



P&DARCS

Pakenham and District Aircraft Radio Control Society



P&DARCS NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2019



A very impressive twin turbine fighter, at the field 28th September

**Next Club Meeting, Saturday 2nd November 2019
At Burley Field, 1pm start**

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EDITOR'S BIT

Our Field Manager Norm Morrish, and assistant Daniel Jenkins, at this time of the year, start on the regular weed eradication program

Most of that work involves spraying the entire site with a broad leaf herbicide

Here is Daniel J on the Ferguson 135, set up with the Silvan spray unit, applying the weed spray to the Pits



Frank McPherson Editor

WHAT'S ON At P&DARCS 2019

Look in the Club Calendar on page 13

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NOTICES # 1



Annual Twi-fly & Christmas Dinner

This year the annual Dinner & Twi-fly it will be on the 14th 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 Daniel at the November or December club meetings
- Print & cut out 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 7th of December.



P&DARCS Christmas Dinner 2019	
Name:	
Address:	
No of tickets required:	
Amount enclosed (\$5 each):	
Mail to: P&DARCS Christmas Dinner P.O Box 131 MDC, Cranbourne 3977	

NOTICES # 2

Melbourne Cup Day Scale Aerotow at P&DARCS Tuesday 5th of November 2019



We are happy to announce that the annual Cup Day Scale Aerotow is on again this year.

This event is for Scale Gliders being line towed by a powered Tug.

This is an open event for both P&DARCS members and visiting participants from other clubs.

A strict height limit of 1500 ft must be observed by all.

Both gliders and tugs must have a R/C operated tow release mechanisms.

All participants must be MAAA/VMAA affiliated with current subscription and able to produce current MAAA / FAI registration number.

Models over 7 Kg need to carry current inspection certification

All visitors must sign the visitors book.

Pilots Briefing 10:00 am.

A BBQ lunch will be provided (Gold Coin Donation).

A big thank you to the P&DARCS club for yet again generously opening up their field for this fabulous event.

Please RSVP or direct all enquiries to;

dmalcman@hotmail.com or Mobile 0410 517 840

Daniel Malcman

NOTICES # 3

ATTENTION MEMBERS

The Club's **Kit & Scratch Built Scale Rally** is on Sunday November 10th and we desperately need members to assist in running the event.

See the flyer for this Event on page 9

We need **gate attendants** and **parking directors** for Sunday. We will be running 1 hour rosters so it will not be too difficult to help out on the day. There will also be a small working bee on the Saturday before the weekend to get the field up and ready. You are welcome to attend.

If you have already been contacted by Ivan he already has you on the roster.

If you can help please contact **Ivan Chiselett** at chiseli@optusnet.com.au or on 9898 4379 advising what times you can help.

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

Stop Press!!!!!!!

Rumors are around that there will be a **3D printed model** at the Scratch Built Day.

Better come along to check it out.

NOTICES # 4

MEMBERS PARKING IN AN ACCESS PATHWAY

Some Club Members have been parking their car in the access pathway, beside the Eastern end of the Hay Shed

This pathway must be kept clear at all times to allow easy access to the main pits area from the car park for people with large models. This area & the area next to the BBQ are not to be used as drop off areas

ELECTRIC AIRCRAFT AND FIRES

In recent months, two very large fires have been caused by members' electric models crashing and bursting into flames due to a short circuit of the battery. These fires have resulted in large claims on the MAAA Insurance which indirectly impacts on all members through increased insurance premiums.

In addition to this, CASA has become aware of these incidents and has requested the MAAA, in accordance with our obligations under the Deed of Agreement, research these incidents and advise if further preventative action can be proposed.

Due to the impending fire danger seasons it is imperative clubs be advised to take precautions to prevent fires caused by LiPo electric model aircraft. Two types of fires may occur. Firstly the chemical fire caused by the LiPo battery and secondly a fire in the surrounding grass. The LiPo fire may be extinguished by a CO2 Extinguisher or simply by covering the battery with dirt or sand. The grass fire can be extinguished by water.

Clubs should ensure that the appropriate equipment is readily available at all times during the fire danger seasons. Clubs should also have readily available the telephone number of the nearest Fire Authority.

In the event of an incident involving a LiPo electric model aircraft members must be advised to firstly consider that the model LiPo battery may ignite and take the appropriate fire equipment when retrieving the model. Time wasted going back to get an extinguisher / Shovel / Rake etc. may result in the fires getting out of control.

As the Ordinary Member's appointed Safety Manager, the Executive have requested that all affiliated clubs be informed of the dangers associated with LiPo batteries and to take the appropriate precautions to prevent fires caused by LiPo fires.

