



P&DARCS

Pakenham and District Aircraft Radio Control Society



P&DARCS NEWSLETTER **DECEMBER 2016**



Bunting flapping in the breeze on the P&DARCS Inaugural Kit & Scratch Built Scale Rally



Frank McPherson

**Next Club Meeting, Saturday 3rd December
at the Burley Field, 1 pm start**

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Editor's Bit

On Sick Leave

Our Editor Frank McPherson has had to take some sick leave due to health problems. The Committee wish him a speedy recovery.

Once more time has flown by & this will be the last newsletter of the year. Please remember there will be no January newsletter.

Daniel Jenkins Substitute Editor



WHAT'S ON

At P&DARCS 2016

Look in the Club Calendar on page 14

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Annual Christmas Dinner & Twi-fly



This year the annual Dinner & Twi-fly it will be on the 10th December, which is a Saturday. Everyone must book & pay a \$5 per head fee to cover the catering costs & ensure we have enough food on the night. On the day it will be bookings only, so please if you wish to attend, book in.

There are three ways to book:

- See me at the November or December club meetings
- Print & cutout the booking slip below & send it to us
- Use the PayPal button below. Please note using PayPal incurs a 50c processing fee per attendee.

All bookings must be received by the 3rd of December.

Daniel Jenkins Webmaster



Or visit www.pdarcs.com.au/christmas-dinner

P&DARCS Christmas Dinner 2016		
Name:		
Address:		
No of tickets required:		
Amount enclosed (\$5 each):		
Mail to: P&DARCS Christmas Dinner P.O Box 131 MDC, Cranbourne 3977		

IMPORTANT NOTICES

Old Aeroplane Company

Cargo & Freight Company Tyabb



A date to visit the Old Aeroplane Company has now been set at Sunday, January 15th at 10AM. Booking is essential, so if you wish to attend, please send an email to events@pdarcs.com.au as we have to get numbers. As yet we have to confirm lunch plans, it will be BYO or a BBQ Sausage sizzle. We will notify those that book in as to the arrangements.

Don White Social Sec.

Monty Tyrrell Scale Rally 30th April 2017

Members, just an update on the 2017 MONTY TYRRELL Scale Rally. The rally in 2017 will cater for ARF and scratch built scale models with a minimum wingspan of 40". Modelers will be judged on the models realism in take-off, flying & landing. Trophies will be awarded for 1st / 2nd / 3rd.

All pilots who enter go into the draw for a model plane kit. More information will be in the newsletter from February next year. If you need any more details, contact myself at monty@pdarcs.com.au or David Walsh.

Darryl Cope Monty Tyrrell Contest Director

P&DARC Spring Cleaning

We will have a working bee on the 3rd December. The aim is to perform some repair on the pilot barriers, fix the shade area & clean the gutters. Please come along if you can spare a few hours.



PRESIDENT

The Scratch-Built Scale Rally, which was held at the field on Saturday and Sunday, November 5th and 6th, was the brainchild of Ivan Chiselett and Andrew Smallridge. They had done an enormous amount of work, arranging sponsorships and publicity, printing entry forms and other essential paperwork, collecting and storing prizes. Response was good, they had lots of entries, and all looked set for a good meeting.

Then on Saturday, it looked as though the weather gods had stymied the event. We had rain squalls and gale force winds throughout the whole day. Attendance was down, and there was not one flight. Things did not look good for Sunday.

However, on Sunday, although the weather did not look great, people started to arrive as early as 7-45 a.m. There was a good attendance of both pilots and spectators, from local and country clubs. We saw some fantastic scale models, some excellent demonstrations of aerobatics, and a most impressive jet flight. Altogether, a wonderful day for the club.

Congratulations to Ivan and Andrew for their initiative and persistence in producing a spectacular event, which has reinforced the celebration of our 50th anniversary, and has put the club in the public eye again. Our thanks to the club members who volunteered to assist in running the show, and to the team who showed up on Friday, to help with cleaning, mowing and temporary fencing. Well done to all.

Our thanks also to the people from the local school, who handled the catering for both days. They did a superb job, quickly and efficiently serving hamburgers, dim sims, sausages biscuits, cakes and coffee or tea.

