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Monthly Newsletter

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Terry Phillipson Memorial Weekend

SCALE (INCLUDING ARF)

- CD GRAHAM BARKLAY

LARGE SCALE - 1ST - RAY THOMPSON.

STANDOFF SCALE - 1ST - KERRY NIEL

ARF SCALE - 1ST - GARRY DE CHASTEL

OLD TIMER (TEXACO)

- CD PETER CUTLER

The Texaco competition was well attended with 6 Rockhampton, 3 Serina and 1 Macay Flyers.

The weather was variable with the breeze being quite gusty at times.

The competition went off smoothly due to the flyers acting in a professional manner and also the lack of frequency clashes.

Four rounds were flown with one being dropped.

Four flyers made the final fly off.

(Peters plane went OOS on the first flight but you will be glad to hear it was found and in Peters words 'it's repairable'.- ed.)

1ST - WALLY HAWTIN.

2ND - CRAIG RANKIN.

3RD - MIKE RANKIN.

7 CELL GLIDER

- CD GARRY DE CHASTEL

5 rounds were flown, in fairly ordinary glider conditions.

However, we had 6 flyers, all from our own club.

The event was an experience for those who took part, because of the windy weather, and from comments heard, some of our visitors enjoyed seeing this class in action.

The event is a 5 minute flight, with 1 point scored per second of flight, with 1 point off for each second of motor run time, and a further 1 point off for each second over 5 minutes.



While we would have preferred better conditions, for the most part it was very enjoyable to be able to achieve what we did in that wind.

Even GREAT.

Some of the impromptu, unintentional aerobatics were definitely not usual glider antics.

1ST - GARRY DE CHASTEL.

2ND - PHIL WHITELY.

3RD - JOHN STEVENS.

Caterers Corner

or

What's for lunch Nick???

It would appear that the Terry Phillipson Memorial event went really well and was enjoyed by both competitors and spectators alike, I hope you enjoyed the meals provided by Team Welburn, especially to those who stayed for Dinner on Saturday evening, a lot of effort went into providing a decent meal for all to enjoy.

I really enjoyed cooking for you and hope to be able to continue to do so in the future.

Thankyou to those who donated that finishing touch, Dessert was a variety of tempting cakes, pies, tarts and pastries, I have never seen 4Kg of trifle disappear so damn quick. I also wish to thank all those who donated ice for us, not a warm soft drink from day 1. Very Cool !!

A Very Big Thankyou to IRIS Stephens, without your help, I would have surely floundered.

Thanks also to those who helped out during the days and helped after with the cleanup, esp Roschelle, Ta for Monday. Thank you to those who helped with the heavy equipment, Genset and Stove, not possible alone and to the persons who supplied power leads and boards..... and of course a very big thankyou to my wife Vicki and daughter Catherine, only those who have catered for a large no. of people know what goes on behind the scenes....

Amazing !!! . Anyone for Seconds ????

Next time

Nick Welburn



A warm welcome to a new member

D Johnson from Yepoon

Mowing Report

By

John Huxley.

I have been mowing the club field for the past three years now and I have decided to take a break from the job.

I've handed over the battery and fuel container to Peter Cuttler who will be mowing from now on with help from Lawrie Chetter; and Craig Shuker will be back up if needed.

Thanks to Peter and Lawrie for coming out to do some familiarisation training with the mower & tractor, and to assist in mowing the model field ready for the Terry Phillipson weekend.

Peter has set up a solar trickle-charger on the roof of the toilet block so as to keep the battery charged and locked in the toilet block for security. Whoever is available to come out to mow can do so without chasing up the battery.

I've done a fair bit of work on the mower over the last couple of years trying to get it working a bit better. A few months ago the two outside cutters were fitted with new step-down blades which give protection against bolt wear, which previously was a problem while using flat blades. I've just fitted a new set of blades and bolts on the third cutter and adjusted the cutting head to suit the new step-down blades. I've recently installed stone guards to make mowing safer, for the operator at least. I've been nursing the old mower along a bit by keeping up plenty of grease to all its bearings, so now that the new blades are all fitted there should be no more work needed on the mower for considerable time, I hope.

I think the mower is giving us fairly good results now and should give us reasonable service for a while yet. The tractor is still going ok but does need the radiator inhibitor changed. Lawrie is looking at doing that job soon.

Thanks to all club members for your words of appreciation for the time and effort I've put in on mowing and maintenance over the past three years.



News from Springfield

Sunday 7-05-06. Early morning, clear sky above, wind, nil, clouds on the horizon out to sea. Perfect flying weather, and 18 cars arrived at Springfield for a good days flying. The best line up we have had for some time.

