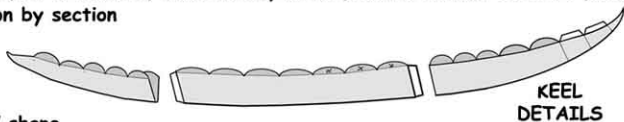
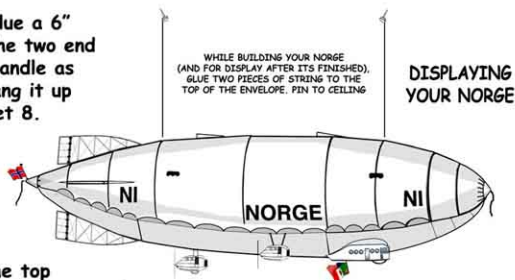


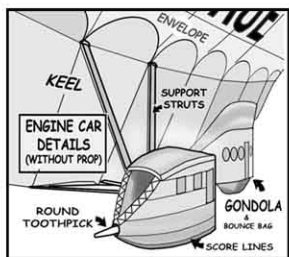
A Few Thoughts

This model is large and awkward but if you glue a 6" piece of heavy card or brown yarn through the two end caps, you'll find your Norge much easier to handle as you build it. You can even use the cords to hang it up between building bouts. See sketches on sheet 8.

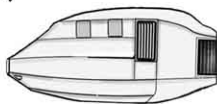
We've stumbled on a real easy way to glue the sections together. For all the sections, glue into the ring shape and slightly bend the tabs inward so they'll fit together easily. Next put a little glue on the top tabs only and let it set. The glue the bottom tabs together and when these are dry, finish up by spreading a little glue on the remaining tabs and press together with your fingers inside the rings. Hot melt glue on the top and bottom tabs speeds up the process considerably. After a bunch of beta builds, we've found it easiest to start from the nose and work back, section by section



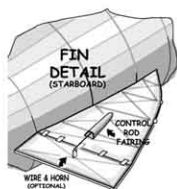
The keel is a bit tricky. First, fold the keel into a proper "V" shape and bend the scallops upward slightly to match the basic airbag contour. Notice that there are three "x"s just behind the gondola area. This is the best place to start mounting your keel to the airbag. While the glue sets gently align the keel fore and aft and when this is pretty well set, start gluing every other scallop working outward from your starting point. You should end up covering (more or less), all the shadow scallops on the airbag when finished. What makes it tricky is that there are so many variables, you might end up not quite covering all the scallops. No sweat.



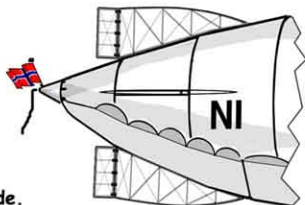
The engine cars go together easily and the struts are simply folded up into a double thickness that, when glued, are stiff and strong. An option to printing the propdiscs on a sheet of clear plastic, would be to trace something round (a shot glass?) and cut the three circles out of stiff, clear plastic that's used as packaging.



It wouldn't be that hard to even mount small electric motors with tiny plastic props connected to batteries somewhere. Under the 'NORGE' lettering on the airbag, you'll find the tiny mounting places for the engines. The rear engine mount is at the rear of the middle keel section.



The fins are best added after your NORGE is hanging and are pretty straight forward with the possibly a little trimming needed at the glue lines. The control rod etc are optional. Some people find it easier to add the fins to the aft section before it's glued to the main envelope. Remember that the fin with the red lights go on the NORGE's port side.



Send us a couple photos of your model and please let us know if you've had more success at flying YOUR Norge than WE have.. *Chip* info@fiddlersgreen.net