Assembly Instructions

Comanche Stabilator Horn

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No.	Date	-	
0			Original Issue
1	2 Nov 2010		Significant Revision Following LAME evaluation.
2	9 Nov 2010		Insert Step to Hone Large bore of the Stab Horn if Required.
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6	4 Apr 2011		Corrected LOCTITE References in Step 78. Added requirement to clean out the hole in Step #42, and #48 (corrections marked [XXX])

1. Scope

This document provides instructions for the following activities:

- Drilling a Replacement Stabilator Horn to suit an existing Torque Tube
- Assembly of a Balance Arm into a Replacement Stabilator Horn to form a Stabilator Horn Assembly
- Assembly of a Stabilator Horn assembly onto a Torque Tube.

Activities involved with removing and refitting components which are part of existing operations that are covered by the normal Piper Maintenance instructions are not addressed in this document except by reference to complete the operations.

2. Required Items

Item	Qty	P/No	Comments					
Comanche Stabilator Torque Tube	1		From Aircraft					
Comanche Stabilator Balance Arm	1		From Aircraft					
Stabilator Horn	1	ADS1008020828	From Horn Kit					
Bolt (AN5C-34A)	2	AN5C-34A	From Horn Kit					
Bolt (AN4C-22)		AN4C-22A	From Horn Kit					
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Washer 5/16" Thin	2	AN960L-516	From Horn Kit
Washer ¼" Regular	2	AN960-416	From Horn Kit
Nut 5/16" Self Locking Low Ht	2	MS21083N-5	From Horn Kit
Nut ¼" Self Locking Regular	1	MS21044-4	From Horn Kit
Nut 5/16" UNF Plane	2	AN315-5	Used In Assembly Process, From Shop Supplies
Nut ¼" UNF Plane	1	AN315-4	Used In Assembly Process, From Shop Supplies
Tooling Bush (5/16" Diameter)	1	ADS 1007220811	From Installation Kit
Drill (19/64"dia with 3/16" dia Pilot)	1	ADS 1007221136	From Installation Kit
Reamer (5/16" dia with 3/16" dia Pilot)	1	ADS 1007221250	From Installation Kit
Pin Locating (3/16" Diameter)	1	ADS100723-639	From Installation Kit
Pin Locating (¼" Diameter)	1	ADS 1007230930	From Installation Kit
Permanent Marker	AR		Workshop Supply
Lint Free Cloth	AR		Workshop Supply
LOCTITE Retaining Compound Stick	Stick	LOCTITE 668	Local Procurement
LOCTITE Retaining Compound Liquid	Bottle	LOCTITE 609	Local Procurement
LOCTITE PRIMER	EA	LOCTITE 7471	Local Procurement
LOCTITE Cleaner Degreaser	EA	ODC-Free Cleaner & Degreaser	Local Procurement
Heat Gun	1		Workshop Supply
TFT Brake Cylinder Hone	1	TF6806	Local Procurement
Light Machine Oil	AR	WD40 / Inox	Local Procurement
Heating oven	ea		Workshop Supply Capable of maintaining 200degC +/- 10deg C for 30 minutes
Heat Resistant Gloves	Pr		Workshop Supply
3M ROLOC Abrasive Embedded Nylon Wheel	ea	Fine Grade	Local Purchase
Emery Tape	AR	25mm Wide , 120 grit	Workshop Supply

3. Referenced Documents

Document	Advisory Circular Acceptable, Techniques, and Practices – Aircraft Inspection and Repair
Manual	Piper Publication Number 753-516.
Manual	Piper Aircraft Publication 753-645
Drawing	Stabilator Horn Assembly Drawing
Drawing	Tooling Bush 5/16" Dia Long
Drawing	Tooling Bush 5/16" Dia Short (Tapered One End)
	Manual Manual Drawing Drawing

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ADS 1007230639	Drawing	Alignment Key 3/16" Diameter
ADS 1007230930	Drawing	Alignment Key ¼" Diameter
ADS 1010255555		

