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COMBAT CARNAGE

Peter, Bailey and Chris' with our damaged Boomerang 40, competing in the VMAA Trophy Combat Event at Darraweit Guim, the Boomerang continued to fly with 1 1/2 wings and ailerons, and 2 1/3 elevator, but was pensioned off due to safety reasons

Check out our Club Captain's report and more photos inside

**Next Club Meeting, Saturday 4th May 2019
At Burley Field, 1pm start**

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EDITOR'S BIT

A Change

The types of models I have been flying to date, are an assortment of fun – fly trainers / foamies / and models I have modified, (nite' flyer with Iron Man + parachute)

I thought recently (yes I do think occasionally) that I would like to have some Scale models for general flying and for our Club Events

As I am not the sort guy who likes to put in lots of hours building from scratch, I thought I would like to assemble some ARF scale models, and learn to fly them in a scale manner

I looked around the Net' and the only scale model that seemed to suit my needs, and was in stock, is a Phoenix Model JU-87 Stuka, it is 1900mm (75 inch) wingspan, 5.5 Kg

I plan to use the same electric motor I use in my Nite flyer, and the Tiger 60s, an Efilte 90, it produces 6Kg of thrust using a 16 x 8 prop'

So I am beavering away putting it together, with advise from some of our Club Members, I think the Timms boys have one



Stuka, It looks a bit ugly, oh well

Frank McPherson Editor

WHAT'S ON At P&DARCS 2018

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NOTICES

Visitors Book

We have mentioned a number of times the importance of filling in the visitors book correctly. It is a requirement of MAAA that this be done to ensure compliance and insurance. All areas need to be filled in including the visitors address. A new book was printed with these rules.

A big thanks to Mel Norton in building a stand for the book which allows the rules page to be clearly seen. It is the responsibility of the club member who signs in the visitor to ensure this is complied with.

Anzac Day

P&DARCS will be commemorating Anzac Day Thursday 25th April at 11.00am. Darryl Slade once again will be MC. All members are encouraged to bring along their warbirds for a fly-in so if you are coming down, bring one along. The field will be closed for flying during the ceremony

FUND RAISING OPPORTUNITY

P&DARCS has the opportunity to raise funds by assisting Seaford Carrum Downs Rotary by cooking and selling sausages at a Bunnings BBQ stall.

Location - Bunnings at Dandenong/Frankston Road Carrum Downs.

Date - Sunday 12TH May 2019 (Mother's Day)

Time - 8 am to 4 pm.

Members willing to assist on the day please contact Peter Harris 0425 857 152 to set up a roster of willing helpers.

VISIT TO THE "OLD AEROPLANE COMPANY" TYABB AIRPORT

Don White has made arrangements for our Club Members to visit the Old Aeroplane Company on 26th May, the same itinerary as the visit there last year;

- 11 AM start, at the Judy Page Hanger
- Conducted tour of the Airport facilities
- After the visit, we invited to have a tasty BBQ lunch
- Booking is essential, please email events@pdarcs.com.au if you wish to attend

Don White Social Sec



Cargo & Freight Company Tyabb

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Congratulations to Peter Harris and his team on winning the VMAA Trophy for the 4th successive time. It was a close contest with a number of new competitors under difficult weather conditions but they achieved a tremendous victory.

See Peter's report in this newsletter.

There has been some discussion and concern regarding the CASA Registration and Accreditation scheme.

On April 4th, MAAA confirmed that the exemption for all MAAA club locations and other flying sites will be achieved. No operational change or registration will be required for any MAAA member flying at a MAAA Club.

As most of you know, our Registrar Rob Till is moving to Canberra in May. Rob has worked tirelessly for our club over many years and his regular presence will be sorely missed.

However we are fortunate that Rob is happy to continue his Registrar role and plans to attend Committee meetings every three months. P&DARCS wishes Rob and Georgy all the very best for their re-location and look forward to seeing Rob at the field from time to time. Hopefully he will schedule his visits for working bees so we can enjoy his egg and bacon rolls. Thanks again Rob.