Safe flying and Happy landings.

Alan Coleman, President

SECRETARY

**General Meeting Held Saturday
Saturday 29th October 2016
At Burley Field Cardinia.**

Meeting Opened: 1300 Hrs
Members Present: 35

Apologies: David Walsh, Geoff Lowery
Minutes taken by Daniel Jenkins



Minutes of previous Meeting :

Motion that the minutes of meeting of the 3rd September 2016 be accepted. Moved P Harrison seconded B Reynolds Motion Carried

Business Arising: Nil

Reports: President :

Congratulations to the VMAA Trophy team for willing first place. Thank you to all involved in the team & those who spent time preparing the field for the event.

Secretary:

Secretary was absent

Treasurer

Finances are on budget.

P Harris (treasurer) moved treasurer's report be accepted, 2nd N Morrish. Motion Carried

Registrar:

Very quiet at present. Handover in progress from outgoing registrar, presently learning new MAAA website registration system.

Social

Looking into a visit to Tyabb for interested Members in mid Jan. Show of hands at meeting showed it was popular idea. Please contact Don White if you would like to attend.

Editor

Newsletter done, awaiting confirmation that snail mail (hard copy) newsletters have been sent.

Safety

Another briefing session was conducted at Tyabb by A Foley & D Jenkins & was well received. All present felt that a strobe light would be a good idea to warn low flying GA aircraft.

C Mclver asked if there was a potential for RF interference on 2.4GHz from strobe lights. A Foley has asked manufacture this question and was advised that units are well shielded to prevent RF problems.

CASA presenters visited P&DARCS a few days later & were given a demonstration of scale manoeuvres by C Mclver. They were very impressed.

We are keeping a log of low flying General Aviation aircraft over P&DARCS.

We have had some issues with people losing control of (RC) aircraft & crashing in the pits. This often happened with new planes. The Committee encourage members to ask for help & get someone else to test fly their new planes if they are uncomfortable.

Contest Director

We are without a CD at the moment. Please advise club Secretary or president if you are interested.

Need someone to run Monty Tyrell event

Webmaster

Currently experiencing issues with webcams. They keep going offline. This is under investigation, so please be patient.

Huge thank you to Rob Addison for cleaning out the grease traps & for repairing the septic tank inlet. An unpleasant job that Rob willingly performed.

P Harrison asked members present to extended thanks to D Jenkins for his work on these two jobs.

Field

Nutrients placed on field working very well, field looking fantastic. Another spraying round of Nutrients, bug killer & weed spraying will take place in next few weeks. N Morrish thanked D Jenkins for his work spraying field. Each application takes a day to complete.

General Business

VMAA Trophy. Team captain, P Harris thanked people for their hard work in preparing the field for the event & for supporting the team during the trophy weekend. After 16 years, we did it & won the VMAA Trophy. It was a close-run battle with 1 point in it. Club Captain provided a detailed report on each event & presented P&DARCS President A Coleman with the VMAA Trophy, who accepted it on the club's behalf.

School Visit. A Foley reported that 22 kids visited from Pakenham Consolidated & thanked the helpers present. All kids had at least 2 round of flying each on the buddy leads. Kids were presented with chuck gliders & A Foley thanked C Warren & the Committee & for purchasing & providing these for the kids.

Scratch Built Rally. I Chislett provided report on preparations. Volunteers still required to man gate & car parks. Thanked D Jenkins for work on website, new online forms make enrolment far more streamlined. Now have over \$2,500 in prizes.

Working Bee. D Jenkins reminded members we plan on having a working bee on the 3rd December & encouraged members to attend.

Presentation: A Coleman called on D Glossop to present handmade trophies to P. Harris, D Jenkins & in absentia R Addison, thanking them for their work clearing out the grease traps.

C Caulcutt also thanked R Addison for cleaning along roadside with his machine after a cattle truck got stuck & made a large mess.

Meeting Closed 1350 hrs

NEXT CLUB MEETING Saturday 3rd December 2016

David Walsh, Secretary

FIELD MANAGER

Field Managers Report - November 2016.

Hi Guys & Ladies,

For those who have not been to our field for a few months I attach a photo of how good the grass looks.