All was going well, and lots of flying was being enjoyed by those present. But,,,,, those clouds had crept closer until Mother Nature did her bit to upset our day of enjoyment, and down came the rain at 1030 hours. By this time many good flights had been flown to everyones enjoyment, so the day wasn't a washout.

An invitation was given by Freddo to adjourn to his place for coffee, so we all packed up. Many thanks to Freddo for his hospitality.

Now a reminder to all modellers that we will be having a public display of models at Farnborough State school, here in Yeppoon, on Sunday the 23rd July, 2006. If you would like to bring your model along on that day, to promote our wonderful hobby, could you please contact Bill Luck, on 49336890, or by email to the_madgenius@bigpond.com, by the 9th July, so i can let the School know finally how much space we will require.

We will look forward to the first sunday in June when you members from the big city once again come to our field for a days flying. Hopefully the weather will be kind. Happy flying to all.

Bill

Those who rose early in Rockhampton to make the monthly trip to Springfield were greeted with excellent flying conditions, allowing longer engine and motor runs without having to have a cut lunch to retrieve the models.

Gary, Phil and Dick were flying electric free flight models. They have been flying them for some time now so they are all well trained. Trevor was still sorting out his Cox powered delta. Unfortunately this came to an end when the engine came adrift from the model. Trevor was also testing out his new eyes with an electric Voltimer, R/C of course. Herbert was having a few problems with his Hornet powered Banshee. However after a few tips from Trev, adding a little more weight to the nose and a little more turn, he was then rewarded with some excellent flights.

John Stevens flew his small helicopter. These small craft are a mazing value for money.

The Yeppoon boys were flying a variety of models. Albert his Coupe and P30 and Freddo his FIB. John Payne's electric pattern ship has awesome power with its massive pack of Li-Poly batteries. It is very quiet in the air with enough duration to fly the full pattern. The rest of the Yeppoon boys were flying a mixture of sport and scale models.

Niel Oswald flew his Astro-Hog while John McCutcheon was having a ball flying a trenton Terror Old Timer. Apologies to anyone I have forgotten to mention.

Peter Cutler.

Ahhhh, Queensland weather, beautiful one day, perfect the next. Well this Sunday, the 4th June 2006, did start out a bit

chilly, but with clear skies and no wind, by 8-00am it was perfect. But there always has to be a but. Our friends from the big smoke came down for their visit, and alas, by 0800hrs, the search was on for no less than 2 stray models. It seems like there was some good lifting thermals out there, and 2 models went AWOL in a north easterly direction. A couple of hours later the search was abandoned.

This morning an invitation was extended by Nifty Neil to all modellers present to gather at his place for coffee and a chat. Our thanks go to Nifty for this friendly invitation. Just as everyone was leaving, we had a visit from a South Australian modeller, who gave a demo of his skills flying helicopters. It was an awesome display, and it is hoped he can return again sometime to add to our day of enjoyment.

Well with regards to the 2 missing models, I have spoken to the owner pilot of the Maule m7, Mr. Bruce Rhoades, and he will be taking this reporter up tomorrow to see if we can find either or both of the models. As always there is no guarantee we will find anything, but we certainly will try.

The other down side to this morning was my newly installed 120 4st, failed to work this morning on its maiden startup. the problem was found to be a faulty carby that was jamming. So the carby will be sent back under warranty and hopefully by the end of the week i will be able to try my first 4 stoke engine in my Excelleron90.

So other than these 3 mishaps, an enjoyable morning was had by all. Once again a reminder that the display for the Farnborough State School Country Fair will be held on 23rd July 2006, and i will be looking forward to seeing lots of members displaying their aircraft and promoting this wonderful hobby of ours at the Fair.

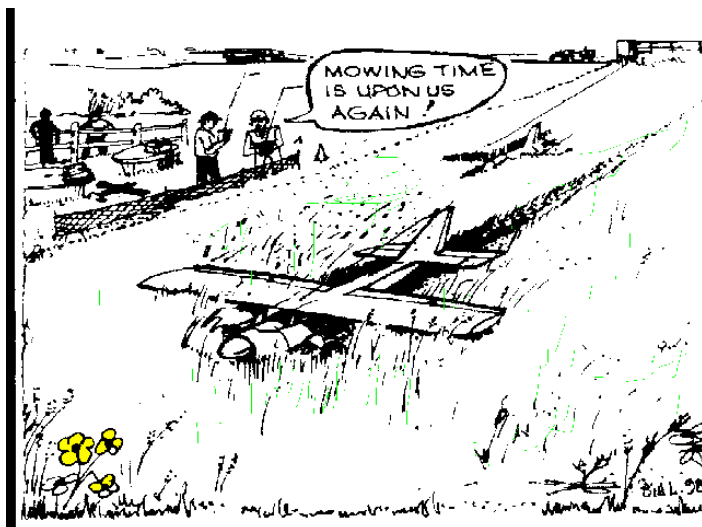
Now until we meet again down here in yeppoon on the first Sunday in July, enjoy many happy hours of safe flying.

