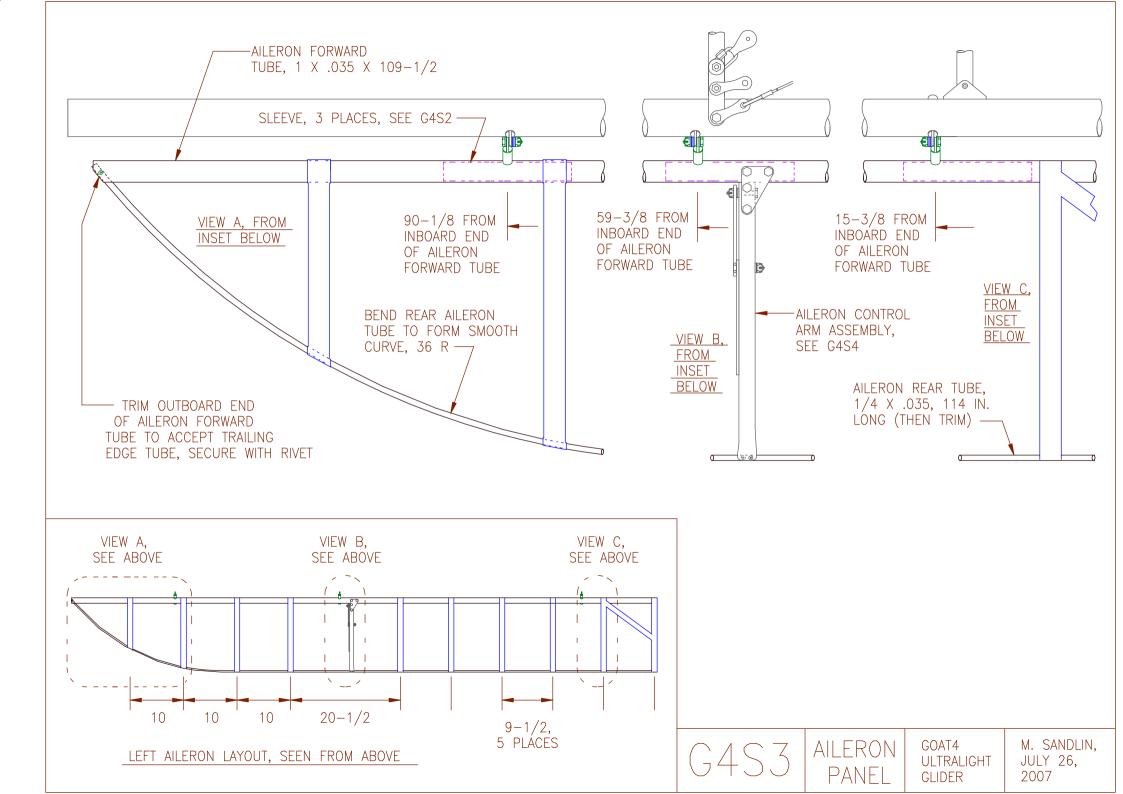


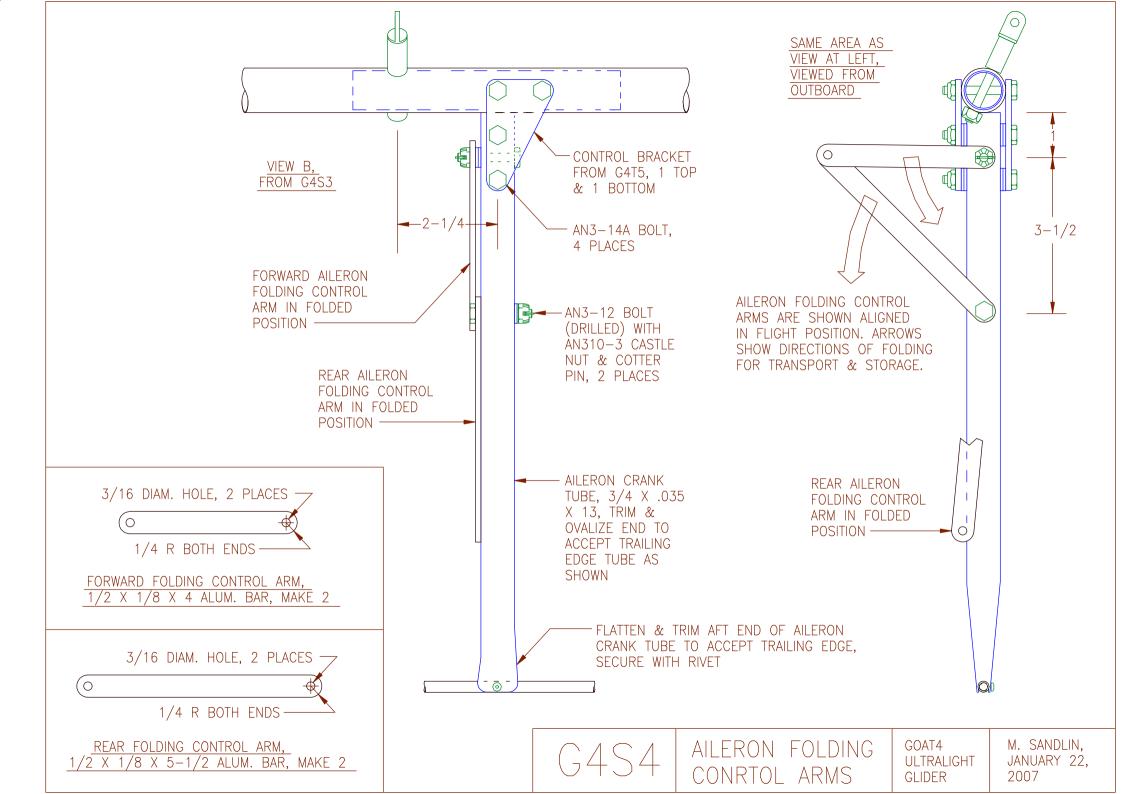


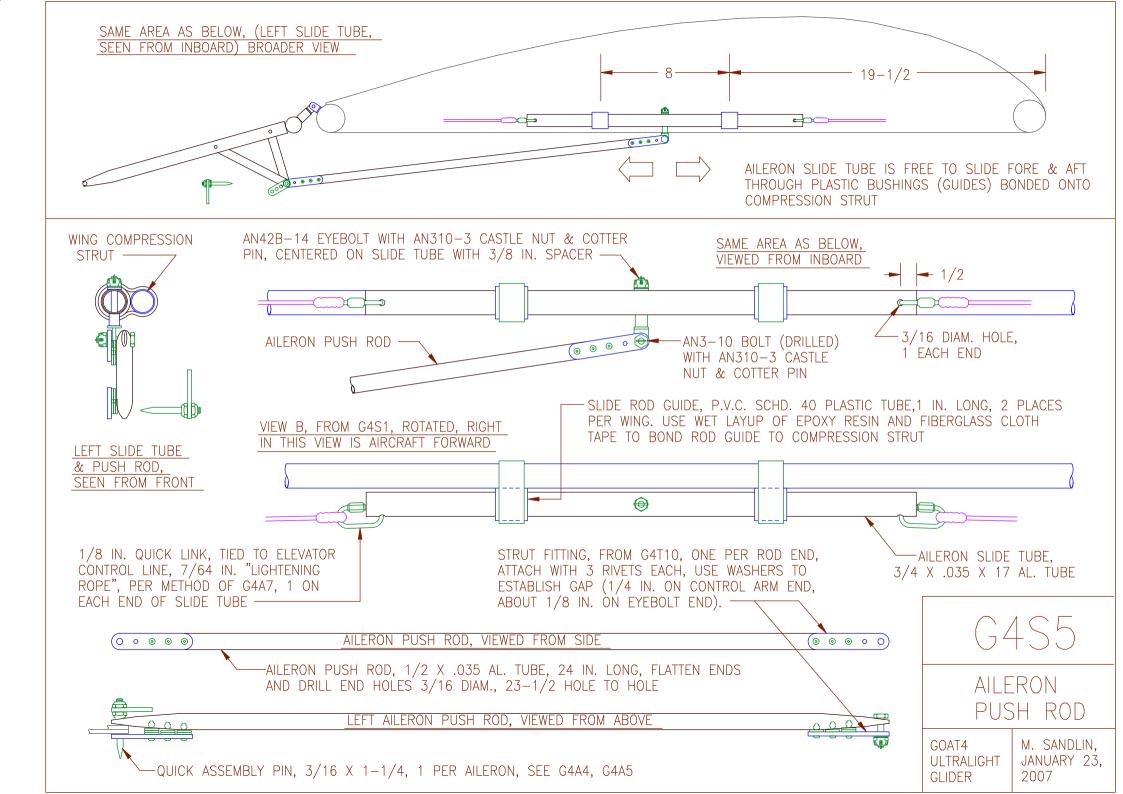


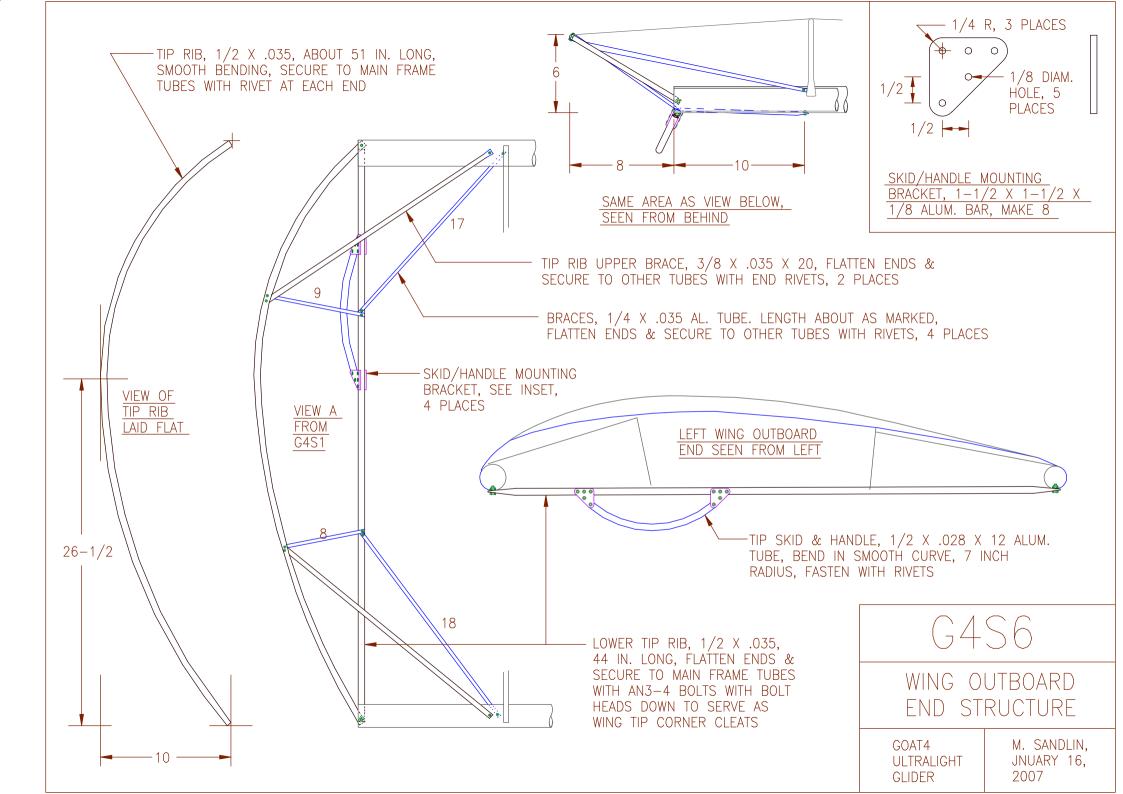


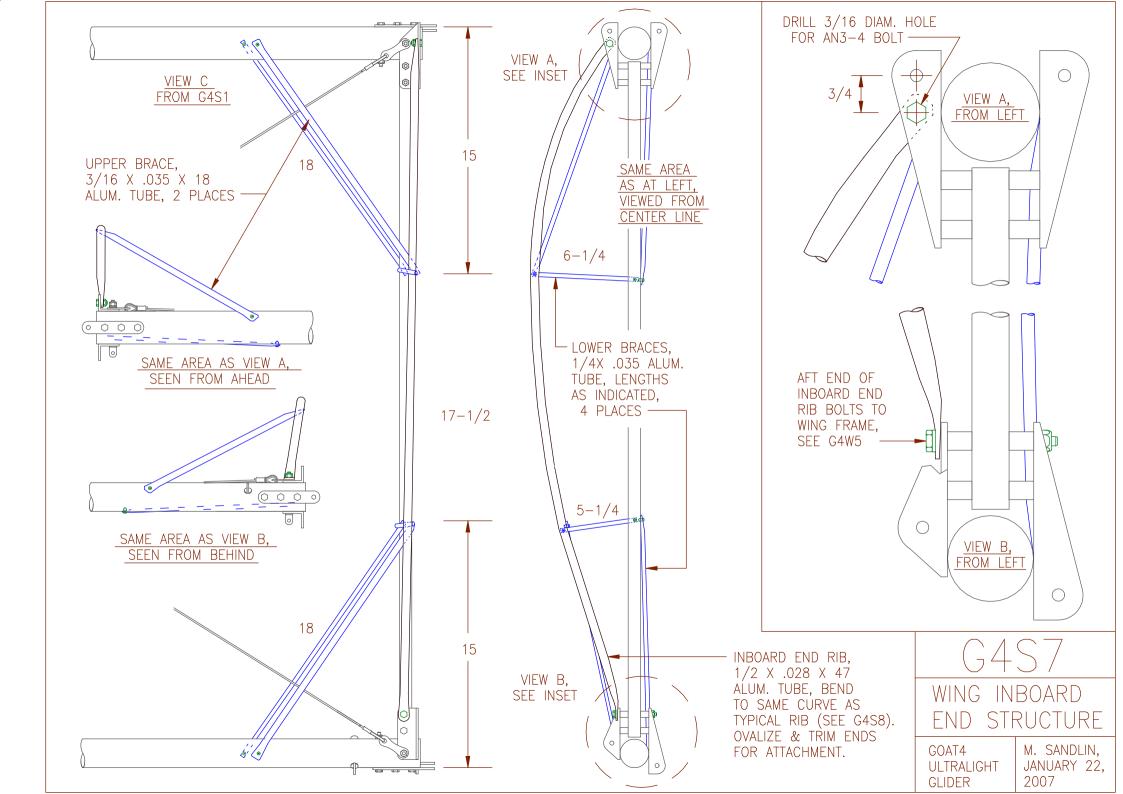


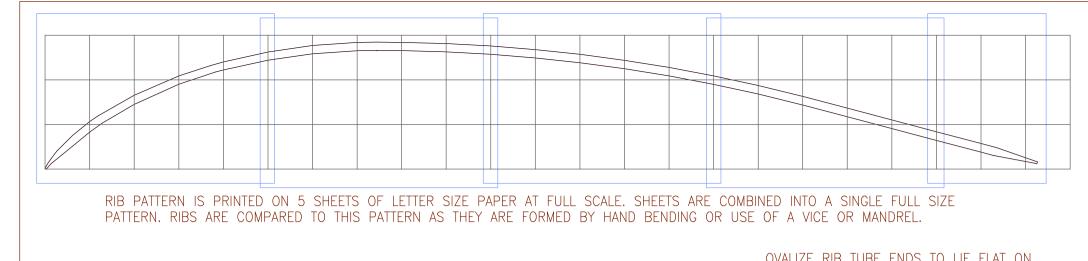


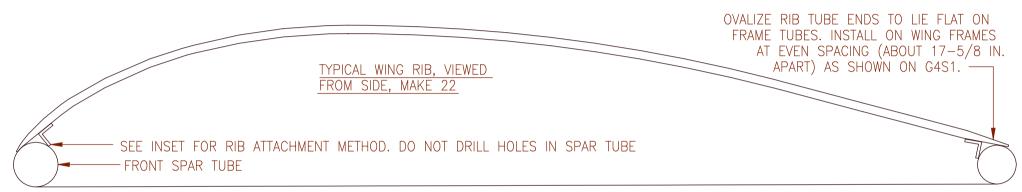


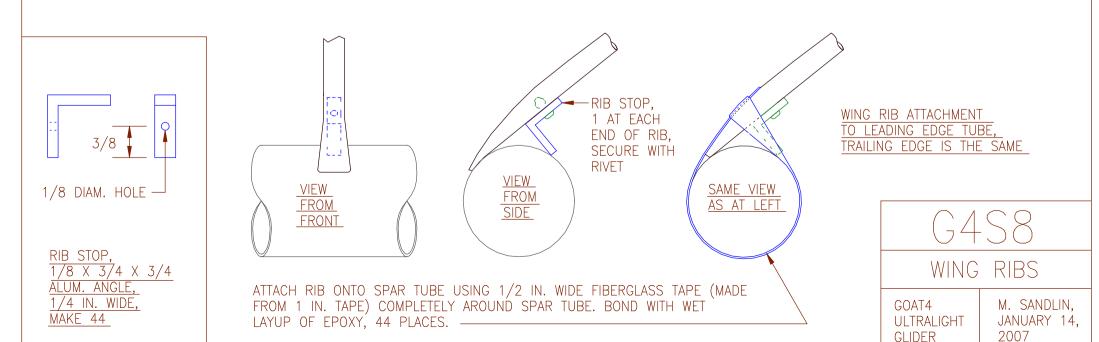




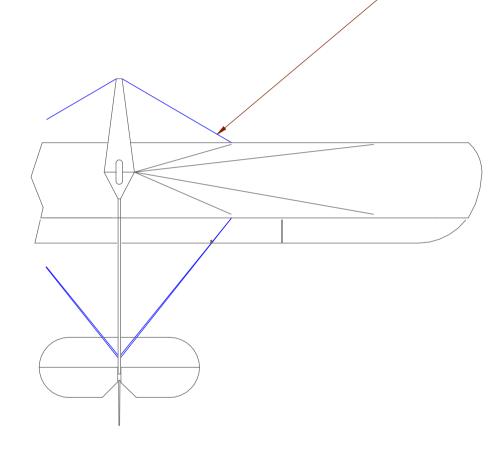








RIG UPPER & LOWER WING CABLES FIRST, THEN RIG THE SWEEP CABLES. SWEEP CABLES SHOULD BE JUST AS LOOSE AS THE LOWER WING CABLES, OR MORE SO, WHEN THE GLIDER IS FULLY ASSEMBLED ON THE GROUND. THIS IS INTENDED TO ALLOW FOR SOME INCREASE IN SWEEP CABLE TENSION IN FLIGHT, WHEN THE WING IS LIFTED AND THE LOWER WING CABLES COME UNDER TENSION.



SWEEP CABLES VIEWED FROM BELOW

LEADING EDGE SHELL IS MADE FROM 1 X 8 INCH STYROFOAM BLOCKS. CUT LENGTH TO FIT BETWEEN RIBS, ABOUT 18 INCHES LONG.

BOND BLOCKS BETWEEN THE RIBS (EPOXY), 12 BLOCKS PER WING. FORM THE STYROFOAM BY REMOVAL DOWN TO THE RIB OUTER CONTOUR (SHAVE OR SAND).