The lime application and the milk, molasses and humic acid mix have certainly worked. The unknown is the control of the African Beetle. We sprayed it early September but it was immediately followed by 3 days of heavy rain, so we were not sure if it became too diluted.

We have not seen any beetles, so as a precaution Daniel sprayed all runways early Saturday morning, 12th of November. It requires light winds and rain to soon follow the spraying. It is hard to find such conditions that also suit our availability. Rain was predicted but not in sight so I planned to put the sprinklers on, unfortunately we have a fault with the underground cables so not able to wash the poison in.



Daniel Jenkins spraying Beetle poison on runways Saturday 12th Nov at 7AM

Good news, 3 hours later we found many beetles coming to the surface to die. (Bad news is we still have beetles!!!!) By the time you read this article we will have sprayed the runways and pits again with beetle poison. Daniel will then spray for the broadleaf and then we will do another spray of the milk, molasses, humic acid mix to give our runways the best chance of surviving the summer. Let's keep our fingers crossed that cracks do not appear. I am hopeful.

A sincere thank you to all the mowmen for your great work throughout the year, especially Daniel Jenkins who never stops.

For those members who wish the long grass on the south of the main runway be cut so they can find their model easier when a mishap occurs. Never complain because have a look at the photo of the raging river beside the F3A aerobatic competition runway in Taiwan. All flights were parallel to the river, either over the river or just on the other side. Luckily no dead sticks occurred.



Tom & Ron look at Raging River beside F3A Comp Runway in Taiwan

Hope everyone has a safe and happy festive season.

WEBMASTER

There has been an issue with the webcams going offline constantly. I finally found the cause of the problem, there was a faulty network switch within the club's Ethernet network that was going offline. The switch was replaced on Melbourne Cup day & the cameras have been working perfectly since then.

Recently, Alan Foley donated a computer rack to the club & we installed it in the computer cupboard. This is a huge advantage to me as it's on wheels & allows me to move things around to work on the computer & security systems. As this rack was too big for Alan's car, Andrew Mysliborski kindly drove to Alan's place in Emerald to collect the rack in his larger vehicle.

So I want to extend a big thank you to Alan for donating the rack which cost him mega dollars to buy years ago & to Andrew for collecting it.

I wish you & your families a safe & happy Christmas

REGISTRAR

Registrars Report - November 2016.

Membership Renewals

An updated list of members who have not renewed this year has been posted on the Club notice board. These members have been asked to return their key, and some have done so.

Inductions/Orientation

These are up to date. This is an important process as it ensures that new members are aware of how the Club operates and is intended to save future problems for both the new member and the Club.

New Member Application

None this month

Re-joined Member Application

None this month

Changes to your contact information

Please let me know of any changes to contact information by email registrar@pdarcs.com.au (preferred method) or by snail mail to the Club address. I will not accept changes by telephone!

Renewal information and club badges will be sent to the mailing address we have on file for you. If your membership card goes to an "old" address then there will be a delay whilst we order a replacement and it will cost you \$5!

Membership status

These figures only include forms received by the Registrar

	Paid 2016/17	Unpaid	Last Year
Full	96	6	99
Associate	10		4
Junior	2		
Life	3		3
Pensioner	26	1	27
Probationary	7	1	8
Student	0	1	1
Spouse	1		1
Honorary			1
Total	145	9	144

Rob Till
Registrar (in re-training)

Invite to P&DARCS Members

LDMFA Car Boot Sale & Fun Fly

Lilydale & District Model Flying Association (LDMFA) will be holding a Car Boot Sale on Sunday 4th December 2016 at their flying field – Spandonis Reserve, Victoria Road, Yering We will be having a fun fly in conjunction with the Car Boot Sale so bring a long a model or two and have some fun. Members of other MAAA affiliated clubs are cordially welcome to participate in our flying day. If you wish to have a "Car Boot" stand on the day please contact the club Vice President (vice_president@ldmfa.com) The fee will be \$10 per car.

The club will provide a barbeque on the day and be available to everyone. A small donation will get you nice meal. Drinks will also be available at \$1 a can.

