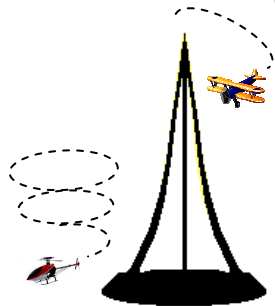


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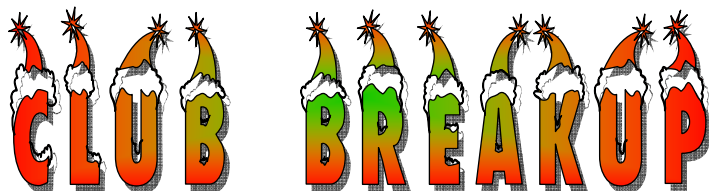
November 2008



Rockhampton Model Aero Club Inc MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



Don't forget, Club Breakup
this Saturday



Dinner

22nd November - 6:30 pm
Bluebirds United Sports Club
407 Richardson Rd



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22nd November – arrive at 6:30pm for a 7:00pm start.

Cost: \$18.00 for adults, with children under 12 free.

Don't forget our club end of year function to be held at the Bluebird's United Sports Club, 407 Richardson Road, (opposite Sun City Tennis Village).

This is our big social event for the year, and is open to all members, and any family members and friends, who would like to come.



Monthly General Meeting - 26th October 2008

Points of Interest:

- RMAC Break-up Dinner will be held on the 22nd of November at Bluebirds United Sports Club
- My apologies to new committee members Lee, Debbie and Chrissy for omitting them from the last edition of the Propwash.
- Nick put to the members the proposal for the power supply to the grounds. Nick stated that the cost to the club for the project was to be \$0.00. The official date for completion is Feb 09 but it may be completed by Christmas 08. The club needs to ensure that a meter box be installed on the tractor shed side of the toilet block and a riser on the other. Nick will arrange quotes for a contractor to install the above, and if the cost is under \$1000 he will proceed with getting the contractor in. Hubert asked about minimum usage and Nick indicated there would be a minimum charge.
- We are currently applying for a grant from Jupiters to improve our facilities.
- The Terry Phillipson proposed date is the 15th, 16th & 17th May 2009.
- Concerns were raised over the CASA height restriction with regards to Old Timers and gliders. Laurie will investigate the consequences for exceeding the 1000 ft ceiling.
- Laurie asked members to consider the possibility of MAAA purchasing our field.
- Thanks to John S and Geoff for shade cloth repairs and to the team who installed the wall on the covered area.
- David Georgeson Competition scheduled for 22 February 2009
- **New Members Guide.** Can members that don't have a New Members Guide please contact the secretary.
- Monthly club meetings will continue to be held at the club grounds.
- QMARA pilon meet to be held at the club on the 7th & 8th March 2009.
- **Next Meeting – 12pm Sunday 30th of November 2008 at the RMAC model airfield, 109 River Road Port Curtis.**

Sell – Swap - Buy:

Each edition I will put up a list of anything that you wish to sell, swap or buy.
Contact Caroline: 0407081288 (mobile) or email propwash@rmac.org.au

Members Reports & Photo's:

Sarina Old Timer Competition 1st & 2nd November 2008

Where to start OK.... My wife and I left for Sarina on Thursday morning prior to the event, an easy trip ending with a few bugs on the windscreen that Vicki called rain, the bugs became swarm like, requiring the wipers on occasion What a gloomy start to the weekend!!

Thursday afternoon was spent setting up the van and avoiding as much of the roaring 40 knot "light winds" that had been forecast as possible. The 40 minute storm that woke us up at 2 am Friday morning was obviously a figment of a fertile imagination. Visions of a 4 wheel drive trek through mud out of the field started to form.

Friday morning was blustery but the sun was appearing on occasions despite a gloomy cloud or 10. People started to arrive that afternoon, not as many as was hoped for but nonetheless enthusiastic modelers and friends looking forward to the competition.

Saturday weather was a vast improvement, mostly clear skies, some breeze, but bloody hot Excellent! An introduction, a few rules and regulations and the Old timer event was on.

As the morning progressed it appeared that only a chosen few had found the rising air the air I chose had lead particles in it I am dead certain. I have not seen such a descent rate from my Lanzo like that before.

Due to the hot weather, water was a popular item; one modeler suffering from dehydration was watered severely by Vicki and half an hour later was back on his feet.

Throughout the two days there were only two "oops" events; Graham Barclays' model was separated from its wing when the band post in the pylon broke The wing slowly rotated into the distance and was airborne for about 25 minutes presumed lost. The wing was returned later that day in perfect condition having landed some 3km away Thank you to the person returning same.

The next "oops" was during a fiercely contested climb and glideOur own Garrrrry lost sight of his model somewhere around 2 thousand feet. On pulling some elevator to stop the dive, the wing snapped in two, half was never seen again and the model came down very quickly (greased crowbar) unfortunately despite the efforts of quite a few people the remnants could not be found. No doubt another is on the building board as you read this, probably be out at the field for a test run

The field preparation was excellent, the catering provided by Nev Parchert and his wife Karen was, as usual, high quality and went down a treat. Many helpers during the weekend made their presence known many times over, well done.

I do not have the collective results and scores; I do however have the main prize winners as follows.

RESULTS FROM SARINA OLD TIMER COMPETITION

TEXACO

- 1st Mike Rankin**
- 1st Garry deChastel**
- 2nd Warren Hathaway**
- 3rd Mike Rankin**

CABIN	1ST John McCutcheon
CLIMB & GLIDE	1st Mike Rankin 2nd Les Morris 3rd Warren Hathaway
DURATION	1st Garry deChastel 2nd Mike Rankin 3rd Warren Hathaway
CHUCK GLIDER	1st Mike Rankin 2nd Peter Cuttler 3rd Garry deChastel

Hopefully all will be well for Sarina in July of 2009, the accompanying photos should show the good time had by all. Note the croquet match at night. Nick Welburn.



A beautiful display of Old Timers



Great to see the little ones giving it a go



Catching up for a chat with friends



Croquet anyone?

Dates To Remember:

- 1st and 3rd Tuesday: Indoor flying at Bouldecombe Rec. Centre - 6:30pm
- 29 Nov - Dalby - social fly in and end of year party
- 30 Nov: SCAF Warbirds at PRAMS
- 22nd February 2009 - David Georgeson Competition
- 7th & 8th March 2009 - QMARA pilon meet to be held at the club
- 15th, 16th, 17th, May 2009 – Terry Phillipson (proposed date)
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