



P&DARCS

Pakenham and District Aircraft Radio Control Society



P&DARCS NEWSLETTER APR/MAY 2024



Watch for the next edition where we will be going through the maiden flight of David Laws' spectacular SkyMaster SU-30M, heading skywards with a couple of sweet sounding Swiwin 240B turbines.

**Next Club Meeting 5 Jun 2024 (Online)
Wed 7.30 - 9.30 pm**

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Field Open: No

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5 Jun 2024

[Club Meeting \(Online\)](#)

5 Jun (Wed) 7.30-9.30 pm

Editor Report:

Hi all,

This month I have included a BUY/SWAP/SELL page for anyone who would like to offload some preloved planes or equipment.

By popular demand I have also been asked to include a recipe each month. For those that are not aware, I have a food blog lizziesrecipes.wordpress.com

Please feel free to submit any stories or photos to share with fellow members to editor@pdarcs.com.au

I look forward to hearing from you.

Cheers,

Liz

Rumour Has It...

Which flyer with a penchant for huge planes has recently purchased an F3A model? I'll give you a hint – he wears a white hat. 😊

ASAA Wangaratta Competition



The annual Wings Over Wangaratta competition was held over the weekend of 23/24 April with a good turnout of 22 pilots. They got through three doubles and a single as well as an unknown in warm conditions and low wind which lasted the entire weekend.

P&DARCS representation was excellent. These were the attendees:

Harrison Ritter

Cameron Sexton

Simon Ventevogel

Robert Barbuto

Ant Sisley

Gavin Sexton

A big thank you to the Wangaratta Aeromodellers Club for hosting this fantastic event. The field was outstanding, and we are always happy to compete at your club.

Also, a huge shout out to Rachel and Jon York for their wonderful catering and hospitality which always makes this competition a favourite amongst the IMAC fraternity.

Congratulation to the P&DARCS pilots below:

Sportsman

3rd Place – Simon Ventevogel

Advanced

1st Place – Harrison Ritter

3rd Place – Cameron Sexton





Thanks to Harrison Ritter for some of the article and the fantastic photos.



JUST JETS

Two of our seniors have decided they are going to give jets a go. They have managed to get their hands on the very first two, newly produced, Pilot-Rc Matrix 2.2m sports jets in Australia. These are distributed Desert Aircraft Australia.

They are powered by a Swiwin 190 turbine with thrust vectoring. Simon successfully maiden'd his last November and Robert maiden'd his last month.

You can take my word for it they are both terribly excited to be flying these beasts and, judging by the giggling and grinning, are having the time of their lives. (Editor's Note: I HATE the smell of jet fuel in the morning).





Dave Chivers' DHC-4 Caribou

Dave and his father Ray, scratch built this 1/5.8 scale Caribou. The wingspan of the model is 16 feet. and is powered by two UMS 150cc five-cylinder radials.

It has fifteen servos, and the scale retractable undercarriage was custom made.

Model took about 2400 hours and two and a half years to complete.



BUY, SWAP OR SELL

FATSHARK SCOUT FPV GOGGLES

The Scout uses a patented panel goggle optical module to deliver a 50-degree field of view (FOV), 1136 x 640 resolution and a 60 fps refresh rate in a comfortable-to-wear headset.

In addition to an impressive display, the Scout has completely overhauled electronics performance. It has a diversity RX with an embedded 10 dB patch antenna to maximize reception, an overhauled OSD, an updated DVR, and simple USB charging. The

Scout also has several user conveniences including an embedded fan, removable foam to allow for pilots to wear glasses while

flying and even an LED indicator on the antenna to provide channel notification.

The Scout is the headset for aspiring pilots that don't want to upgrade for a long time or a second headset for those that are used to premium performance.

Specifications:

Optics -

FOV (field of view): 50 degrees diagonal

Type: Plastic optics

Display

4.0 inch

Resolution 1136 X 640

NTSC/PAL auto selecting

Battery-

3.7V, 2600mAh (18650 cell)

Interface-

3.5mm AV in port

3.5mm 3p earphone port

MicroSD

USB-C

AUX port

Mechanical: Ergonomically moulded headset w/ adjustable headband

Dimensions: 170 x 120 x 95 mm

Weight: 336.5 g

Package size: 517g, 189x 133 x 100mm

Includes

1x Fat Shark Scout FPV Goggles

1x ImmersionRC SpiroNET 5.8GHz SMA Antenna

1x 5G8 Patch Antenna (built-in headset)

1x 18650 2600mAh Battery (built-in headset)

\$150

John Brann

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Hot Canary Sport Biplane

A Covid lockdown project built from an original TopFlite kit. The kit dates back to around 1986. Only three or four trim flights.