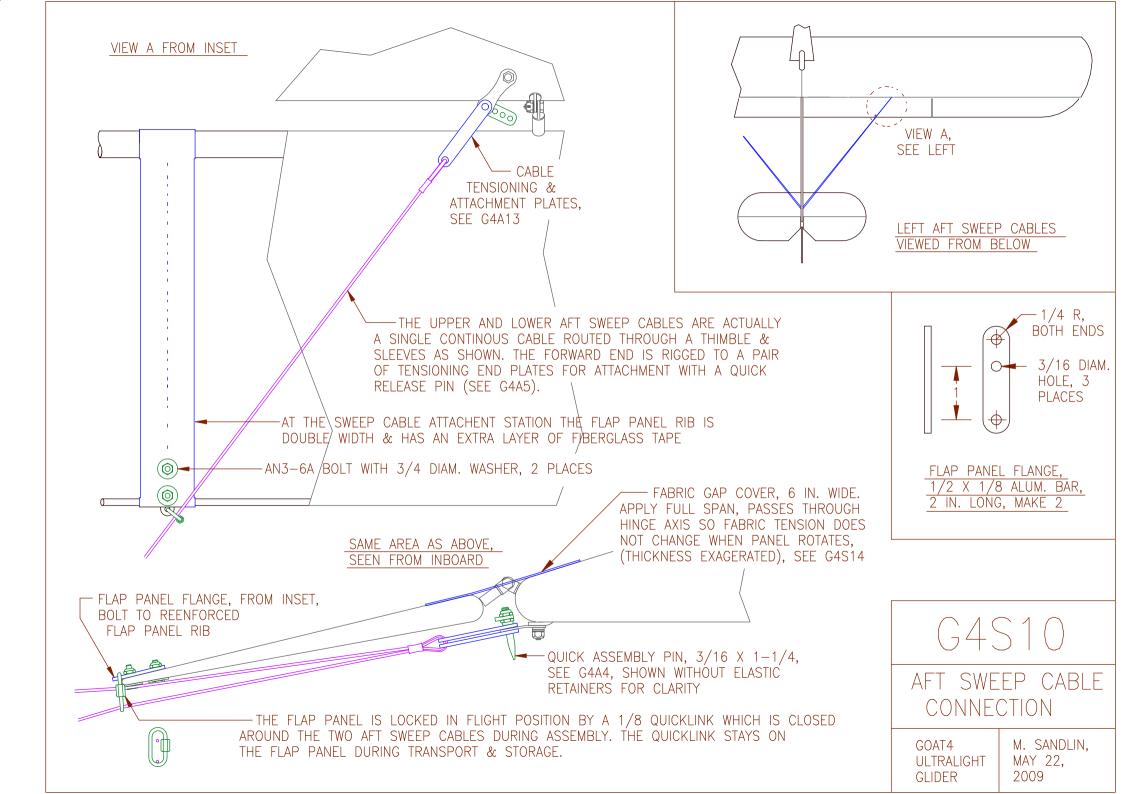
TWO VIEWS OF
TYPICAL WING RIB
AND LEADING EDGE
SPAR TUBE, SEEN
FROM SIDE

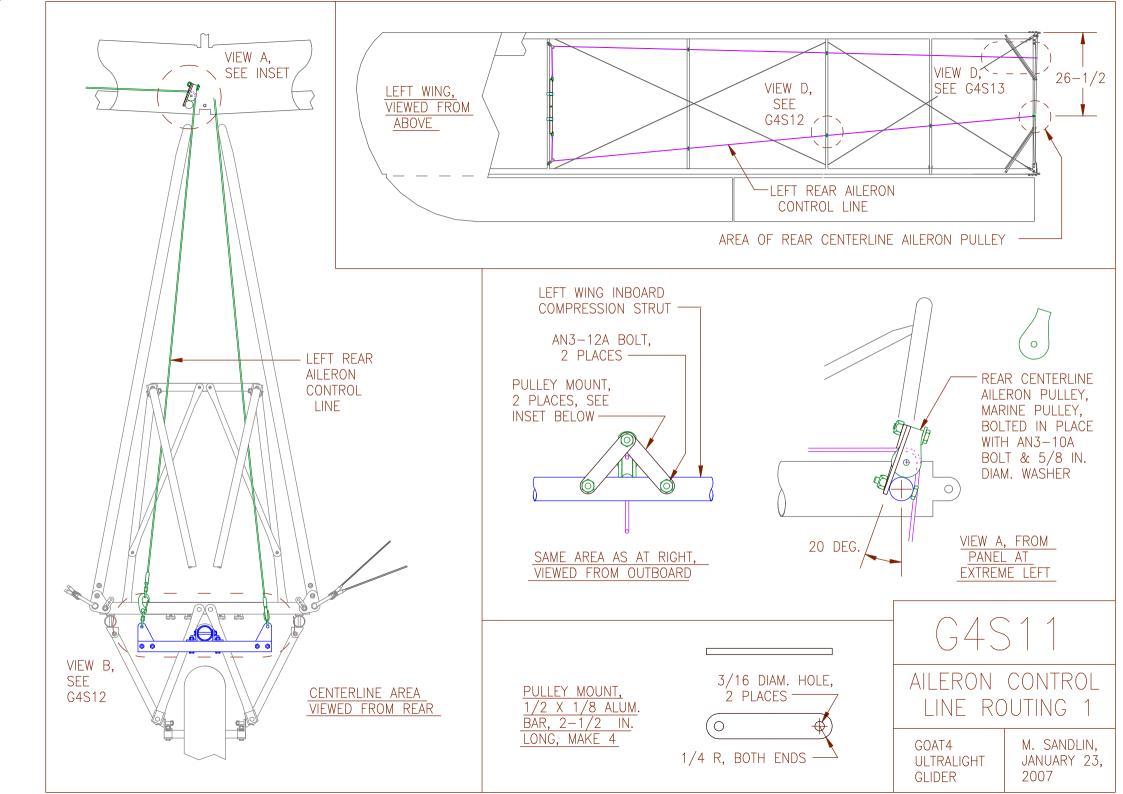
LIGHT CONSTRUCTION SPACKLE IS APPLIED TO FILL TOP SURFACE OF SHAPED STYROFOAM. THE SHELL IS THEN SANDED SMOOTH. TOP OUTER FACE IS SEALED WITH EPOXY RESIN TO PREVENT STYROFOAM FROM BEING DISOLVED BY FABRIC SEALANT.

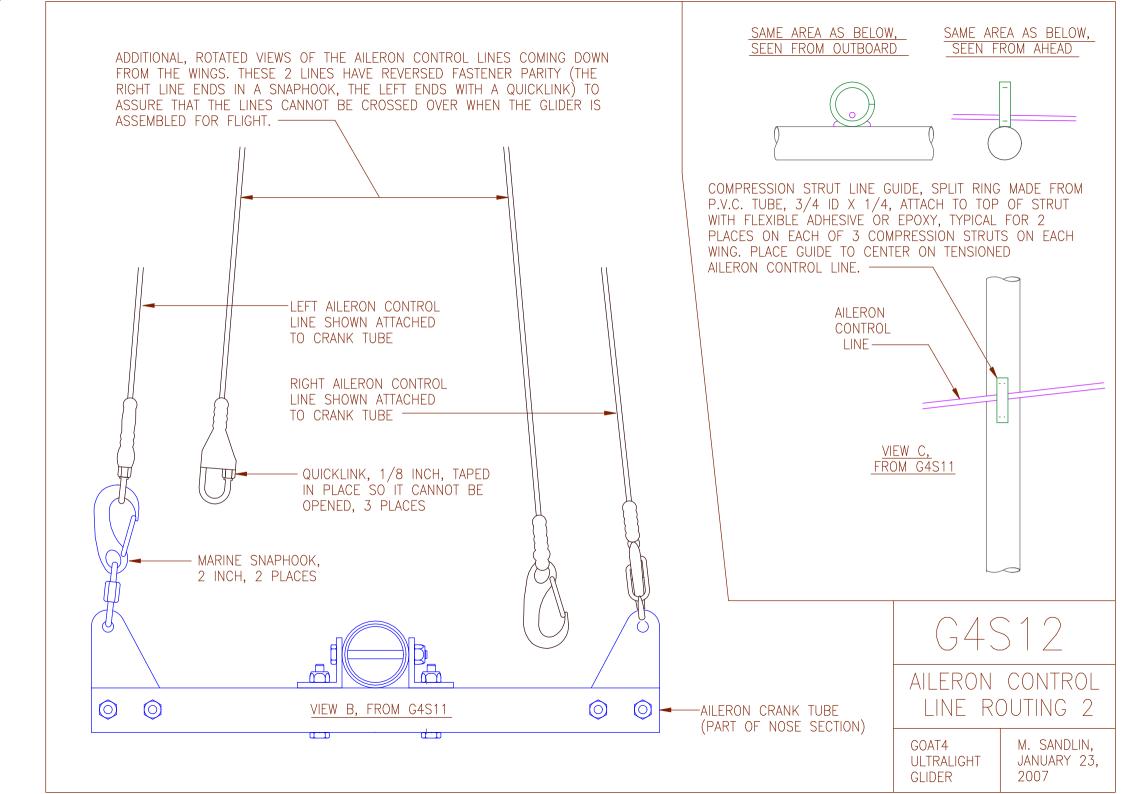
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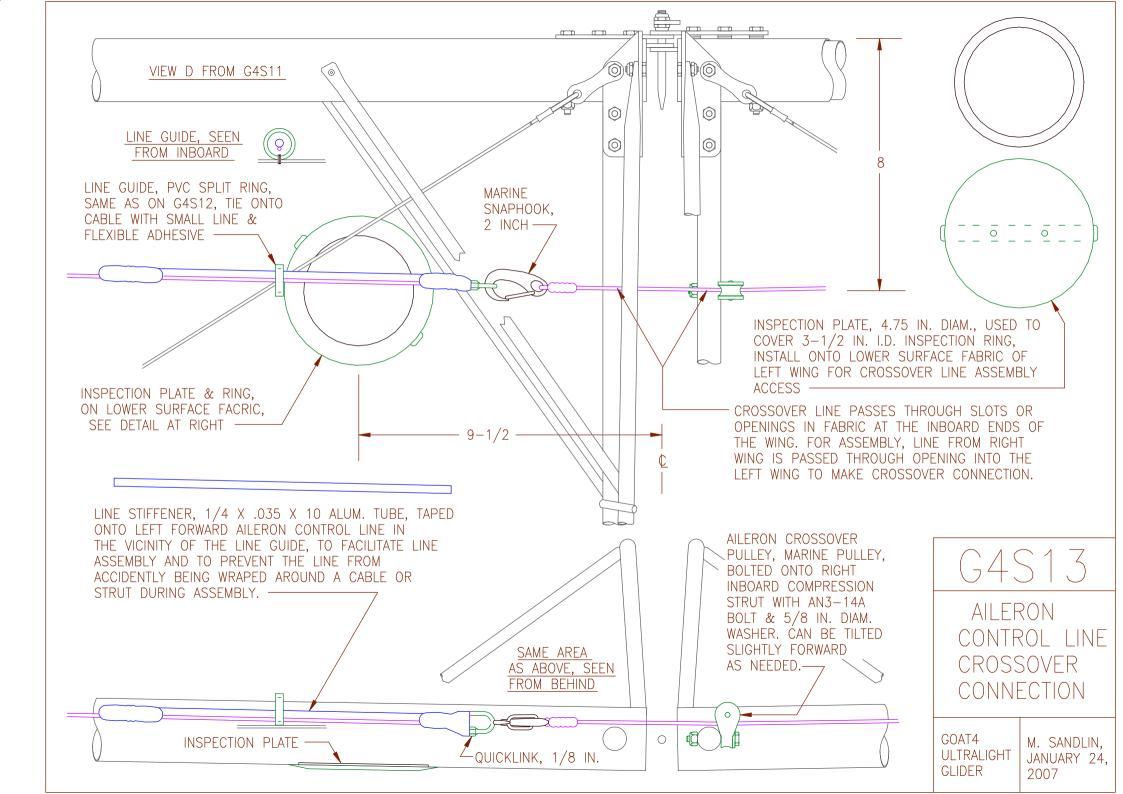
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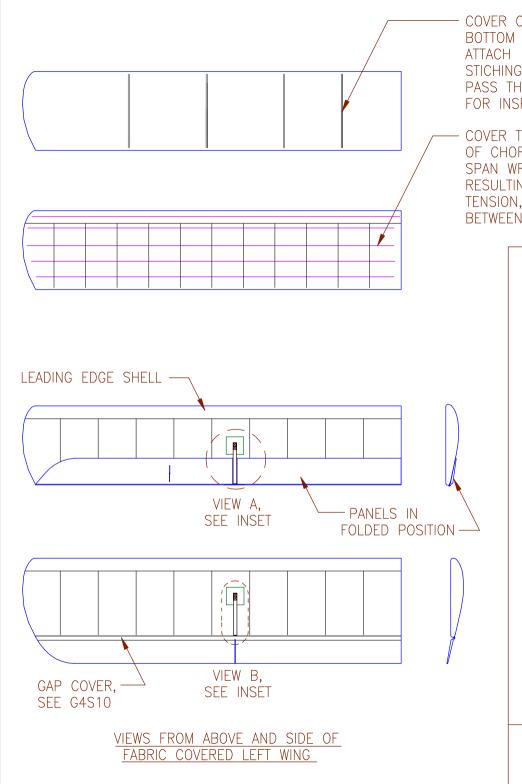
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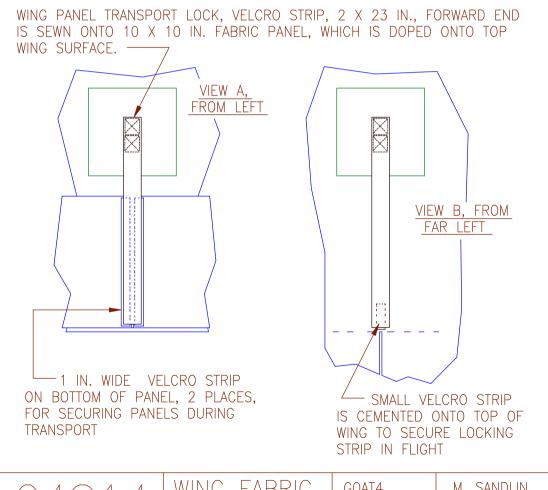






COVER COMPRESSION STRUTS WITH SPIRAL WRAP OF FABRIC TAPE. THEN COVER BOTTOM SURFACE WITH ONE LONG PANEL OF FABRIC. USE HAND STICHING TO ATTACH FABRIC TO STRUT WRAPPING, 4 STRUTS PER WING, APPLY TAPE OVER STICHING. REENFORCE & SLOT FABRIC WHERE CABLES, LINES, OR CONTROL RODS PASS THROUGH. LARGE HOLES MAY BE LEFT IN THE INBOARD END PANELS (IF ANY) FOR INSPECTION, LINE STOWAGE, PASS-THROUGH, ETC.

