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Pakenham & District Aircraft Remote Control Society

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Picture: David Law (using Don White's new camera)

Paul Somerville, being presented with a Plaque and gifts, by Club President Bill' Reynolds, in recognition of many years of dedicated service to P&DARCS Presented at the Burley Field Clubrooms October 7th 2012

REMINDERS:

- # **NAME BADGES MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES, NO BADGE, NO FLY**
- # **IT IS A CLUB SAFETY RULE THAT A RESTRAINT MUST BE USED WHEN STARTING A MODEL IN THE PITS.**

Next Club Meeting, Saturday November 3rd
At The Burley Field, 1-00 pm start

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Editor's Bit

It is nice to welcome some warmer weather over the last few weeks, looks like Spring has started in earnest

I have noticed an increase in the number of flyers at the field, especially on the weekends

Our Flying Field is looking a picture again, (See the pics' on page 7), thanks to our hard working field maintenance team, when we get heavy rain it drains away quickly, preventing our grass from dying

The **Tw** – **Fly** on Saturday 27th was a **flashy** success, a real **highlight** of the Month

Late afternoon the wind was gusting at around 30 KM, and really cold, at around 6-30 pm, the wind dropped to a zephyr breeze, comfortable Twi- Fly conditions

There was a good mix of models kitted out for nite' flying, Lazy Ace / Boomerang 60 / Robbe Skyflex / T-Rex Heli' / micro flyer / plus a number of others

Six ladies attended, braving the cold to "watch their boys playing with their toys " + providing encouragement and moral support

The next important Club Event is the annual Christmas Dinner and Twi – Fly, you need to book in for this one, (see the booking slip on page 5) and get in early for a front row seat

Frank McPherson Editor



What's On

At P&DARCS 2012

November

3rd Club Meeting Burley Field

December

1 Club Meeting Burley Field

2 F3A aerobatics Burley Field

12 Annual Christmas Twi-Fly Burley Field

From the VMAA Events Calendar 2012

November

3-4 Fun Fly Ararat

11 Classic Pattern Aero' Rosebud West

10-11 Old Timer + + Cohuna

24-25 Annual Fly-In + Swap Hamilton

Meet

December

1 F3A Aerobatics Caldermeade (TBC) SWAMPS

2 F3A Aerobatics Pakenham P&DARCS

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President's Report

The past month has given the committee a reason for new thoughts and new approaches in a number of areas of activity, and we all (hopefully) have learned a few things from that unpleasant recent happening, which has been dealt with and finalized.

As I have previously intimated, I don't intend to use my section of the newsletter to reiterate the various director's reports.

Drive Safely
Fly Safely
Land Softly

Bill' Reynolds, Pres'

Secretary's Report

General meeting held 6th October 2012 at "The Burley Field" Wenn Rd. Cardinia

Meeting opened at 1304hrs.

Members present 30

Apologies.

D Walsh P Langton N Morrish.

Guests.

B Swift

Minutes of the previous meeting.

Moved W Schubach, that the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted, Seconded, D Jenkins, Carried

Business arising from previous minutes.

Nil

President.

The incident at our field a few weeks ago involving flying has been resolved.

Treasurer.

On budget and on target for upcoming projects.

Secretary.

1 renewal, 1 new member, incoming accounts .

Social.

Twilight Saturday 27th October.

Organizing Christmas party + Twi-Fly for Wednesday 12th December.

Members to pre-book the same as last year to enable sufficient catering. Suggestions for club events as the weather improves.

Maintenance.

Mower back in service, Kubota tractor and has been serviced.

Buildings.

Gutter on Tx. Pound too expensive to replace, suggest remove old gutters and let water run to the ground.

Heater in the shower block needs attention as it is not working.

Safety.

Looking into visitors badges.(Committee) Police the signing in of all visitors. Consider safety and co-operation with all pilots

Editor.

Still using earlier items from members, for members who recently submitted items they will be used as space becomes available.

General.

The President Bill Reynolds presented **Paul Somerville** with a plaque and gifts for the excellent work in maintaining the machinery and other work that Paul has done for many years at this club.

Meeting closed at 1340hrs.

Don White, Secretary

Team Captain's Report

Hello Members,

Firstly I better do a bit of an introduction to those who don't already know me my name is **Steve Malcman**. Having been a member of this club for the past few years I felt it might be time I offered my assistance to the club in assembling a team for the VMAA Trophy club event which will be held over the weekend of 13th & 14th April 2013.

