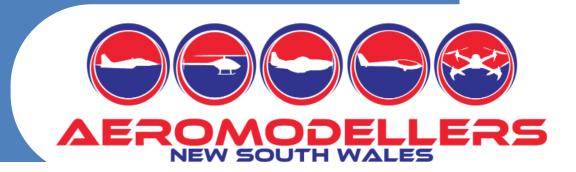
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Eleven year old Cameron Mann under the watchful eye of Martin Cochrane at Coffs Coast R/C Flyers. Read more about up and coming flyers on page 31



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Diary Notes

Next Aeromodellers NSW Bi-Monthly Management Committee Meeting.

Friday 9th August 2019, 8:00pm at Dooley's Waterview Club, Cnr of Clyde Street and Silverwater Road, Silverwater.

Following Aeromodellers NSW Bi-Monthly Management Committee Meeting. Friday 11th October 2019, 8:00pm at Dooley's Waterview Club, Cnr of Clyde Street and Silverwater Road, Silverwater.

Newsletter #419 (July 2019) deadline for submissions: Friday 19st July 2019.

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General Bi-Monthly Management Committee Meeting and 2019 Annual General Meeting Minutes

Aeromodellers NSW Inc

Venue: Dooley's Waterview Club Cnr Clyde St & Silverwater Rd, Silverwater Friday 14th June 2019

Bi-monthly Business Meeting

Meeting Opened: 8:00pm

Attendees: Clive Weatherhead (WRCS), Steve Norrie (Coota), Aranka Nolan (ROW), Greg Hoy (ANSW),

Tim Ingham (WRCS), Jeremy Randle (NSW Pylon), Bruce Thrift (CVRCMAC), Bob Carpenter (HMAS), Jackie Carpenter (HMAS), Joe Borg (Cowra MAC), Malcolm Robertson (Cronulla MAC), Todd Hazell (PRCAC), Bill Swan (UMAC), Marie Swann (UMAC), George Atkinson (WRCS) Stephen Lange (PRCAC), Tim Nolan (ROW), Michael Tulk (RAAFMAC), Don Bailey (RAAFMAC), Dino Riebolge (HMAS), Rob Masters (WPMAC), Robb Attard (PRCAC), James

Martin (SDC)

Visitors: None

Apologies: Dave Lewis (ANSW), David Kennedy (SSME), Adriel Bent (CMAC)

Minutes: Motion: That the Minutes of the meeting held on the 12th April 2019 at Dooley's Waterview

as published in Newsletter 416, April 2019, be accepted as a true and correct record of that

meeting. The financials as per Bulletin 29 2018-19

Moved: Camden Seconded: WRCS Carried

Business Arising:

1. None, other than items carried to AGM agenda for voting.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:03pm The Chairman adjourned the Bi-Monthly meeting to allow the Annual General Meeting to take place.



Annual General Meeting

Meeting Opened: 8:03pm

Chairman: Tim Nolan

Attendees: Clive Weatherhead (WRCS), Steve Norrie (Coota), Aranka Nolan (ROW), Greg Hoy (ANSW),

Tim Ingham (WRCS), Jeremy Randle (NSW Pylon), Bruce Thrift (CVRCMAC), Bob Carpenter (HMAS), Jackie Carpenter (HMAS), Joe Borg (Cowra MAC), Malcolm Robertson (Cronulla MAC), Todd Hazell (PRCAC), Bill Swan (UMAC), Marie Swann (UMAC), George Atkinson (WRCS) Stephen Lange (PRCAC), Tim Nolan (ROW), Michael Tulk (RAAFMAC), Don Bailey (RAAFMAC), Dino Riebolge (HMAS), Rob Masters (WPMAC), Robb Attard (PRCAC), James

Martin (SDC)

Visitors: None

Apologies: Dave Lewis (ANSW), David Kennedy (SSME), Adriel Bent (CMAC)

Minutes: Motion: That the Minutes of the 2018 Annual General Meeting held at DOOLEY'S

Waterview Club, Silverwater as published in Newsletter 408 be accepted as a true and

correct record of that meeting.

That the Audited Financial reports from the 2018 Annual General Meeting as published by

Bulletin in July 2018 be accepted.

Moved: Camden Seconded: Cronulla Carried yes

Business Arising:

Nil.

Correspondence In:

- C 1.1 nomination for the position of President Tim Nolan
- C 1.2 nomination for the position of Vice President Greg Hoy
- C 1.3 nomination for the position of Secretary Clive Weatherhead
- C 1.4 nomination for the position of Treasurer and State Field Secretary Steve Norrie
- C 1.5 nomination for the position of Registrar David Lewis
- C 1.6 nomination for the position of Newsletter Editor Rob Masters
- C 1.7 nomination for the position of Public Relations Officer Aranka Nolan

Review of Honorariums

In previous years the honorariums have been adjusted by CPI. For 2018/2019, the honorarium recipients volunteered that they were happy to accept no increase. They have volunteered to accept no increase for 2019/2020 as well.

The Chairman would normally ask that Secretary, Treasurer, and Newsletter Editor leave the meeting but, as there was no change to terms and no request for discussion, he did not. The Registrar was unable to attend the meeting.



Chairman proposes that the honorarium stays the same for 2019/20 as it was for 2017/18 and 2018/2019, but that future reviews take account of CPI from the previous baseline – March 2017.

Position	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
Secretary	\$2.20	\$2.25	\$2.25	\$2.25
Treasurer	\$2.20	\$2.25	\$2.25	\$2.25
Registrar	\$2.20	\$2.25	\$2.25	\$2.25
Newsletter Editor	\$2.20	\$2.25	\$2.25	\$2.25

Moved: NSW Pylon Seconded: Camden Carried

Election of Office bearers for 2018-19

As there is only one nomination for each position the Chairman asked the nominees if they accepted their Nomination,

President Tim Nolan Vice President Greg Hoy

Secretary Clive Weatherhead

Treasurer Steve Norrie
Registrar Dave Lewis
Newsletter Editor Rob Masters
Public Relations Officer Aranka Nolan

Having accepted the nominations, the Committee Members were appointed by the meeting.

Setting of the Aeromodellers NSW Affiliation Fees 2019-20

The fees for the coming year were proposed at the April meeting and are confirmed, below, for ratification.

The Fees for Aeromodellers NSW for the membership year 2019-20 will be:

Seniors \$45.00 Juniors \$0

Half Year (available from 1 Jan 2019 for new members only)

Seniors \$30 Juniors \$0

NOTE THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE THE MAAA FEE, WHICH IS SUBJECT TO A \$30pa INCREASE.

Moved: UMAC Seconded: WRCS Carried



Voting items – Proposed changes to ANSW constitution:

Part 3 - The Committee

Sect 4 Officers of the Association

Paragraph (e)

Currently reads

"Executive Committee officers shall be elected annually at the Annual General Meeting and shall hold office until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Association".