4. Instructions

4.1. Preliminary Operations required to gain access to install the Replacement Stabilator horn

	Note: Each of the operations described in this section are standard operations which are described in the relevant Piper Service Manual for the aircraft. Please refer to the Piper Manuals for instructions on how to complete these operations.
1.	Remove the aft fuselage access panel forward of the RH Stabilator.
2.	Remove the fuselage tail fairing.
3.	Disconnect the stabilator control cables from the stabilator horn assembly.
4.	Remove the balance weight from the arm.
5.	Remove the bolt from the stabilator rear spar.
6.	Remove the four bolts attaching the stabilators to the stabilator torque tube assembly.
7.	Remove the stabilators from the torque tube assembly.
8.	Remove the stabilator bearing block reinforcement channels.
9.	Remove the two bolts holding the stabilator tab control bellcrank assembly to the
	bearing blocks.
10.	Remove the Torque Tube Assembly with the Bearing Blocks in place from the aircraft in
	accordance with the relevant Piper Service Manual.

4.2. Remove the Old Horn Assembly from the Torque Tube

11.	Remove all paint and rust from the outer surface of the torque tube. Coat the torque tube with a light oil to aid the removal of the various components.	
	Note: During the removal of components from the torque tube assembly, note the relative position of the components to help reassembling them correctly. In particular note the orientation of the stabilator horn and balance arm and paint a reference mark on the	

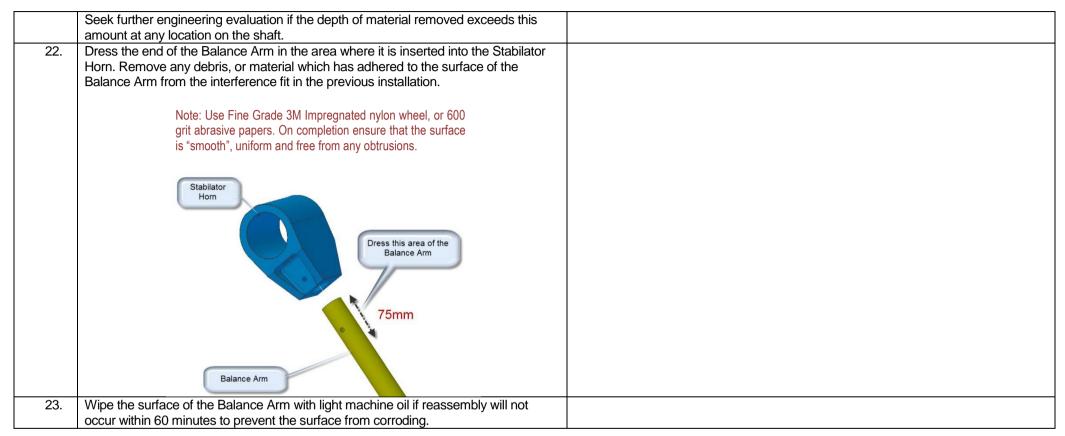
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	end the of the tube to show the direction of the balance arm.	
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12.	Remove both Bearing Blocks (Items H and L on diagram)	
	Note the position of any shims,	
	Record the thickness and location for later reinstallation	
13.	Remove the Collar Assembly (Item J on diagram)	
	H K C R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R	
14.	Look up inside the Torque Tube to visually inspect the exposed sections of the stabilator horn attaching bolts for corrosion. Use 120 grit emery tape to remove the corrosion if present on the bolts.	
	Note: All original nuts and bolts used in the torque tube assembly are to be discarded.	
15.	Remove the two bolts attaching the Stabilator Horn to the Torque Tube.	
16.	Remove the Stabilator Horn Assembly by sliding along the Torque Tube.	
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	Note: It may be necessary to heat the Stabilator horn to	
	relieve any interference between the horn and the torque	
	tube	
17.	Service the Torque Tube in accordance with the Piper Maintenance Instruction and	
	replace if required.	
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4.3. Remove the Balance Arm from the Stabilator Horn Assembly

