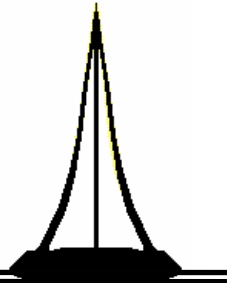


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News around the Club.

Some preparation was done to avert any flood damage to machinery and equipment at the Field, so you may have noticed that chairs and other gear is not available till after the flood waters reduced. You will also know that the creek is much fuller with water and debris now so please avoid entering the water without the appropriate safety precautions. As well as bringing your normal 30+ sunscreen you may need to consider

some insect (moszie) repellent. Added to this news letter should be a copy of the latest Club Rules. Please abide by these when you are at the field.

David Georgeson Memorial Competition 24/02/2008

I am taking this opportunity to remind all members of RMAC of the upcoming David Georgeson memorial Competition. This competition will be held on Sunday 24th February 2008 commencing at 9.00am and finishing at 12.00 pm.

History:

For more recent members of the Club who did not have the honour of knowing David or the pleasure of spending time

with him flying all sorts of model and full size aircraft, I shall give a brief outline. He began flying models in his early teens with a second hand set of radio gear loaned by Terry Phillipson and progressed to include flying full size gliders and finally full size powered aircraft which then became his profession as a commercial pilot but his love for building and flying models never wavered.

In the very early hours of Tuesday 22nd February 1983 David's plane crashed into the mountains east of the town of Monto. Each year since then, the David Georgeson Memorial Competition has been held on the closest Sunday to the anniversary of his death with this year being the twenty fifth.

For members who are unsure about entering, please keep Sunday morning 24/02/2008 free for a few hours and become involved as the competition rules are very simple and easy and allow any type of model aircraft.

- Attached to the newsletter is a copy of the rules for the competition.

Looking forward to a great morning's flying.....Don McKenzie

Meeting Notes.

- There seems to be the lack of, and the need for more members to come and help at events, even if you might not be into that class of aircraft or competing. As a Club the RMAC is interested in all things flying and not into segregating. Pattern, pylon, heli, scale or glider etc. may not be your thing but come and maybe do something for a couple of hours to support **your** Club.
- **Treasurers position was not filled** nor did anyone have a decent suggestion of even who could be approached. – We are looking for either a volunteer or, people to approach someone they think may be suitable. This is a necessary Club position, please consider it.
- Also 17th and 18 of May 2008 will be the Terry Phillipson Weekend. Start time is 09:00 on Saturday with New Timer. Breaky, lunch, hot and cold drinks will be available. Events include Old Timer, Scale and Combat. Contact one of the RMAC Committee members by email, post or phone if you have any questions or wish to notify of attendance.

I had a phone call from:

Brad Mitchell Incident happened at:
Cap Coast Sky Dive Emu Park airfield &
49 39 66 40 runway off Emu Park Rd.
04088 715 95

He had a close encounter of the R.C. kind.
Sunday 27/01/08 9:30-10:30

There was 5 people on board.

~~Brad~~ Cessna 182 flown by Brad. He had to bank at 80° to avoid a collision with an RC plane.

Large white possibly highwing RC plane about 1.5m wingspan flown by a person driving a white van on 4WD.

Experienced RC pilot was doing aerobatics ~~when he took off.~~

RC pilot left the area before Brad could land.

Who was this RC pilot?

I hope the RC pilot is not an RMAC member!!!
This person must be talked to!!!

Regards,

JAS. (Jason Schlenker)
(RMAC Secretary)

Friday 01/02/2008

This info was received recently. It shows that there is still a blatant disregard by some people for the safety of others. Club members should be well aware of where it is safe to fly, but some others don't. If you notice or hear that somebody is flying in inappropriate areas please advise them of the dangers and maybe suggest that they join a club, or some organisation that allows them to fly safely.

Flood in Pictures. (sick of them yet?)



Normal access across the Bridge



And the Woolwash



From our back fence across the creek



Even the local wildlife was prepared

DATES TO REMEMBER

Feb	24	David Georgeson
Feb	29	Club Meeting
Mar	28	Club Meeting



Late news.

The Heritage Village Arts and Crafts display is on the 9th March from 8am to 1.30pm. We can have a site that has mains power if we need, so we can promote our Club, with the Club DVD. See Craig Shuker for more info.