Propose change to:

"Executive Committee officers shall be elected on alternate years at the Annual General Meeting and shall hold office for two years until the next respective Annual General Meeting of the Association as follows:

- (1) Even years President, Treasurer, Registrar.
- (2) Odd years Vice President, Secretary, Newsletter Editor.

Moved: Parramatta Seconded: WRCS Carried

Part 4 - Meetings

Sect 1 Annual general meetings - holding of

Paragraph (c)

Currently reads

"The Annual General Meeting shall be held in May of each year and the business of such meeting shall include the Secretaries Annual Report, the presentation of the Treasurer's accounts, duly audited, the election of officers and other members of the Executive, and such other business as may be deemed necessary. Notice of the Annual General Meeting shall be given in writing to the Honorary Auditor".

Propose change to:

"The Annual General Meeting shall be held in June of each year and the business of such meeting shall include the Secretary's Annual Report, the presentation of the Treasurer's accounts, duly audited, the election of those officers and other members of the Executive falling due, and such other business as may be deemed necessary. Notice of the Annual General Meeting shall be given in writing to the Honorary Auditor".

Moved: Cronulla Seconded: HMAS Carried



Part 4 - Meetings

Sect 5 General Monthly Management Committee Meetings

Paragraph (a)

Currently reads

"Monthly Management Committee Meetings; The time date and place of meetings shall be decided at the Annual General Meeting and having been duly decided no further notice shall be given, unless there is a subsequent alteration in the time date or place of such meetings".

Propose change to

"Sect 5 General Management Committee Meetings

Paragraph (a)

"A minimum of four Management Committee Meetings shall be held each year. The time date and place of Management Committee Meetings shall be decided at the Annual General Meeting and, having been duly decided and advertised in the Association's Newsletter, no further notice shall be given unless there is a subsequent alteration in the time date or place of such meetings".

Moved: UMAC Seconded: Parramatta Carried

Part 4 - Meetings Sect 14 Meetings Notices

Paragraph (1) Elections Sub-para (a)

Currently reads

"Nominations for the position of all officers of the Association shall be called for by the Secretary not less than four weeks before the date of the Annual General Meeting. All such nominations shall be in writing signed by the proposer and seconder who shall be from an affiliated Club and shall be signed by the Candidate to indicate his willingness to act in such position".

Propose change to:

"Nominations for the position of all officers of the Association falling due that year shall be called for by the Secretary not less than four weeks before the date of the Annual General Meeting. All such nominations shall be in writing signed by the proposer and seconder who shall be from an affiliated Club and shall be signed by the Candidate to indicate their willingness to act in such position".

Moved: HMAS Seconded: RAAFMAC Carried



New Business Items:

1. Proposal that any item costing in excess of \$1000 would be brought to a meeting of the ANSW committee for discussion and approval or disapproval

Moved: HMAS Seconded: Cronulla Carried

2. Proposal that ANSW will provide emergency relief funding to clubs up to the amount of \$5,000 in the event of an adverse event (eg: storm, flooding, fire). This is an interest free loan that shall be paid back to ANSW within up to 24 months from the time of funds transfer. The provision of emergency relief funds and the repayment period is at the discretion of the ANSW committee.

Moved: Camden Seconded: WRCS Carried

3. MAAA grant scheme newly places a requirement on the state body to provide financial support to clubs that are requesting MAAA assistance. The proposal for approval is that ANSW will assess each application at a bi-monthly meeting taking into account the club history, efforts to grow membership and willingness to support all aeromodelling disciplines. If it is agreed that the application will be supported, then ANSW will agree to contribute up to the amount that the club contributes, subject to a maximum of \$1500 and subject to the application being fully successful with the MAAA grant programme.

Moved: Parramatta Seconded: RAAFMAC Carried

- 4. Proposals submitted for the creation of working groups on:
- Flying Fields (new field and supporting member clubs with their field search and retention)
- CASA Liaison and Field Approvals (height, are and competition/event approval)
- Growth (member retention and assisting clubs to recruit new members)

Club members and management committee representatives are encouraged to offer their services to assist with these working groups. Dino Riebolge (HMAS) offered his support for the flying fields group.

The President also indicated that a proposal would be submitted to the next Bi-monthly meeting of ANSW to extend the committee from 7 to 9 representatives in the light of above and to better allow for succession planning.

Moved: WRCS Seconded: HMAS Carried

5. The treasurer presented the Financial Statements and Auditor's Report for 2018/2019 submitted by Crimmins and Co and asked for them to be accepted as a true record

Moved: UMAC Seconded: Camden Carried



6. The treasurer presented a motion to pay the Auditor's fee of \$3184.50

Moved: UMAC Seconded: HMAS Carried

7. The treasurer presented a motion to retain the services of Crimmins and Co as auditor for 2019-20

Moved: Camden Seconded: UMAC Carried

General Business:

The next <u>Annual</u> General Meeting of Aeromodellers NSW is scheduled to be held in Sydney at Dooley's Waterview Club, Cnr Clyde St & Silverwater Rd, Silverwater commencing at 8pm on **Friday 12th June 2020**, all members and visitors are welcome. Note the AGM for Aeromodellers NSW will be conducted during the normal Business meeting, in accordance with normal practice.

There being no further business before the meeting:

AGM declared closed: 9:10pm

Bi-monthly Business Meeting Re-opened

Business Meeting Re-opened: 9:10pm

Correspondence:

Correspondence In		
Source	Content	Outcome and matters arising
Jason Wynstra – PMAC	Enquiry about permanent increase to height limit	With Tim Nolan
Bill Potts – Hunter Phoenix	Question regarding circulars on electric safety	Content in ANSW newsletter
Jaco Ehlers – South Africa	Enquiry concerning clubs, testing and registration to fly in NSW	Answered
Tyson Dodd – MAAA	Office closure 8-10 May	Info only
Dave Crepaldi – FPVR	Enquiry concerning insurance coverage	Complete
Steve Smedley – OMAC	Enquiry concerning training courses	Passed to CFI and handled
Tyson Dodd – MAAA	Spreadsheets for completion for NSW flying sites – for CASA	Completed and returned – with thanks to all the club secretaries who responded.
Tyson Dodd – MAAA	Provisional agenda and statement of rules for 2019 council conference in Canberra	Provided to conference attendees