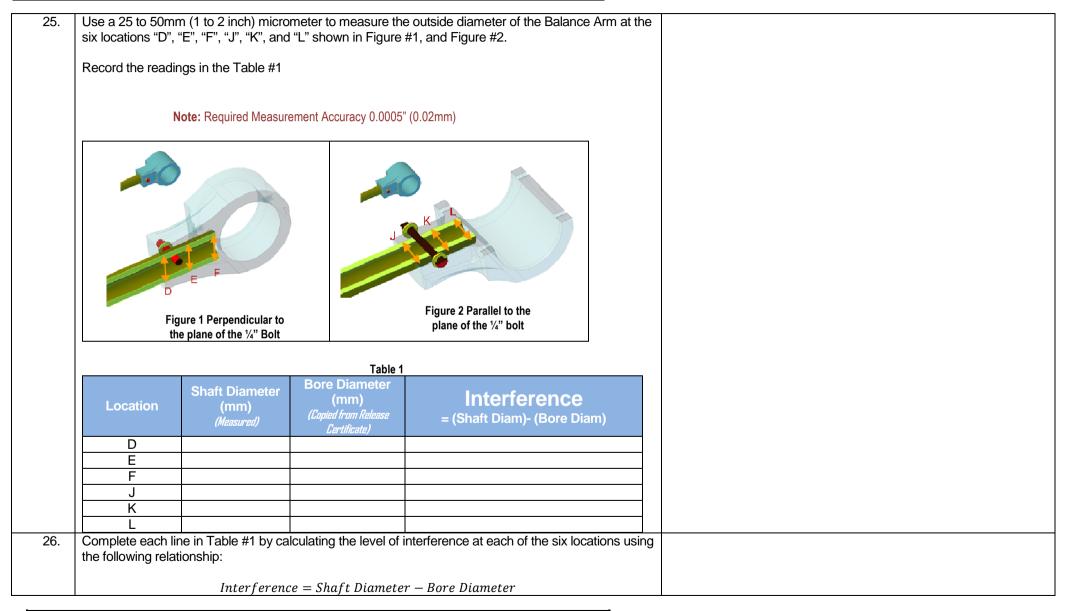
18.	Remove the ¼inch bolt attaching the Balance Arm to the horn.	
19.	Withdraw the Balance Arm from the stabilator horn.	
	Note: The joint between the Balance Arm and the Stabilator Horn is an interference fit. Use of heat and a puller (P/No ADS 101025555 or similar) may be necessary to withdraw the arm from the horn. As the horn will not be refitted there is no concern about damaging the horn during this operation. The Balance Arm is reused therefore exercise caution to prevent damage to the Arm during this operation.	
20.	Visually inspect the Balance Arm internal and external surfaces looking for : • corrosion,	
	evidence of cracking,	
	other damage	
	Warning: Replace the Balance Arm, or seek further engineering appraisal if there is evidence of cracking.	
21.	Light surface corrosion may be removed using a 3M Abrasive Impregnated Nylon Wheel (ROLOC) Fine Grade. (or Similar Alternative)	
	Material removal up to 0.15mm (0.005") is acceptable.	
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4.4. **Prefit the Stabilator Horn to the Balance Arm**

