

MANDATORY SERVICE BULLETIN

No. 0008DATE: 07TH May 2018

58 KEMP STREET KILBIRNIE, WELLINGTON 6022, NZ

SUBJECT: Sopwith Snipe Lower Fuel Tank Pump Drive Shaft.

MODELS AFFECTED: The Vintage Aviator Limited Sopwith Snipe

Serial Numbers Affected: All.

COMPLIANCE: This Service Bulletin becomes effective upon receipt at which time

compliance should be met before next scheduled flight.

BACKGROUND: TVAL have noticed that the emergency fuel pump drive is hard to

operate at times, which may result in the flexible drive cable

breaking. This has been traced to the lower fuel tank top skin flexing and resultant misalignment of the drive shaft, causing it to jam in the

top flexible drive fitting.

PURPOSE: This bulletin introduces a modification to the existing fuel pump

drive shaft to include a universal joint at the upper end.

INSTRUCTIONS:

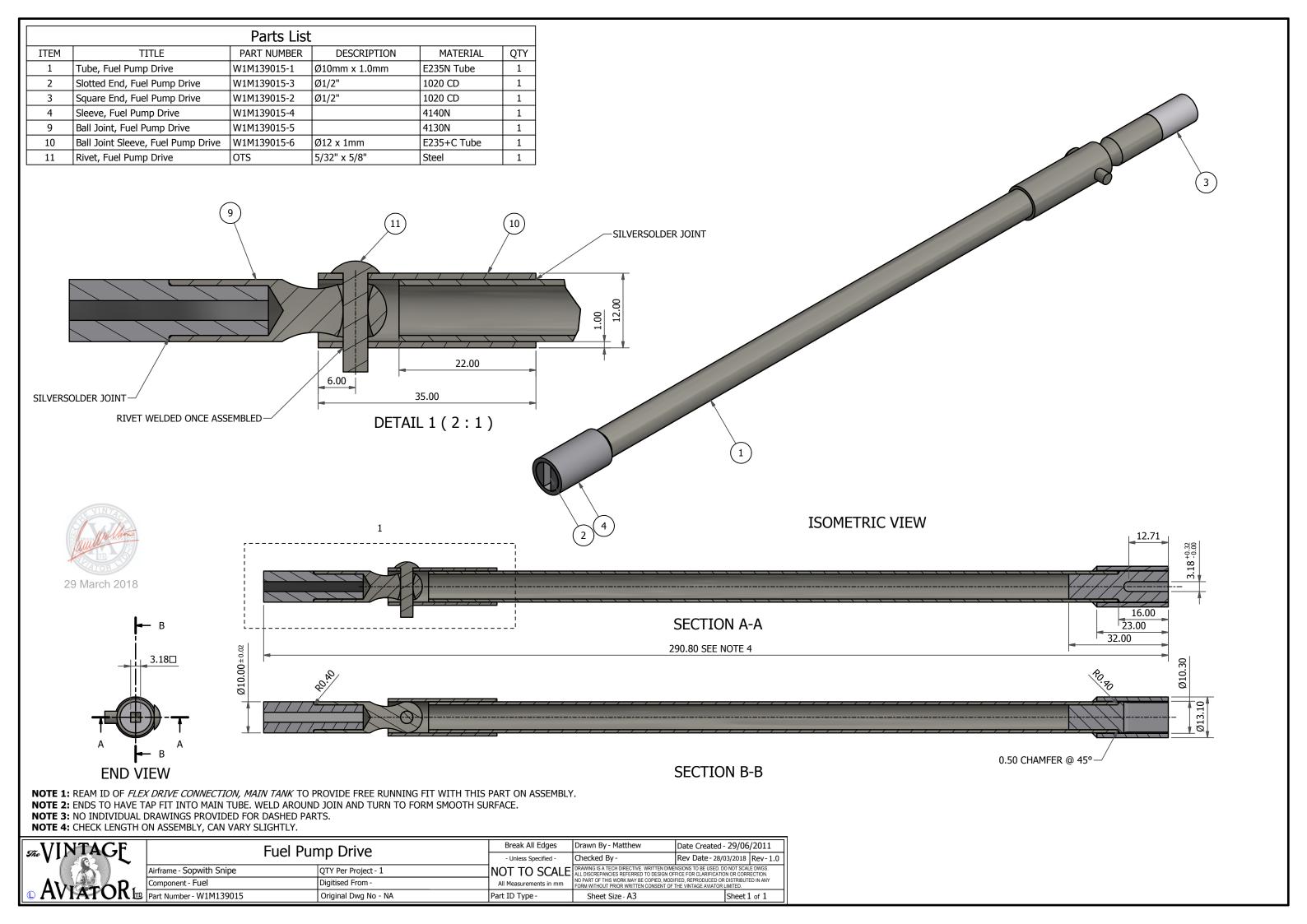
Refer to attached drawings W1M139015 Rev 1 and W1M139015-5