Correspondence In		
Source	Content	Outcome and matters arising
Phil Crandon - LMFC	Request for insurance document	Passed to Tyson Dodd at MAAA
	with club interest noted	for processing
Tyson Dodd – MAAA	Updated agenda for May MAAA	Provided to conference attendees
	conference	
Tyson Dodd – MAAA	Council conference programme,	Provided to conference attendees
	open letter to delegates from the	
	MAAA VP and dropbox link for	
	conferenced documents	
Crimmins & Co	2018/19 audit for ANSW	Info only
Frank Regan – Rebel	Questions concerning the MAAA	Further information provided to
Club	fee increase	assist
Bruce Thrift - CVRCMAC	Questions concerning the MAAA	Further information provided to
	fee increase	assist
Peter Pine – FNCEF	Requesting confirmation of MAAA	Provided
	and ANSW fees for next year	
David Pinchbeck –	Requesting copy of ANSW risk	Provided
ACTAA Secretary	management materials	
Tyson Dodd – MAAA	Confirmation that all 6 insurance	Information only
	policies have been paid and put in	
	place for 2019/20	
Geoff Jones –	Enquiry concerning the 3-year	Confirmed by MAAA that it is 3 full
SM NMAC	period between applications	years passing ie clubs that applied
	under the MAAA club assistance	in 2016 cannot apply in 17, 18 and
	scheme	19 but can apply in 2020
Dennis Wheeler -	Enquiry concerning the 3-year	Confirmed by MAAA that it is 3 full
AEMAC	period between applications	years passing ie clubs that applied
	under the MAAA club assistance	in 2017 cannot apply in 18, 19 and
	scheme	20 but can apply in 2021
Fran Kastelan – BAC	Enquiry concerning any area or	Confirmed nothing in place,
	height approval for Blacktown	currently, but suggested it should
	Club	be
Neil Tank – MAAA	Re fee increase. Various.	Information only
Bruce Hoffmann – CLAS	`Draft flyer to be given to children	Information only
	involved in a model building	
	programme	
Ian Friery – HEMFC	Regarding fees for next year and	Dave Lewis responded
	website	
Peter Wheeler-Smith -	Insurance queries	Being handled by MAAA
MDMAS		

Late Correspondence Not Yet Dealt With			
Source	Content	Outcome and matters arising	



Correspondence out		
Source	Content	Outcome and matters arising
Tim Nolan – ANSW	To Mark Lewis – CASA. Area approval application for Field of Dreams Flight Club	Declined after review by Air Services Australia due to a number of incidents involving police/council where people have been flying in an unauthorised area with manned aircraft operating in the same area
Clive Weatherhead – ANSW	To real estate agents concerning potential properties for 2 nd state field	Information only
David Crimmins –ANSW auditor	To Gary Pope – MAAA, requesting details of MAAA invoicing to ANSW for audit purposes	Information only
Tim Nolan – ANSW	To Mark Lewis – CASA. Public Display application for Sky Aces, Schofields Aerodrome – charity fundraiser for Children in Need	In process, several items of correspondence
Dave Lewis – ANSW	To club secretaries and registrars	Documentation for 2019/20 affiliations and registrations
Tim Nolan – ANSW	To Mark Lewis – CASA	Area approval application for Parkes
Clive Weatherhead – ANSW	To club secretaries and registrars	AGM reminder and voting issues
Tim Nolan – ANSW	To club secretaries and registrars	MAAA and ANSW fee increase notification
Gwydonlyn Cochrane – CCRCF	Change of name and address on ANSW website	Complete
Tim Nolan – ANSW	Fran Kastelan – Blacktown	Confirmation of area approval for Blacktown club
Rick Collis – MMAC	Contact information and request for inclusion on ANSW website and in newsletter	Processed to appropriate people

Motion: That the inward correspondence is accepted, and the outward correspondence be adopted.

Moved: RAAFMAC Seconded: WRCS Carried



Reports

Treasurer Steve Norrie

The Treasurer's reports for Feb and Mar 2019 were circulated by bulletin in April 2019.

The report for April and May 2019 was presented to the meeting and will subsequently be circulated in an Email Bulletin. Additional expenses were submitted and detailed for the attendees.

Motion: That the Treasurer's reports be accepted, and the accounts presented be approved for payment.

Moved: Cronulla Seconded: HMAS Carried

President and CASA Liaison Tim Nolan

As we approach the end of this current membership year it is an opportunity to reflect on our achievements and some of the challenges that we have managed to overcome.

Firstly, none of what we have achieved could be possible without the combined efforts of everyone on the team working together to ensure that we can all still enjoy the sport.

This year has seen some very major changes with the way we operate, starting with the CASA Directive 96/17. When the Exemption for MAAA expired we had to ensure that all our clubs where compliant with flying within 3NM of controlled aerodromes and major hospitals. The next challenge was to ensure that those clubs who require additional height clearance (above 400 agl) made application for Area Approvals to have their flying locations registered. As you have seen in the correspondence over the past year there has been a steady stream of them. Lots of members are still struggling with the concept of Risk Assessments. Don't worry. This process is not as difficult as you may think. We have been complimented on a number of occasions, by CASA, and our documents are now being used as examples of best practice by other states.

Following the Senate Committee hearing into Drones, we have experienced an increasing level of scrutiny from CASA on how we fly and operate as clubs. The ramifications are significant, and we are starting to see them being implemented. MAAA has been involved in the working group with CASA and other stakeholders to develop the Registration of Models and Pilot Accreditation that will commence later in the year.

An interesting note: CASA has decided to exclude **gliders** from the Registration and Accreditation process but only those that fly below 400 feet (slope soaring). Where you want to fly above 400 feet an area approval is required by the club where you are flying. Electric Gliders are considered a motored aircraft and will need to be registered unless you are a MAAA member.



Gliders - non electric	under 400 feet	above 400 feet
non MAAA Member	Fly without registration & accreditation	Not approved by CASA
MAAA member	Fly on a registered MAAA field or other flying field	on a registered MAAA flying field with a height clearance above 400 feet
Gliders - electric	under 400 feet	above 400 feet
non MAAA Member	Must register with CASA & get accreditation	Not approved by CASA
MAAA member	Fly on a registered MAAA field or other flying field	on a registered MAAA flying field with a height clearance above 400 feet

It is very important that you register any fields that you fly from if you want to enjoy the exemption from Registration and Accreditation.

There is NO exemption from the requirements of CASA Directive 96/17 when operating above 400' agl. You will require an Area Approval for any of these operations.

During the year Aeromodellers NSW has been heavily involved with CASA and other stakeholders to develop the Industry Risk Profile for Remote Piloted Aerial Systems. This involved workshops and development of a Risk Matrix and what will become the base line for starting to develop Risk Management Strategies for this rapidly growing area of aviation.

The MAAA has negotiated with CASA to ensure that the impact on all MAAA members will minimal when you are flying at MAAA registered fields, or for fields that have an Area Approval (locations that operate above 400 agl, because of their proximity to Airports, for example). Most of these approvals have been for operations up to 2000' agl. One of the requirements/conditions that is coming will require the pilot to be able to advise the altitude that they are flying at. Telemetry systems may well be required if you want to operate at those heights. It is so worth investing in this technology to be able to comfortably fly so high.

Nothing happens without the generosity of our team and as much as you may not be aware of all that goes on, I assure you we have worked hard to enable our sport to have a strong future.

Greg Hoy has been tireless in his search for a new Flying Field and it can be disappointing week after week to find that next property is not quite right, or too expensive, but Greg keeps up the search.