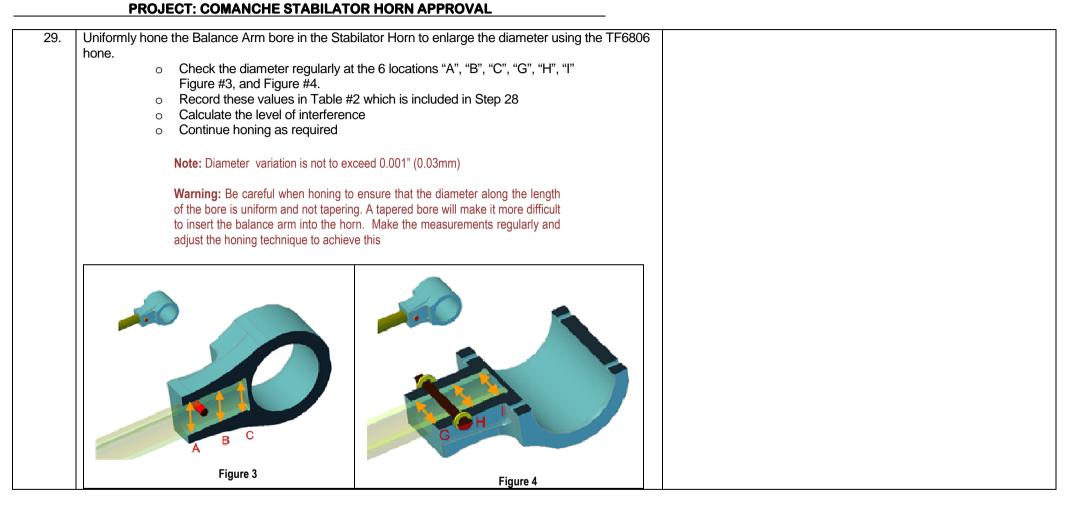
24.	Identify the bore diameter of the new Stabilator Horn which is written on the release sheet for and write
	this in each of the six lines under the column heading "Bore Diameter" in Table #1 which is included at
	Step 25.



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	Full Depth	F		С				
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	Remove any bur	s presen	it by hand abi	rasion l	ising 320 grit	abrasive paper or similar methods.		 		

4.5. Prefit the Stabilator Horn to the Torque Tube

33.	 Torque Tube: 1. Examine the external Surface of Torque Tube for any surface defect which will prevent the new Stabilator Horn from being fitted. Corrosion, burrs, and bruising of the ends are examples of such defects. 	
	Note: Any assessment of the serviceability of the Torque Tube is to be made in accordance with the maintenance instructions provided in the relevant PIPER Maintenance Manuals and Service Bulletins for the aircraft	
	 Blend any defects which are found to ensure a smooth surface. a. These blending operations will remove the plating which is applied to the Torque Tube for corrosion resistance. Blended areas will need to be treated before final 	

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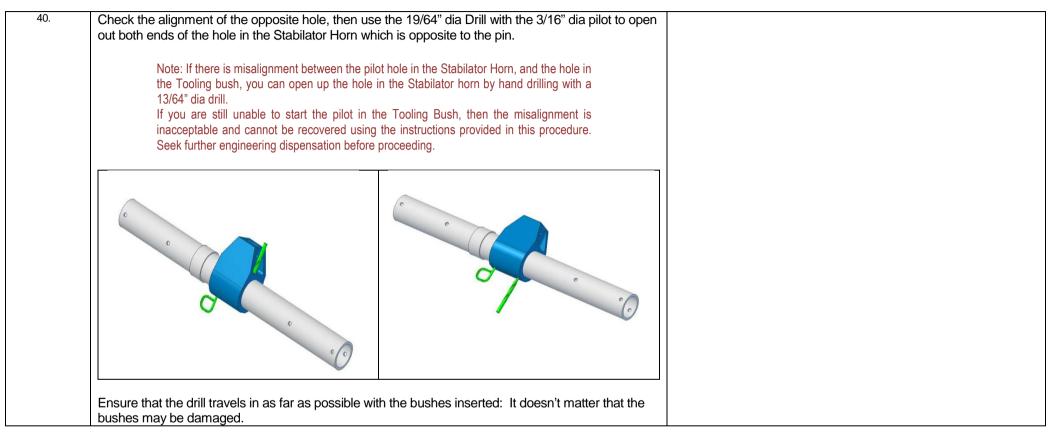
	assembly.	
	Note: All blending and treating operations are to be done in accordance with the Piper Maintenance Manuals	
	 Lightly lubricate the outside surface of the Torque Tube over which the Stabilator Horn will pass, with light machine oil 	
34.	 Stabilator Horn Examine the inside surface of the bore in the Stabilator Horn that will mate with the Torque Tube. Verify that the bore is clean, and free from any paint, or primer Verify that there are no burrs on any of the edges or scratches in the bore. Lubricate the bore with Light machine oil 	
35.	4. Educate the bore with Eight machine on Stabilator Horn to Torque Tube Fit	
	Note: The fit between the Stabilator Horn and the Torque Tube should be a snug fit which can be assembled by hand.	
	Check that the Stabilator Horn can be slide over the Torque Tube by hand without the need for presses or the application of heat.	
	If this snug fit cannot be achieved then carefully, and evenly hone the bore in the Stabilator Horn until this snug fit is achieved. A maximum clearance of 0.002" (0.05mm) between the Outside Diameter of the Torque Tube and the Inside Diameter of the mating hole in the Stabilator Horn is allowed.	
36.	Secure the Torque Tube in a soft jaw vice on the side with the collar.	
	Note: Experience has shown that it is possible to permanently deform the Torque Tube, particularly the Torque Tube from single engine Comanche's, when clamping in a vice. Use of the clamping Collar (ADS 1011031045) or similar fixture is recommended to reduce the risk of permanently deforming the Torque Tube.	
37.	Insert a 5/16" dia Tooling Bush P/No ADS 1007220811 into each of the two stabilator horn attachment holes in the torque tube.	
	Note: Position the bush centrally in the tube with respect to the faces on the	

