



The WRCS field ready for the final round of the FPVR drone racing winter championship, 1 Oct 2017.

Photo via David Bolstad - WRCS

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Diary Notes

Next Aeromodellers NSW Meeting

Friday 8th December 2017, 8:00pm at Dooley's Waterview Club, Cnr of Clyde Street and Silverwater Road, Silverwater.

Following Aeromodellers NSW Meeting

Saturday 27th January 2018, 8:00pm at Aeromodellers NSW State Field, Cootamundra.

Newsletter #403 (December 2017) deadline for submissions:

Tuesday 14th November.

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Call for Applications for New MAAA Secretary in 2018



MODEL AERONAUTICAL ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA

The current MAAA Secretary, has announced he will be retiring from this position after 30 November 2018. The MAAA Executive are therefore calling for applications to fill this position.

The MAAA Secretary is a full-time employed position reporting directly to the President of the MAAA. The Secretary is responsible for a vast array of duties from the day-to-day administrative tasks of the MAAA to team selection trials and team entries for international events. The position requires liaising with those stakeholders on behalf of the MAAA at the highest levels of the sport including CASA, ASAC, Local, State and Federal government as well as international bodies such as the FAI.

The MAAA Secretary is also responsible for the MAAA Registrar's position which includes all member renewals, new members and membership card printing.

For a full job description contact either the MAAA President, Vice-President or Secretary. Nominations close on 31 December 2017

Neil Tank
President MAAA

General Bi-Monthly Management Committee Meeting Minutes

Aeromodellers NSW Inc

Dooley's Waterview Club
 Cnr Clyde St & Silverwater Rd, Silverwater
 Friday 6th October 2017

Meeting Opened: 8:10pm

Attendees: R Masters WPMAC, Dave Lewis CANSW, G Atkinson WRCS, A Nolan ROW, G Hoy CMAC, B Thrift CVRCMAC, J Martin SMRC, C Weatherhead WRCS, T Nolan ROW, T Ingham WRCS, M Robertson CMAC, S Norrie NSW Scale

Visitors: None

Apologies: A Bent CMAC, T Ashley CVRCMAC

Minutes: Motion: That the minutes of the meeting held on the 11th August 2017 at DOOLEY'S Waterview Club, Silverwater as published in Newsletter 400 be accepted as a true and correct record of that meeting.

Moved: CVRCMAC **Seconded:** SMRC **Carried**

Business Arising:
 Nil.

Correspondence: *(N.B. Items of correspondence with one * are for information, items with two ** require a decision).*

Correspondence In

Source	Content	Outcome and matters arising
Peter Smith – MDMAS	Concerning contact information, club name on ANSW records and club address on ANSW site	Dave Lewis has resolved.
Kevin Dodd – MAAA	Appointment of MAAA Treasurer	Two candidate applications received. Both attending a teleconference on 11/9 to respond to questions from MAAA council members
Kevin Dodd - MAAA	Land purchase – Reeves Plains SA – request from Concorde MFC and MASA	To be considered at teleconference 11/9

Source	Content	Outcome and matters arising
Kevin Dodd – MAAA	FAI drone conf and expo – Switzerland	Neil Tank and Kevin Dodd will be attending this and, therefore, absent from 28/8 to 6/9
George Atkinson – CFI ANSW	Clarification that Stephen Weatherstone’s instructor status is both glider and fixed wing	Records updated
Malcolm Robertson – Secretary CMAC	For CFI concerning local clubs and use of CMAC field for instructor training	Passed to CFI
President - SSFA	Concerning model aircraft crash in yard of Heathcote State School 29/8/17. No injuries or damage.	Owner/pilot located. Fly-away. MAAA protocols being followed in respect of incident report and enquiry. Noted that enquiry had been completed to the satisfaction of all parties.
President PMAC	Concerning currency of a club assistance grant approved in 2015	Passed to MAAA secretary for response
Ash Rane DRA/FPVRacing	Documents for CASA approval and registration of field at the Entertainment Ground in Gosford	Tim Nolan handled with CASA and subsequently secured approval
Secretary – MAAA	Response re inclusion of F5J for budget funding in 2019	Further correspondence concerning F5J becoming an official MAAA supported event
Brendan Tucker	Invoice for F3C/F3N state titles grant	To treasurer for payment. Approved up to \$250 limit.
Secretary MAAA	Concerning nomination for MAAA Hall of Fame	Considered at teleconference 11/9
Bill Denmark – Cessnock	Praise for newsletter article and invitation to visit	Inclusion on list of clubs to be visited
President – WRCS	Advising fpv racing day at WRCS 1/10	Info only
Ash Rane DRA	DRA support for ANSW strategic plan and specific actions to be taken by DRA	Info only
Secretary - MAAA	MAAA President vacation 22/9 to 31/10. Carl Bizon standing in.	Info only
Secretary MAAA	Minutes of MAAA August 2017 exec meeting	Info only
Secretary MAAA	Appointment of Gary Pope as MAAA treasurer and thanks to interim treasurer	Info only
Secretary MAAA	Advisory on email scammers using office-bearer names to obtain electronic payments fraudulently	Info only

Source	Content	Outcome and matters arising
Secretary MAAA	Minutes of special council meeting	Concerned approval to purchase land in SA and applicants for role of MAAA treasurer
Phil Giles	FW25 and gas turbine inspector approvals for Phil Giles and Barry Zimrov	Passed to ANSW President for processing

Late Correspondence Not Yet Dealt Wit

Source	Content	Outcome and matters arising

Correspondence out

Source	Content	Outcome and matters arising
Greg Hoy	To Crown Land concerning two potential flying fields	Response pending
Tim Nolan	ANSW strategic plan	Passed to ANSW registrar for circulation to all member clubs

Motion: That the inward correspondence is accepted and the outward correspondence (if any) be adopted.

Moved: WRCS Seconded: WPMAC Carried

Reports

Treasurer Steve Norrie

The Treasurer’s reports for Aug and September were presented to the meeting and will subsequently be circulated in Email Bulletin Number 10. Additional expenses were submitted and detailed for the attendees.

Motion: That the Treasurer’s report be accepted and the accounts presented be approved for payment.

Moved: CVRCMAC Seconded: ROW Carried

Additional motion 1) That the current executive of ANSW being Tim Nolan (Preident), Clive Weatherhead (Secretary) and Steve Norrie (Treasurer) are current signatories for banking purposes.

Moved: WRCS Seconded: CMAC Carried

Additional motion 2) That all other signatories be removed from the current authorised signatory list.

Moved: SMRC Seconded: CVRCMAC Carried

President and CASA Liaison Tim Nolan

The President remarked on a very enjoyable recent visit to a fly-in at GCAC and expressed a desire to arrange for ANSW representatives to make visits to a number of clubs outside of the Sydney basin, commencing with some possible dates in November.

The Australia Day fly-in in 2018 at the state field at Cootamundra will also be an opportunity to host a country meeting for ANSW with participating clubs.

A rewrite of the ANSW Constitution has commenced, to incorporate changes agreed over the last few months. The draft will be ready for 1st review by December 2017.

