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Pakenham and District Aircraft Radio Control Society



P&DARCS NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2016

Scratch / Kit Built Scale Rally & Diorama Competition. November 5 & 6 2016

Latest News

The event has secured quite a few sponsors as shown below, they have supplied excellent prizes that will be awarded by lucky draw.

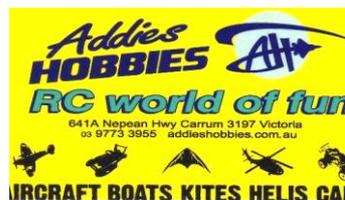
Excellent Trophies to be award for pilots choice.

All VMAA Affiliated entrants will be given a voucher which will entitle them to join the VMAA DVD Library free. This is a saving of \$10-00.

P&DARCS have extended their Eastern North/South runway to about 150M long to compliment the 180M East/West runway.

On line entry is now available on www.pdarcs.com.au/scalerally

SEE THE FULL EVENT DESCRIPTION ON PAGE 8



David Glossop



**Next Club Meeting, Saturday 29th November
at the Burley Field, 1-00 pm start**

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Editor's Bit

The VMAA Trophy Event was a lot of fun for the competitors and spectators alike

The Events I enjoyed most were, Combat, Limbo, and Musical Landings

The "MUSIC" for the musical landings, was provided by the Club RVB factory workshop horn, quite a blast

Combat is really my favorite, here they are slogging it out, in a storm of models, trying to outdo each other



Frank McPherson Editor



WHAT'S ON

At P&DARCS 2016

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VMAA TROPHY WIN 2016



Our happy winning team with the Trophy

Report by Peter Harris

We've finally broken the drought after 16 years with a win to P&DARCS. A very close call though, as there was only one point between the top three clubs. As is usually the case, the final result was finally determined by the result of the last event.

There were very notable performances by many of our entrants including: -

First Placings

Cliff McIver (Scale Aerobatics). Cliff is always very competitive and prefers competing in the high skill events and has always been a strong supporter of the event over the years. He took a commanding lead even flying with a model set up for scale pylon.

Steve Malcolm (Thermal Glider). Steve didn't have a model until the day of the event when I presented him with my old Kestral which I repaired the night before. Steve spent the first couple of rounds familiarising himself with the model then pulled out the best heat of the event. It was an education watching him working the elusive thermals on the day.

Second Placings

Paul Webber (2 x Helicopter Events). A very commendable performance in both of these events, only being relegated to second place by the VMAA President (Also a member of our club) competing with a high performance helicopter.

Ian Robinson (Old Timer Duration). Held in the most horrendous conditions of the whole weekend, all O/T competitors deserve recognition for even attempting the event. Several models were damaged and there were many well down wind arrivals up to two paddocks away. With Chris Caulcutt's assistance they made a very formidable team.

Third Placing

Chris Caulcutt (Combat). Points are given for streamer cut, mid-air collisions and time in the air. With two mid-air collisions and air time, Chris gained sufficient points to take out third place. Unfortunately my plane has seen better days.

These six placings gave us sufficient points to take out First Placing. You could say the VMAA Trophy was won by Chris having two mid-air collisions with my plane. I will be able to remind him of this for many years.

Many thanks to all the team members including Peter Timms, Rolly Gaumann and Paul Somerville for accepting the challenge to participate in the VMAA Trophy and represent our club. Rolly Gaumann was very lucky finding a faulty aileron servo on his new scale model just before his flight.

My objective this year was to ensure we fielded entrants in all events and we had as many members participating as possible. I also wanted to instill more pride in the club and spent some time over the past few months encouraging members to support our team and assist where necessary. I am very pleased with the response especially from David Glossop for enthusiastically taking on the role as Club Cheer Leader. It also made life much easier as Team Leader to have more than enough helpers for all the events. The real challenge will be next year when the event will most probably be held at the State Field.

The total success of the event show casing our club didn't just happen. It resulted from the input from many members. The facilities were immaculate after the pre-event working bee. There were too many people to name and very likely I would omit someone. To the field crew and all the extra people who helped set up the field, spring clean the toilets, kitchen and clubrooms and unblock the grease trap we all give our most grateful thanks.

Peter Harris

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		

PRESIDENT

WE WON!!! On Sunday, October 9th the VMAA Trophy for 2016 was presented to the P&DARCS Flying Team. Congratulations to the P&DARCS Team and their helpers for some excellent flying, they won by just one point!



What a wonderful way to add some special celebration to our 50th anniversary.

It was a great weekend with some very special flying demonstrated by members of all clubs. While the overall attendance might have been better, I think that everyone enjoyed the occasion. The wind gods were merciful to us; there was little wind at the field on Saturday, and while the Eastern suburbs had gale winds on Sunday morning, it was quite calm at the field until the last event was flown.