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	tube and ensure that the outside faces of the bush are sub-flush with the surface of the torque tube. Linish the ends of the bushes if necessary to achieve this .	
38.	Slide the stabilator horn over the torque tube until the attachment holes are approximately aligned with the holes in the torque tube.	
	Note#1: The Replacement Stabilator Horn is supplied with 3/16" Diameter pilot holes. On Assembly these holes will be used to align the horn with the tooling bushes fitted into the Torque Tube. Note #2: The replacement horn is symmetrical. There is no preferred alignment for the upper and lower faces. Note #3: Manufacturing tolerances on the horn and the Torque Tube are such that there may be a slight interference between the components. If this is the case then it may be necessary to heat the horn to allow this operation to be completed.	

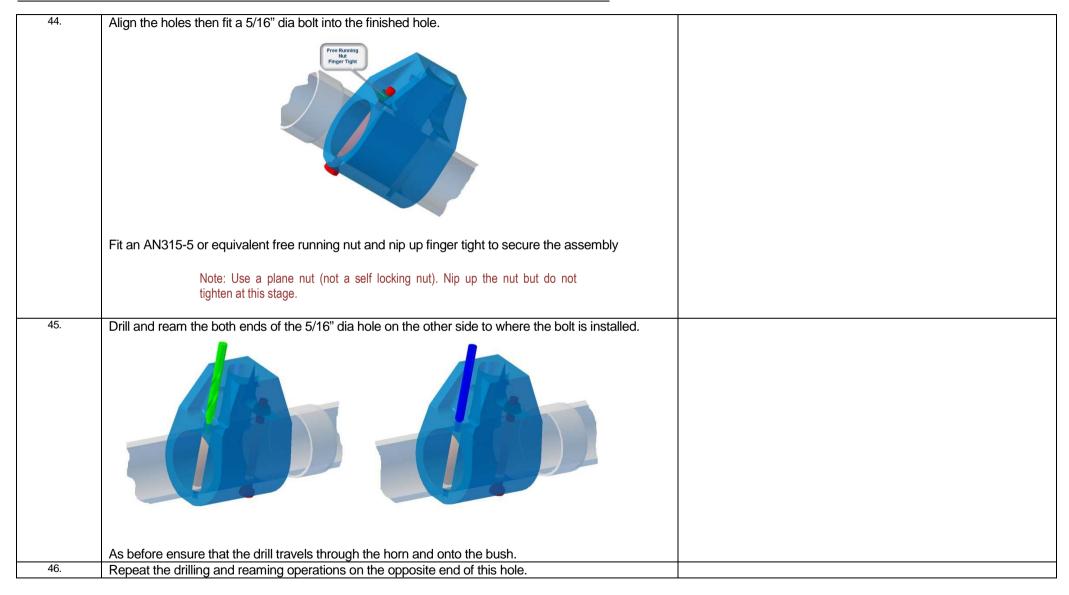
39.	Roughly align the horn by eye, looking through a pilot hole on the horn, then insert the locating pin P/No ADS1007230639 to achieve correct alignment of the horn with the tube.	