Clive has managed to help keep us all on track, fulfilling all the many secretarial duties as well as managing all of the correspondence that has been steadily increasing with the changes in legislation and procedures.



George has been diligently managing our training and roll-out of the re-accreditation courses for Instructors which has taken him to many clubs in different locations. Keeping our instructors well-versed in the best ways to teach will help us grow the skills and membership.

Dave Lewis has become the most avid producer of social media content and manages all our memberships. His dedication has ensured that all the necessary memberships are processed and correct in the system and keeps everyone informed of what is happening around the state.

He works closely with Rob Masters who produces one of the best newsletters in the country. Rob is the quiet achiever, rallying all content from across the state and beyond. He is the linchpin in our communications.

The website is a complex digital ecosystem in the jungle that is the web and Aranka has been working to transition us from the old outdated website to a new one that carries more capabilities and complexities to accommodate our growing needs. This year the start of the Aeromodellers Radio Show has seen a greater engagement by members, and we thank her for taking on this new vehicle of communications. Great thanks also to those to have presented on the show and those who have agreed to come back for more conversations about our favourite sport.

Steve Norrie has been diligent in keeping a careful watch over our money as we work hard to obtain the best value for your membership fees. While managing the needs of the state field he has financially kept all things paid, made sure we know financially where we are and provided a great voice of support across the other activities we have pondered.

Actually, we all support each other as we seek to constantly improve and make the best decisions we can using the information we have.

Thanks to all the members and club Executives who I have spoken to, for your support and endorsement of the entire team here tonight. It has been a pleasure to be part of growing Aeromodellers NSW into one of the better performing Associations within the MAAA.

Secretary Clive Weatherhead

Clubs that applied for a defibrillator grant under the Sports NSW scheme should now have received approval and grant funding. A positive outcome of the ongoing work to have us, in NSW, acknowledged as a bona fide sport.

The ANSW budgeting process for 2019/20 is now complete and, based on the average spend for the last 3 years, with adjustment for savings that can be made, and for inflation, our target is a surplus of around \$15000 in 19/20 (very similar to 18/19). Unpredictable expenses and member numbers make a large difference, as does the issue of a new state flying field. On the latter, if we assume that a 2nd state field may be acquired for midway through the year, we can also assume that a significant part of the current ANSW bank balance would need to be injected into that, creating balance sheet assets rather than cash at bank, and recurring costs such as rent would consume part of the budget surplus but, in return, we would have a top-class flying facility in a suitable location for a large part of the NSW membership where we could run major events and where members who need a flying field will have somewhere to fly.

We are more than happy to address questions on budget issues, either at a bi-monthly meeting or addressed to me.



The increase in MAAA fees caused considerable activity, both by telephone and in writing. It has been useful, in the process, to communicate what the MAAA actually does for members. The following list is, by no means, exhaustive, but it gives a flavour, and this has been used to help explain the situation where queries have come in:

Amongst other things, the MAAA provides:

- Public Liability insurance (\$20M), Member to Member accident insurance, injury, club asset insurance, cyber-attack insurance, travel insurance for office bearers and competitors etc (6 insurance policies);
- Payment of CASA Fees;
- Representation of member interests with CASA, Government and similar (such as the recent drone registration enquiry);
- FAI representation and membership (approx. 1000 MAAA members compete every year for the chance to be in a World Championship team);
- ASAC fees and internal competitions and hosting Word Championships, allowing state bodies to recognise aeromodelling as a bona fide sport, assisting with grant applications and the like;
- Club Assistance Scheme financial assistance for approved projects each year;
- Membership services including unique membership cards, membership system and upgrades;
- Wings Proficiency scheme and wings badges;
- Instructor scheme, processes and certification events;
- Contribution to Land Purchase account to purchase fields to future proofing aeromodelling for our members (including several 'state fields' around the country);
- IT services;
- Membership Wingspan magazine production;
- Marketing services and promotion;
- Education program, chuck glider purchase for events, and Delta Dart supplies;
- Event Sponsorship for all disciplines;
- MAAA Nationals;
- 1 full-time staff to administer the MAAA office and services.

To put the fee increase in context, the last increase was in 1998 and inflation, since then, would have seen the \$60 fee increase to \$102 (source: RBA cpi calculator), so inflation would have seen a \$42 increase, whereas the actual increase is \$30. The reason for this increase happening in one single step is that the MAAA has been, increasingly, subsidising fees from reserves and the national MAAA council on 18th May 2019 voted overwhelmingly in favour of putting that right so that the MAAA did not operate at a deficit in the coming year.

Other than that, it has been a busy couple of months for correspondence. We don't itemise, in these minutes, every item of the day to day administrative correspondence but we do highlight examples that address a particular issue. On MAAA fees, for example, we might have had 20 or more clubs/people writing, so we indicate, in this document, examples of topics covered rather than list all 20.

I'd like to express my thanks to all the club members, the club committees, club executives and other people who have helped make my role a positive experience (for all), and I would also like to thank my colleagues on the ANSW management committee who have worked hard and provided a strong team environment.



I'm proud of aeromodelling in NSW. Our clubs are outstanding, most are extremely welcoming to visitors and new members, most have the vision to see where aeromodelling might be going and what we need to do to preserve the hobby for the future. It's a true pleasure to be involved.

Vice President Greg Hoy

The 2018/2019 year has been a very busy year. With the prospect of fields closing due to urban sprawl inspections for a second State flying field continue to put a greater importance on finding a suitable location.

This year we identified approximately 20 fields and inspected about half of those.

We have broadened our distance requirements from 2 hours from Parramatta to 2.5 hours.

This has allowed us access to more potential properties. We are of course looking in all directions.

From as far South as Goulbourn and Singleton in the North and Hartley to the West. Our main focus is to the North.

In November, a parcel of land was identified by a modeller near Branxton. This property met the majority of criteria and consequently after a number of inspections a decision was made to make a property purchase submission to the MAAA. Unfortunately, as the property was set for auction, a final assessment for purchase could not be achieved in the short timeframes. Suffice to say, the property sold well above expectation and our finance limits.

We will continue to search for a suitable property to secure flying sites close to the Sydney basin and those to the North. Of course, it is also much easier if members assist by reviewing real estate classified and watching out for any "for sale" signs in appropriate areas.

I was fortunate to attend the MAAA Annual Council Conference in Canberra with our President on the 18th & 19th May. From time to time I hear of comments that these are "jollies or junkets", which could not be further from the truth. Stuck in a windowless room for 9 or sometimes 10 hours, listening and debating topics for the benefit of many others is not exactly an ideal fun time! There were many items to discuss in the short space of time. Whilst there was certainly strong debate at times, as was needed, the collaboration and sharing of ideas between the various States groups certainly ensured the right outcomes were achieved. A number of working parties have been formed to discuss issues that affect all modellers. The working parties have been tasked with consideration of the format for Nationals, as well as the effective use of marketing to promote Aeromodelling. The outcomes of the working groups will certainly be conveyed in due course. The conference was a good opportunity to meet representatives from other States and share ideas. Since the conference, I have been in contact with the ACTAA and VMAA.