What most people didn't know was that we almost had a catastrophe on Friday before the event. About midday, we noticed that the grease trap beneath the kitchen window was overflowing. Peter Harris took on the task of bailing out the trap, a nasty smelly job, which showed that the drain was blocked. Rob Addison spent several hours with hoses, tackling the drain from both ends, and finally cleared the blockage. There were several other helpers, but these members in particular literally saved the day. It would not have been possible to use the kitchen had the drain not been cleared.

To add to our problems, on Sunday morning just after the VMAA trophy presentation, an unpleasant backflow was noticed in the shower in the toilet block. The main drain to the septic waste system was blocked. Had this happened a few hours earlier, it would have been very embarrassing. Rob Addison and Daniel Jenkins tackled the problem, and a day or two later had cleared the blockage and replaced some of the damaged piping.

Our thanks to members such as Rob and Daniel, who do not hesitate to tackle the tough and unpleasant tasks. Thanks to all those members who came on Friday and helped to prepare the field for the big day. The VMAA people were very impressed with the condition of our field.

So, onwards and upwards. Happy landings.

Alan Coleman, President

SECRETARY

Meeting Opened: 1316 Hrs

Members Present: 17

Apologies: Brian Green, Frank McPherson, Peter Hill, Andrew Smallridge, Geoff Lowery, Norm Morrish, Mark, Smith, Paul Somerville.

Minutes of previous Meeting :

Motion that the minutes of meeting of the 3rd September 2016 be accepted. Moved B Law seconded D Glossop

Business Arising: Nil

Reports:

President :

- Nil

Secretary:

- Correspondence in:
 - Email re flying Show Expo at Melb Showgrounds Oct 22&23
 - Resignation of Club Registrar
 - VMAA Minutes
 - Nomination for Club Registrar
- Correspondence Out
 - Nil



Treasurer:

- Finances are good.
- Donation of Share back to club
- 50th Anniversary dinner broke even except for cost of cake. Holding money in account for part paid shares
Term deposit has been reinvested

Registrar:

- Position vacant but treasurer reported we now have 144 Members, 10 haven't re-joined, and we have 7 new members so we are only 3 members down from last years total.

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

- absent

Safety

- Nil

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

- Security Camera installed at gate

Field

- Norm was absent but Daniel advised that they have sprayed the field for beetles

Registrar Election.

Only one nomination received so Rob Till has been accepted for the position of Club Registrar

General Business

- VMAA Trophy. We now have a full team but would appreciate some volunteers to help on the days Competition will commence at 8.45am each day
- Further to last month approach from a group of Drone racers the President has been in touch with them and they will hopefully will be providing a demonstration after the club meeting scheduled for October 29th.
- School Visit. Alan Foley will be once again organising a visit from a local school as they have "Flight " as a subject on the current curriculum. Alan goes in to the classroom and runs through some theory first then the flight training takes place at our field. The proposed flying days will be Oct 19th or 26th and flying will be from 9.30am to 2.30pm.
- Strobe Light. Further to the safety report last month re getting full size aircraft to stay away from our field Alan Foley and Ivan Chislett are investigation cost of getting a strobe light and how we may fund it.
- Scratch Build Scale day. Request for helpers on the day. Still looking for more sponsors. Asked members to bring along any part built scratch build models for display on the day.

Meeting Closed 1350 hrs

NEXT CLUB MEETING Saturday 29th October 2016

David Walsh, Secretary

FIELD MANAGER



No report for this Month

Norm Morrish Field Manager

SAFETY



Daniel joined me for the Tyabb Av Safety seminar held at Tyabb October 5th. This was a follow-up to the CASA run Moorabbin seminar a couple of months ago.

The subject of 'Handling partial power loss in single engine aircraft' was an appropriate theme for my presentation of problems of engine-out low flying aircraft at our field. Although Tyabb conduct their operations over French Island (most of our incursions are from Moorabbin), pilots and instructors were very interested in this issue and offered a number of suggestions. Once again the common suggestion was the installation of an obstacle strobe light at the club. The Committee is obtaining quotations and CASA requirements.

Daniel and I fielded a number of questions during the night and believe it was a very positive evening where we shared a greater understanding of these issues. Tyabb included an article of this in their PAC magazine to pilots so that should get the message out even further.