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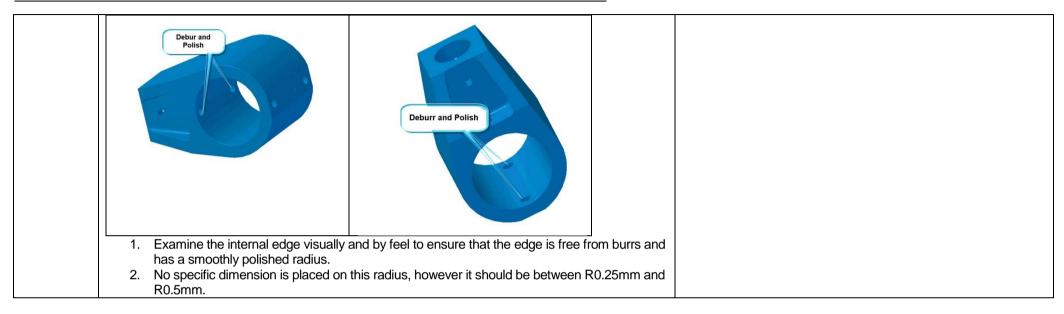
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41.	Use the 5/16" dia chucking reamer with the 3/16" dia pilot to ream the holes to the final diameter.
	Again ensure that the ream extends as far as possible into the hole with the bushes inserted
42.	Withdraw locating pin, and slide the Stabilator Horn down the torque tube far enough to remove the tooling bush.
	[After removing the tooling bush, use the reamer to clean out the base of the hole on both sides of the torque tube.]
43.	Slide the Stabilator Horn back up the Torque Tube,

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47.	Use a Spirit Marker to mark the location of the edges of the stabilator horn on the surface of the Torque Tube.	
48.	Remove the 5/16" dia Bolt and Slide the horn off the Torque Tube.	
	[Use the reamer to clean out the base of this latest hole on both sides of the torque tube.]	
49.	Examine the holes in the horn.1. Check that the hole has been correctly reamed to full depth2. Clear the holes with the reamer if necessary	
50.	Debur the internal edge of the finished hole using a small fine SCOTHBRITE disc on a "Dremel" die grinder.	r



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4.6. Surface Finish the Stabilator Horn

51.	Verify that all machining operations have been completed on the Stabilator Horn and that all	
	traces of swarf are removed from the component.	
52.	Treat the surface of the Stabilator Horn with Alodine 1200 or similar product in accordance with the process instructions provided by HENKEL for ALODINE 1200 or similar instructions provided by the manufacturer of an alternate chemical.	

4.7. Assemble the Balance Arm to the Stabilator Horn

WARNING : Assembling the joint between the Balance Arm and the Stabilator Horn is a process which requires speed and experience. If the process is not done correctly or if any unforeseen problems occur during the assembly then it is likely that the joint will lock before the Balance Arm is fully inserted into the horn. If this occurs you will need to use a heat gun to apply heat to the horn and use the puller to withdrawn the Balance Arm from the horn and start the process again.	
Suggestion : If this is the first time that you are attempting this assembly, then it is suggested that you have at least one DRY practice run, using the original horn. Do Not apply the LOCTITE for the practice run.	
Suggestion : It is suggested that assembling the Balance Arm into the Stabilator Horn be done using two people; one person to remove the horn from the oven and insert it over the balance arm, and one person to direct the alignment of the horn with the balance arm, and insert the pin.	