Wingspan 38 inches

Wing Area 674.5 sq ins

Length 43.75 inches (inc spinner)

The kit is designed for 40 two stroke but converted to electric. Was flown with EFlite Power46 and 5S 4500mah battery which was previously used in F3A. It provided plenty of power and endurance.

Covered in Profilm.

In excellent but not perfect condition, minor hanger rash.

Reason for sale: it needs to make way for other projects, more space required!

Airframe only, no radio, servos, motor, etc. (can supply if needed) \$150

In add your Receiver and battery form \$500

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RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Surf and Turf with Garlic Cream Sauce



Surf and Turf (or Reef and Beef) is an old favourite and is very easy to make at home and costs a third of the price charged in a restaurant or pub. This tasty garlicky sauce is simple to make, and it looks fabulous over a perfectly cooked steak. Enjoy.

Tips:

Any good cut of steak can be used. Our favourite is scotch fillet. Just cook your steak in whatever manner you prefer while the prawns are simmering in the sauce.

I always have a bag of large prawn cutlets, with tail on, in the freezer which are great value from our local fishmonger.

The ingredients in my sauce give a balanced flavour of salty, sweet and tangy. Feel free to use your favourite sauce of course.

Amounts shown are for two people.

Ingredients:

2 tablespoons of butter

2 garlic cloves, crushed

2 tablespoons of plain flour

1 pinch paprika

1 pinch salt

1 pinch pepper

1/4 cup of white wine

200g of sour cream

1 tablespoon of tomato ketchup

1 tablespoon of maple syrup

1 tablespoon of fish sauce

6 peeled green prawns, tails left on

1/4 cup fresh curly parsley chopped

Milk, if needed to thin out sauce

2 scotch fillet steaks

Method:

Melt butter on low heat in a medium sized saucepan

Add garlic and cook for 1 minute, stirring

Add flour, paprika, salt and pepper and stir to form a roux

Take pan off the heat and add in the white wine and cream, stirring to prevent lumps

Put pan back on the heat and Increase heat to medium high, stirring all the time

Add in the ketchup, maple syrup and fish sauce and adjust seasoning to taste

Add prawns and parsley, and simmer until prawns are just cooked through

Check again for seasoning and add in some milk if sauce is too thick

Serve over your favourite cooked steak with potatoes and salad

P&DARCS Calendar

April 2024

13 (Wed) 1 pm - 3 pm **Club Meeting & Sausage Sizzle (At P&DARCS)**

17 (Wed) 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm **Committee Meeting**

20 (Sat) - 21 (Sun) **ASA Monty Tyrrell Scale Rally** Field Open: **No**

May 2024

22 (Wed) 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm **Committee Meeting**

June 2024

05 (Wed) 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm **Club Meeting (Online)**

19 (Wed) 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm **Committee Meeting**

July 2024

24 (Wed) 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm **Committee Meeting**

August 2024

07 (Wed) 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm **P&DARCS AGM (Online)**

21 (Wed) 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm **Committee Meeting**

31 (Sat) - 01 (Sun) **ASAA Victorian States Titles** Field Open: **No**

September 2024

18 (Wed) 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm **Committee Meeting**

October 2024

02 (Wed) 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm **Club Meeting & Coop AGM (Online)**

23 (Wed) 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm **Committee Meeting**

26 (Sat) 10:00 am - 3:00 pm **Spring Clean Working Bee** Field Open: **No**

November 2024

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**

20 (Wed) 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm **Committee Meeting**

December 2024

01 (Sun) 9:00 am - 4:00 pm **VPA Pattern Event** Field Open: **Partial**

04 (Wed) 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm **Club Meeting (Online)**



Next Club Meeting (Online) 5th June 2024
7.30 - 9.30 pm