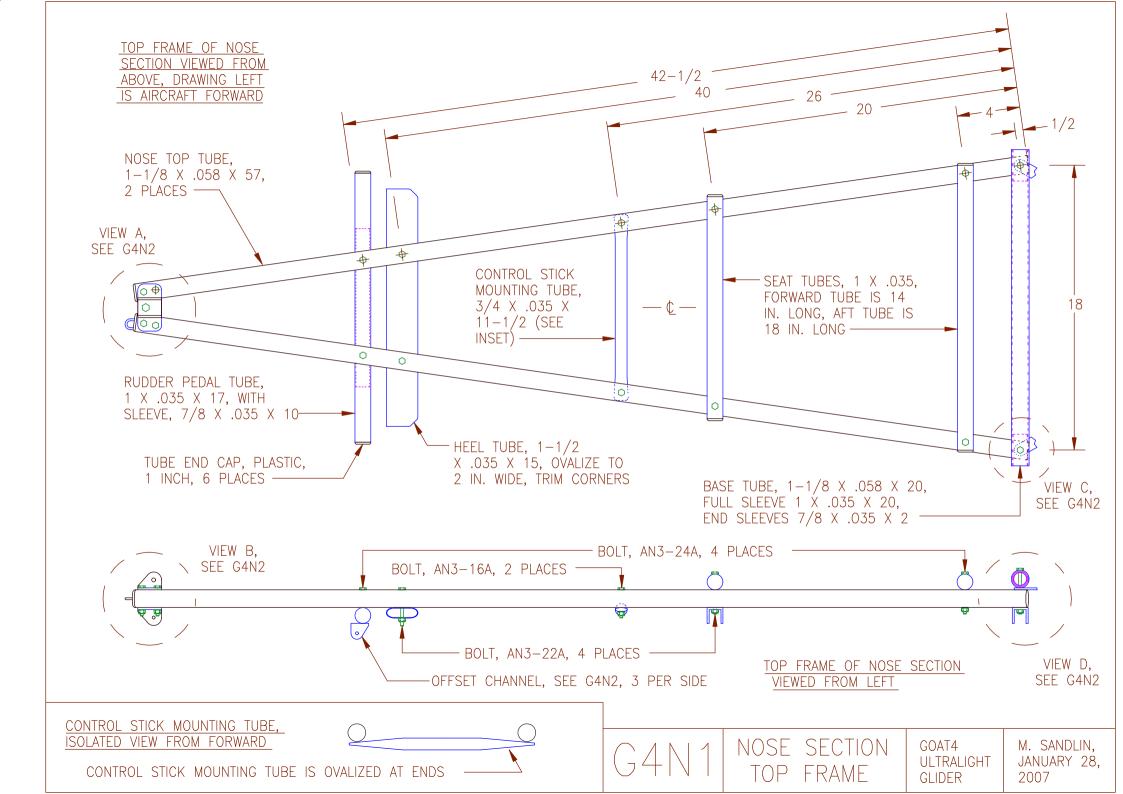
COVER TOP SURFACE WITH ONE LONG PANEL OF FABRIC. LEAVE 1 OR 2 INCHES OF CHORDWISE SLACK WHEN CEMENTING PANEL AT EDGES, RESULTING IN FULL SPAN WRINKLES AS SHOWN. THEN, HEAT SHRINK FABRIC TO REMOVE WRINKLES. RESULTING IN HIGH SPANWISE FABRIC TENSION WITH MINIMAL CHORDWISE TENSION, SO FINISHED CONTOUR CONFORMS TO RIB SHAPE WITH MINIMAL SAG BETWEEN RIBS.