Alan Foley President



At our recent Committee Meeting, Alan Foley, presents Rob' Till with a "going away" card, all Committee Members wrote some encouraging words

SECRETARY'S REPORT

**General Meeting Held Saturday 30th March 2019
At Burley Field Cardinia.**

Meeting Opened: 12.55 pm

Chair for this meeting: P. Harris (Treasurer)

Members Present: 17

Apologies: A. Foley, D. White, N Morrish, A Smallridge

Minutes of previous Meeting: Motion that the minutes of meeting of the previous be accepted Moved B. Reynolds, Seconded D. Slade Carried

Business Arising: Nil

President: No report, President was an apology

Secretary:

Correspondence In.

- Various Invoices
- VMAA Minutes
- Advice MAAA Club Assistance scheme open
- Letter from D. Slade offering washing Machine and Dryer to the club.

Correspondence Out

- Nil

Treasurer:

The Treasurer provided report on club finances.

Treasurer moved his report be accepted. Seconded B. Law.

Registrar:

- Advised that we are coming up to renewal time so please advise of any address changes ASAP
- We received an enquiry from one potential and one new member signed up on the Monty Tyrell Day.
- We will have 21 probationary members being offered full membership this renewal.

Facilities:

- Gas shut down at the Monty and Took a little creativeness to fix. We will need a gas fitter to come and look and replace the regulator.
- Thanked all members who participated in the working bee on the Saturday before the Monty Event.
- There was a discussion on value of watering or not watering the runways.

Field: Apology

Safety:

- No incidents have been reported.
- Advised that low Aircraft safety alarm is now installed with 3 remote buttons located around the field.

Editor

- Latest issue out contains article on safe use of Lipos.
- **Webmaster:** Nil to report.
- **Social:** Apology,
- **Club Captain:**
- Event is at Northern Flying Groups field (State Field) 6th 7th April. Team all organised but would love to see club members out at the event to support our entrants.
- A number of the team will be camping overnight and will have a BBQ at the field.

General Business

Monty Tyrrell. Date 24th March 2019

- Ivan reported that the event was a success with 35 pilots and 40 to 50 models on the day. Gate collected \$400 and we raise \$300 in the Raffle.

Club Rule changes.

Daniel advise that there have been some minor changes to the Club Rules. These were published in the next last newsletter. Changes are mainly to incorporate our 1500-foot height clearance, small change to Fire Ban rule Inclusion of silver wings and small amendment to procedure for selecting active runway.

A motion was put that these rule changes (version 2.4) be accepted;

Moved D. Jenkins 2nd B Law Carried.

Fred Webb advised on the passing on past long-time club member Barry Reiby

Barry Law reported on Rolys battle with an Eagle at Camperdown on a recent Glider weekend away. The Eagle Won.

Meeting Closed 1.54 pm

Next Club meeting

Saturday 4th May 2019

David Walsh Secretary

REGISTRAR

Registrars Report – May 2019

The following members have completed at least 6 months Probationary Membership and are entitled to membership upgrades to Full or Associate membership for 2019/20. (*Club Constitution paras 8.10 and 8.11*)

Robert Barbuto	Adam Barker	Andrew Beischer
Evan Bellamy	Bill Bloodworth	Ben Bratoiu
Graham Catchpole	Robert Clarke	Rohan Cleary
David Creed	Brendan Elliott	Craig Fitzsimons
Con Gabriel	San Hoong	Adrian Inglis
Craig Kennedy	Alan Law	Werner Liu
Ken Madill	Phillip Singh	Bruce Smith
Hung Tran	Simon Ventevogel	William Lombard

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

New Member Applications

New members this month

Mike Rathbone,	Clyde North	Probationary Member
Martin Bisley,	Nyora	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.