Other topics discussed at the conference included Risk Management and Safety in general. A presentation was given by the Civil Aviation Safety Authority on the direction of Drones and Legislation. It was very much informative and provided an insight into the complexities of legislation. The "vibe", if I can call it that, was that the Authority wanted very much to work with aeromodelling associations and saw us a part of the solution and not the problem. In that light, it is important that we all fly in a responsible manner by adhering to prescribed CASA requirements. We all need to remain cognisant of our obligations toward safety and the understanding of Civil Aviation rules and regulation. This includes the need to obtain permits as required and ensure those permits issues are valid for the type of activities being conducted.

Whilst on the topic of Safety (and I don't want to bore you....), we are all slowly becoming more familiar with completing Risk Assessments. However, risk management is not just about risk assessments, it is the entire process of managing safety. It not only encompasses the flying aspects at our fields, it is an attitude



that starts at home on the work bench. From charging lipos, to storing our fuels and packing our cars with anything that will fly for a trip. Safety attitude is a state of mind that needs to become intuitive in nature. It is important that not only do we keep our airspace operations safe, but every member isn't injured by prop strikes or has a garage fire.

As I have said in the Risk Management training, if you find yourself saying Wooda, Cooda, Shooda, it is probably too late..... Safety Starts with you...

In closing, do not hesitate to give me a call if you have any questions or an idea you want to put forward or just want to chit chat. It has been a great year and I look forward to the next 12 months.

Hopefully, I will meet some of you on a field visit or event soon. Safe flying....and have fun....

Registrar Dave Lewis

Firstly, my apologies for not attending the AGM in person.

A big thank you to the Club Registrars, Secretaries, and Contacts for the 2018/2019 season who made the job of member registrations and Club affiliations a relatively seamless process. If elected, I look forward to working with you again and welcoming new clubs and members to ANSW.

We closed the year at a total membership of 2152 which is just slightly less than the previous season Demography remained similar to previous seasons

Age Group	No.	Members Percent
18 or under	93	4.32%
19 - 29	60	2.79%
30 - 39	141	6.55%
40 - 49	292	13.57%
50 - 59	431	20.03%
60 - 69	480	22.30%
70 - 79	513	23.84%
80 or over	142	6.60%

Total: 2152

In conclusion, I would like to thank the members of ANSW Executive for their support and friendship.



Newsletter editor

Rob Masters

Email Report

Subject Line: Aeromodellers NSW Newsletter #416 - April 2019

Delivery Date/Time: Fri, 26 Apr 2019 7:54 pm

Overall Stats

Total Recipients: 1,923 Successful Deliveries: 1,838

Bounces:85 (4.4%) Times Forwarded: 0 Forwarded Opens:0

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Total Clicks: 5,623

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Total Abuse Complaints:0
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	United Kingdom	11	0.4%
	Germany	10	0.3%
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Email Report

Subject Line: Aeromodellers NSW Newsletter #417 - May 2019

Delivery Date/Time: Fri, 31 May 2019 10:11 pm

Overall Stats

Total Recipients: 1,928 Successful Deliveries: 1,841

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Total Unsubs: 3

Total Abuse Complaints:0
Times Liked on Facebook: 0

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	United Kingdom	28	1.0%
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Public Relations Officer

Aranka Nolan

My aim has been to position Aeromodellers NSW:

- 1. To ensure that our public profile shows us in our best light
- 2. To gain greater visibility in the general community
- 3. To attract new members
- 4. To reach and communicate more effectively with existing members and
- 5. To Support the overall agenda of Aeromodellers and other members of the team with my skills and areas of expertise.

As a not for profit organisation, running on volunteer power, and in my case, the power of one has it limits. As a full-time mum, wife and, not so much this last year but, usually, I run my business and support Tim in his. I am grateful for a full life but sometimes I fall into bed and pray for more time.

I want to start by thanking the team and certain members of the Aeromodelling community for their support while Tim went through his surgery and recovery. It has been a challenging time for our family and thankfully his recovery has come out well in the end.

So here is where we are.

The website has been established in the new environment. It is a stronger, more robust site with a greater capacity to incorporate our growing needs. We are documenting how it is built and developed so that at any stage we can provide a builder's document to the next incumbent, as part of the succession plan, so enabling them to take over easily where we leave off. Websites are an ongoing part of our communications and will be more important over time.

We have carried over some parts of the old site and refreshed the layout. If you think through what people are looking for, we have placed those on the home page - how to find a club, getting started in the sport, the various disciplines, newsletters, finding an instructor, clubs in profile, coming events - and we may add more. We are still working out some backend functions that need to be unravelled from the last theme. It is all about compatibility and plugins.

Making the website a hub for information & communications is the goal. To support this, we are working on a more comprehensive events calendar with much more promotion of events and sites, the podcast library presently under News, email collection function, shopping cart to sell items including stickers and badges to start with, to name some of the new functions. A booking program of some sort, for the state field and even a members' only area where club members can find less public information may also be considered. The ability to load your own event into the calendar is another part that we are going to address. At some point all events that are for members only will be posted in the members only area. Like all things it is about time, money and resources.

The Geo mapping for locating your club may change. The present system has pins in only two colours one where you are and the second for clubs around your postcode/suburb. We really need a couple of additional colours. We have some clubs that do not want to be found so they will have to come off the system if they are still there. Some that are happy to show their flying fields are fine and others that only want their secretary's address or a post office box representing them on the map are the ones we need another colour for. We are looking for a plug-in that provides the ability to have three coloured pins or

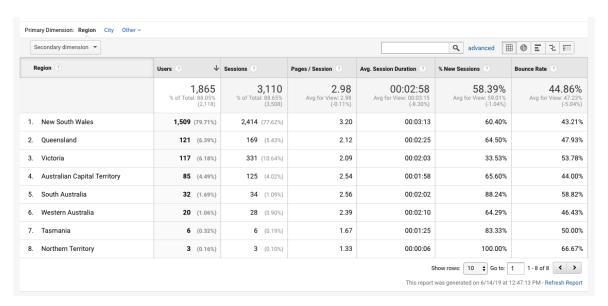


more preferably. This would enable us to accommodate clubs that hold meetings in one location and have their clubs in another area or some clubs that fly from different places. This system is all about being seen and found by visitors and new members as well as a way of finding another club if you are an Aeromodeller.