Alan Foley Safety Officer

KEEP OUR CLUBHOUSE TIDY

Gwen Robinson, will not be available to do the cleaning of our Clubrooms and toilets, for the next 3 Months or so

PLEASE

**Clean up after yourself in the Clubhouse and toilets
Wash your dishes, cups, plate, and cutlery
Grab the vacuum cleaner and run it over the carpet
If you make a mistake in the loo, clean it up**

Many thanks from your Committee

WEBMASTER



See the Annual Dinner and Twi-Fly notice on page 4

It was also brought to my attention that we have had a lot of Saturday club meeting in the latter part of the year. When I set the calendar I do alternate each month between Saturday & Sunday. However, if we chose to move one Sunday meeting to a Saturday, like we did for father's day, we suddenly have 3 Saturdays in a row. This year we changed two & end up with lots & lots of Saturdays. I apologies for this & will endeavor to maintain a better balance next year.

Also note: Our first Twi-Fly will be on the 29th October

Daniel Jenkins Webmaster

Registrar

Well it's back to the future! Thank you for the vote of confidence at the October meeting which returns me to the Registrar's position after a break of 6 years.

Paul has done a great job in the role and has made many improvement to the process of membership renewals. We have yet to complete a handover – I am blaming bad weather and the Heli Nationals! If you have renewed recently then I have sent you an email acknowledging your renewal and your Membership Card will be sent as soon as I have access to them.

A reminder – all mail will be sent to the address for you on my database. **If you change your address and don't let me know you may never hear from me again!**

Rob Till Registrar

WANTED

A "Super Stunt 40" model made by The World Model Manufacturing Co. Ltd; preferably new in box. Preferably yellow but not essential.

I could be interested in a used model as long as it has had nothing but loving care and attention. With or without engine, servos etc.

A fair price will be paid for a fair model. No "rubbish" please. Contact David Glossop – Phone 85881549 or e-mail me

at davidandheather@richfieldvillage.com.au

Membership Sub-Committee

Progress to date.

David Walsh, subcommittee chair

Your membership subcommittee has been busy and whilst you won't see immediate results finding or suggestions coming from us we are methodically chipping away at the issue.

We first want to confirm what the problem is. We all think we know but we could be wrong so no good spending lots of time solving the wrong problem.

So what we have decided is to put together a survey or two.

The first one we will use with entrants in our next few events at the field. It will only be a quick one page survey to find out if they have ever considered joining our club and what attracts them or detracts them from our club. We will do this at a number of events starting with the Scratch build day and probably run through to the Monty in Feb/March of next year.

We will also look to survey past members who were with us for a couple of years then left. We will probably also survey current members at some stage.

All of this surveying should hopefully confirm why we think we don't attract a lot of new members or show us entirely different reasons.

Either way it will give us a better starting point to look at how we change our future membership options and or cost of membership or if we change it at all

There will be an incentive for completing the survey so hopefully we will get a good response.

If you have comments or thoughts feel free to let u know either be email on memberreview@pdarcs.com.au or by letting one of the subcommittee members now if you see them at the field. They are Myself , Frank Mac , Andrew Smallridge, Peter Hill and Ivan Chiselett

ATTENTION MEMBERS

The Club's **Kit & Scratch Built Scale Rally** is on November 5 & 6 and we desperately need members to assist in running the event.

We need **gate attendants** and **parking directors** for both Saturday & Sunday. We will be running 1 hour rosters so it will not be too difficult to help out on the day.

If you can help on either or both days please contact Ivan Chiselett at chiseli@optusnet.com.au or on 9898 4379 advising what days, and how long you can give.

We really want this to be a great success for the club and we need your help to run it.

Kit & Scratch Built Scale Rally November 5 & 6 2016

Don't forget the Clubs big event. There will be over \$1,000 in prizes handed out by lucky draw during the two days. The VMAA has generously come on board as one of our major sponsors and as well has decided to give those that enter free membership of the VMAA DVD Library, worth \$10-00.

Why not get out one or more of your "hand built" scale models and come along and be part of the weekend. It does not have to be spectacular, just hand made from a kit or scratch. If you only have a project on the go, please bring them. The weekend is all about celebrating building models a sort of show and tell. If you do not have an aircraft that qualifies just come and have a look at the models that will be there. There is also a Diorama section which will be interesting to see as well. Please tell your friends about the weekend, we have a Public Display Permits so the public is OK to attend and enjoy looking at great models.

It is only \$5-00 per car. No additional registration fee, just the \$5-00 is all it costs. All profits go back to our great club. Please get behind the rally and come and enjoy the weekend.

See the club website www.pdarcs.com.au/scalerally for details and entry forms.

The Club would like to thank our sponsors for the day;

VMAA ; Model Engines; Addies Hobbies ; Balsa Central ; Airborne Magazine ; TTT Insurance ; SC Models & David Glossop.

Please support these businesses as they care about our great hobby and our Club by offering their support. David kindly donated a couple of kits that he no longer wants. Thanks very much David. If anyone else wants to donate to the Rally for prizes please contact Ivan Chiselett.