Membership Renewals

These will be processed in late June after the club fees have been set by the June General Meeting

Awards

Congratulations to **Adam Barker** on being awarded his **Silver Wings (H)**

Membership Status

	Paid 2018-19	Unpaid	New 18-19
Associate	14	0	1
Full	91	9	2
Honorary	1	0	1
Junior	3	1	0
Life	3	0	0
Pensioner	24	0	0
Probationary	25	4	5
Prospective	2	2	9
Student	0	1	0
Spouse	0	1	0
Total Paid	163	18	18

Resigned – 5

The Registrar has moved

. . . . and no it's not just to get away from you all !!

I will be living in Canberra from 3 May setting up home with Georgie in our new apartment and looking forward to joining one of the four clubs in ACT. Service will be much as usual – by email, letter or by phone. The email address remains the same (registrar@pdarcs.com.au) as does the phone number (0419 353 007). There will be no additional expense for the club and it will give me something to do after giving up our two acre garden in Harkaway.

The plan is for me to be in Melbourne for a club committee meeting once per quarter which will give me an opportunity to catch up with you all and see how your flying has improved.

Rob Till Registrar





VMAA Trophy

6th To 7th April 2019

Held at the VMAA State Field
Darraweit Grim



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P&DARCS Winning Team together with VMAA Secretary Joe Finocchiaro VMAA President Reeve Marsh, Team Supporters Frank & Bailey Missing in action Steve Malcman & Glenn Orchard

Thank you to the VMAA Committee, and in particular to Joe Finocchiaro, for organizing and running this event. There were seven teams entered and we had great weather for the weekend. Once again it was a very hotly contested event with only one point separating the top teams.

A great win for the club retaining the Trophy, with the smallest of margins, for the fourth year in a row. Once again, the event was decided by the placings in the last events. The Trophy is now in its home on top of the Trophy case in the Clubrooms for another twelve months.



Some of our team and supporters relaxing between contests

The win resulted from the determination and dedication of our competitors, helpers and supporters. It became evident it was very important that we had entries in every event even though only our top six scores counted in the final results. Three of our usually high scoring competitors had problems but we still managed to score three 1ST and three 2ND places, together with an additional point for a junior entrant giving us a final tally of 34 out of a possible 37 and still won by only one point.

Apart from the fine efforts from the pilots, we would not have won the contest without the expertise and assistance from our callers/mechanics, in particular Paul and Chris, through their assistance and help a number of our team members managed to achieve higher results.

A proud moment for the club, not just for winning the event but for the support we received from our members throughout the period leading up to, and at the event. We fielded a full team, had many assistants/mechanics/helpers and a significant gallery of supporters. One of our members Glenn Orchard came all the way from Mildura just to participate in the event and represent the club.



Steve' Malkman supported by Chris Caucutt and his timekeeper, Ba'lint Banko, taking up the tension with the winch foot switch, prior to launch



Ba'Lint Banko heading out to the flight line with Paul Somerville to score a bulls eye

Many of us camped out at the NFG field on Saturday night, some in their cars or trailers, tents or caravans and enjoyed a BBQ dinner at the field.

A special welcome to new member Ba'Lint and parents Christina and John who stayed the whole weekend. The most unusual thing was us sitting around the camp fire during the evening which consisted of one of Franks LED lights covered in red tape. It had something to do with the fire restrictions that were still in force. You had to be there

We all had a great time.

RESULTS

Combat Chris' Caulcutt

This year aircraft were restricted to 40 size trainer models. This type of aircraft resulted in a slower flying event of similar aircraft but there was still considerable damage to planes as a result of three mid-air collisions. Our aircraft donated by Peter Timms was prepared shortly before the event is now on the repair queue resulting from one of the collisions. At least we scored 50 points for the mid-air.

Helicopter Paul Webber 1ST Place

A very commendable result with a perfect 3 minute times resulting in an unbeatable score

Scale Aerobatics Cliff McIver

Usually one of our top achievers, motor tuning and flame outs resulted in a much lower placing this year

Bomb Drop

Ba'Lint Banko

2ND Place

A very commendable first effort from Ba'Lint with two scoring drops, one being a bullseye.

