

y plans-built **Bearhawk** flew for the first time on July 6, 2001, after two-and-a-half years of construction. At the time of the first flight, the plane was missing the electrical system, avionics, and many refinements. It took another year to complete and finish as an IFR platform. It cruises at 150 mph (75 percent power) with the 230-hp O-470 and a Hartzell constant-speed propeller. It's a great four-

place, short-field plane with more than a 1,000-pound payload. The Bearhawk also makes a good photo ship with the windows open in flight. The aircraft is easy to build and is now available as a kit.

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My RV-6A was first flown on January 26, 2000. To date it has 194 total hours on the tach.

N272DC weighs in at 1,176 pounds and trues out at 185 mph. It's powered with a factory-new Lycoming O-360-A1A and a Performance wood prop. Building this aircraft has given me more than just a flying machine; it has proven that if someone has a constant desire and will anything is possible. Plus, I've made lots of new friends. Thank you EAA and Van's and all the people that inspired me and helped me. And of course, thanks to my wife, Nancy, for the experience. I can't wait to do it again!

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