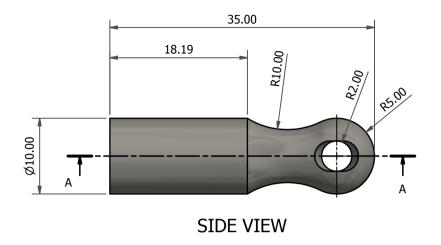
- 1. Remove the belly panel and drain all fuel from the lower main tank.
- 2. Remove flexible drive cable from top of tank fitting
- 3. Remove aircraft cross bracing wire from pump side and remove fuel pump with drive shaft
- 4. Make all parts and modify drive shaft in accordance with attached drawings, ensuring that the shaft is the same length as when removed.
- 5. Lubricate pump and shaft, and then refit to fuel tank making sure that drive shaft is engaged plus fitted correctly in the flexible drive fitting.
- 6. Refuel aircraft lower tank and test pump for correct operation. Check for any fuel leaks and rectify as necessary.
- 7. Reinstall cross bracing wire and lock wire.
- 8. Refit belly panel
- 9. Make a logbook entry indicating compliance with this Service Bulletin

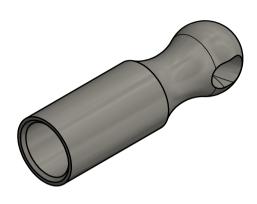
PARTS SUPPLIER:	Local manufacture,	or The	Vintage Aviator	Limited.

SUMMARY:

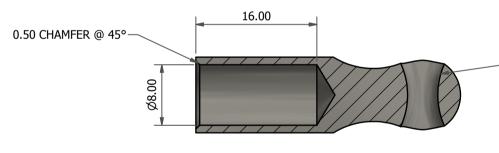
NOTES:







ISO VIEW



- HOLE TO BE ELONGATED EACH END TO ALOW UNIVERSAL MOVEMENT.



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"VINTAGE	Ball Joint, Fliel Plimb Drive		Orig MTRL - na		Break All Edges Drawn By - Paul		Date Created - 28/03/2018	
She VIII			Variation MTRL - 4130N				Rev Date-	Rev-
	Airframe - Sopwith Snipe	QTY Per Project - 1	Surface Finish - As Manufactured	SCALE 2:1	Angular +10	DRAWING IS A TECH DIRECTIVE. WRITTEN DIME ALL DISCREPANCIES REFERRED TO DESIGN OF	FICE FOR CLARIFICATION OR CO	RRECTION.
	Component - Fuel	Digitised From - New	Protective Coating - None			NO PART OF THIS WORK MAY BE COPIED, MODIFIED, REPRODUCED OR DIST FORM WITHOUT PRIOR WRITTEN CONSENT OF THE VINTAGE AVIATOR LIMIT		UTED IN ANY
	Part Number - W1M139015-5	Original Dwg - na	Heat Treatment - None	Part ID Type - 3	Rounding 0.01	Sheet Size - A4	Sheet 1 of 1	