Thermal Glider

Steve Malcman

2ND Place

A hard-fought battle, could have been a first place with more practice on the winch. After a number of cable tangles, it wasn't till the last couple of heats that we had it sorted out. As a result of inexperienced people using this dangerous equipment it is quite likely they will change the rules to eliminate winches next year.

Fun scale

Rolly Gaumann

Looking into the morning sun and being buffeted around by strong winds, not one of Rolly's most commendable results. This did not reflect the amount of practice that Rolly puts into these events.

Electric Glider

Glenn Orchard

A very competitive team member, reading the competition he was running at first place after the third round until his wings dislodged in the fourth. Missing one heat is enough to be relegated well down the list.

Fun Fly (Loops & Rolls) Cliff Mclver2ND Place

Another event with changed model specifications resulted in Cliff setting up another model which was very competitive. Typical of Cliff's commitment to the club and the VMAA Trophy, With the expert assistance from Chris, Cliff flew several very tight flights to become one second from first place.

Sports LimboDavid Chivers - 1ST Place

A stunning performance from David completing all flights inverted achieving scores that were very difficult to beat as inverted passes resulted in double points. With the strength of the wind during this event the tape was significantly extended and at times during David's flight the height of the tape from the ground was nearly halved. Only one other competitor attempted flying inverted, but only for one round. Three aircraft were damaged in the event, but none as a result of the poles or tape.

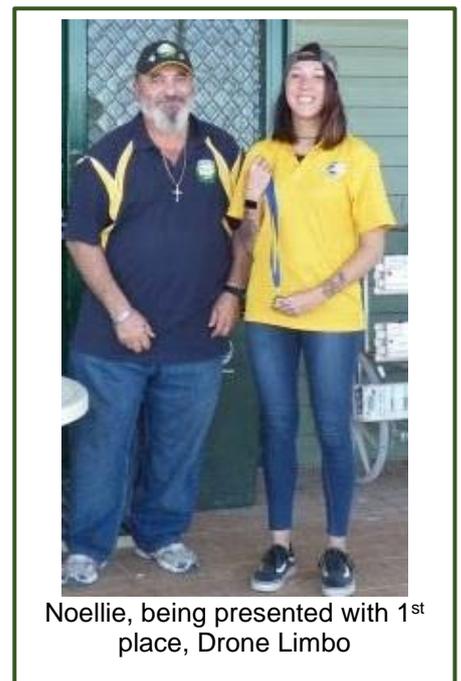
Musical Landings

Paul Somerville

After only a short period of practice Paul managed a Fourth place. If the new rules had been adhered to, he would have had the opportunity to fly for one of the top three places.

Drone/Helicopter Limbo Noellie Sartorio - 1ST Place

Noellie our ring-in pilot this year put in a stunning performance and was the main attraction of the whole event. A real crowd pleaser. I believe flying with the goggles placed her at a disadvantage as it was difficult to assess the position of the drone in relation to the light beam. She was a valuable member of the team and we enjoyed her company over the weekend.



Noellie, being presented with 1st place, Drone Limbo

VMAA TEAM CAPTAIN

Peter Harris

Monty Tyrrell Memorial Scale Rally

Sunday March 24th 2019



On Sunday March 24 our club hosted our Monty Tyrrell Memorial Scale Rally. This event has been going for around 30 years and is one of our “big” events. Monty Tyrrell was a major mover in the very early days of modelling and P&DARCS, from memory I think his MAAA Number was 3, so that gives a good indication of how long he was involved in models aviation. Please look at the “History of our Club” section of our web site for a more detailed understanding of Monty and his contribution to model aviation and this club.

Firstly, a big thank you to those members that assisted by getting the field ready, manning the, looking after parking, selling raffle tickets, looking after registrations, running the flight line and generally helping run the event. Such events cannot happen without much help from members.