53.	Clean the 28mm bore by wiping with a clean lint free cloth moistened with LOCTITE Cleaner Degreaser
54.	Apply LOCTITE Primer (Product 7649 to the surface of the bore, and allow to dry)
55.	Clean the mating surface of the balance arm using a clean lint free cloth moistened with LOCTITE Cleaner Degreaser.
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	ODC-Free Cleaner & Degreaser	
56.	Apply LOCTITE primer 7649 to the mating surface of the Balance Arm and allow to dry.	
57.	Preheat the oven to 200degC +/- 10degC. (400degF +/- 20degF), then place the Stabilator Horn in the oven and allow to heat soak for 20 minutes.	
58.	Stand the Balance Arm in a vertical orientation and secure using a soft jawed vice. Orientate the balance arm so that the axis of the ¼" hole is pointing outward from the vice.	

59.	Coat the mating surface of the Balance Arm with LOCTITE 668 Retaining Compound	
	 100% coverage up to 50mm (2inches) from the end of the tube 	
	Demonstration from the sum	
60. 61.	Remove the horn from the oven.	
61.	Hold the horn above the end of the Balance Arm and rotate the horn to obtain a correct	
	alignment of the ¼ inch hole in the horn with the ¼ inch hole in the Balance Arm.	
62.	Quickly lower the horn onto the Balance Arm until it bottoms on the arm.	
	Note: you may need to rotate the horn backwards and forwards	
	to assist the sliding motion when inserting the horn. Don't forget	

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	to work quickly!	
63.	Rotate the horn to obtain the correct alignment and insert the alignment pin.	
	Note: you may need to raise the horn slightly (about 3mm (0.125inches)) to insert the alignment pin. The tapered end of the alignment pin will assist with this movement. If there is a misalignment of the holes in the Balance Arm and the Torque Tube it may not be possible to insert the alignment pin all the way through the assembly. In this case insert the pin a far as possible to force the best alignment.	
64.	Allow the assembly to cool to room temperature.	
65.	Remove excess LOCTITE from around the joint.	
66.	Allow the joint to stand for at least 30 minutes for the LOCTITE to cure before moving the assembly.	
67.	Remove the ¼ inch alignment pin.	
68.	If there was a problem inserting the alignment pin, then ream the hole with a ¼" reamer so that an AN4 bolt will pass through both sides of the joint.	

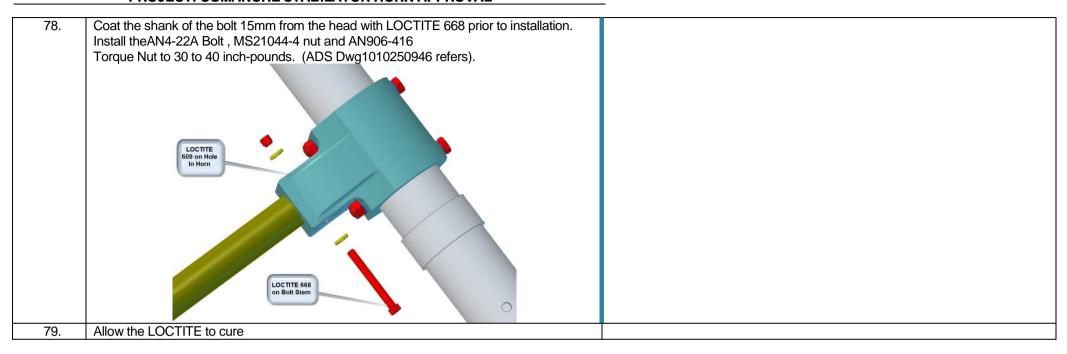
4.8. Assemble the Stabilator Horn onto the Torque Tube