J. Neil Tank

President

Model Aeronautical Assn Aust (MAAA)

0439 517 539

I Fly for Fun



SECRETARY'S REPORT

P&DARCS General Meeting Held Saturday October 5th 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: 27

Apologies: Ivan Chiselett, Norm Morrish, Rob Till, Craig Fitzsimons

Minutes of previous Meeting: Motion that the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted

Moved David Glossop, Seconded Mel Norton, **Carried**

Business Arising: Nil

President:

- Reminded members Darcsfield Coop AGM will take place current meeting
- No other information to report

Secretary: Absent.

Nothing to report

Treasurer:

- The Treasurer provided report on club finances.
- Has created a draft Asset report on Club assets, to be used with Consumer Affairs reporting.
- Treasurer moved his report be moved P. Harris. Seconded Don White. **Carried**

Registrar:

- Absent, nothing to report

Facilities Manager:

- Absent

Field Manager:

- Absent
- D Jenkins reported he had sprayed all mown areas with Herbicide (weed killer)
- Some discussion of drainage within field areas

Safety Officer:

- In process of conducting an audit of how our rules match up against insurance requirements

Editor

- Library going well, new books have appeared. Will dispose of older books to make more room.

Webmaster:

- Nothing to report.

Social:

- Still looking into visit to Puffing Billy.

Club Captain:

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

General Business

- Dave Glossop proposed "That the club's August monthly meeting and the club's Annual meeting be combined as one meeting in lieu of two separate meetings". Seconded Peter Harris. David explained his proposal & discussions took place around proposal. **Carried**
- Peter Harrison noted following points
 - Open drain pits. We have a number of open drain pits that need to be closed off
 - CFA came & did an inspection of fire extinguishers

- Mark Smith noted following
 - Foam stoppers have been replaced on plane restraints & will replace the ones on start up pads
 - Control line circle has been rolled & soil piles sprayed with Roundup. D Jenkins has sprayed grass for weeds.
 - Mark noted fascia board on front of club in bad condition. D Jenkins reported that this was in hand & Dave Law had offered to do the work to replace this.
- Daniel Jenkins Noted following items
 - Working bee will take place at end of month & will produce list of items that we would like to see done. Asked members for any additional suggestions for working bee.
 - Discussion took place around pilot barriers. Norm Morrish is in the process of producing a new barrier & once done we will decide how to install / fix down & then proceed to produce remaining barriers.

Meeting Closed 1:30 pm

Next Club meeting Saturday 2nd November 2019 at 1PM

**Daniel Jenkins for
Ivan Chiselett, Secretary**

FOR SALE

Modelling workshop tools + modelling parts and accessories + domestic house contents, all furniture and utensils etc

Wally' Schubach 0700 7370

Model Aircraft + accessories from Phil Langton's estate
See the lists of items pinned up in the Clubhouse

OR, inspect the remaining items at the Scratch built Rally day on 10th November

David Glossop

WANTED

Webra T-4 90 or 80 or 60 etc, for restoration, must be a complete motor, even in poor condition



I will pay the right price for the right motor - even a new one

Ian Thompson - 0408 33 55 23

ian-eagle@bigpond.com

REGISTRAR

Registrars Report – November 2019

New Member Applications

New members this month

Michael Kwan, Burwood Probationary Member from January 2020
Guy Mehegan, Endeavour Hills Junior Member
Christopher Morrow, Cranbourne 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 List

The current membership list will be distributed shortly direct to members by email. You are reminded that **this list is for your personal use and must not be forwarded to a third party..** If you do, then members may receive spam mail or have their security compromised by **YOUR** ill considered actions

Membership Status

	Paid 2019-20	Unpaid	New 19-20
Associate	19	0	0
Full	99	6	0
Honorary	2	0	2
Junior	4	0	1
Life	3	0	0
Pensioner	22	3	0
Probationary	5	2	2
Prospective	6	1	5
Student	0	0	0
Spouse	0	0	0
Total Paid	160	12	10

Rob Till Registrar

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/scale, 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