There was discussion on the updating of the signage at the state field. Almost complete.

The President will be representing ANSW and aeromodelling generally at the Seaplane Pilots Conference, Splashdown 2017 on 28th October 2017 in Rathmines.

Registrar Dave Lewis

See appendix 1

Newsletter editor Rob Masters

See appendix 2

Public Relations Officer Aranka Nolan

Noted that the branding work for ANSW – business cards, clothing etc had been completed. The ANSW website pop-up has now been implemented, allowing visitors to sign-up for email updates, photography has been completed and several additional changes have been made to the website to incorporate changes to the ANSW contacts. Also see Marketing Plan updates below.

Chief Flying Instructor George Atkinson

Presented on the key outcomes from the recent national CFI conference, and the recommendations that would be put to the MAAA Council for consideration.

Has received the equipment from SA that is required to run the simulator element of the instructor training programme.

Next instructor course likely to take place at CMAC. Several clubs have potential candidates.

Vice President Greg Hoy

Presented on the activity currently underway to assist clubs that are having difficulties retaining their flying fields or securing new facilities. Also presented on the progress to find possible sites for a 2nd NSW State field.

Secretary Clive Weatherhead

Nothing to report other than that covered in these minutes.

Motion: That the committee reports be accepted.

Moved: SMRC Seconded: CMAC Carried

Awards:

MAAA power fixed wing			
Name	Club	MAAA number	Class
Lukasz Studnarz	GCAC	84951	Gold
Ladislav Safarik	HSLRCA	82289	Gold
Frankie Knight	WMAC	83428	Gold
Steve Carey	Eurobodalla MAC	72831	Silver
Dariusz Ankus	HEMFC	85021	Silver
Ian MacDonald	SSSFA	83425	Silver
Clayton Forrest	SSSFA	84961	Silver
Phillip Rainey	SSSFA	35992	Silver
Bob Nutman	SSSFA	83994	Silver
David Mudie	WMAC	25303	Silver
Mitchell de Dear	WRCS	34222	Silver
Robert Rixon	Eurobodalla MAC	21296	Bronze
Patrick Nugent	BRCF	84912	Bronze
Robert Oldfield	Eurobodalla MAC	78398	Bronze
Raymond Ball	Eurobodalla MAC	81575	Bronze
Craig Swinbourne	FTMAC	84900	Bronze
Daniel Kasic	LMMAC	84771	Bronze
Cian Ryan	WRCS	85231	Bronze
John Manwaring	CMAC	73807	Instructor
Paul Schumacher	SSSFA	44104	Instructor
Ian Dolby	WMAC	15067	Instructor
Nik Schadt	WMAC	72587	Instructor
MAAA glider			
Name	Club	MAAA number	Class
Stephen Weatherstone	SSSFA	32331	Instructor
MAAA helicopter			
Name	Club	MAAA number	Class
MAAA multicopter			
Name	Club	MAAA number	Class
Stevan Fenton	SSSFA	57420	Silver

Motion: That the nominations for Gold Wings be ratified.

Moved: WRCS Seconded: CMAC Carried

ANSW Strategic Plan – Standing items. Updates if any required

1. Cootamundra

KPI: a 10% increase in events being held at the State Field

On target.

2. Field Purchase

KPI: to have a field selection made and a business case submitted to the MAAA for consideration by the end of this membership year.

On target.

3. Operational Roles

KPI: 1 person nominated and managing the risk assessments for all CASA applications/ approvals

Nothing to report. Still with ANSW President currently.

4. Club Support and Administration:

Flight Training

KPI: ANSW has incorporated the new MAAA flight training system into training for Instructors by June 2018.

On target.

Governance training

KPI: Notes will be incorporated into the rewrite of the ANSW Constitution.

On target for end Nov.

Business Cases

KPI: ANSW will publish sample business cases on the website to assist club well before the closing date for MAAA grants in March/ April next year.

Nothing to report.

Risk Management

KPI: Simple examples and details will be available on the ANSW website to assist Clubs, by December 2017

Greg Hoy has drafted a 10-step risk management review process that clubs can work from, together with a crib sheet on risk management terms and principles, and a self-assessment sheet for each club to use in their own risk management planning. This package is currently at review stage and will be circulated to clubs when that is complete.

Member Registration

KPI: Membership cards will be completed with 14 days of receipt by ANSW. (this is dependent upon timely turnaround from MAAA)

Confirmed. KPI is being achieved.

Establishing a New Club

KPI: Instructional video will be available on the ANSW website by December 2017.

Nothing to report.

5. Constitution

KPI: draft constitution completed by December 2017 for circulation and review by members for adoption at the next AGM in 2018

See President's report. On target.

6. Membership

KPI: membership on ANSW at 2200 by the end of the 2017/18 year, number of Executive visits to local club around the state. Support to develop local area engagement including helping draft or prepare flyers, articles or social media messages.

Membership numbers are ahead of target for this point in the membership year. Other activity on target.

7. Marketing Plan

Aeromodellers 2017-18 Marketing / Comms / Engagement Plan

The theme for the year is Engagement, Visibility & Safety

We have to **engage** new members, club executives, club members, CASA, the MAAA, Government, the Media, local Community Groups and Event organisers. As we are a team of 8 we have to be strategic about how we focus our efforts.

Next is **visibility**. We need to be seen more so I will be looking for every opportunity to have the brand out there.

Safety has to be on the agenda as this is becoming the most critical element where we have and continue to protect our sport.

Our Approach

Engagement

Clubs that are beginner friendly and clubs that want to be left alone

KPI email each club and identify their desire to be identified as a Friendly Club for beginners.

To be completed by December 2018

Mailchimp / Email Template / Powerpoint / Word document template

KPIs delivery of these templates by end August 2017

Delayed. To update next meeting.

Bunnings

We will explore the desire by clubs to further their engagement with community through the Bunnings stores

Continuing. Have received positive feedback from events held on Father's Day at Bunnings.

Annual Fly-in

We want to have a Fly-in that is open to all comers. We are looking at possibilities and will be planning for this event to take place in 2018.

This will now be 26/1/18 at Cootamundra. The Australia Day fly-in and country NSW meeting. Bruce Thrift also to consider whether Camden could host a city fly in during this membership year and, if so, to give consideration to possible dates.

Social Media

We will continue to support the engagement through Facebook. We will also ANSW YouTube Channel so that the videos have a home under the Aeromodellers Banner.

KPI by the end of September 2017.

Running late. Update at December meeting.

Visibility:

The New Executive:

KPI: kit out the executive and update website by September 2017 to enable them to be visible.

Completed.

Website:

Building an audience of people who want to receive an update of events and short news clips or people who have questions for us. Create a pop up for the website to collect email address of the traffic coming to the website.

KPI build a pop up by end of August 2017.

Completed.

Banners on loan:

Make available to clubs banners of different sizes to show the ANSW Logo. A form on the website to enable them to book and hire the banners shall need to be created and managed.

Completed.

