



P&DARCS

Pakenham and District Aircraft Radio Control Society



P&DARCS NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2019



Harrison Ritter with his Encouragement Award and the model he flew at the VFSAA competition at P&DARCS

**Next Club Meeting, and Coop AGM, Saturday 5th October 2019
At Burley Field, 1pm start**

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EDITOR'S BIT

Our new President is William (Bill) Reynolds, Bill has been a Club Member for many years, he considers our Club to be the best in Australia, and he intends to work to keep it that way

Bill is a guy that always comes to working bees dressed for the job at hand

Here he is in summer attire, slaving away re-painting the Club House western wall , (May 2010)



We are looking forward to working with Bill, as our new President

Frank McPherson Editor

WHAT'S ON At P&DARCS 2019

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NOTICES # 1

Notice of Annual General Meeting Darcsfield Co-operative Limited

The Annual General Meeting of the Society will be held at the **Club Field** at **1pm on Saturday 5th October 2019**

Ordinary business of the meeting will be:

1. To confirm the minutes of the last AGM
2. To receive from the Board, Auditor or any officer of the Society reports upon the transactions of the Co-operative during the financial year including balance sheet, trading account, profit and loss account, statement of cash flows, and the state of affairs at the end of the financial year.
3. To elect and confirm the remuneration (if any) of the Directors. Mr B. Law, Mr A. Smallridge and Mr D Walsh are retiring as directors. Mr A Smallridge and Mr D Walsh offer themselves for re-election.

Nominations for election as Director to fill these vacancies are to be submitted to the Secretary in writing on the form available at www.pdarcs.com.au/nomination. Forms to be submitted at least 21 days prior to the meeting. (*Rule 41 (3)*) No nominations will be accepted from the floor at the meeting.

4. To appoint an Auditor
5. To transact any special business of which notice has been given to members in accordance with the rules.

The rules provide that any member having a resolution to submit to a general meeting “*shall give written notice thereof to the Society not less than twenty-one days prior to the date of the meeting*”. Any such notice must be sent to:

The Secretary
Darcsfield Co-operative Limited
P.O. Box 131
Cranbourne MDC, 3977

NOTICES # 2

A BIT OF HUMOUR



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

This month we start with sad news.

I must inform you of the loss of a bright eyed character, who had aeromodelling juice running in his veins, and was a friend to many and liked by even more. Graeme Simpson died last month, he was father to Sally, father inlaw to club member Neil Addicott and of course grandfather to member Sam. - Fly high "Simmo"

Our thoughts are with the family.

Some of you may have noticed that I brought along a 'work in progress' model on the last meeting day. I encourage you to do the same so your club friends can see first hand what you have been up to.

You never know, you may pick up a pearl or two of wisdom.

Let's make it a regular happening, I am sure we will see some great projects and may also learn a thing or three.

I am sure every one of you has read RCM News, or Airborne magazine and are familiar with the 'Oily Hand"-- other wise known as Brian Winch.

I saw on line last week that he has also joined the ranks of late modelers. He will be missed by a lot of mag' readers.

The forecasters tell us that the weather is improving,(at least for this weekend anyway), and we complain when we can't get out at least once a week.

Think about aeromodelling in Europe and thereabouts, where they have a three months or so flying season and are possibly snowed in for six or more. I suppose you would get heaps of building and planning done.

I know I ramble on quite a lot, but I just put down things that I think are important and sort of 'burble in between.

Back again next month.

Bill R

Bill' Reynolds President

SECRETARY'S REPORT

P&DARCS General Meeting Held Saturday September 7th

2019 At Burley Field Cardinia.

Meeting Opened: 1 PM

Minutes taken by D Jenkins due to Secretary's absence.

Chair for this meeting: President Bill Reynolds

Members Present: 20

Apologies: *Ivan Chiselett, Norm Morrish, Rob Till, Rob Barbuto, Simon Ventevogal, Mark Smith, Barry Law*

Minutes of previous Meeting: Motion that the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted
Moved Don White, Seconded Wal Schubach, **Carried**

Business Arising: Nil

President:

- Reminded members Darcsfield Coop AGM will take place after next month's club meeting

Secretary: Absent.

D Jenkins filling in for Ivan & has been corresponding with VMAA secretary about VMAA Shade Shelters stored at P&DARCS. Developing a process for securing & loaning out the shelters.

Correspondence In.

- 2 new membership applications

Correspondence Out

- None to report.

Treasurer:

- The Treasurer provided report on club finances.
- D Glossop asked question on interest being earned on savings accounts. Treasurer provided explanation.
- Bruce Smith asked Treasurer question on communications re share purchase process, which was explained.
- Treasurer moved his report be moved P. Harris. Seconded Brian Raw. **Carried**

Registrar:

- Absent.
- Treasurer reported we have 154 members (treasurer's records)
- Treasurer also reported 11 members have purchased full parcel of shares during recent membership renewal process
- D Jenkins advised Registrar is currently conducting an audit of club keys, who has what access.

