

The Rockhampton Model Aero Club Inc.



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Monthly Newsletter

September 2011

THE Rocky Rally

17TH & 18TH

Control Line Weekend

SEPTEMBER

The Rocky Rally control line weekend will be held at our Gavial field on the 17th and 18th of September. Two circles will be in operation with camping and catering included as part of the fun fly event. Several visitors are expected to attend with many control line models set to be on display. Come out and support both our local control line flyers and our guests as they keep the lines on tension for the weekend of the 17th and 18th of September.



DATES TO REMEMBER



- ◆ 17th - 18th September:
Rocky Rally Control Line Weekend, Gavial Field
Toowoomba Scale Rally
- ◆ 24th - 25th September:
Doug Christensen Memorial Weekend (Re-Run),
MADRAMS
RMAC Monthly Meeting, 11am Gavial Field
- ◆ 1st - 2nd October:
Control Line Championships, Ipswich
- ◆ Every Tuesday:
Indoor Flying at YWCA Hall, Robinson Street 6.30pm

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August Meeting

Points of Interest...

- Progress is continuing to be made on the proposal for a new shed at the RMAC gaviel field. A letter has been sent to the Gaming Corporation requesting that the club receive a grant to build a shed under their grants program. An application for the shed has been submitted to the Rockhampton Regional Council and approval has been granted.
- It was suggested that the transmitter pound remains down at all times, even while not in use. This was accepted by the members present.
- The cost of drinks available at the field has been raised to \$1.50. The new cost for the drinks is advised on the fridge door at the field.
- A proposal was put forward that the club considers sponsoring local students, 12 years and older to learn to fly model aircraft. A letter will be sent to several local schools regarding this and the schools that show the most interest will be considered by the club for sponsorship.

New Members!

We welcome the following new members to our club:

Nicholas Boyland and Andrew Marshall (rejoined)

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

 from Hubert de Chastel. Ph: 49285847

It is with a touch of sadness that I report that two of our foundation members have passed on. Although only a very few of our current members would have known them, I thought it was important to acknowledge their passing. They were brothers Tony and Noel Shennen, at whose home the first meeting was held on 6th December, 1946. Both were very involved with building and flying most categories of aircraft, and were among the earliest locals to fly control liners.

For more information on their activities, see our History of RMAC. Ask me for a copy if you don't have one.

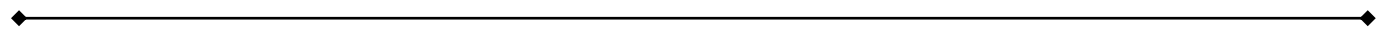
Club Annual General Meeting

The annual general meeting (AGM) for our club was held upon the conclusion of the August monthly meeting on the 4th September 2011. The annual general meeting commenced with no prior nominations being tabled. So nominations were made during the meeting and the new committee for the 2011-2012 financial year was formed. The attendance for the meeting was fair and all positions on the management committee have been filled as a result of the AGM. The committee has remained much the same as the 2010-2011 committee with a few new faces. The following members were nominated and accepted to be part of the 2011-2012 committee:

President:	Nick Welburn
Vice President:	Bert Fleetwood
Secretary:	Robert Dwyer
Treasurer:	Laurie Chetter
Club Registrar:	Geoff Black
Propwash Editor:	Matthew Dennis
Webmaster:	Mike Boland
Committee Members:	Garry deChastel Raymond Skinner Barry Fredrickson Rick Davis



Thank you to all of the above who have accepted positions in the management of our club for the present financial year. Please do not hesitate to have a chat to any of the members in management roles with queries or suggestions relating to the organisation of the club. Also, thank you to the retiring committee for all their efforts: Nick Welburn, John Stevens, Robert Dwyer, Laurie Chetter, Geoff Black, Mike Boland, Bert Fleetwood, Raymond Skinner, Leigh Curtis and Aaron Healy.



From the Editor...

Hi Guys, I'm back again as Propwash Editor! Thanks for all the support I receive as editor. I find my job thoroughly fulfilling. As you have probably noticed, there is not much change to the management committee for this financial year. A few new faces to the committee have accepted positions which is great to see. Thanks to all the members who were part of the previous committee and those who have accepted roles within our club for the 2011 - 2012 term. Also, I must extend my thanks to those people who have contributed to the Propwash by writing reports and finding information, etc. Remember I am always open to suggestions for improving our newsletter! Say G'day to me at the field or contact me by email or phone. I hope you are all enjoying your flying!

Matthew Dennis

IDLE CHAT

With.....

Rick Davis



Occupation or Past Occupation? I am an Electrical Fitter.

How long have you been a club member?

I am been a member of the RMAC since the beginning of the 2011 Financial year. I was also a member of the Maryborough club for two and a half years.

What was your first model? My first model was a Funtana profile model.

What is your favourite model? My Duraflly Spitfire ARF would be my favourite model.

What is your favourite music? I would say my favourite music would be Rock and Roll music.

What is your favourite food? My favourite food is steak.

What most people don't know about you? That I think I can fly.

What other flying fields have you flown at and which one is your favourite?

I have flown at Maryborough and Rockhampton fields. Maryborough would have to be a favourite as it has sentimental value as it was the first field that I used to fly a model aircraft.

When you grew up, you wanted to be?

When I grew up, I either wanted to be an electrician or a train driver.

Do you have any other hobbies?

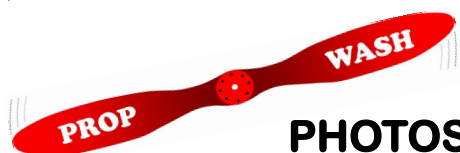
Yes, I have several other hobbies. I enjoy fishing, playing guitar, computer games, reading, watching movies, socialising and helping others.

If you were down to your last \$10, what would you spend it on?

I would most probably put it towards something for a model aeroplane or a hobby accessory.

What is your favourite travel destination?

I would really like to go to the Kimberly's. I have been to France and England. I was born in Britain, but I did not like living there much. However, I thoroughly enjoyed France.



PHOTOS

Here is a couple of photos of Tony Shennen and Noel Shennen, two of our foundation members who have recently passed away as per the notice from Hubert in this issue. Tony is the gentlemen in the left photo and Noel is to the right. Thanks to Hubert deChastel for the photos.