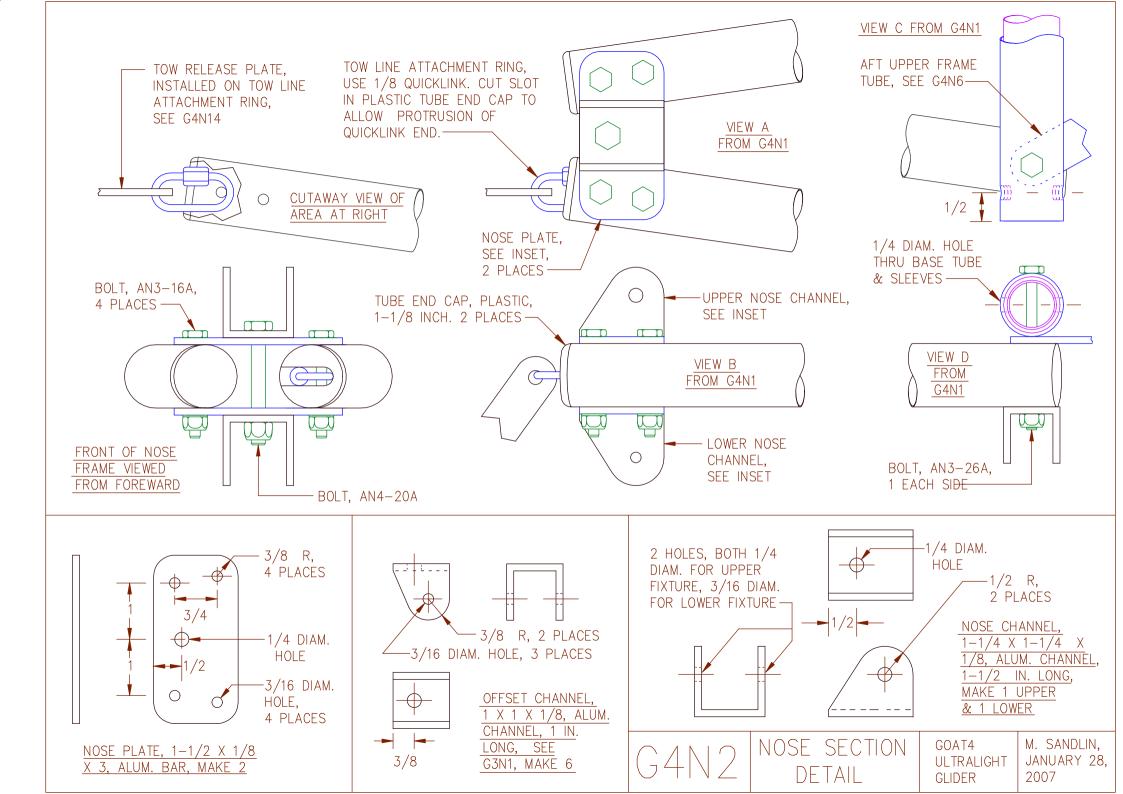


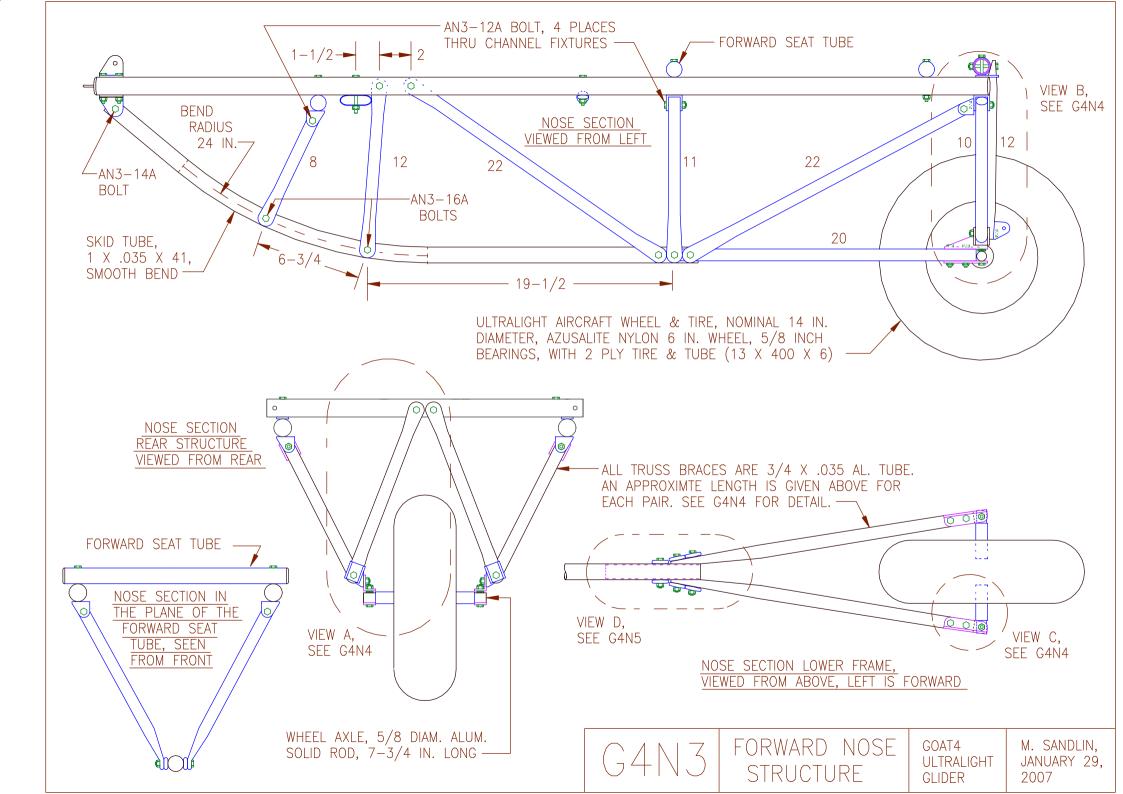
WING FABRIC COVFRING

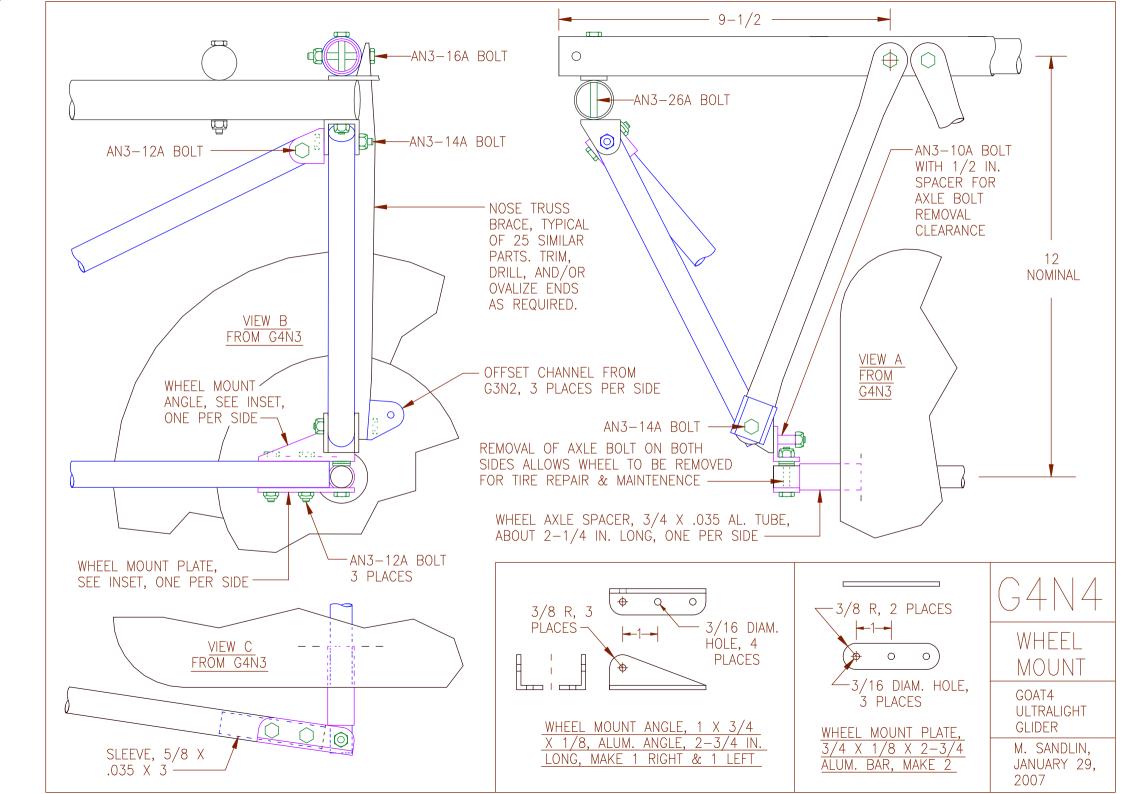
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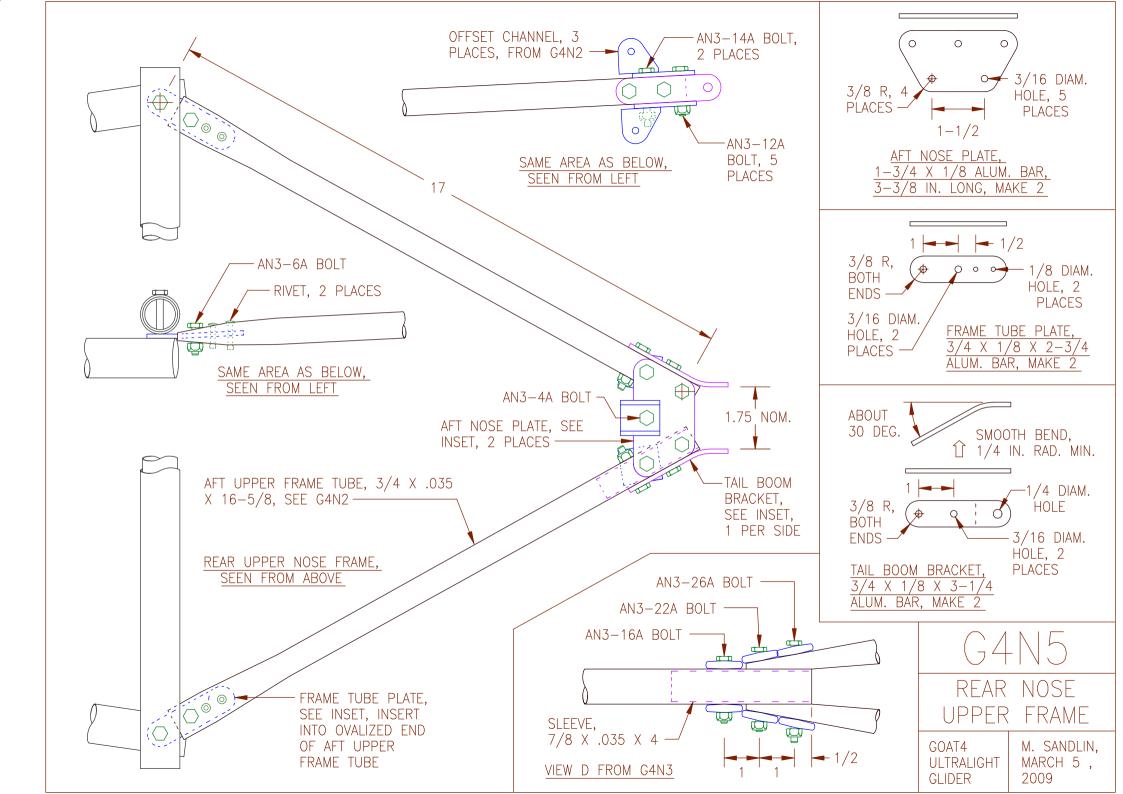
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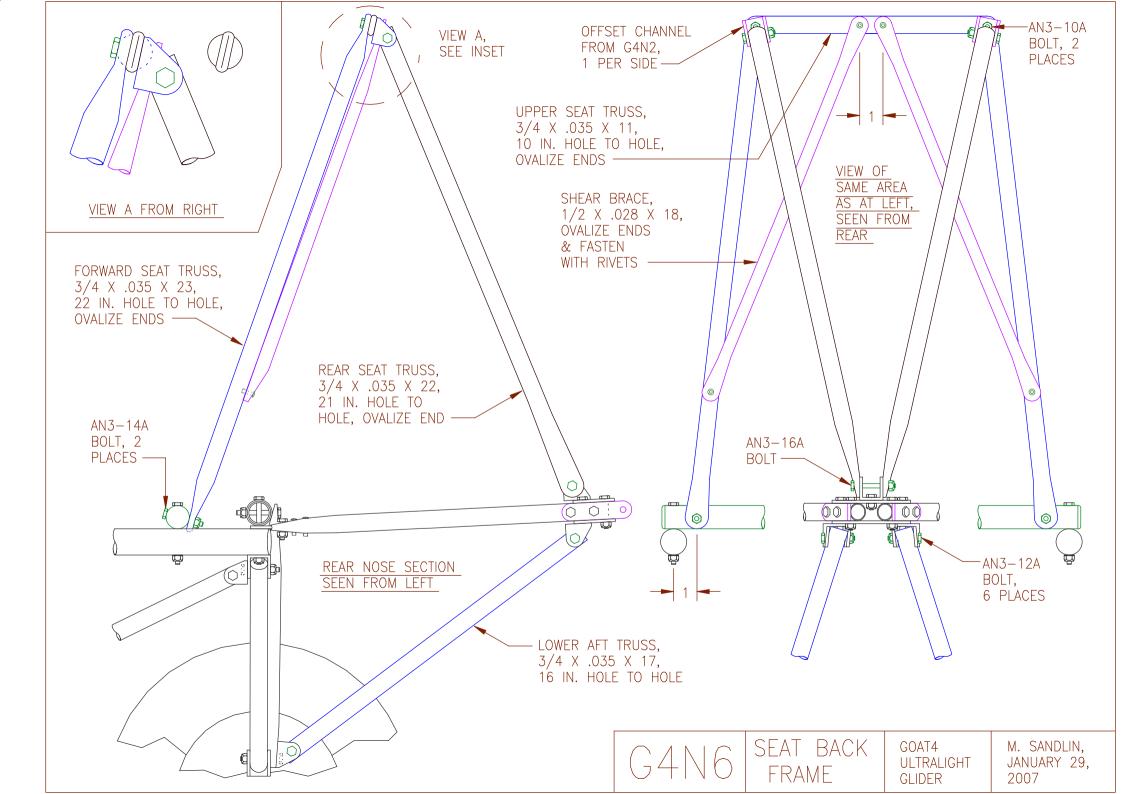