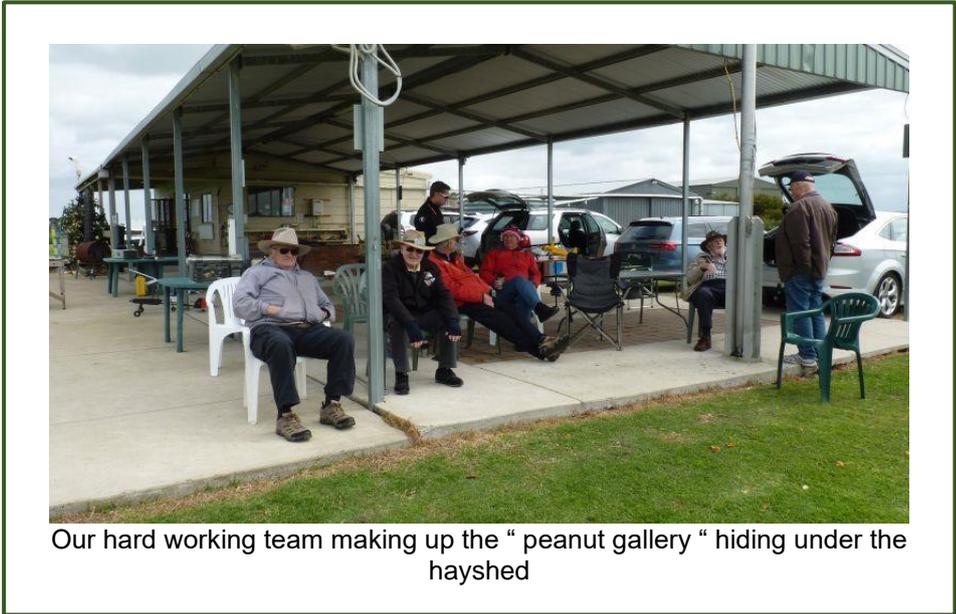
David Law's nice wildcat



Our hayshed camera has a "hat" compliments of our local birdlife



David Law's Pits



Our hard working team making up the "peanut gallery" hiding under the hayshed

**VFSAA Scale Competition day at
P&DARCS, Sunday October 20th**

Some photos from the day



Balint Banko and his caller



Caller and pilot concentrating on the schedule



Noel Whitehead and his caller

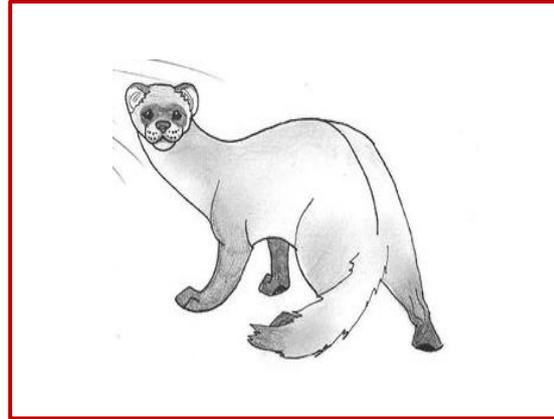


Judges Greg Lepp and David Law



Balint's nice scale machine + "Slipstream"

THE FERRET REPORT DIGGIN' UP DIRT



A couple weeks ago it was Mower men, Frank McPherson and Peter Harrison's turn to beautify the place

Frank Mc arrived early, and did some mowing with the big front deck mower, Then decided on a change of pace, and fired up the little John Deere ride on machine

He had a hard time coping with the steering being very heavy, Having to heave it around the shade units etc,

Frank sent an Email to the Norm M, explaining that the steering is very heavy and there must be something very wrong with the steering mechanism

The two days later, Daniel J, showed frank the ride on, and pointed out the **front tires are nearly flat** , duuuuuh



P&DARCS CALENDAR FOR 2019

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

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

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**

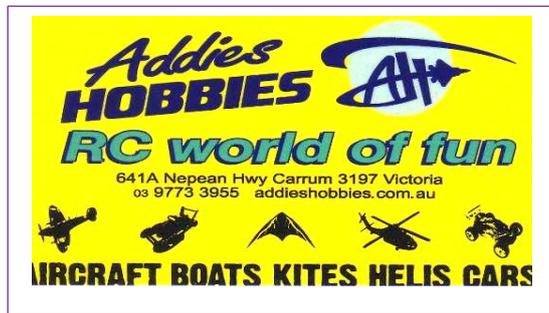
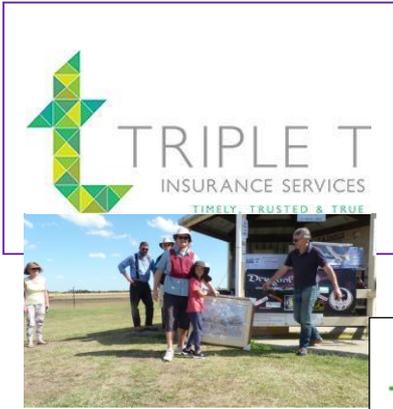
21 (Thu) 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm [Committee Meeting](#)

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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