Facilities Manager:

- Modified water harvest system to stop collection as tanks are full.

Field Manager:

- Absent
- D Jenkins reported Norm has rolled the field a number of times which has made a great difference to the surface.
- Norm has also been hand spraying weeds around runway, pits and roadside.
- When weather improves (dries out) D Jenkins planning spraying all pits / strips for weeds.

Safety Officer:

- Nothing to report

Editor

- Back from his holidays, nothing to report.

Webmaster:

- Nothing to report, no questions from members

Social:

- Don White is checking out some options for events & asked members present who would be interested in doing an offsite visit

Club Captain:

- Still waiting for the revised VMAA Trophy Rules from VMAA.

General Business

- Instructor Course

D Jenkins advised he has spoken with Greg Lepp and organised that MAAA Instructor Revision training be run at P&DARCS. VMAA to organise dates & communicate it to interested Instructors.

Bruce Smith asked that a list of approved P&DARCS MAAA instructors be published. Committee to investigate

- Cleaning

Treasurer pointed out Sonia Ritter has graciously agreed to clean the club (4 hours per month) and has been doing a great job, facilities looking significantly better. Reminder that it is the members responsibility to clean kitchen & mugs after use. If you make a mess, you tidy it. Committee looking into sealing/painting the toilet floors to allow for better cleaning.

Meeting Closed 1:32 pm

Next Club meeting Saturday 5th October 2019 at 1300, Follows by Darcsfield Coop AGM

**Daniel Jenkins for
Ivan Chiselett , Secretary**

FIELD MANAGER'S REPORT

Hi members, well I am back from the Aerobatic world Championships, held in the beautiful area of Lake Garda, Northern Italy. It was a fantastic 3 week trip and returned home mid August.

My apologies for no reports over the past few months and also for not posting the aeroplane pics from the War Memorial and Temora. I will try to get them in the next newsletter.

I have been busy at the field during the past month and I am very happy to say that in my opinion the runways are the best they have ever been. The areas that we levelled a year ago and sowed with new couch grass are now thriving and are still level, even after the recent minor flood. It will take another year for this fine tough Sahara Couch to show us how our future runways will look. Ian Jaques who is our longest serving mower man said the other day that he really likes the new couch and how good the runways are starting to look.

Yes we did have cracking in the East runway and the southern edge of the main runway in March this year, but they were much less than what we had the previous years. I have used our spreader to apply more lime pellets to these areas in June and they have well and truly soaked into the soil so it will be interesting to see the results next March.

The other very satisfying fact is to see the main runway now settled to a much more level runway without humps around the sprinkled areas, The sprinkler heads are now level with the runways again instead of being 50mm lower, damaging undercarriages. This is due to not using the sprinklers. Again this summer I do not intend to use the sprinklers. The main pits and the west runway are not sprinkled and they are not cracking because we have the lime level correct. You will certainly remember they used to have bad cracks and was a risk to twisting ankles.

The runways were rolled for at least 8 hours, 3 weeks ago and we will be rolling them again at end of September when they dry out a bit but are still soft. The runways, carparks and pits have been sprayed to kill off the broad leaf weeds and the drive and the area around the tanks behind clubhouse were sprayed with round up weed killer. We are battling with some heavy rain but we are getting on top of it, so a very special thank you to our mowing team for keeping our field looking great.

We have also removed the dense shrubs from around the Mustang so that the direction of the Mustang can be easily seen, however the main reason to remove them was they were a haven for the midges in March and April, plus they were perfect for snakes to hide under. 8 Years ago we removed a shrub beside the ladies toilet entry because of a snake hiding under it.

Always feel free to discuss with me any concerns you may have with the field.

Norm Morrish, Field Manager

REGISTRAR

Registrars Report – October 2019

New Member Applications

New members this month

Darren Cutler , Doncaster	Probationary member
Rick Marvin , Leongatha	Probationary member
Anthony Sisley , Seaford	Probationary member

Any objections to this member application may be raised by sending in an official objection in writing to the Secretary. Note that only FULL members have the right to raise an objection.

Why tell us you have changed your address?

First of all we are not mind readers! Your correct address is important for several reasons including sending you your membership card and also for renewals.

Changing your address through the renewal form is OK, but a bit late if we had to resend the form to your new address – so that you could tell us that your address has changed!!!

Also, changing your address on the MAAA web site is insufficient as they do not forward the changes to the club. Finally, Paul (VMAA State Registrar) gets very pi**ed off with me when MAAA cards are returned to him as the address is incorrect - because you told no-one.

Membership Status

	Paid 2019-20	Unpaid	New 19-20
Associate	19	0	0
Full	97	9	0
Honorary	2	0	2
Junior	3	0	0
Life	3	0	0
Pensioner	22	3	0
Probationary	5	2	2
Prospective	4	1	3
Student	0		0
Spouse	0	0	0
Total Paid	155	15	7

Rob Till Registrar

PS – Bacon & Egg rolls on 26 October !!