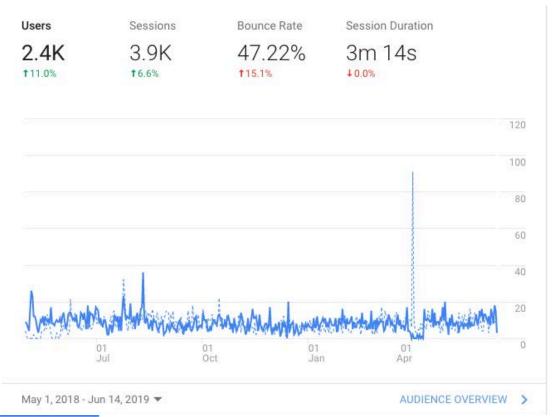
The list of the clubs that are prepared to be seen will have an individual page for their club and links to their website. That will provide a more comprehensive way of explaining the experience at each club, the disciplines and contact details with a bit more of a story.

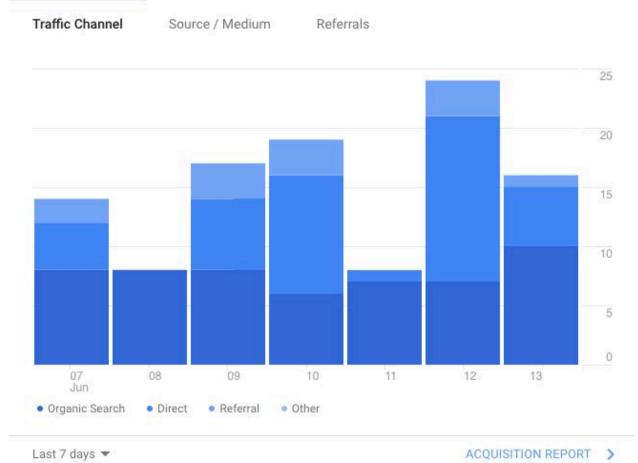
Earlier on I hired a person in the Philippines to help me collect all the additional club information so we could create a profile of each club. I was clearly going to get snowed under with Tim's surgery etc so this looked like a good way to get help. What we found was that many aeromodellers would not return the call or provide information as they felt it was a scam of some sort so despite the effort the result was poor. So, once I work out the more urgent items with the web builders, I will start ringing clubs myself and getting these details. Thanks to those who did respond, and we will start from the information we already have and validate the information.

The analytics on the site are comprehensive now. We can drill down much more than we have been able to before. As the images show we have had some traffic of the last 12 months. Over 10,000 pages viewed with a viewing duration of nearing 3 minutes is a great result for the year.

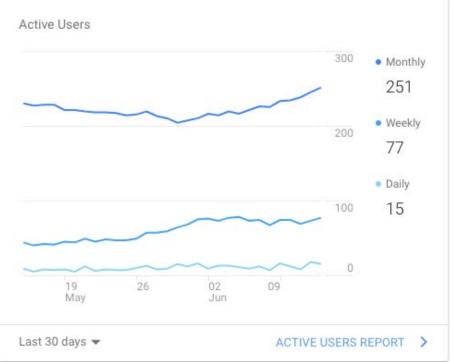


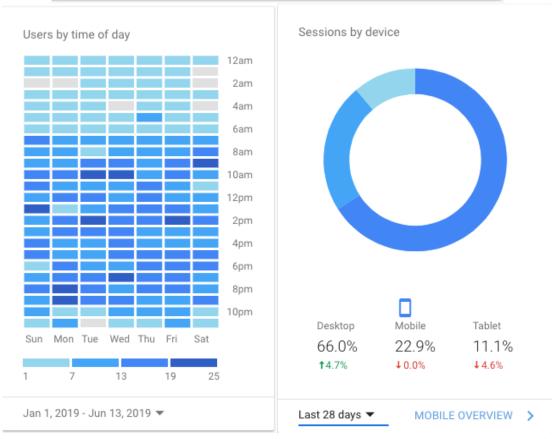




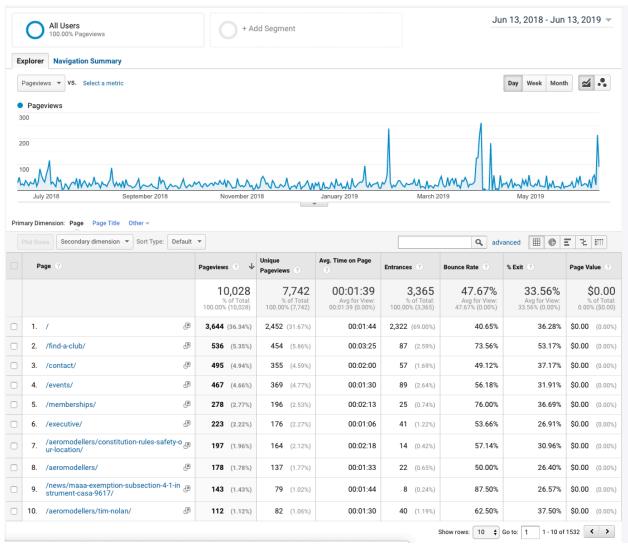












Content is the best way to keep people coming back to the website and the Radio Show is another way to engage people. We have two recordings/podcasts listed now on the site and more to come. Each interview can take up to 6 hours to edit so please understand why these are not loaded quickly. It is faster if you hear them on the internet or live from the local area of Hornsby. We also want to make a place for the Aeromodellers Radio Show on the home page.

Supporting events that profile our sport is high on the agenda. With the Radio show we now have the ability to promote events through community radio. This time we have supported Levi Wagner's Jets event for NSW Kids in Need by airing a community announcement and it has been playing around the clock this week to direct people to the event website www.nswkidsinneed.org.au. We will be relisting this over the weeks leading up to the new revised time in August, if that ends up being the date.

The Aeromodellers stickers have arrived and they will soon be available for purchase from the website.

My main activities for my area this year include:

Website -

 get the website to a place where it is working well and provides a stable communications platform for our sport, clubs, members and general public



- To help clubs to announce activities & events to a greater audience and help grow the membership
- Have functionality on the website that saves time and effort.

The Aeromodellers Radio Show

- Continue to interview and promote the skills of members and their experience through the medium of audio, radio and podcasts
- Use this medium as a communications channel for events
- Possibly do an outside broadcast from a flying event 6 months lead time required

Badges

Develop a series of badges and wings for different disciplines of the sport

Other longer-range items:

- Creating an interschool kids challenge that raises revenue, brings on new members and gives a higher profile of the sport through drones.
- Create an Aeromodeller of the Year Competition

Another action-packed year is shaping up ahead. It offers many opportunities to advance our sport and protect its future.

I look forward to your par	ticipation in a growing	, Aeromodellers NSW.
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Thanks,

Aranka

Chief Flying Instructor George Atkinson

Six new instructors qualified at HMAS on 13th April 2019, and 5 existing instructors requalified.

I would like to emphasise that the 30th June 2020 deadline for instructor requalification will arrive very quickly. Current instructors wishing to retain their instructor rating beyond this date will need to complete requalification by this date. I would like to accommodate as many instructors as possible in a geographically friendly manner (that is a course held near them).