Report on P&DARCS Kit & Scratch Built Scale Rally 2016

Well the Scale Rally is over. Even though the weather was against us I think it was a great success. I firstly would like to thank all those members that helped out at the event. Those that prepared the field, manned the gate, looked after parking, registration/processing, flight line directing etc made the day run very smoothly and I am sure all those that attended had a good time.

To me the most pleasing aspect of the weekend was the Club spirit that was shown. On Friday, I thought Andrew, Paul and I would be there until very late setting everything up. How wrong was I. When I arrived at the field there were already dozens of members there cutting grass, tidying up, putting up signs and just getting our field into a first class state. All the work was finished by lunch time. Just a fantastic effort and great club spirit.

Unfortunately the weather was not ideal for a model aircraft rally, particularly when the aircraft are all hand built and the owners have lots invested into their models and their safety. The weather forecasts for both days were not good.

Saturday brought strong gusty winds as forecast, and conditions totally unsuitable for model flying. Even so, about 15 hearty pilots and many supporters attended and spent the day talking models in and around the Clubhouse.

Sunday, the weather was a little better with the winds being strong but flyable, luckily blowing straight down the main runway. It was pleasing to see models taking to the air in conditions that tested ones flying ability. Never the less, there was a continual procession of aircraft flying. It would be true to say that the vast majority of aircraft had at least one flight during the day.

The intension of the rally, to inspire and showcase the skill of the model builder and bring out the many hand built models that rarely see the light of day, was achieved all be it with the bad weather conditions. Some highlights were Mike Farnan flying Tony's B-24 Liberator. Its first flight in a good number of years, maybe we will see it more often as it flew exceptionally well. It was great that Tony was also there and no doubt enjoyed watching the models and the day catching up with lots of friends. Another great and unusual model seeing daylight for the first time in a good number of years was the Blohm & Voss 141B of Anthony Mott, flown for the first time in about 10 years. The big Catalina of Brian Hutchinson from Bairnsdale was also a highlight. Lots of amazing aircraft and everyone enjoyed seeing their flights. It was also very pleasing to see all the members of the 2016 F4C World Scale Team members, with their fantastic aircraft, at the event. It may be of interest to those that do not know the team came second and that two of the pilots, David Law and Noel Whitehead and the Team Manager Greg Lepp are all members of our club.

The numbers attending the rally were, considering the weather, pleasing, 40 registered pilots ; 62 Aircraft and 15 Clubs represented. Our Club was represented by 15 members with aircraft. Many country clubs were also represented including Bairnsdale, Twin Cities, Wangaratta and Ballarat to name a few. There were also spectators from around Victoria for the day, including some from the Camperdown club who noted how they enjoyed the day. I spoke to several of the country club members and they were all in awe of our facilities. For most of them it was their first visit. The guys from Wangaratta were unaware of how much space we have and noted that they would bring their caravans next time and make a weekend of it.

The trial of the diorama competition was a bit disappointing with only 2 entrants. However, those entries created a good bit of interest and maybe the spark for more next time. Our new big shed came in handy as a venue for the diorama competition due to the windy conditions outside. The sheds also acted as hangers over the weekend with many parking their models in them over night.

It was pleasing that there appeared to be a good number of general public spectators in attendance even those there was minimal advertising in the public domain. Several members of the public commented that they really enjoyed the day even though there was no organized display. They just enjoyed a relaxed time

looking at the nice aircraft and seeing them fly. Maybe for next year we could do a little bit more advertising to the public to build the event and bring in some additional funds to the club. It is also a good opportunity to publicize our club.

The trophy winners, decided by Pilot vote, for the Rally were;

Best Aircraft – Brian Hutchinson from Bairnsdale with his large PBY Catalina.

Best Aircraft, Runner-up – Neil Addicott P&DARCS with his Zerro.

Best Diorama – David Anderson from VARMS with a WW1 scene.

President Award – Anthony Monteleone from NFG.

Honorary Memberships David Anderson and Greg Mitchell.

You will notice the “Honorary Memberships” in the prize list. The Committee decided to give out these 8 month “memberships” to hopefully encourage new members to the club. The hope is that after they have flown here for a time, they will not want to leave, hence new members.