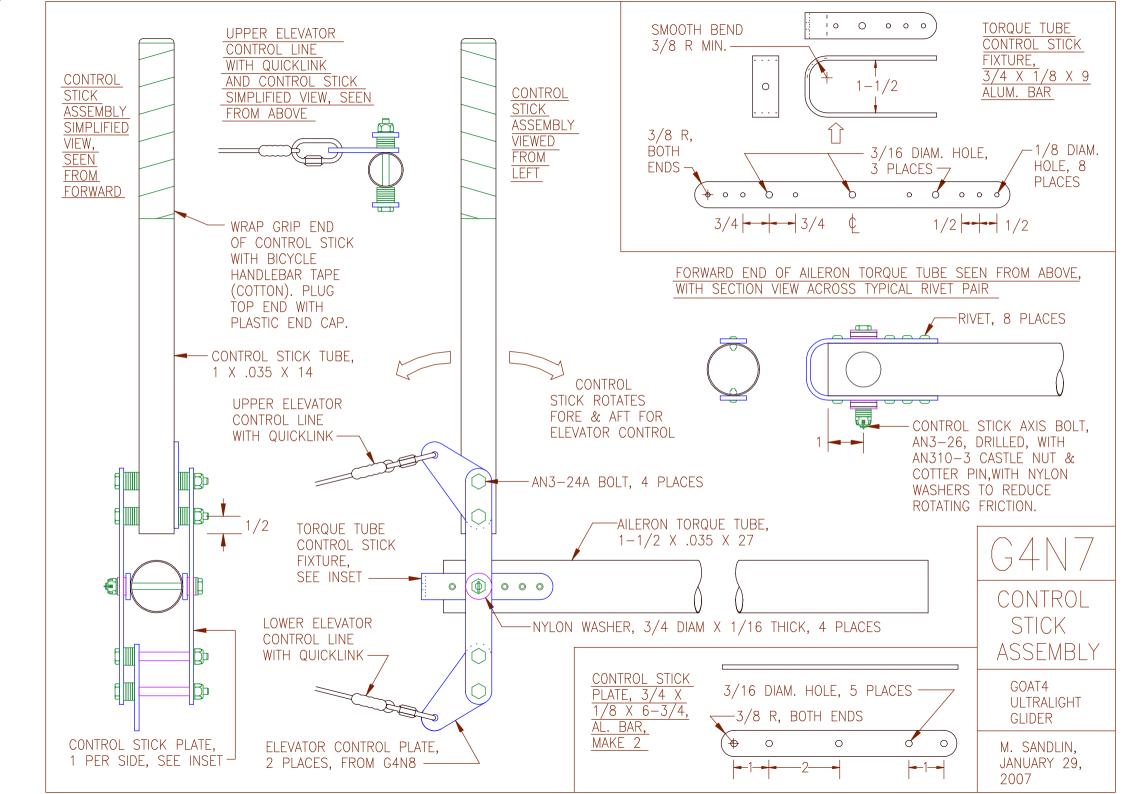


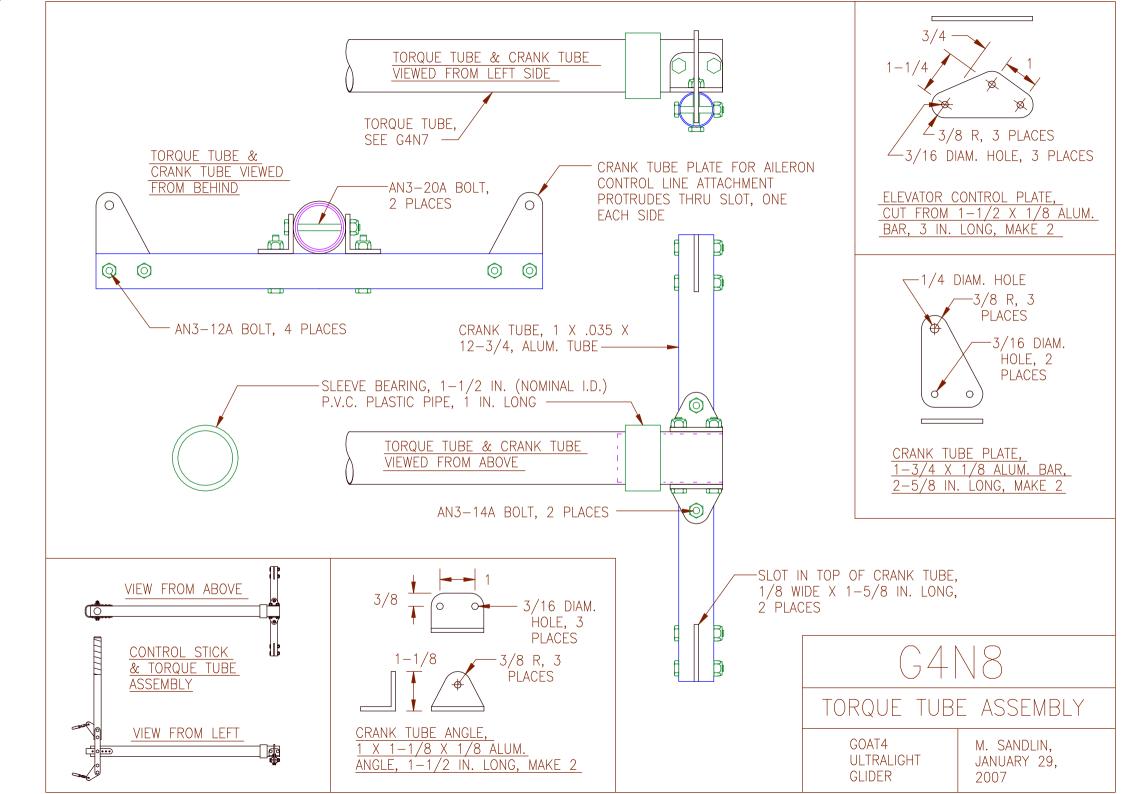


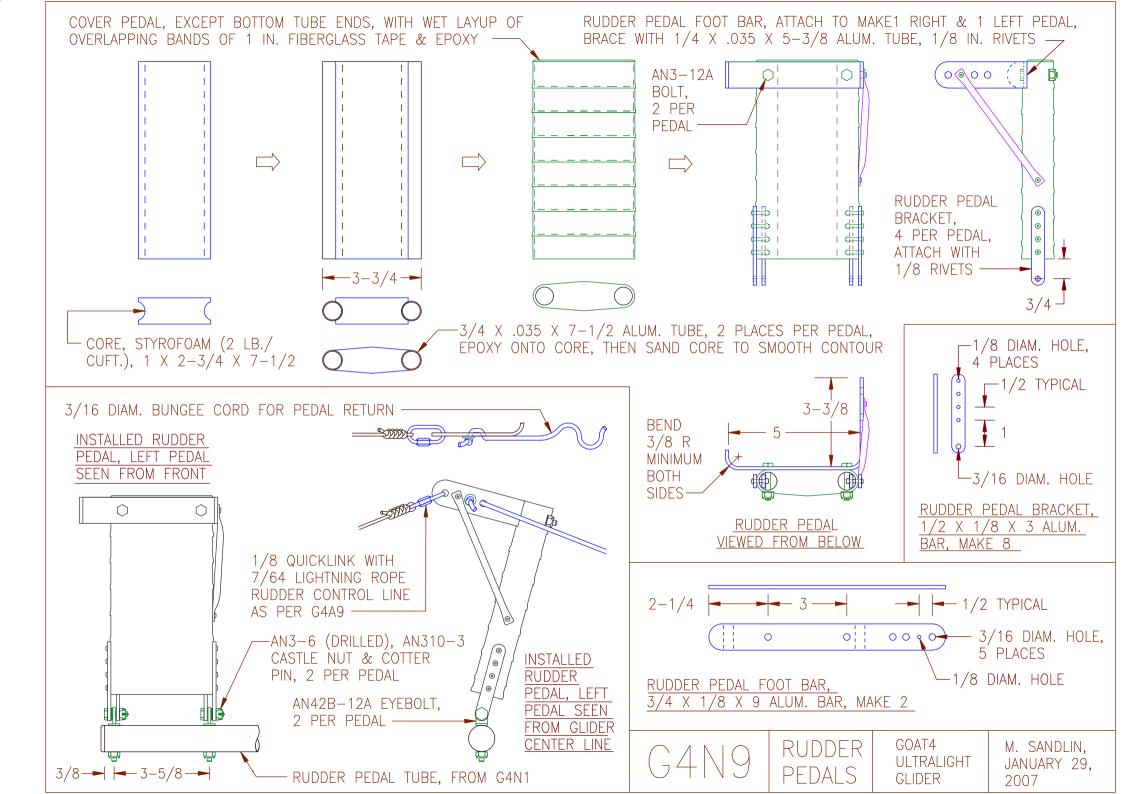


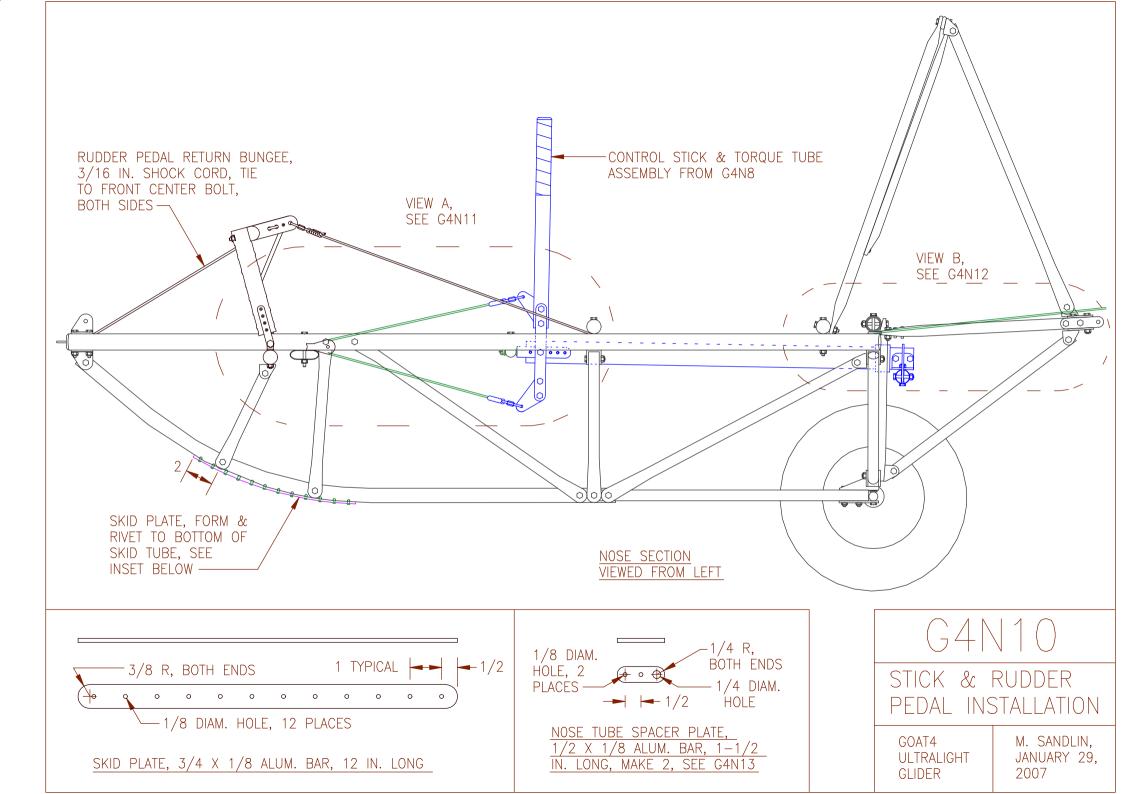


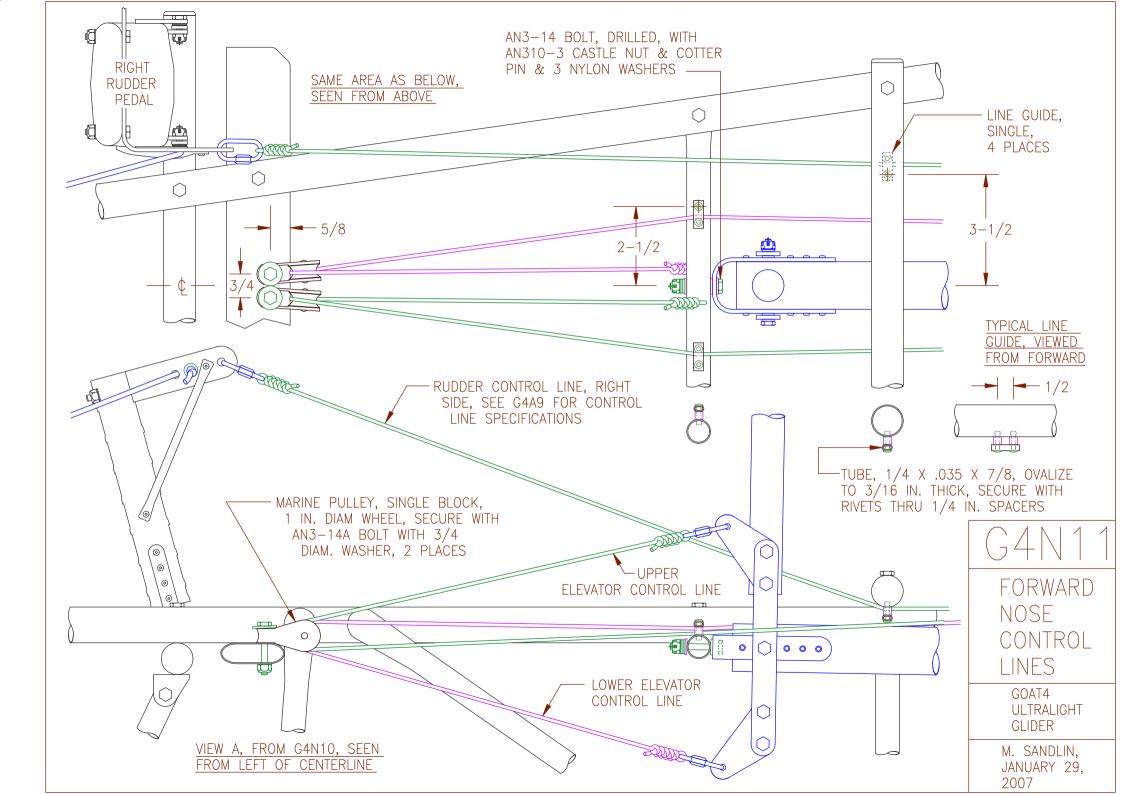