Individuals and clubs wishing to host and instructor qualification and/or requalification course should contact me at cfi@nsw.aeromodellers.org.au. I will be happy to provide further details on request and will endeavour to arrange dates and locations to suit. Please note that a minimum of 4 weeks' notice is preferable.

As we approach June 2020, the availability of course dates will reduce significantly.

The course has a theory component, a flight simulation component and a practical flight assessment. The simulator component is expressly useful for observing communication skills.



I will be contacting all current instructors over the next few months to confirm your intent to requalify. If you have already made your decision, then please advise me accordingly.

State Flying Field

Cootamundra Club

Nothing to report

Motion: That the Committee and Member's reports be accepted.

Moved: UMAC Seconded: WRCS Carried

Awards:

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Bruce Eden	ВМАС	82996	Bronze				
Francis Flazon	WRCS	85714	Silver				
Paul Duhs	SMMAC	73673	Silver				
Josh Valdivia	IMAC	85984	Silver				
Peter Fleming	SMMAC	86165	Bronze				
Dallan Pardey	RAAFMAC	84437	Bronze				
Graham Ermacora	BDMC	86477	Bronze				
Malcolm Naylor	SSSFA	86613	Silver				
Andrew Naylor	SSSFA	86614	Silver				
Graham Broadridge	WRCS	37689	Silver				
Colin Kennedy	HMAS	25004	Instructor				
Joseph Tavora	HMAS	85833	Instructor				
David Kennedy	HMAS	25003	Instructor				
Shane McMillan	Sth H'lands	33287	Instructor				
Bob Carpenter	HMAS	7735	Inst (requal)				
Col Buckley	WRCS	67397	Inst (requal)				
Brett Solanov	SHMAC	30391	Inst (requal)				
Steve Keep	RAAFRIC	31194	Inst (requal)				
Wayne Girdlestone	WMAC	13190	Inst (requal)				
Terry Kennedy	RAAFMAC	25814	Bronze				
MAAA glider							
Name	Club	MAAA number	Class				
Jack Murphy	HSL	20475	Instructor				
MAAA helicopter							
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MAAA multirotor							
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Stevan Fenton	SSSFA	57420	Gold				



Motion: That the nominations for Gold Wings be ratified.

Moved: NSW Pylon Seconded: Cowra Carried

General and New Business:

- 1. Standing item any incident reports or safety issues reported during the last 2 months:
 - a. None
 - b. The President requested that all clubs ensure that any incident or safety issue be reported to one of the ANSW committee members for inclusion at bi-monthly meetings. For reference, this might include any incident that affects the safety of individuals, may lead to an insurance claim or results in injury, together with the actions taken to mitigate exposure and risk of re-occurrence. This to be as part of member, club and state body obligations
- 2. 2019/20 meeting dates:
 - a. 9/8/19
 - b. 11/10/19
 - c. 13/12/19
 - d. 7/2/20 (moved from 14/2 to prevent clash with Valentine's Day)
 - e. 24/4/20 provisional (moved to prevent clash with Easter)
 - f. 12/6/20
- 3. Other new business:
 - a. A request was received to confirm that the interests noted on the previous insurance policy would be transferred to the new public liability insurer and policy for 2019-20. For completeness, this has been confirmed after the meeting but prior to the publication of these minutes
- 4. The next General Bi-Monthly Management Committee Meeting will be held at Dooley's Waterview and will be Friday 9th August 2019 at 8:00pm.

Motion: That the items of general and new business, above, be recorded as discussed

Moved: UMAC Seconded: HMAS Carried yes

There being no further business before the meeting, the meeting was declared closed at 10.32pm.



Aeromodellers NSW 2019/20 Calendar

(Compiled 28 June 2019)

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

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Club News & General Interest

Seeking a Volunteer for the Role of Safety Officer to Represent ANSW on the MAAA National Safety Team

As part of the MAAA Deed of Agreement with the Civil Aviation Safety Authority, the MAAA is establishing a National Safety Team to assist with the recording/investigation and sharing of aeromodelling incidents involving MAAA members nationally. The sharing of information on findings, recommendations and changes to procedures can thus be prepared and shared with all clubs with the objective of making our hobby safer without taking away the fun.

Each State body has been asked to nominate a member for the National Safety Team and consequently, we are looking for someone from a member club of ANSW who would be willing to assist in this position.

The role does not require any special experience, but an understanding of the various elements of the hobby and an interest in safety and risk matters would be beneficial and full support will be given by the ANSW committee and representatives.

The ANSW Safety Officer will liaise with clubs in NSW, act as a central point for gathering information on incidents and participate in the National Safety Team.

If you are willing to put your hand up and help make our hobby safer, please drop me a line at secretary@nsw.aeromodellers.org.au by 15th July 2019.



New Members for our Sport/Hobby



Eleven year old Cameron Mann joined Coffs Coast Radio Control Flyers late last year, asking his dad Andrew if he could learn to fly after secretly playing on his flight simulator. Dad bought him a HK Trainstar which for the most part Cameron put together himself with just a little help from Mann senior. Dad says "I did oversee the project to make sure things were assembled safely and correctly". Cameron, under the watchful eye of instructor Martin Cochrane has progressed quickly. He is taking off and landing now and recently participated in the Club's annual fun fly where he earnt himself a trophy for 3rd place in small electric. That really made his eyes light up with delight and the fellow club members applauded his participation with the big boys.

Cameron has been made to feel very welcome within the club and some of the men are even asking for advice and having friendly banter with him.

It's important to have young people come into the hobby and I hope this may encourage some other young people to join.



As well as young Cameron, Bill Swan (UMAC/HMAS) took Tony "under his wing" out at the HMAS field at Vineyard back in early June. It was great weather for a first flight and here's hoping we see Tony back often.







Upcoming Events

Gosford City Aeromodellers Club 2019 Regular Events - All Welcome **Electric Float Planes**





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

7 to 11am, \$5 to fly.

Sunday June 2nd Sunday June 23rd Sunday July 14th Sunday July 28th Sunday August 11th Sunday August 25th

Indoor Flying

Niagara Park Stadium, Narara Valley Drive, Niagara Park

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

Sunday June 16th 1-5pm Sunday July 21st 1-5pm Sunday August 18th 1-5pm Sunday September 29th 1-5pm

For more information on GCAC visit www.gcac.org.au,

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



WARIALDA FUN-FLY 2019 7th & 8th SEPTEMBER

Place of Wild Honey



The Warialda Fun-Fly is on again in 2019.

The Warialda Flying Field is located

@ The Warialda Airstrip,



Airport Rd off Long Street, Warialda NSW.

Flying all day Saturday 7th + night flying & Sunday 8th September 2019.

MAAA affiliated pilots ONLY.

Only \$10 pilot fee, any number of aircraft.

\$5 camping fee all weekend. Warialda Lions Club daytime catering all weekend.

Shower & Toilets available.

Gold coin entry fee for the general public.