Updating events

Provide clubs a template that will enable us to put up complete information on the website as to events for Modellers and where appropriate public.

KPIs end of September 2017 – form for the inclusion of events in the newsletter and on the website.

Completed, and a communication to clubs will be sent shortly, to cover this amongst several other topics.

Safety:

Video tutorials

Support with CASA Aerial Approval forms will be provided by instructional videos that work through the application forms and help people tackle them on their own before they make the call to the CASA Liaison Officer.

KPI by end of September 2017

Timing to be revisited. Update December meeting.

Safety and Engagement

Greg has the idea of putting together a safety presentation that we aim to present to local councils, their staff and community organisations, showing them how we promote safe flying, present ANSW and our approach to flying, new enthusiasts, different flight disciplines and open the door for further engagement should the need arise.

KPI: Create presentation by end of September 2017 and distributed for others to use with a script in their local area

This item deferred as it will, logically, follow the circulation of the risk management support package to clubs.

8. Current team and future ideal team. Key partners, affiliates and advocates.

The Current Executive are looking to develop the succession plan to continue building ANSW and include new members on the Committee representing some of the emerging areas of aeromodelling.

In hand.

9. Budget

ANSW will continue to operate within in operating budgets, looking to make a small profit each year to continue to build on our reserves in preparation for developing a new State/National flying field.

KPI: The audited accounts of the Association will continue reflect sound financial management already established.

On target.

Operational Plan – Standing items. Updates if any required

Constitution – change to allow 2-year terms to stagger Executive appointments

Will be covered in the current redraft process.

General and New Business:

1. The next Business Meeting of Aeromodellers NSW will be held in Sydney at DOOLEY'S Waterview Club, Cnr Clyde St & Silverwater Rd, Silverwater commencing at 8pm on Friday 8th December 2017. All members and visitors are welcome.




There being no further business before the meeting, the meeting was declared closed at 9.51 pm.

Appendix 1

Registrar Report August/September 2017




As of 6/10/2017 0930


ANSW


Search Options		Age Group	No. Members	Percent
  		18 or under	98	4.80 %
Affiliated Year: <input type="text" value="2018"/>		19 - 29	64	3.14 %
State Association: <input type="text" value="ANSW INC NSW"/>		30 - 39	143	7.01 %
Club Name: <input type="text" value="-- Select a club --"/>		40 - 49	274	13.43 %
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Member details		50 - 59	436	21.37 %
		60 - 69	467	22.89 %
		70 - 79	449	22.01 %
		80 or over	109	5.34 %
		Total: 8	2,040	100 %


New Members	153
Average Age of New	39
New Juniors	42
Av New Junior Age	11
New Seniors	111
Av New Senior Age	49


Nationally


Search Options		Age Group	No. Members	Percent
  		18 or under	397	4.52 %
Affiliated Year: <input type="text" value="2018"/>		19 - 29	273	3.11 %
State Association: <input type="text" value="-- Select a State Association --"/>		30 - 39	561	6.38 %
Club Name: <input type="text" value="-- Select a club --"/>		40 - 49	1192	13.56 %
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Member details		50 - 59	1893	21.54 %
		60 - 69	2067	23.52 %
		70 - 79	1850	21.05 %
		80 or over	556	6.33 %
		Total: 8	8,789	100 %


Search Options		Age Group	No. Members	Percent
		18 or under	28	11.57 %
Affiliated Year: 2018		19 - 29	4	1.65 %
State Association: N.S.W.F.F.S. NSW		30 - 39	18	7.44 %
Club Name: -- Select a club --		40 - 49	24	9.92 %
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Member details		50 - 59	40	16.53 %
		60 - 69	55	22.73 %
		70 - 79	51	21.07 %
		80 or over	22	9.09 %
		Total: 8	242	100 %


Search Options		Age Group	No. Members	Percent
		18 or under	2	1.98 %
Affiliated Year: 2018		19 - 29	0	0.00 %
State Association: C.L.A.S. NSW		30 - 39	3	2.97 %
Club Name: -- Select a club --		40 - 49	7	6.93 %
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Member details		50 - 59	19	18.81 %
		60 - 69	29	28.71 %
		70 - 79	33	32.67 %
		80 or over	8	7.92 %
		Total: 8	101	100 %

Search Options		Age Group	No. Members	Percent
		18 or under	25	3.31 %
Affiliated Year: 2018		19 - 29	27	3.58 %
State Association: AWA WA		30 - 39	58	7.68 %
Club Name: -- Select a club --		40 - 49	129	17.09 %
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Member details		50 - 59	159	21.06 %
		60 - 69	148	19.60 %
		70 - 79	98	12.98 %
		80 or over	111	14.70 %
		Total: 8	755	100 %

Search Options		Age Group	No. Members	Percent
		18 or under	15	5.08 %
Affiliated Year: 2018		19 - 29	6	2.03 %
State Association: ACTRA INC ACT		30 - 39	22	7.46 %
Club Name: -- Select a club --		40 - 49	44	14.92 %
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Member details		50 - 59	70	23.73 %
		60 - 69	72	24.41 %
		70 - 79	55	18.64 %
		80 or over	11	3.73 %
		Total: 8	295	100 %

Search Options		Age Group	No. Members	Percent
		18 or under	5	6.33 %
Affiliated Year: 2018		19 - 29	3	3.80 %
State Association: ANT NT		30 - 39	10	12.66 %
Club Name: -- Select a club --		40 - 49	12	15.19 %
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Member details		50 - 59	17	21.52 %
		60 - 69	23	29.11 %
		70 - 79	8	10.13 %
		80 or over	1	1.27 %
		Total: 8	79	100 %


Search Options		Age Group	No. Members	Percent
		18 or under	110	5.87 %
Affiliated Year: 2018		19 - 29	88	4.70 %
State Association: MAAQ INC QLD		30 - 39	122	6.51 %
Club Name: -- Select a club --		40 - 49	254	13.55 %
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Member details		50 - 59	404	21.56 %
		60 - 69	408	21.77 %
		70 - 79	399	21.29 %
		80 or over	89	4.75 %
		Total: 8	1,874	100 %

Search Options		Age Group	No. Members	Percent
		18 or under	30	3.53 %
Affiliated Year: 2018		19 - 29	22	2.59 %
State Association: MODEL AEROSPORT SA INC SA		30 - 39	50	5.88 %
Club Name: -- Select a club --		40 - 49	102	12.00 %
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Member details		50 - 59	176	20.71 %
		60 - 69	218	25.65 %
		70 - 79	190	22.95 %
		80 or over	62	7.29 %
		Total: 8	850	100 %

Search Options		Age Group	No. Members	Percent
		18 or under	2	1.00 %
Affiliated Year: 2018		19 - 29	2	1.00 %
State Association: TMAA INC TAS		30 - 39	6	2.99 %
Club Name: -- Select a club --		40 - 49	25	12.44 %
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Member details		50 - 59	40	19.90 %
		60 - 69	47	23.38 %
		70 - 79	69	34.33 %
		80 or over	10	4.98 %
		Total: 8	201	100 %