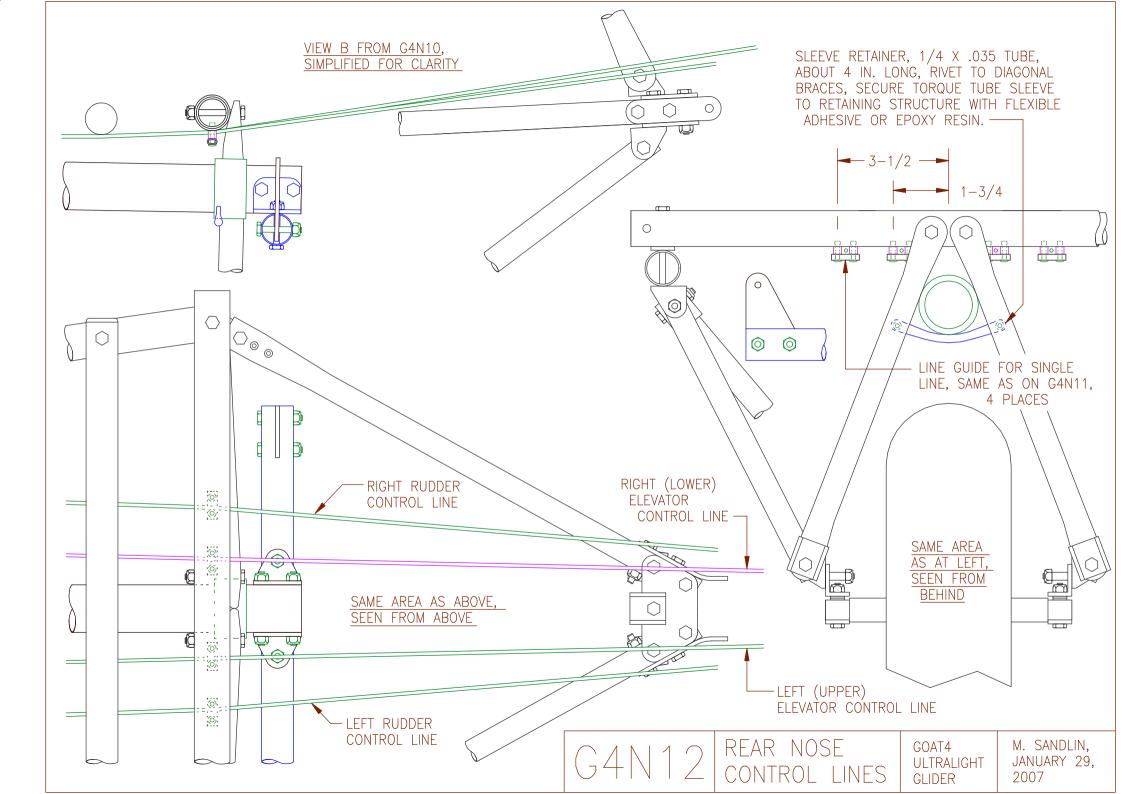


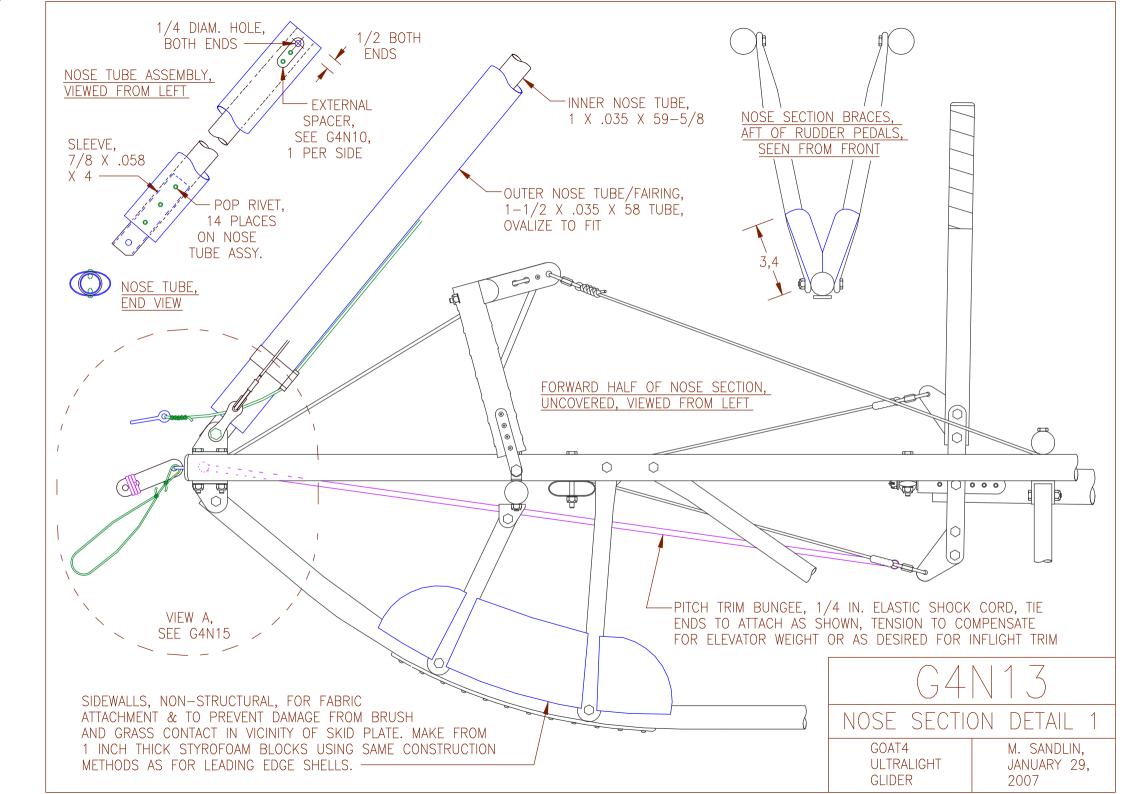


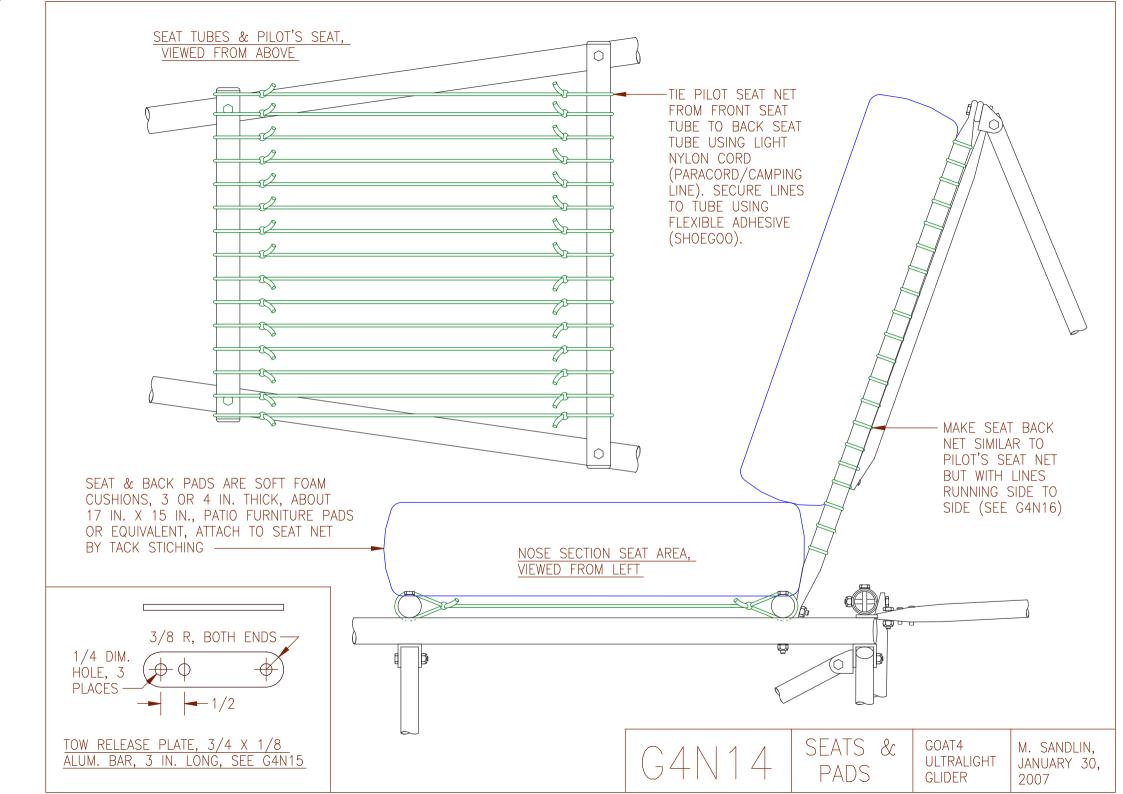


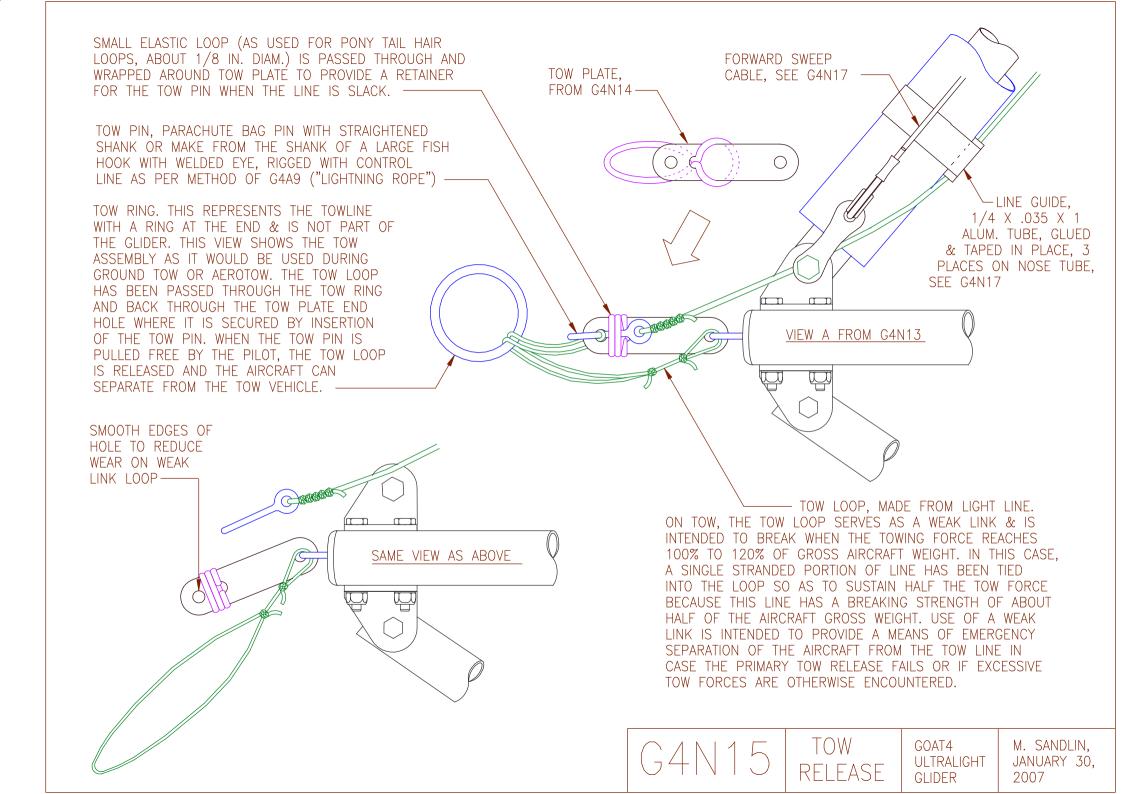


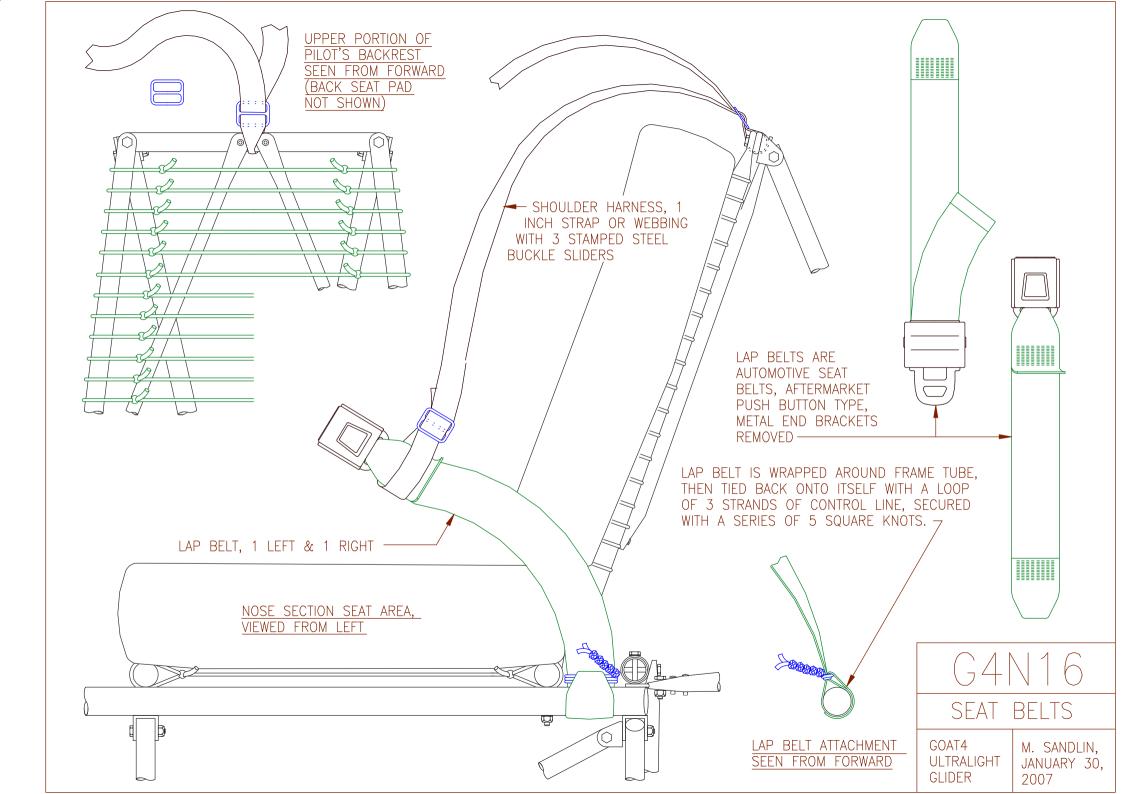