This has been your unofficial reporter from Yeppoon, Bill Luck.

Shop 'n' Swap

Sheets of Coreflute
3mm x 1.2m x 1.8m and smaller
Free to good home.
contact - Jason Schlencker

Sheets of Depron
3mm
contact - Rory Birch





ROCKHAMPTON MODEL AERO CLUB INC



**MACKAY AND DISTRICT RADIO
AERO MODELLERS INC.**

Present
**The Doug Christensen Memorial
Trophy**

Queens Birthday Week-end
10th and 11th June 2006

Events:-

Oldtimer *Texaco* *Sunday*
 Duration *Saturday*

Pattern *Sportsman* *Saturday*
 Advanced *Saturday*

Scale *Mammoth* *Saturday*
 Stand Off *Saturday*
 A.R.F. *Sunday*

Pylon *Sports* *Sunday*

Both days will commence at 8:00 with pilots briefing.
Camping is available on grounds.

**Catering is also available for lunch and tea on
Saturday and breakfast
and lunch on Sunday.**

Enquires:- *Bob Conroy* *Ph. 49555732*
 Lindsay Moore *Ph. 49424071*
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 John Smith *Ph. 49670861 (W)*
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RMAC 60th Anniversary Celebrations

Dates

22nd October - Free BBQ Lunch for mem-
bers and family.

29th October - Display Day, between 11am
and 2pm with general flying before and after.

4th & 5th November - Fun Fly weekend.

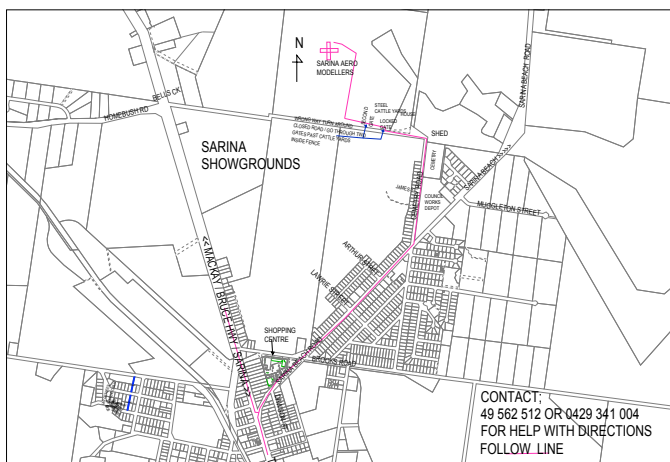
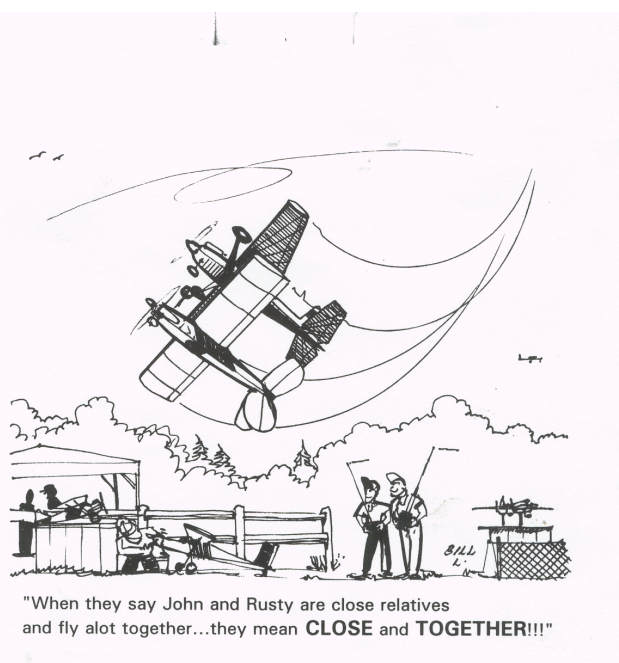
11th November - Saturday Night Dinner.

This will be our end of year breakup with the
addition of past members and councillors.

Further details to follow - stay tuned.

Wanted

Interested display pilots for the 29th October.
Anything goes.



Dates To Remember
Next club meeting for 2006
Friday 30th June at the Rocky Aero Club rooms.
60th Anniversary Committee meeting
7pm, Wed. 28th of June at Mike Boland's.
Farnborough Display
23rd of July at Farnborough State Primary School.
60th Anniversary Celebrations
For 4 consecutive weekends, starting 22nd October.