Search Options		Age Group	No. Members	Percent
		18 or under	82	3.50 %
Affiliated Year: 2018		19 - 29	54	2.30 %
State Association: VMAA INC VIC		30 - 39	129	5.50 %
Club Name: -- Select a club --		40 - 49	319	13.61 %
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Member details		50 - 59	529	22.57 %
		60 - 69	600	25.60 %
		70 - 79	498	21.25 %
		80 or over	133	5.67 %
		Total: 8	2,344	100 %

MAAA Nationally Last Year

Search Options		Age Group	No. Members	Percent
		18 or under	426	4.42 %
Affiliated Year: 2017		19 - 29	324	3.36 %
State Association: -- Select a State Association --		30 - 39	559	5.84 %
Club Name: -- Select a club --		40 - 49	1362	14.12 %
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Member details		50 - 59	2068	21.44 %
		60 - 69	2180	22.60 %
		70 - 79	1976	20.49 %
		80 or over	639	6.63 %
		Total: 8	9,644	100 %

Appendix 2

Aeromodellers NSW Newsletter #400 - September 2017		
Title:		
Delivery Date/Time:	Mon, 04 Sep 2017 9:03 pm	
Overall Stats		
Total Recipients:	1,763	
Successful Deliveries:	1,700	
Bounces:	63 (3.6%)	
Times Forwarded:	0	
Forwarded Opens:	0	
Recipients Who Opened:	1,065 (62.6%)	
Total Opens:	2,829	
Last Open Date:	5/10/17 2:02PM	
Recipients Who Clicked:	687 (40.4%)	
Total Clicks:	23,473	
Last Click Date:	2/10/17 9:52AM	
Total Unsubs:	4	
Total Abuse Complaints:	0	
Times Liked on Facebook:	0	
Clicks by URL		
URL	Total Clicks	Unique Clicks
http://nsw.aeromodellers.org.au/...../ANSW-NL-400-Septemper-2017.pdf	23,472	687
http://nsw.aeromodellers.org.au	1	1
https://www.facebook.com/aeromodellersnsw/	0	0

Title:	Aeromodellers NSW Newsletter #401 - October 2017	
Delivery Date/Time:	Mon, 25 Sep 2017 9:33 pm	
Overall Stats		
Total Recipients:	1,794	
Successful Deliveries:	1,737	
Bounces:	57 (3.2%)	
Times Forwarded:	0	
Forwarded Opens:	0	
Recipients Who Opened:	1,028 (59.2%)	
Total Opens:	2,491	
Last Open Date:	5/10/17 4:33PM	
Recipients Who Clicked:	637 (36.7%)	
Total Clicks:	870	
Last Click Date:	5/10/17 3:07PM	
Total Unsubs:	2	
Total Abuse Complaints:	0	
Times Liked on Facebook:	0	
Clicks by URL		
URL	Total Clicks	Unique Clicks
http://nsw.aeromodellers.org.au/...../ANSW-NL-401-October-2017.pdf	864	635
https://www.facebook.com/aeromodellersnsw/	5	4
http://nsw.aeromodellers.org.au	1	1

Aeromodellers NSW 2017 Calendar

(Compiled 30 October 2017)

Unless otherwise advised Aeromodellers NSW Meetings are held the 2nd Friday of every other Month.

Nov 2017

4-5	NSW Pattern Flyers – RAAFMAC	Richmond	Felix Nieuwenhuizen	0428 880 633
4-5	2 nd Annual Australian F5J Trophy (NAAS)	Canberra		http://www.aefanet.com
4-5	Australian Scale Aerobatics Ass – Yenda Bender	Yenda	Scott Bardney	0409 144 618
5	Indoor Flying – Niagara Park Stadium	Niagara Park	Jaz Cooper	0411 053 339
11–12	Golden West Old Timer Weekend	Parkees	Peter Smith	0423 452 879
	Events - 2CC Duration, Burford, Duration, 1/2A Texaco, Texaco, Cabin Scramble			
12	Millennium Cup	Shoalhaven	Fred Lodden	felodden@hotmail.com
12	The 35th Shoalhaven Shield 2m Thermal Glider	Bomaderry	Ian Avery	02 4232 1093
12	MDMAS Invitational Meeting & Flying Day	Muswellbrook	Peter Wheeler-Smith	0417 012 611
18	Gosford City Electric Float Planes Mt Penang	Kariong	Jaz Cooper	0411 053 339
18	SRCS General Fly In at "The Missions"	Gunderman	Mike Close	president@srcsclub.com
22-26	Invitational Scale Classic Downunder 2017	Cootamundra	Cheryl Rolfe	cheza1954@iprimus.com.au
24-26	NAAS Annual Mammoth Fly In	Canberra	John Amerigo	0409 917 806
25	Gosford City Electric Float Planes Mt Penang	Kariong	Jaz Cooper	0411 053 339
25-26	NSW Pattern Flyers – Queanbeyan MAC	Queanbeyan	Felix Nieuwenhuizen	0428 880 633
26	Pylon Racing at Arthursliegh	Marulan	Peter Kerney	0407 013 230

Dec 2017

8	Aeromodellers NSW General Mtg Dooleys Waterview	Silverwater	Tim Nolan	0412 173 440
9	Seaplanes - Regatta Centre	Penrith	Tim Nolan	0412 173 440
16	Gosford City Electric Float Planes Mt Penang	Kariong	Jaz Cooper	0411 053 339
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Jan 2018

25-29	38th Armidale Sailplane Expo	Dumaresq	Hutton Oddy	0425 285 758
27	Aeromodellers NSW General Mtg - State Field	Cootamundra	Tim Nolan	0412 173 440

Feb 2018

3-4	Alan Brown Memorial Old Timer event	Orange	Norman Barnes	norbar1@bigpond.net.au
17-18	Banjo Paterson Scale Rally	Orange	Norman Barnes	norbar1@bigpond.net.au

Mar 2018

3-4	Hunter Valley Championships – Mitchell-Hill	Muswellbrook	Peter Wheeler-Smith	0417 012 611
3-4	Pylon Racing at Nowra	Nowra	Peter Kerney	0407 013 230

Apr 2018

13	Aeromodellers NSW General Mtg Dooleys Waterview	Silverwater	Tim Nolan	0412 173 440
20-22	45 th Annual WW II & Military Scale Competition	Wagga Wagga		www.waggamac.org

May 2018

19-20 Veterans Gathering - Mitchell-Hill
19-20 COMSOA Scale Fun fly

Muswellbrook Peter Wheeler-Smith 0417 012 611
Metford Jason Russ 0414 505 212

Jun 2018

8 Aeromodellers NSW General Mtg
Dooleys Waterview

Silverwater Tim Nolan 0412 173 440

8-11 Large Scale Pylon Racing (MSW State Field)
30-1/7 Frank Bryant Memorial Warbirds Weekend

Cootamundra Paul Hewitson 0416 241 922
Muswellbrook Peter Wheeler-Smith 0417 012 611



Great attendance at the final round of the FPVR drone racing winter championship at the WRCS field.