Reedy Creek Café for dinner Saturday Night, numbers please.

Prizes awarded for fun-fly events.

For more information contact Barry Power 0427885058,

Allan Asquith 0415735461, aasquith1953@gmail.com or Andrew McLane 0419527371

The Warialda Fun-fly is proudly supported by **Helen & Allan Rose & family**,

Roger Moore, The Sunflower Motel, Warialda Newsagency, Warialda Post Office, Bizclean & JA McGregor.



Bring your unwanted or preloved RC stuff, engines, planes, radio gear, whatever you like, & join in the fun @ The WARIALDA Fun-Fly









PILOT'S CHOICE FOR MODEL OF THE MEET

2019

SATURDAY 5th & SUNDAY 6th OCTOBER



FUN FLY LONG WEEKEND CAMPING AVAILABLE \$15 PER NIGHT NON POWERED SITES ONLY

SHOWERS AND TOILETS

CANTEEN WILL OPERATE BOTH DAYS - HOT FOODS ENTRY FEE COVERING FLYING AND SWAP SELL \$25 SELL OR SWAP FROM YOUR CAR OR YOUR OWN TABLE

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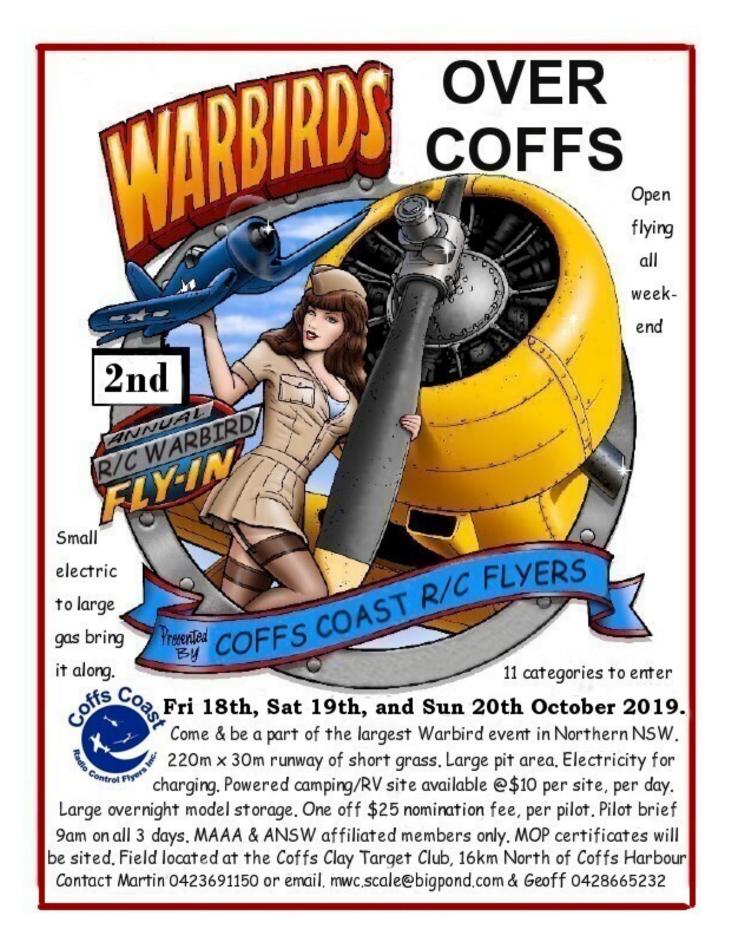
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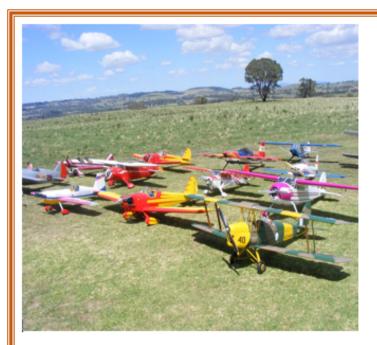












22nd & 23rd February 2020

BANJO PATTERSON SCALE RALLY

We welcome all modellers to our premier event for 2020.

The weekend is not a full on competition, but a gathering of modellers with varying scale models, having a fantastic time of general flying, and great camaraderie.

We have a fantastic flying envelope with a 2000ft ceiling height and 1000 meters laterally, so more than enough air space for all size models.

Camping is available at our field (no showers available)

Tea and coffee are available all the time, with cold drinks and food available at lunch times. And do not forget the full sit down OMAC Breakfast on Sunday morning, looking out over our spectacular view we have from our club house.

We look forward to catching up with you all.



The Orange Model Aircraft Club was formed in 1929 - two years after Lindberg flew alone across the Atlantic, and only one year after Charles Kingsford Smith and his crew made the first hazardous aerial crossing over the Pacific. It was the dawn of aviation's Golden Age.

Program

Saturday 22nd February 2020

7.30: Facilities opened up. 10.00: Welcome & Pilot briefing. 10.00 to 12.30: General flying 12.30pm: BBQ lunch served. 1.00 to 4.00: General flying.

Sunday 23rd February 2020

_8.00 to 9.00: The OMAC Sit down Breakfast

9.00 to 10.00: General flying. 10.00. Judging of models by pilots. 10.30: Presentation of Trophies. 10.30 to 12.00: General Flying. 12.00: BBQ lunch served. 1.00 to 4.00: General Flying

Go to YouTube and copy and paste the following links for Banjo 2019

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M_4qCwO VhqU&authuser=0

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GoXkkz1 fkdE&authuser=0

Contacts:

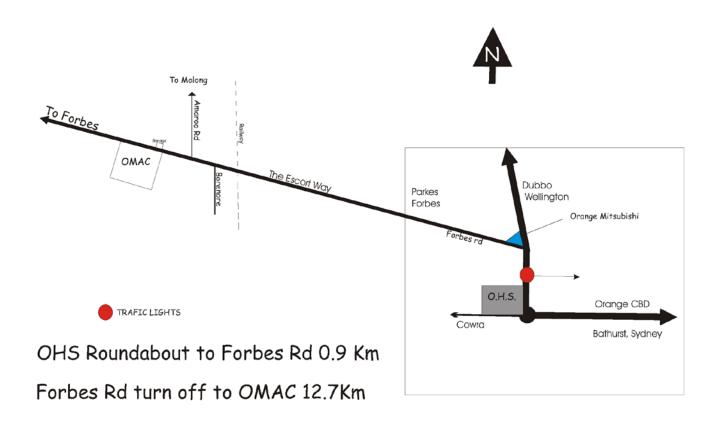
Norm Barnes: 0448 099 975

Steve Smedley: 0418 577 834

Website: omac.org.au



2020 Banjo Patterson Scale Rally Location





Deadline for submissions to Newsletter #419 (July 2019) is Friday 19th July 2019.

Please forward any changes of mail or email address together with your AUS Number directly to the Registrar.

dave.lewis@internode.on.net