Late News; The whisper is that Ivan & Andrew have agreed to bring their giant B-36 model project for display. Well worth the visit just to see it.

STEVE MALCMAN ACHIEVES FIRST PLACE IN THE HELICOPTER F3C NATIONALS HELD AT WAGGA WAGGA LAST WEEKEND

Here he is with his competition heli'



Man and machine

AT OUR FLYING FIELD

Some pictures of people and models

B36 REVISITED



Ivan Chiselett and Andrew Smallridge, carrying out an initial test assembly of their BIG B36
It all fits together well, much finishing work required



AT OUR FLYING FIELD

Some pictures of people and models



Old Aeroplane Company

Cargo & Freight Company Tyabb



Don White Contacted the “Old Aeroplane Company” at Tyabb to enquire about organising a Club visit possibly at the end of this year

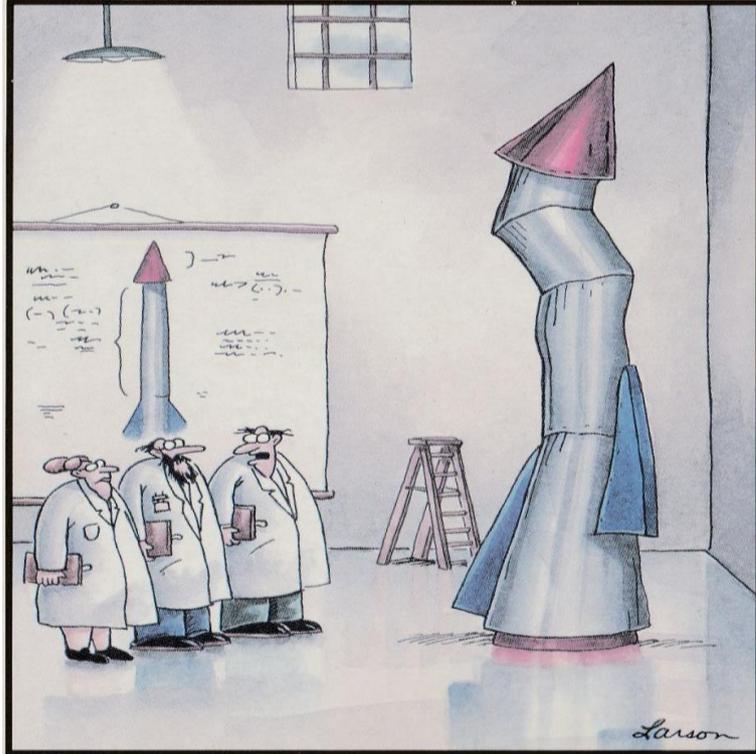
Don will require number of members who wish to be on the visit, plus date and day, have a think about it

Don White Social Sec.

P&DARCS CALENDAR FOR 2016

Date	Day	Confirmed?	Location	Details	Comments
August					
6 th	Sat	Yes	Burley Field	Club Meeting & AGM	
18 th	Thu	Yes	Burley Field	Committee Meeting	
31 st		Yes		50 th Anniversary of 1 st Meeting P&DARCS	
September					
3 rd	Sat	Yes	Burley Field	Club Meeting	
22 nd	Thu	Yes	Burley Field	Committee Meeting	
October					
1 st	Sat	Yes	Burley Field	Club Meeting & Co-Op AGM	
8-9 th	Sat-Sun	Yes	Burley Field	VMAA Trophy hosted by P&DARCS	Field closed
20 th	Thu	Yes	Burley Field	Committee Meeting	
29 th	Sat	Yes	Burley Field	Club Meeting	
29 th	Sat	Yes	Burley Field	Bi-Monthly Twi-Fly	
November					
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					
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	

FROM THE DARK SIDE



Let's face it, we are not exactly rocket scientists

FERRET REPORT

SO, we caught Andrew Mysliborski having a nod off while flying his Drone Apparatus

Here he is, doing just that, Geoff Healy snapped this pic' just in time
Andrew denied he was nodding off, BUT we have the photographic evidence

Looks like he is about to drop the Transmitter !



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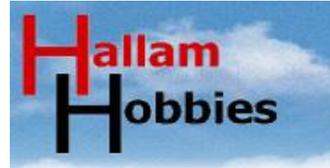
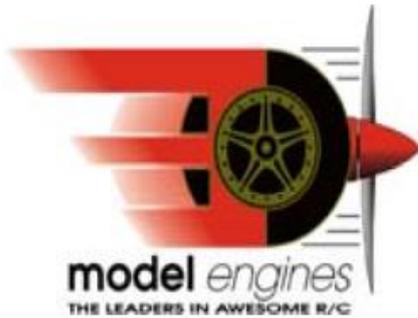
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