The Club is indebted to our sponsors, which are listed on our web page, without their generous donations the event would not be nearly as good. I am sure all those that entered were rewarded by the “goodies” in their bags. Please support these businesses as they have supported us. If you buy something from them please let it be known that you are from P&DARCS and appreciate their support of the club.

Big thanks to Paul Sommerville who camped out at the field for a 3 nights to do work and ensure security over the period. Also our thanks to the Cardinia Primary School people who again did a great job in the canteen. Having them really reduces the load on organizing events like these. Happily they made a good profit for the school which is great.

Ivan Chiselett
Event Coordinator



Photos by Andrew Mysliborski & Frank McPherson

Pilots Choice – Best Aircraft
Catalina 1:8 scale - Brian
Hutchinson's Bairnsdale Club



Best Diorama - David Anderson VARMS

Our Winners



Best Aircraft – Brian Hutchinson



Best Diorama – David Anderson



Presidents Award – Anthony Monteleone



Tony Farnan's 1:8 scale B-24 Liberator was flown by Mike Farnan (P&DARCS)



David Law's (P&DARCS) World Championship 1/3 Pitts Special



Andrew Smallridge & Ivan & Kevin'Chiselett's 1:12 Scale B-36 project



Brian Hutchinson (Bairnsdale) Sea Fury – It has folding wings



Peter Harris (P&DARCS) – Sopwith Pup



Neil Addicott (P&DARCS) – Zero

Neil Addicott (P&DARCS) – PF 9F Panther



Anthony Mott (P&DARCS) – Blohm Voss Bv 141B

Shane Orchard (Doncaster) ME 109



Bill Reynolds (P&DARCS) - DH Chipmunk

Peter Harris (P&DARCS) Smith Mini Plane



Noel Whitehead (P&DARCS) – World Championship CT4



Diorama B-25 – Ivan Chiselett (P&DARCS)

P&DARCS CALENDAR FOR 2016/17

Date	Day	Confirmed?	Location	Details	Comments
November 2016					
1 st	Tue	Yes	Burley Field	Melbourne Cup Aero Tow	
5-6 th	Sat-Sun	Yes	Burley Field	P&DARCS Scratch Built Scale	Field closed
17 th	Thu	Yes	Burley Field	Committee Meeting	
December 2016					
3 rd	Sat	Yes	Burley Field	Spring Cleaning of P&DARCS	
3 rd	Sat	Yes	Burley Field	Club Meeting	
4 th	Sun	Yes	Burley Field	VPA Pattern	
10 th	Sat	Yes	Burley Field	Annual Dinner & Twi-Fly	
January 2017					
19th	Thu	Yes	Burley Field	Committee Meeting	
15th	Sun	Yes	Tyabb	The Old Aircraft Factory Tour	Email events@pdarcs.com.au to book
28-29th	Sat-Sun	Yes	Burley Field	Classic and Vintage Weekend Incorporating the Roy Robinson	
February 2017					
5th	Sun	Yes	Burley Field	Club Meeting	
16th	Thu	Yes	Burley Field	Committee Meeting	
23-26th	Thu-Sun	Yes	Burley Field	Westernport Drifters	Field not closed
25th	Sat	Yes	Burley Field	Twi-Fly	

Digital Version of Radio Control Model News

Radio Control Model News magazine (RCM News) now has a convenient digital version of its Australia RC model aircraft printed magazine which maybe of interest to some of your members. ON SPECIAL until Christmas it cost \$2.99 per issue or a six issue subscription (One year) is \$14.99. The old fashioned glossy print magazine (my preferred way of reading) ON SALE at newsagents for \$12.99 features a fold out front cover flap, with a scratch or kit built scale model.

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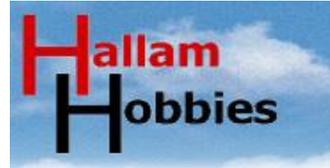
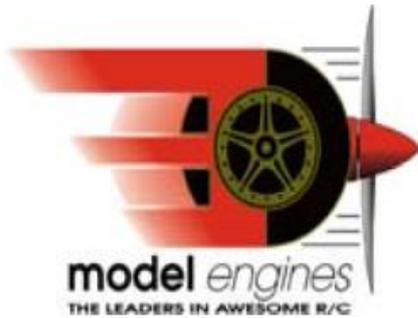
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