69.	Solvent Wipe the external surface of the torque tube using a clean lint free rag moistened with LOCTITE Cleaner Degreaser. Do not remove the marker lines.	
	Note: Clean the area where the horn will be bolted and the section of the Torque Tube	
	over which the Stabilator Horn will pass.	
70.	Clean the internal bore of the Stabilator Horn, with a clean lint free cloth moistened with	
	LOCTITE Cleaner degreaser.	
71.	Apply LOCTITE 668 to the surface of the Torque Tube between the marker lines. 100%	
	coverage is required.	
72.	Slide the Stabilator Horn onto the tube until the leading edge is close to the first of the	
	marker lines.	
	Note; Do Not slide past this point at this time.	
	Monitor the orientation such that the holes in the Stabilator Horn	
	and the Torque Tube will align when the two items are finally	

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	positioned.
73.	Apply LOCTITE 668 as a 15mm wide band below the heads of the AN5-34A bolts.
74.	Apply LOCTITE 609 onto the surfaces of the 5/16 hole in the Stab-Horn and Torque tube,
	on rear side of the stab horn. (i.e. the side away from the balance arm).
75.	Use a rotating motion correctly align the holes then slide the Stabilator Horn into position .
76.	Install AN5-34A bolts from the front of the horn until fully seated on the horn.
77	LOCTITE 668 on Bolt Stems LOCTITE 609 In Holes on this side of theHORN
77.	Fit MS21083N-5 nuts and AN960L-516 washer.
	Torque nuts to 60 to 85 inch pounds. (ADS Dwg 1010250946 Refers).



4.9. Torque Tube Assembly Finishing Operations

80.	Apply "Torque Seal" to all nuts after tightening.	
81.	Apply PR1422 (PROSEAL) or similar to	
	 seal the edges of all of the joints between the stabilator horn and the torque 	
	tube.	
	 all the exposed bolt heads and nuts 	
	 bolts on the inside of the tube as well 	
82.	Repaint the torque tube assembly in the region between the two collars on the torque	
	tube. Include the stabilator horn, and the balance arm.	
	Note: This painting should use paint which is approved for	
	use on aircraft, and is applied in accordance with the paint	
	manufacturer's specifications.	

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4.10. Final Assembly

83.	Note: The LOCTITE will require 3 hours at Room Temperature to set to a condition when the assembly can be moved and 24 hours at room temperature to cure before the aircraft can be flown.	
84.	Reinstall the torque tube assembly on the aircraft in accordance with the relevant Piper Service Manual for the aircraft.	
85.	Install the Left hand and Right hand stabilator halves in accordance with the relative Piper Service Manual for the aircraft.	
86.	Install the stabilator mass Balance in accordance with accordance with the relative Piper Service Manual for the aircraft.	

4.11. Balance the Stabilator

87.	Balance the Stabilator in accordance with the Balancing procedures specified the applicable Piper Comanche Service Manual.	
	Note: Having the stabilator correctly balanced cannot be overemphasised. Installation of the replacement horn has the potential to change the balance. It is important therefore to check that the stabilator is correctly balanced.	
88.	Reconnect the stabilator control cables.	

4.12. Stabilator Travel Check

89.	Check the stabilator, and stabilator trim rigging in accordance with the rigging requirements that are stated in the applicable service manual. Adjust as required. Torque bolts per fine thread series torque tables in the "Handling and Servicing" Section of the service manual.	
	Note: Installation of the replacement stabilator horn has the potential to alter the rigging. DO Not omit this step from the installation procedures	

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4.13. Documentation

90.	Use the data below to record the changes in the Record of Weight alterations for the aircraft.			
	Aircraft Model	Weight Adjustment	Arm Distance Behind Datum	
	PA24 PA24-250, PA24-260, PA24-400	0.2 kg (0.44 lbs)	6720mm (264.5 inches)	
	PA-30, PA-39, PA-40	0.2 kg (0.44 lbs)	6670 mm (262.5 inches)	
91.	Make a log book entry to record the installa	ion of this replacement st	abilator horn.	
92.	Record the following details and email to <u>stc@aerodesignservice.com</u>			
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	Date of Inst			
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	Aircraft Model	Aircraft TSN (ho		
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