Club News & General Interest

Drone Racing at WRCS

David Bolstad (WRCS)

Communications between WRCS (David Bolstad) and FPVR (David Purebred) saw the final round of the FPVR drone racing winter championship to be hosted at the WRCS field on Oct 1 2017.



With many points still up for grabs the showdown of Rookie, Pilot and pro classes proved to be hotter than an electric blue smoke trail.

The WRCS field measures 200 x 40 metres and track set up commenced at 7am sharp. The track weaved and snaked (including the multi-level tower) over three quarters of the field.



Mother nature was on our side with perfect sunshine. With James Martin from Sydney Drone Racing (SMRC) on the drone racing flight simulators, racers and support personnel poured in from Sydney and as far away as Canberra and Newcastle; the coffee van was kept very busy.

With ground stations everywhere and weird looking humans sporting many antennas, the WRCS sheds were packed with literally 150 or more of all kinds of racing drones from 3s to 6s setups. 3D printing skills were also showcased in the bodywork of some of the drones and even sporting prototypes of drone and small fixed wing hybrids...



Just on 30 registered drone racing pilots saw intense racing through the day, practice started





from 9.30 am and took us through to lunch at around noon. During lunch (BBQ of sausage sandwiches and cold cans of coke and the like) two heli demos took place consisting of George Atkinson flying precision hover and manoeuvres



and Kevin Einstein flying 3D. Also during lunch, David Bolstad (Sbach 300 30cc) and Ron Clarke (Extra 50 cc) flew some fixed wing circuits and stunts. A short pylon race demo of two quick electrics by David Bolstad and Simon Cornish concluded lunch.



I estimate approximately 130ish attendees along with many wives, girlfriends and families as well.



The racing heats went all through the afternoon until approx 4pm. Between the heats and the finals several organised drag races took place between two extremely quick racing drones running 6s and two hotted up fixed wing speedsters including a 5s funjet ultra, the crowd was gobsmacked as the drones and fixed wings dragged run after run up the WRCS field until the batteries were no more. Very impressive indeed.

The finals concluded the event at around 5pm with trophy and presentations. Thereafter, daylight saving was a blessing and the day in all was perfect from every angle.



The average age of attendees to the field was under 40 and the buzz throughout the day was electric!

These Giant Radio Controlled Airplanes Are Absolutely Nuts

From <https://jalopnik.com/these-giant-radio-controlled-airplanes-are-absolutely-n-1713001535> by Collin Krum

Click on the images to play the video

Radio-controlled aircraft come in many shapes and sizes, but the ones we're showing today are all very ambitious in scale. And by "ambitious," we mean "ginormous."

These models are truly works of art, representing countless hours and immeasurable energy and resources spent ensuring that as many granular details as possible accurately reflect the originals. Many of these videos were filmed at a [model airfield in Austria](#), where substantial crowds gather to watch them perform.

In no particular order, here are some of our favorite videos of humongous RC aircraft:

Our first video features a massive Boeing B-17 Flying Fortress. After some assembly, takeoff happens around the 2:00 mark. Just like the original B-17, there's a whole lot of noise.



Next is up is Blue Thunder, from one of the greatest helicopter movies/television shows ever made. The real Blue Thunder aircraft is a specially modified Aerospatiale SA-341G Gazelle, which couldn't perform many of the stunts in the movie due to the added weight from the Hollywood modifications ("[the very angular canopy, gun turret, and additional 'wings' on the side](#)"). To compensate, a radio controlled scale model was actually used in the making of the movie for key stunt sequences.



This Douglas DC-3 puts on a great show, and at 2:00 we see the landing gear retract after takeoff. The pilot makes landing look easy despite the windy conditions. This model also features working stairs and aft cabin door.



Next is a very impressive F-86 Sabre, sporting tail number FU-409, which seems appropriate. Takeoff happens at the 1:09 mark, followed by some great passes and a very smooth landing.



And now, an extremely impressive Avro Vulcan complete with onboard cameras! The first-person view during final approach at 14:00 shows how susceptible these large RC aircraft are to crosswinds.



Next we have a [Kalinin K-7](#) with seven working motors (six forward-facing, one rear-facing). This is a truly excellent model and very skilful flying. Notably, the model's twin tail booms both survived the flight. The same cannot be said for one of the tail booms on the only K-7 ever produced by the Soviet Union, which failed in flight and led to a catastrophic crash.



Here's another RC helicopter for your enjoyment. This time we have an AH-1 Cobra in Red Bull livery. I would love to see an RC AH-1 in [US Forest Service Firewatch livery](#).



This Vickers VC-10 is stunningly detailed and manages to get off the ground despite a hatch on the port side accidentally opening. There's also a little wipeout on landing at 1:45, but this beauty will live to fly another day.



Next we have a gigantic Airbus A380 in Singapore Airlines livery. There's a really smooth landing at 6:50. Just like the full scale version, this A380 needs help taxiing.



Next up is an F-16 Viper in the Royal Netherland Air Force's demonstration team livery. This paint scheme is great, but any time I see orange on the tail of an F-16, I think of QF-16 target drones. We don't get to see much of the takeoff roll because of a cameraman fail, but this little jet has serious speed.



This next video is truly impressive. This Boeing C-17 Globemaster III claims to be the biggest RC airplane in the world. There's some very cool low-level flying and even a pass with the rear ramp open.

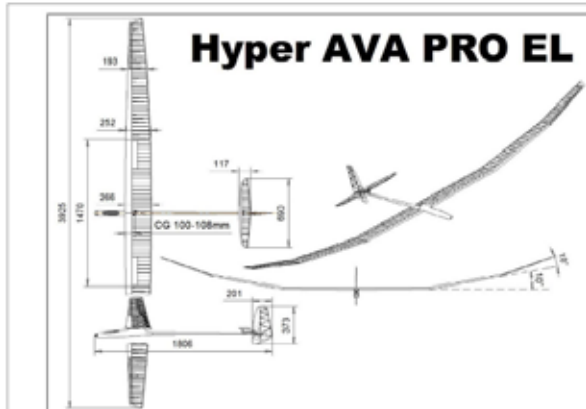


And now, an enormous Concorde in classic British Airways livery. The only way this could be improved upon would be if the Concorde was in Pepsi livery. The Kenny Loggins soundtrack kicks in at 0:40, just as the big bird gets airborne.



Finally, an A-12 wearing the tail number 06940. This tail number actually corresponds to one of the two mothership airframes in the M-21/D-21 program, although a D-21 drone model doesn't appear in this video. The engines can be seen glowing fiery orange as the model climbs out and makes several passes over the crowd. The pilot makes a great recovery just after the 6:00 mark.

Would you like to win an Ava Pro 4.0m Electric Glider? Announcing a fund raiser to send an Aussie team to the F5J World Challenge in Slovakia 2018



Ava Pro- winner of F5J at the 2017 NEFR in the hands of Bob Wilson

F5J is booming! An Aussie team attended the 2017 World Challenge in Slovakia this year (with 132 competitors) and will report on their experiences and findings at the Australian F5J Trophy event in November.