For those of you who have not had the opportunity to attend or participate in a VMAA Trophy, it is an event whereby clubs across the state of Victoria are invited to participate and compete against one another. As in previous years it is held at the state flying field (Northern Flying Group) located in Darraweit Guim, which is a small neighboring town to Wallan. There are twelve events in total which are a mixture of Airplane, Helicopter and Glider aircraft types to cater for variety of disciplines.

I am seeking members to come forward and give consideration in participating in the events. A pilot can enter in a maximum of two events if he so chooses.

I will also be looking at organizing some new club team polo shirts or similar that our Team can wear with pride during the event and thereafter.

The individual events are as follows.

Fun Scale

2x Helicopter events

Fun fly

Thermal Soaring

Scale Aerobatics

Electric Glider

Old Timer Duration

Most Unusual Model

Musical Landings

Club Racing

Combat

For those members who may be interested in participating in any of the above events, please feel free to contact me either via email teamcaptain@pdarcs.com.au or come see me when I am down at the club.

Kind Regards,

Steve Malcman P&DARCS Team Captain



Webmaster's Report

The two minute timer on the Webcam pages seems to have done the trick stopping the Webcam dawdlers.

I will be doing some maintenance on the Club PC soon so expect no Webcams or Weather information during that time. I will put a notice on the Website to let you know when the maintenance is happening.

The Website stats are as follows. Seems to have been a fair increase this month.

2,914 Visits.
856 Unique Visitors.
15,391 Page views.

Webcams Hits.

West Cam 1,103 hits
East Cam 1,763 hits
Hay Shed Cam 2,498 hits

Cheers

Paul Webber, Webmaster

Registrar's Report

Membership Renewals

It has mostly gone quiet now as the renewals are over. I will be advising the Co-Op and treasurer of the members that have not renewed.

In November I will produce a new membership list. For those members that have provided an email address, it will be sent via email.

I will put a paper copy in the Club House.

Refer to the Membership details as shown in the spreadsheet below

Badges.

All members will now be flying with their new 2012/13 Badge, remember no badge no flying. Make sure you bring your Club Badge.

A reminder again, lost keys will cost you \$30.

If you lose your Club Badge the cost of replacement is \$5.

This is what it cost the Club, so please look after your Key and Badge.

Changes to your contact information

Let me know of any changes of your details by email registrar@pdarcs.com.au (preferred) snail mail (Club mail address) or least preferred by phone (my mobile).

New Member Applications

Richard Page has applied as a Probationary member

Cheers,

Paul Webber, Registrar

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	Paid 2012-13	Unpaid	New 12-13
Associate	4	0	1
Full	96	0	0
Junior	0	0	0
Life	3		
Non-flying Full	0	0	0
Pensioner	36	0	0
Probationary	9	0	4
Student	2	0	0
Spouse	1	0	1
Resigned		15	
Lapsed		15	
Re Joined	2		
Passed Away	2		
Sub Total	157	30	6



Social Director's Report

It's been a quiet month so there's not much to report on the social front. We have a Twi-Fly on the 27th October, depending on when you read this newsletter, it may have already occurred. If not, please come down & join us for a great event. For the next Club Meeting on the 3rd November Rick Talman will be giving a talk & demo on Rockets. This should be an interesting talk, so please come along.

Annual Twi-fly & Christmas Dinner



It's that time of year again to start thinking of Christmas and our annual Twi-Fly (as well as the Christmas dinner). This year it will be on the 12th December, as always at the field. If you wish to attend this event, there is a \$5 per head fee to cover the catering costs & ensure we have enough food on the night. Bookings are required to be made & paid for prior to the event. On the day it will be a no booking, no dining policy, so please if you wish to attend, book in.

There are two ways to book, see me at club meetings or at the field most Saturdays, or print & cut out the booking slip below & send it to us & we will send you your tickets. All bookings must be received by the December Club Meeting on the 1st.

Daniel Jenkins, Social Officer. social@pdarcs.com.au

P&DARCS Christmas Dinner 2012	
Name:	
Address:	
No of tickets required:	
Amount enclosed (\$5 each):	
Mail to: P&DARCS Christmas Dinner P.O Box 131 MDC, Cranbourne 3977	

Daniel Jenkins, Social Officer

Buildings Officer's Report

There has been very little activity down at the club recently by the Building Officer, but there have been numerous little jobs done by "others" in my absence, for which I thank them, and hope to be able to reciprocate at some time. The store room next to the disabled toilet still has to be finished but seems to be functioning very well as a storeroom already. The transmitter pound gutters have to be resolved; do we replace them, or do we do away with them altogether? We have a quote for \$950 to replace the gutters, which seems excessive, but I am out of touch with building costs these days. There does not appear to be anything outstanding that is vital to the functioning of the club, just some minor works, painting etc.