Scratch & Kit Built Scale Rally

Sunday November 10th 2019

Field Location; Wenn Rd. Cardinia, (50K East of Melbourne) Vic



All Kit & Scratch Built Scale Aircraft welcome. No ARF's please

Tell your friends to come and see some great model aircraft.

- No documentation required – just fly and have fun. Starting 9am.
- Pilots must be MAAA affiliates – MAAA cards and Model Permits must be sighted.
- 1,500ft ceiling height enforced.
- Catering is available.
- See web site, www.pdarcs.com.au/scalerally, for information & entry forms.
- Please note; dogs, even on a leash, NOT allowed at field.

\$5 per car entry/registration fee for pilots and spectators

We are currently starting to plan the 2019 Scratch and Kit Build Rally. With each Rally we are trying to make it bigger and better. As we have a Public Display Permit we welcome the public to attend. Please put out the word to friends and work mates to encourage them and their friends to come along and see some great models. From past experience those members of the public that have attended have all had a great time. It is also fantastic publicity for modelling and in particular our Club.

We are seeking sponsors to either provide prizes or money for prizes at the Rally. From past experiences having good prizes/handouts and trophies generally lead to happy and more entrants.

In the past several Club Members have generously donated fantastic prizes for the event. Last year, for instance, Club Member Colin Nichols donated a great print of a B-17, many thanks again Colin. Past rallies have been supported by sponsors who remain on our web site for the year and receive lots of mentions over the PA at both the Scratch Rally and the Monty Tyrrell

If you know of a possible Sponsor or you would like to donate cash or a suitable item to be used as a prize or raffle please contact me or Andrew Smallridge.

Ivan Chiselett

FROM OUR FLYING FIELD



Harrison Ritter receiving his first competition trophy plus a \$100 goodies bag from performance models. Presentation by Greg Lepp



This was Harrison's first competition, flying in front of 3 judges, flying most of the manoeuvres for the first time. A brilliant effort, shown here encouraged by his caller, and coach Glenn Cosser.



Frank McPherson's ARF Lysander, ready for test flight on the main strip



Lysander climbing away, it flew well



A clutch of Calmato models, Pilots are, L to R, Rick Marvin, Craig Fitzsimons, Adam Barker, Alan Stutley, Photo by Adam Barker. Model line-up next to the Eastern strip on Sat' 14th September



Andrew Mysliborski's ARF MIG



MIG on final approach, Dunlops dangling



Adrian Abraham's Trojan



Trojan on final approach, Michelin's dangling



Frank McPherson's Stuka about to lift off the main strip, July 2019

**VFSAA Scale Competition day at
P&DARCS, Saturday August 31st**

Some photos from the day



P&DARCS CALENDAR FOR 2019/20

October

05 (Sat) 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm [Club Meeting & Coop AGM](#)

20 (Sun) [VFSAA Competition](#) Field Open: **Partial**

24 (Thu) 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm [Committee Meeting](#)

26 (Sat) [Spring Clean & Working Bee](#) Field Open: **No**

November

02 (Sat) [Twi-Fly](#)

02 (Sat) 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm [Club Meeting](#)

05 (Tue) [Melbourne Cup Aero Tow](#) Field Open: **Partial**

09 (Sat) 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm [Mini Working Bee for Rally](#) Field Open: **No**

10 (Sun) [P&DARCS Scratch / Kit Built Scale Rally](#) Field Open: **No**

21 (Thu) 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm [Committee Meeting](#)

December

01 (Sun) [VPA Pattern](#) Field Open: **No**

07 (Sat) 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm [Club Meeting](#)

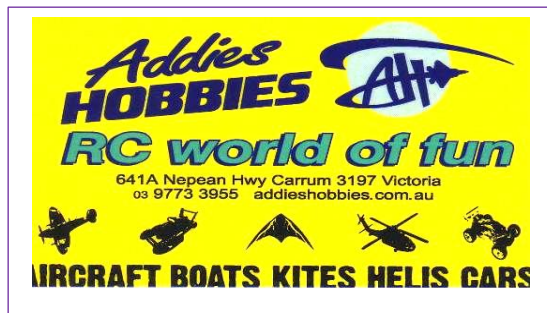
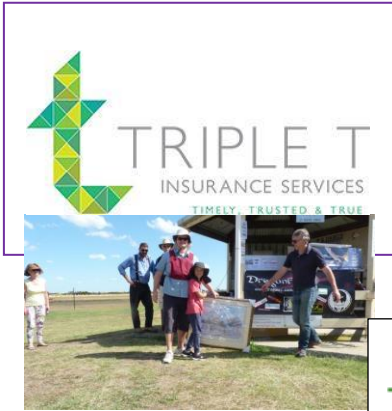
14 (Sat) [P&DARCS Christmas Dinner & Twi-Fly](#)

March 2020

22 (Sun) [Monty Tyrrell Scale Rally 2020](#) Field Open: **No**

April 2020

18 (Sat) - 19 (Sun) [VMAA Trophy](#) Field Open: **No**



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