The FAI has invited the Trnava club in Slovakia to prepare a proposal for the first F5J World Championships to be held in 2019. Australia needs to present an experienced team for this first World Championships!

In the meantime, the World Challenge, run by the Trnava club in August, continues in 2018. We need to send another Aussie team to gain more experience and build the Aussie F5J profile.

The AEFA has commenced another fund to assist the best F5J fliers (on the Australian Leaderboard) to attend the Slovakian events in August 2018. This year the AEFA ran a Stork raffle to support the 2017 team.

Here is a new offer! You can take part in a raffle that has as its prizes:



- 1st - Ava Pro F5J kit valued at \$1,500 (above)**
- 2nd - Aero-naut Triple Thermic 2.5m F5J kit valued at \$289**
- 3rd - Geared F5J motor valued at \$139**

Tickets are \$10 each, three for \$20, or five for \$30. The raffle will be drawn at the presentation at the NEFR at Canberra, Easter 2018. Proceeds from this raffle will go to the new team for Slovakia 2018!

Buy tickets online or send a message for paper tickets to ppine@northnet.com.au. A page has been set up on the AEFA web site. You can simply click on a PayPal link and buy the tickets you want. Here is the page you need to go to - this is a live link:

<http://aefanet.com/world-champ-fund-raiser>

**Ava kit supplied by Dave's Toys for Big Boys - the AEFA would like to acknowledge Dave's support for this fund raiser. You can see Dave's Toys range at www.hyperionaustralia.com.au
F5J kit and motor supplied by www.flyelectric.com - Please support those that support the AEFA.**

Upcoming Events

Gosford City Aeromodellers Club 2017 Regular Events - All Welcome Electric Float Planes



GCAC has a freshwater float plane site in the Mt Penang complex at Kariong

7 to 10am, \$5 to fly.

Saturday October 21st
Saturday November 18th
Saturday November 25th
Saturday December 16th
Saturday December 30th

Indoor Flying

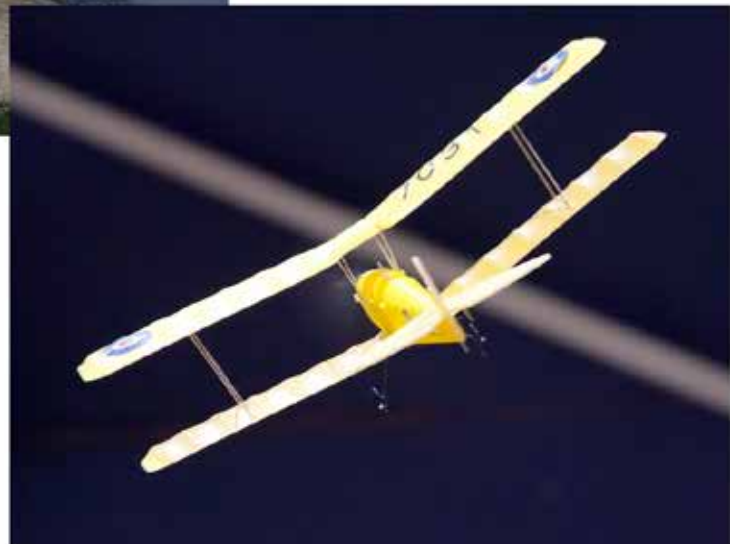
Niagara Park Stadium,
Narara Valley Drive, Niagara Park

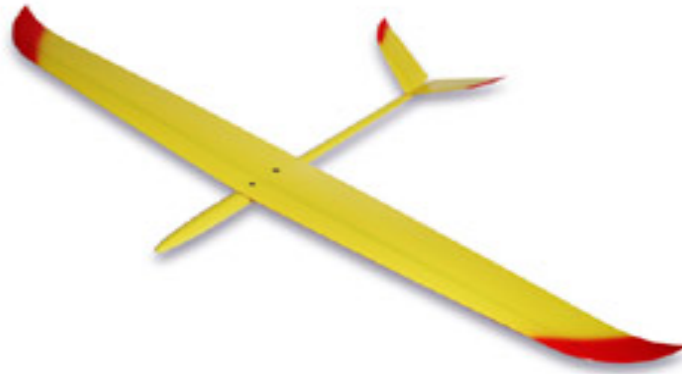
\$15 for an afternoon of indoor fun
in two combined basketball courts

Sunday November 5th 12-4pm ***New Time**

GCAC is an MAAA Club
All Members Welcome

See www.gcac.org.au,
email secretary@gcac.org.au or call Jaz Cooper on 0411 053339 for more information





Millennium Cup dates for 2017

January 15	Appin
February 12	Goulburn
April 9	Lake George
May 21	Salt Ash
September 23 & 24	Gloucester
October 22	Maddens Plains
November 12	Shoalhaven

* = awaiting confirmation of dates

Millennium Cup Committee contact details:

Les Morris - carolandles@optusnet.com.au
Fred Lodden - felodden@hotmail.com
Paul Gibson - piglytoo@gmail.com
Doug Lacey - doug1947@bigpond.com

2nd Annual Australian F5J Trophy



The Australian perpetual F5J trophy 2nd annual event is to be held at the NAAS field near Canberra
Presented by the AEFA in conjunction with the NAAS Club

Two days of flying 4-5 November 2017 Two classes - Open F5J and Limited F5J



**Dave's Toys
for Big Boys
Open F5J
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up to 4.0m class



**Modelflight
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up to 2.6m class

First prize:
30A or 40A Power Supply
- winner chooses
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First prize:
Ultra Power AC400 Duo
Charger
www.modelflight.com.au



Other Sponsors:

Dave's Toys and Modelflight will also donate items
flyelectric.com www.flyelectric.com
[Sky Soaring Robots](http://skysoaringrobots.com) www.skyrob.com
 AEFA www.aefanet.com

Product types distributed to Participants:

Electric Motors	LiPo Batteries
Battery Checkers	Folding prop blades
Prop adapters	Speed Controllers
Servos	Spinners

Special Feature: Seminars by the F5J team that competed in Slovakia. Learn about how they do it overseas and prepare for the World Championships

Pre-registration required - Entries close 28 October - see the AEFA web site for a registration form:

www.aefanet.com

Prizes for placegetters - and a give-away of products by draw from the hat - \$50 entry fee
 Data loggers available for loan - just bring your electric glider. Food available on the field.
 Enjoy the great NAAS site - camping permitted \$15 per night - toilets and shower provided.

Shoalhaven Model Flying Club Inc.

Presents

**The 35th Shoalhaven Shield
Two Metre Thermal Glider Event
12th November, 2017.**

**Fletchers Lane Flying Field, Bomaderry.
(off Meroo Road)**

Briefing 9am for 9.30am start

This event is the final round (Round 7) of the
2017 Two Metre Glider Millennium Cup

Millennium Cup Launching - 6 minute max - spot landing

Bacon & Egg Rolls for breakfast

Steak/Sausage Sandwiches, Drinks, Tea & Coffee.