David Glossop, Buildings Officer

Facilities Manager's Report 2012

Facilities Manager's Position is Vacant

Safety Officer

No incidents to report at this time, a reminder that all members need to wear their name badges, and all guests must be signed in.

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Alan Foley Safety Officer

Field Manager

Hi guys, eventually we have respectable flying weather and the grass is growing fast. The mower men are a great group of guys that really hop in to make the field look great when it is their turn to mow.

Thank you guys for your continual great work.

Special thanks to Daniel Jenkins for slashing Fowler Rd and along the inside of our fence line.

Peter Harrison and I have spread dirt piles in southern paddock and south east corner of our field to fill in old spoon drains that hold too much water after heavy rain.

We will do the piles on the south side of our main runway by end of October to fill in old spoon drains.

More piles of dirt. A contractor has delivered 6 free truck loads of clean dirt to our field and we will use this to fill in the low spots in the west end of our pits, plus two spoon drains that run across our west strip and low spots in the East strip.

Grass is now starting to grow on the areas we did early in the year with similar dirt.

The piles of dirt from our drainage work is not suitable for filling in the low spots on our pits and runways. It is peat clay, which is hard to spread and will crack until it has a good cover of couch.

Thanks also to Peter Harrison for donating a whipper snipper that he repaired. This now gives us two so we can keep areas around shelter posts etc tidy and avoid using round up poison.

Our drainage contractor will soon be delivering bricks to our site, where he will spread and crush them to form solid base for our western car park. We will then need to spread a layer of fine crushed rock over it.

The front end loader will be kept busy for the next 6 months.

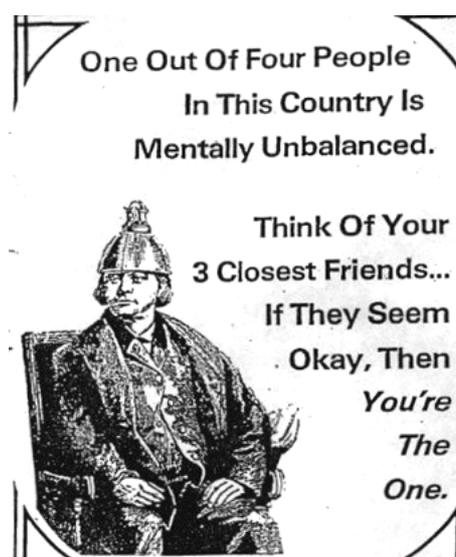
Good flying guys and hope to see you at the field enjoying the better weather.

Norm Morrish Field Manager

P&DARCS CALENDAR FOR 2012

Date	Day	Confirmed?	Location	Details	Organiser
August					
5 th	Sun	Yes	Burley Field	Club Meeting & AGM	
23 rd	Thu	Yes	Dingley	Committee Meeting	
25 th	Sat	Yes	Burley Field	Twi-Fly	
September					
1 st	Sat	Yes	Burley Field	Club Meeting	
20 th	Thu	Yes	Dingley	Committee Meeting	
October					
7 th	Sun	Yes	Burley Field	Club Meeting & Coop AGM	
25 th	Thu	Yes	Dingley	Committee Meeting	
27 th	Sat	Yes	Burley Field	Twi-Fly	
November					
3 rd	Sat	Yes	Burley Field	Club Meeting	
22 st	Thu	Yes	Dingley	Committee Meeting	
December					
1 st	Sat	Yes	Burley Field	Club Meeting (Summer)	
2 nd	Sun	Yes	Burley Field	APA Pattern	
12 th	Wed	Yes	Burley Field	Annual Christmas Dinner + Twi-Fly	

ARE YOU O.K. ?



WANTED

Boomerang 60 undercarriage front strut

Rod diameter 5.5mm

Overall length approx 220mm

Looks like this



Frank McPherson
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For my long-suffering Boomerang 60 Twi- Fly machine, ta

From our Flying Field, Sunday 14th October

The flying field looks a picture

Roly' Gauman's Pilatus ready to do some Glider towing for Toby



Picture: Frank McPheron

Check out the quality of that grass

Bruce Horskins starting his F3A Model, Andrew Mysliborski flying



Picture: Frank McPheron

Tom Burgdorf, 4 years old, an enthusiastic young flyer



Picture: Frank McPheron

Another nice model from the Gauman hanger



Picture: Frank McPheron

What's this ?
Members using the Hayshed as a pits area ?