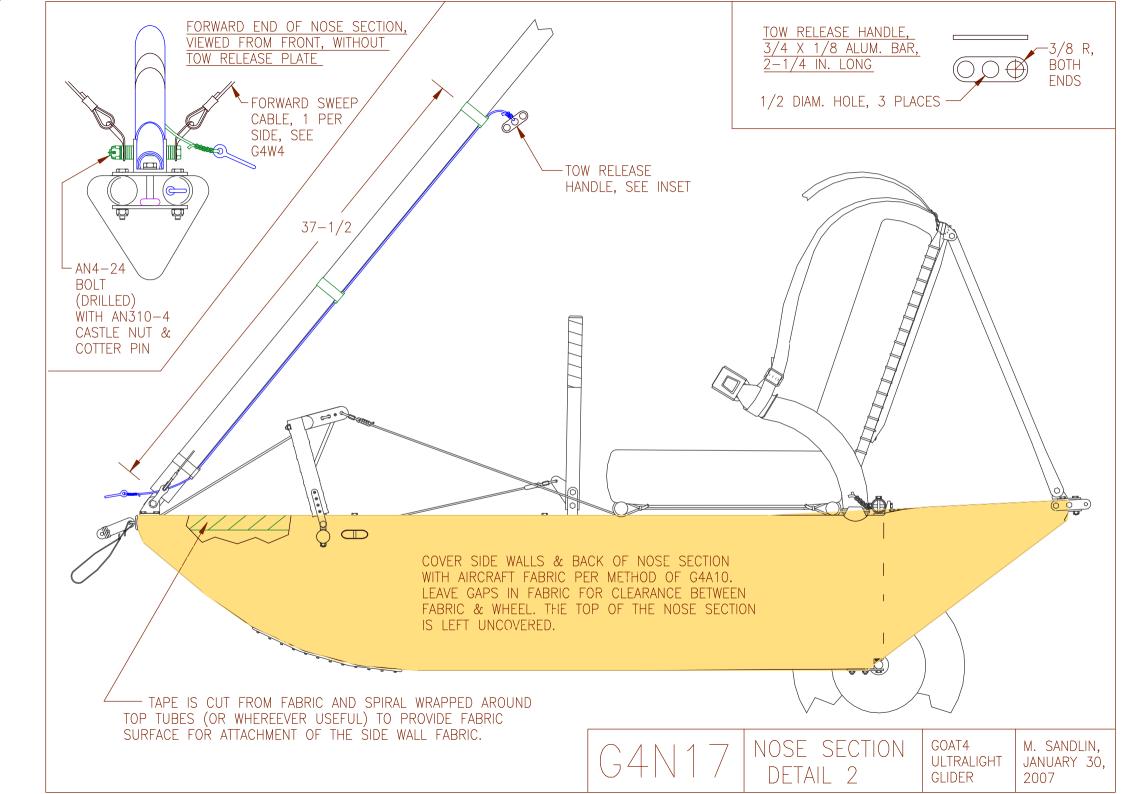


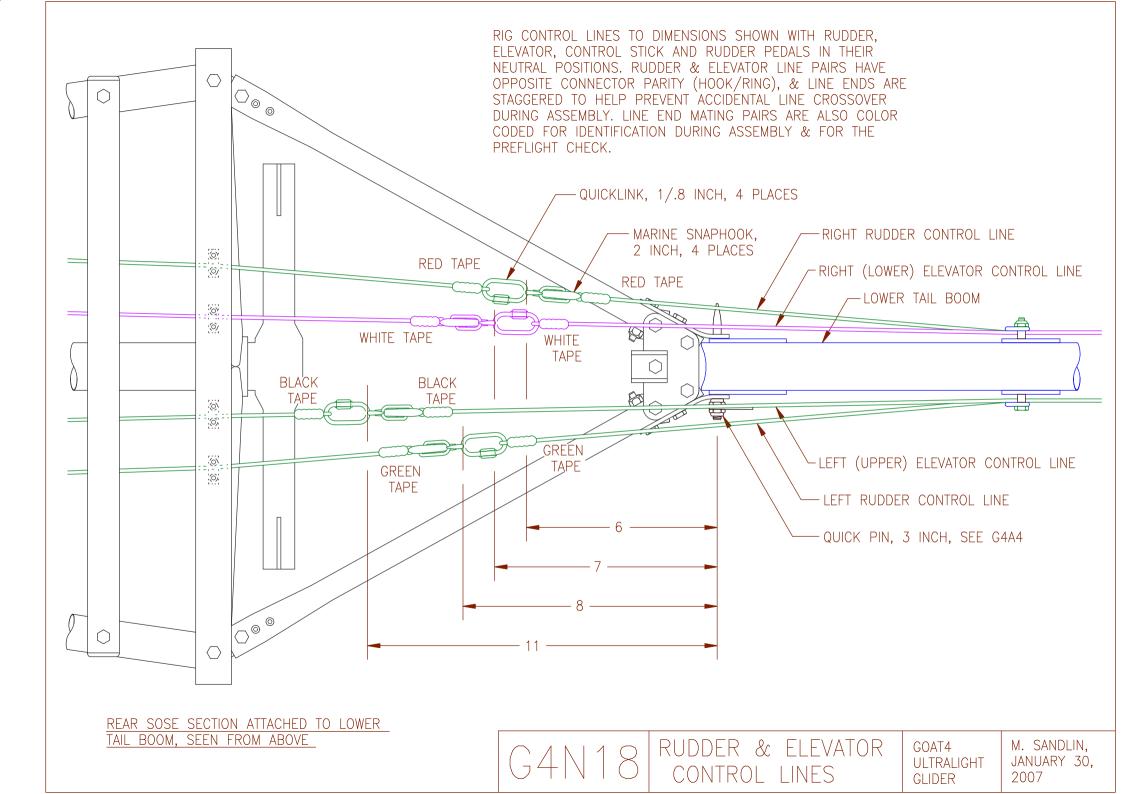


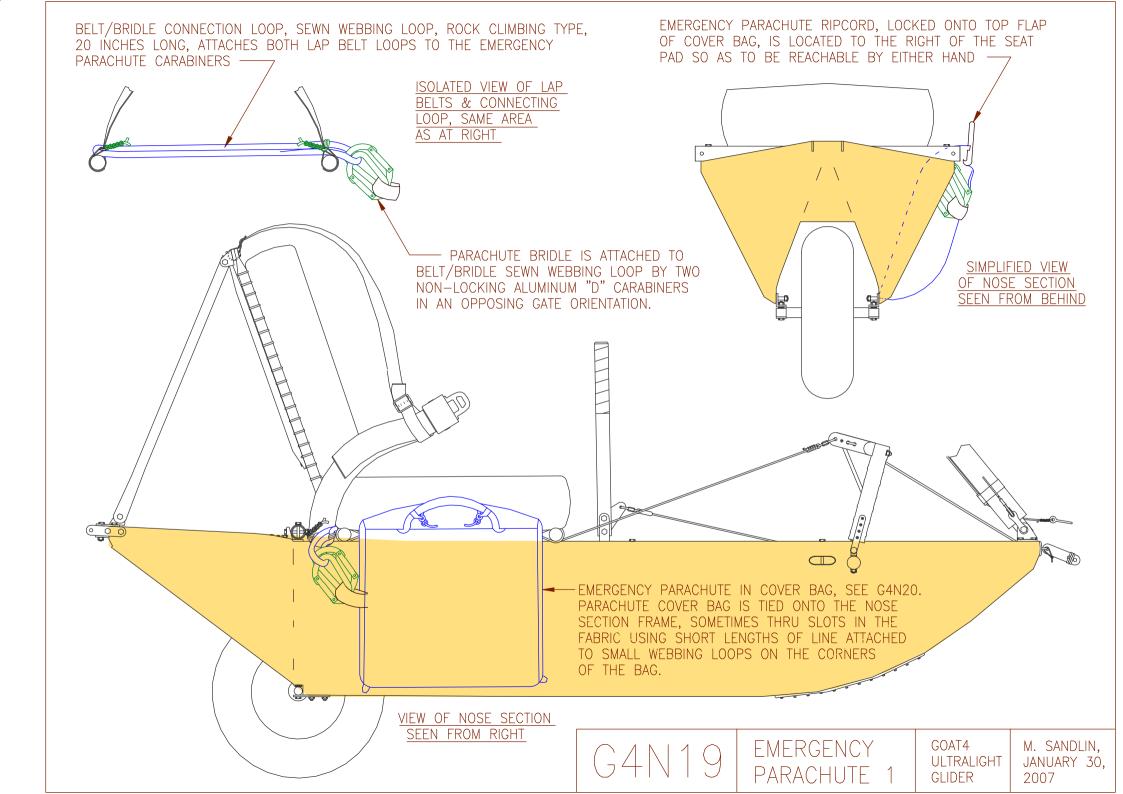


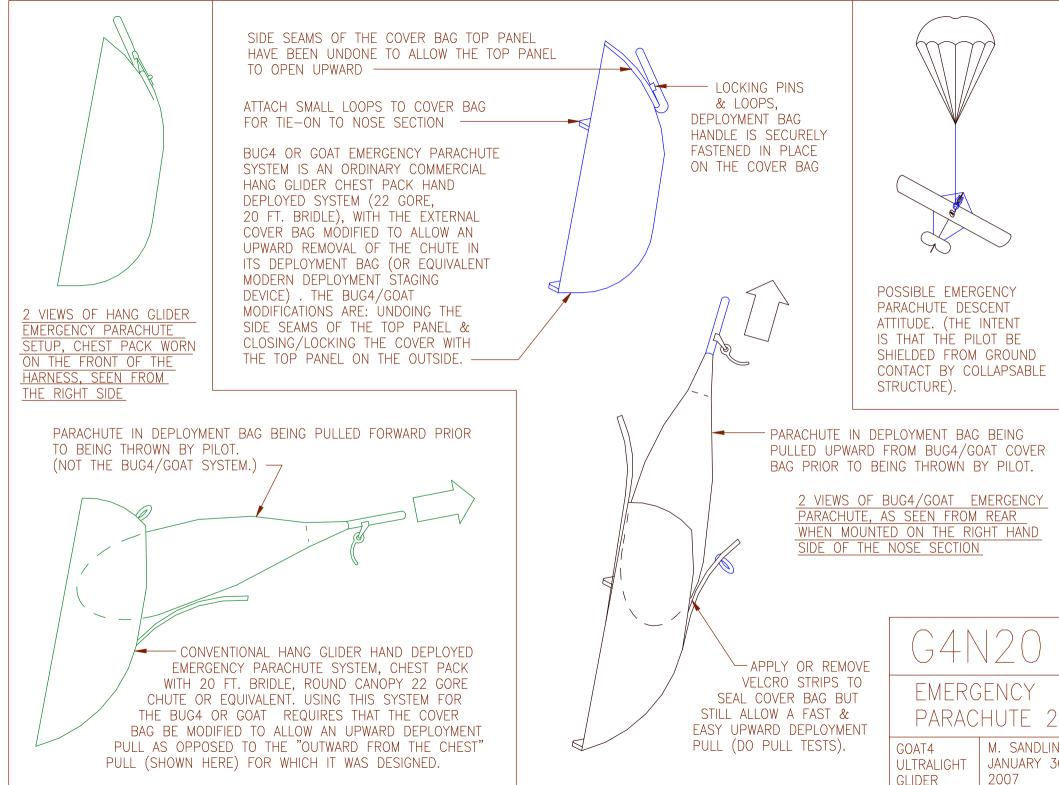












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