Further Information: Ian Avery (02) 4232 1093

iwa@iinet.net.au

MUSWELLBROOK DISTRICT MODEL AERO SPORTS Inc.

INVITATION



MDMAS Inc. will be holding an **Invitation Meeting & Flying Day** including a barbecue lunch for a nominal fee on **Sunday 12 November 2017** for current and past members of the club and other interested persons, with a view to renewing old friendships and encouraging both new and past members to join our club.

The field will be open for flying and general get together from **0830** hours.

All disciplines welcome as we have R/C, C/L & F/F areas available.

If you are interested in attending please contact us ASAP and advise of number(s) attending in order appropriate catering may be arranged.

contact details:

Peter Wheeler-Smith (Secretary)

(email) wheelersmith@bigpond.com

(mobile) 0417 012611

(post) 34 Towarri Street MUSWELLBROOK 2333

or

John Walker (President)

(email) pssj.wal@bigpond.net.au

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for registration or further enquiries

We look forward to your company

Sydney Radio Control Society



General Fly In

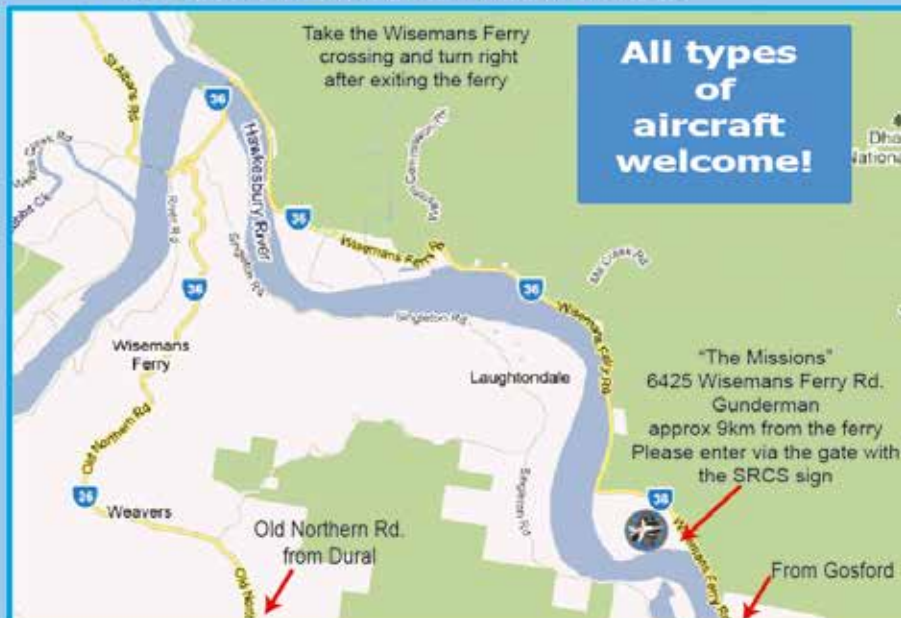


Saturday 18th November

Gates open at 9am for all day flying

Last years event saw an amazing array of models from park flyers to turbines
Everyone who attended enjoyed a great days flying in a really festive atmosphere.

**Come along and help make this year's event even better
All levels of flying skill are welcome!**



\$10 entry fee includes BBQ lunch & a drink

Enjoy a day's flying with us at the most scenic flying site in the Sydney Basin. All levels of flying skill are welcome, just turn up on the day and fly as little or as much as you like.

No competitions, no pressure, just enjoy flying!

Bring your family along and enjoy a picnic by the Hawkesbury River

MAAA Cards and Permits to Fly for large models must be presented at registration

If you have any questions please contact Mike Close, president@srcsclub.com
Please check the SRCS website on the day for cancellation information in the event of bad weather. An announcement will be made by 7am.
www.srcsclub.com.au

INVITATIONAL SCALE CLASSIC

NSW STATE FLYING FIELD
COOTAMUNDRA
22nd - 26th November



- Masters
- Expert
- Team
- Pro-Expert
- Flying Only

Camping at the field - Toilets / Hot Showers

Saturday Gala Prize Night & Presentation

Contact - Cheryl Rolfe

cheza1954@iprimus.com.au

DOWNUNDER 2017

NAAS Annual Mammoth Fly-In



NAAS Annual Mammoth Fly-In 24-25-26 November 2017



FLY-IN

Primarily large models, but if you want to be part of this great experience bring what you have.
Field will be open from Friday Morning

Pilot entry Saturday & Sunday \$35.00

Saturday night roast/baked Dinner at the field \$25.00 per head

Enjoy the great NAAS site:

Camping available \$15.00 per night

Toilets and shower provided.

Food and drink, tea and coffee will be available all weekend

To register and assist with catering please use this link address:

<https://goo.gl/forms/qCfIPZhoCu1IDxav1>

For more information will become available, please refer to:

Web: www.naas.org.au Email: naasact@outlook.com



PYLON RACING

SUNDAY 26 NOVEMBER 2017 at "ARTHURSLEIGH" MARULAN

Pilot briefing 9:00am Sunday

Practice and sports flying Saturday 25th Nov

Entrants must have current MAAA membership

Entrants and callers must bring hard hats

Fuel supplied on race day

Accommodation, camping, showers, cooking and Bar-B-Q facilities at field, or Ali's Motel Tavern and Restaurant at Marulan Ph 48411330

This is a private field and only available on the advertised dates

Please contact organisers for directions.

2018 Dates

Nowra 3/4 March

Q500

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F400

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F3D

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F3T

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E500

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Other classes depending on numbers Please contact organisers to register New racers always welcome

NSW PYLON RACING
CLUB INC.
www.nswpylon.org

Peter Kerney
0407 013 230
pkerney@nswpylon.org

38th Armidale Sailplane Expo

January 25 to 29, 2018

New England Model Aircraft Club and the Sailplane Expo Trust invite you to beautiful Armidale on the New England Tablelands for the 38th Sailplane Expo. Events will be Australian Open Thermal (10 min flight in 12 min working time, 150m lines, FAI landing tape, all rounds count) and F5J (10 min flight envelope, max 30 sec motor run, F5J landing tape).

F5J will be held as a stand-alone event from 1130 -1630 Thursday January 25 and 0900 - 1630 on Friday January 26.

Open Thermal will be held as a stand-alone event from 0900-1630 Saturday January 27 and 0900-1300 Sunday January 28.

The field will be available for practice Wednesday January 24, 2018

The field is on the left of Warrane Rd Dumaresq, approx 3.5km from Booralong Rd turnoff.

Google Maps Co-ordinates -30.444252,151.518692

We look forward to seeing you all again. Bring your MAAA membership card with you.

More details :- Hutton Oddy 0425 285 758 or vhoddy@gmail.com

Muswellbrook District Model Aero Sports Inc.