Picture: Frank McPheron

Just kidding, it was raining

Geoff Healy's 1973 Super Kaos 60 scratch built from an original RCM News article by Joe Bridi



Picture: Andrew Mysliborski



Picture: Frank McPheron

What is this device ?

A crashed model destructor / a warning to naughty visitors

A boiling down unit ?

No wings, no propeller, no aeronautical anything, no fly

3rd Chelsea Air Scouts & Air Cubs Fly - In Day At PARCS Model Aircraft Club By Peter Harrison

Dear All,

We completed the 3rd Chelsea Air Scouts & Air Cubs Fly-in Day exercise at PARCS Model Aircraft Club, on Sunday 21st October

I think we may pat ourselves on the back, and I would like to thank everyone on behalf of David Nichols, VMAA Education Officer for your assistance on the day.

We provided flight training, via the buddy box system, using mainly Boomerang 40s, and practical flight demonstrations of, Glider / Helicopter by Anthony, 3D by Peter Schibeci and Derek Wee, plus exciting Jet Turbine flights by Luke & Wayne Newman.

Also in attendance were Members of the P&DARCS Club, Graeme Pentland / Norm Parker / Peter and John Timms / Don White

I am sure that we all loved being able to provide flight training, and demonstration flights for the Air Scout Group.

The PARCS CLUB provided excellent facilities, great hot and tasty food, (snaggers and the best burgers I have ever had

If you didn't make it, thank you anyway, I am sure you are interested to find out the result, so let me assure you we missed you but we know we cannot be in all places at once nowadays.

The Leaders were appreciative, and the Youth Members were always on the ball, ready to go and fully attentive throughout a long tiring blustery day, well done Air Scouts and Air Cubs.

We found the younger Air Cubs hands are so tiny, that they cannot fully hold and reach the Tx sticks, but we managed to coach and fly them, and I recommend that in future that we always continue to use the Tx neck straps, as the Tx sets are heavy for their tiny hands to hold up.

It was great to use the Aurora 9 Buddy Cables, and using two Instructors, makes it so much easier, where the Youth Member is coached on the slave Tx by one Instructor, and the other Instructor flies on the Master Tx, as safety back-up.

As a gentle reminder, a Firmware Upgrade is available now to Ver 1.09 for the Aurora 9 Sets.

Info: Model Engines, Attn: M Farnan -Neil Addicott - Model Engines News.

I think that is enough from me, and if you have any comments call me on 0400 139 477 or via email.

Best Regards,

Yours In Aeromodelling - You Can't Help Good Equipment

Peter Harrison

Peter Harrison providing Instruction to Scout Youths



Norm Parker on the Buddy System



All pictures, David Nichols

3rd Chelsea Air Scouts & Air Cubs Fly - In Day At PARCS Model Aircraft Club

By David Nichols VMAA Education Officer

The VMAA would like to extend most grateful thanks to the committee and members of PARCS for not only allowing us to use their facilities but also lending a hand with training and displays. They also provided lunch for us which went down very well so that was a nice touch indeed.

Also present, and helping out were members of the P&DARCS Club.

I rated the day as most successful, and am sure the 3rd Chelsea Air Scouts and Cubs had a ball as well.

Peter Harrison did a magnificent job bringing it all together and he deserves great credit. He is certainly a valuable asset for our association. His efforts will doubtless produce new members in the future.

This is the first time we have been able to get a group of Air Scouts and Cubs together for such a training session and it is among my ambitions to do more of this kind of thing again in the future.

I see this kind of activity as an excellent way to expose and introduce the young [and their Dads] to the joys of model flight.

I will be speaking with Addie Hampson, President of PARCS Club, shortly but in the mean time please pass on our congratulations and a big thanks to all involved as it was an excellent day.

Best Regards

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Busy flight line, with Instructors / Scout Youths & Dads



All pictures, David Nichols

Air Scout Youth + Boomerang 40 Trainer, ready to roll



Firing up a Boomerang 40, John Timms on throttle + Norm Parker on mixture, the next trainee looking on