A big thank you to club member Colin Nichols who very generously donated a very large framed painting print of a B-17 which we raffled and made a considerable amount for the club. Thanks Colin. I am sure that all that attended had a good time flying and watching the good selection of models that were present.

It was great to see a couple of in progress scale builds. The big Caribou of Dave Chivers and Mark Collins’ large scale DH-89 Rapide. These add a lot to the atmosphere and hopefully there will be more in the future.

It was also pleasing three of our junior members flying at the event, Harrison Ritter, Sam Addicott and Balint Banko. Well done we hope you all enjoyed the day.

We finished up with 31 registered pilots and 52 aircraft.

There were 19 P&DARCS club members registered.

A good turn out but I would like to think that we can do better than that and hopefully get back to the large numbers that attended ten or so years ago.

There are lots of scale models out there and we would all like to see them take to the sky. Unfortunately many modelers seem to be shy / embarrassed about bring their models out to such events.

I hear, “oh my models are not good enough”. The main point of these days is to just get out there and have a good time. There is no “judging” of models by anyone, we just want everyone to have a good time.

It was also very pleasing to see that the Cardinia School did well running the canteen, and raised a tidy amount for the school.
A big thank you to the Cardinia School people who run the canteen at our big events.
It relieves us of the major problem when running events and it also raises significant funds for the local school. A big win for both groups.

The results of the day were;

Monty Tyrrell Award ; B-36 - Andrew Smallridge & Ivan & Kevin Chiselett

Best Jet; SU-26 - David Law

Best Warbird; Brian Evans - DR1

Best Civilian; Wright Military Flyer - Shane Orchard

A big thank you to our sponsors, particularly **The Hobbyman** and **Dragon RC** who donated the fantastic kits that were given out in the lucky draw of participants.
It was great to see The Hobbyman have a stand at the event.
This type of thing really adds to the atmosphere and hopefully they will come again.

Why not spread the word to your friends and acquaintances suggesting that they attend and watch next year's Monty or the Scratch Built Rally.
It would appear that there were quite a few members of the public just watching and from the feedback they very much enjoyed the day.
It was also pleasing that 2 members of the public who attended indicated that they will join the club.
Do not forget our next Scale event, the **Scratch and Kit Built Scale Rally on November 10 2019**. Start building and come along for a good day.

There are a good number of pictures from the day on the Club's web site.

Again, thank you to those Club members that assisted me running the event. Without your help it just would not happen.

Ivan Chiselett



Starting the Event, Pilot's briefing by Daniel Jenkins

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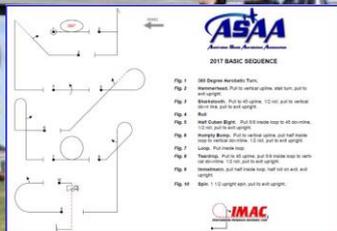


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From The Monty Tyrell Event



Harrison Ritter enjoying the Event



One of the Raffle prize winners



Paul and Andrew preparing the B36

From VMAA Trophy Event



Rolly Gauman's Fun Scale model



General view of the NFG Clubrooms and pits



Greg Leppe competing in the Helicopter Event, Paul Webber judging



David Chivers about to commence a very good limbo flight, model release by Paul Somerville



Chris Caulcutt releasing a thermal glider for Steve Malcman , (Steve is at the extreme left)

P&DARCS CALENDAR FOR 2019

April

25 (Thu) 11:00 am - 11:30 am [Anzac Day Ceremony](#) Field Open: **No**

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

May

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

23 (Thu) 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm [Committee Meeting \(Winter\)](#)

June

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

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

22 (Sat) - 23 (Sun) [IMAC Competition](#) Field Open: **Partial**

July

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

18 (Thu) 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm [Committee Meeting \(Winter\)](#)

August

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

22 (Thu) 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm [Committee Meeting \(Winter\)](#)

September

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

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

October

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

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](#)

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