HUNTER VALLEY CHAMPIONSHIPS 3 & 4 March 2018

Mitchell-Hill Field, New England Highway, -- approx. 6kms south of
Muswellbrook NSW, -- approx. 1km south of Muscle Creek Road
(field open 1200 hours Friday, 2 March to late afternoon Sunday 4 March)

EVENTS:

SATURDAY: Classic Stunt – 27D Goodyear – Vintage A Team Race – 2.5
Simple Rat – (winch launch) Open Thermal Glider

SUNDAY: F2B – Vintage Combat – Slow Combat – Combined Speed –
Weatherman Speed – F5J Electric Glider

ENTRY FEES:

\$5 per person, per event, to a maximum of \$20 per person (with entry to as many events
as you like)

*Flyers of all ages welcome – Unpowered camping available at the field for a donation of \$5 per site per night
from 1200 hours Friday, 18 May – Sunday night camping by arrangement, (no fires permitted on the field –
toilets & cold water available, -- sorry, no showers). -- Current MAAA cards MUST be shown on the day when
registering. – Canteen will be running both days. -- Buy, sell & swap welcome. -- Attendees are responsible for
the proper removal of all personal rubbish from the field.*

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or

John Walker (President) on 0455 441309, email: pssj.wal@bigpond.net.au

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AIRSHOW

Bring the family for a great day out!

Food and Drinks available

WAGGA MODEL AERO CLUB

PRESENTS

THE 45TH ANNUAL

WORLD WAR II & MILITARY SCALE COMPETITION



Scale radio controlled models on display & flying
throughout the 3 day event

**FRIDAY, SATURDAY & SUNDAY
20TH 21ST & 22ND APRIL 2018**

**MODELS FLYING FROM 9.00AM – 5.00PM
15KMS SOUTH OF WAGGA ON THE OLYMPIC HWY**

For directions or more information check out our website at www.waggamac.org

Muswellbrook District Model Aero Sports Inc.

Invites you to attend

VETERANS GATHERING

19 & 20 May 2018

Mitchell-Hill Field, New England Highway, -- approx. 6kms south of
Muswellbrook NSW, -- approx. 1km. south of Muscle Creek Road
(field open from 1200 hours Friday, 18 May to late afternoon Sunday, 20 May)

come & join us for this long standing & popular event



The "gathering" is on again – flyers or images welcome – FF/RC/CL sites available.

Unpowered camping available at the field for a donation of \$5 per site per night from 1200 hours Friday, 18 May – Sunday night camping by arrangement, (no fires permitted on the field – toilets & cold water available, -- sorry, no showers). -- Entry for the weekend by donation. -- Current MAAA cards & large model permits (if applicable) MUST be shown on the day when registering. -- Canteen will be running both days with bbq breakfast on offer Sunday morning for a nominal fee. -- Saturday night dinner may be arranged following expressions of interest. -- No formal events, just fly for fun or come along & have a "natter" & "catch up". -- Buy, sell & swap welcome. -- Flying times are: C/L 0800 hours until dark both days, F/F 0700 to 0930, & 1700 until dark both days, twilight F/F scramble Saturday, R/C from 0930 hours to 1630 hours both days (No night flying). -- Attendees are responsible for the proper removal of all personal rubbish from the field.

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FRANK BRYANT MEMORIAL WARBIRDS WEEKEND

30 June & 1 July 2018

Mitchell-Hill Field, New England Highway, -- approx. 6kms south of Muswellbrook NSW, -- approx. 1km. south of Muscle Creek Road (field open from 1200 hours Friday, 29 June to late afternoon Sunday, 01 July)

It's on again! – Flyers of all ages welcome – FF/RC/CL sites available. Unpowered camping available at the field for a donation of \$5 per site per night from 1200 hours Friday, 29 June – Sunday night camping by arrangement, (no fires permitted on the field – toilets & cold water available, -- sorry, no showers). Entry for the weekend by donation. -- Current MAAA cards & large model permits (if applicable) MUST be shown on the day when registering. – Canteen will be running both days. -- No formal events, just fly for fun or come along & have a "natter" & "catch up". Buy, sell & swap welcome. -- Flying times are: C/L 0800 hours until dark both days, F/F 0700 to 0930, & 1700 until dark both days, R/C from 0930 hours to 1630 hours both days. – No night flying. Attendees are responsible for the proper removal of all personal rubbish.

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*At the Eleventh hour
On the Eleventh day
Of the Eleventh month
1918*

The Armistice was signed and World War 1 was over.



*At the Eleventh hour
On the Eleventh day
Of the Eleventh month
2018*

*The South Hummocks MAC in conjunction with the
Scale Aircraft Society of South Australia and Model Aerospots South
Australia will be commemorating the
100th Anniversary of this historic event by inviting all MAAA members to
participate in a*

Dawn Patrol

We are in the early planning stages at the moment but if you think you might be interested in attending, dates 10-11 November 2018, please email me at sthummocks@bigpond.com Below is a list of things that we are planning and as more is finalised, more will be posted.

A little more information on what we propose to be doing on the weekend 10-11 November 2018.

The aircraft eligible to fly at this event are any World War I aircraft. Any size. Any type. Any power plant and Any control method. That means, Radio Control, Control Line and Freeflight.

The field will be open from the morning of 08 November 2018 to set up caravans, tents and models. You might even want to get some flying done.

Saturday will be a day of general flying with a small 2 round Combat competition for .25 size or equivalent size electric WWI aircraft using streamers.

A BBQ lunch will be available at a small fee both Saturday and Sunday. We are hoping to have a catered dinner Saturday evening, cost to be advised, that will be run as a pseudo Military Dining-In Night. So if you are Military/Ex-Military, Para-military and you have a Mess Kit or Uniform, please wear it otherwise the dress for dinner will be smart casual.

Sunday will start with a very early breakfast then the Dawn Patrol flight and all WWI aircraft are eligible. Take-off time will be either at dawn or sunrise, depending on how dark it is. There will be a minutes silence observed at 11am and the Ode will be read. The rest of the day will be general flying with possible skirmishes as to the pilots whims. We also hope to have a bugle player sounding calls at appropriate times over the weekend.

We will have the use of the MASA PA system and over the course of the weekend there will be music and songs of the era played and we will have readings of soldiers letters home, personal diaries and snippets of Unit Histories over the PA. We ask that anyone attending who would like to participate in these readings do so, particularly if you have letters or diaries of family members that were involved in WWI.

There will be a couple of raffles run over the weekend as well.

We will be setting up a small theatre and showing WWI movies and dressing the place up with WWI memorabilia. Why not dress up in period dress or uniforms yourselves.

Our field has Ladies and Gents toilets, Unisex Hot shower, Kitchen facilities, BBQ, Mains water and Generator Electricity. We have plenty of shed space so you can store your assembled models overnight.

If camping is not your thing, there are motels and caravan parks at Balaklava and Port Wakefield. Both towns are close to the field. If you have a trailer you can store it at the field.

This event has the makings of being a fantastic weekend commemorating an historical day, not only for Australia but for the world, and if you want to stay a little longer then that won't be a problem.

**Deadline for submissions to Newsletter #403
(December 2017) is
Tuesday 14th November 2017.**

*Please forward any changes of mail or email address together with your
AUS Number directly to the Registrar.
dave.lewis@internode.on.net*