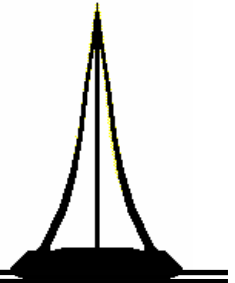


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News around the Club.

Some may have noticed that a sign has been added to the gate (thanks to Geoff Black). This is designed to be flipped over the do not enter sign when we are at the field to help attract visitors in to watch. Preparation has been happening to the field for the next competition on the 19/20 with a working Bee being done on the 5th April. While you are at the Field please be mindful of models on the ground in and around

the Pits, particularly if visitors are invited into the Pits, when finished viewing please move back and clear of the models.

David Georgeson Memorial Competition 24/02/2008

The David Georgeson was held on the 24th which was a pleasant sunny day with a small amount of wind down the strip, great conditions and good interest in the competition with some eight members entering. Models varied from small electric gliders (borrowed) to the high speed high performance electric rockets and one glow powered model. Don McKenzie was unable to attend this competition so Rory CD'd with assistance from a few other members. Results were fairly close after the one round

being dropped and three counting. Garry deChastel first with 1 second off the time, Scott Lawton second with 2 seconds off the time and Laurie Chetter third and 3 seconds off the time. There was only one mishap for the day, with Nick damaging his glider on landing. All in all a great day for flying,

Meeting Notes.

- There are some concerns for the supervising of visitors to the field, if you invite people along then please ensure that they are informed as to where and when they can go to look at models in the Pits. Children must be controlled as much as possible.
 - ***Treasurers's position has been temporary filled***
Thanks to Laurie Chetter.
 - 18/19 April is the Heli Competition and the field will be closed to other models while the Competition is in progress, there ***may*** be free time periods during the day for general flying.
 - 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. Some 16 Trophies are being organised. Contact one of the RMAC Committee members by email, post or phone if you have any questions or wish to notify of attendance.
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Field Maintenance.

Some extra gravel has been laid around the outside the pits and the vehicle access areas and on the access road along the fence. The Club paid for 2 truck loads of road base material and then with the aid of Mathew James's Dingo and equipment this was moved and spread as required, talk to John Stevens about how easy it was. Fuel and use of the Dingo has been donated to the Club thanks to Matt. If you need the use of this gear then you might want to consider talking to Matt.

Laurie and Peter have again being doing their magic and keeping the mower and tractor in service and the mowing of the strips as required and weed eating in the pits area and sheds.

Members in Pictures.



The sad demise of yet another Model



Scott and his Pusher Prop Jet



It must have been good, the smile doesn't get bigger



The Cook about to operate??

This list may be of use so that you **don't** leave gear at home.

R / C PRE FLIGHT CHECKLIST 0:Field equipmnt
(N= Can be done the previousNight)

- Check previously chgd. RX & TXvoltage
- N Check **plane & wings** (dents during storage, etc.)
- N Check **toolbox : glow plugs, props** complete ?
 - Put charged**glow starting battery** inside toolbox.
 - Pack Transmitter(s) in bag or tote**
- N Check fuel quantity in gallon. Take extra gallon if needed.
- N Pack cleaning **rugs, paper, spray cleaner & alcohol**
- N **Rubber bands and/or wing bolts**. Don't leave them behind!!
- N Put cap/hat on. Bring sunglasses and sunblock !!
- N Table, stools, chairs, tent, umbrellas, etc.
- N Arrange items near exit door by category:
 - Fuselage & Wings** ready to carry to car
- N **Fuel, transmissor, tools, rugs, etc.:** all set ?
 - Put gear inside car: airplane goes last
 - Double check if anything left at home
 - Check around car if anything is being left !!
 - Last check of main items inside car, prior to departure:
 - Complete airplane(s)?, Gas?, Transmitter?, Batt?, Box?

DATES TO REMEMBER

April	19/20	Heli Comp
April	25	Club Meeting
May	17/18	Terry Phillipson