MILITARY CLASSICS By Richard (Dick) Ryland

Boeing B-52 Stratofortress

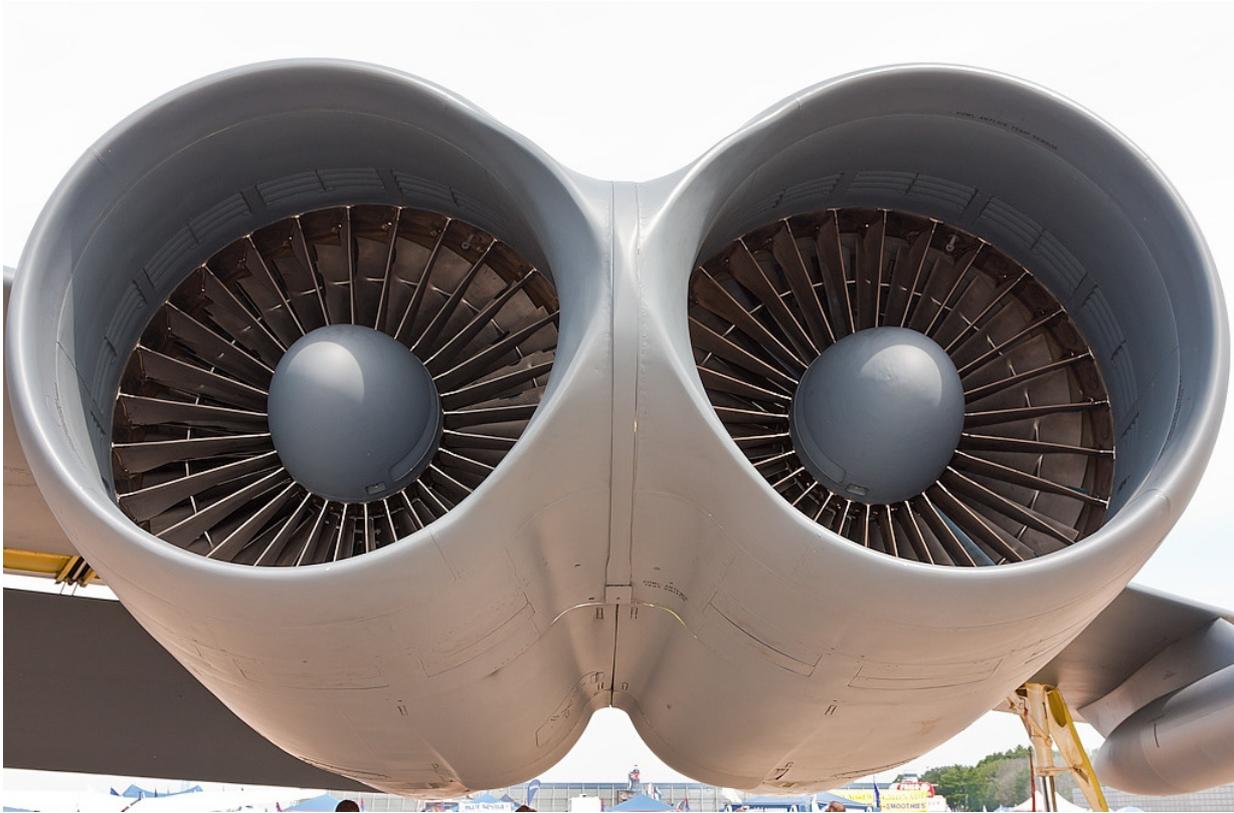
This amazing aircraft is currently being flown by pilot's *half its age!* It has been in service for *over fifty years* and it is planned to keep it in service until *at least 2040*. Incredible! Those facts alone surely qualify it as a Military Classic. It was designed and built during the Cold War as a long range nuclear bomber. The fact that 'we' were building bombers capable of carrying at least *twenty nuclear bombs each* will give those too young to remember those times a feel for the fear that permeated the West during those years.



In fact the B-52 never dropped any nuclear bombs in anger and has always been used to deliver conventional bombs and has done so in every conflict the US has been involved in. They did *accidentally* drop some nuclear bombs but that is another story!) During the Vietnam War many B-52s were given the 'Big Belly' modification so that they could deliver **one hundred and five** 500 lb and 750lb bombs. The delivery of these unprecedented numbers of bombs from multiple aircraft was aptly named 'carpet bombing'. It is difficult to truly imagine the effect on the population and infrastructure on the ground of these operations. Compare that to the equivalent of *nine* 500 lb bomb load of the WW11 B-17 Flying Fortress. Even its maximum load of up to the equivalent of sixteen 500 lb bombs on short range missions almost pales into insignificance in comparison to the mighty B-52.



In more recent times it has been fitted out to carry smart munitions including cruise missiles which it can release far from danger. It can loiter for many hours waiting to be called in by ground forces to drop munitions wherever they request. Originally designed as an ultra high altitude aircraft it had to be redesigned to cope with an eightfold increase in stress experienced on low level missions which became the norm after the advent of effective anti-aircraft missiles. In fact it is a quite vulnerable aircraft having almost no defensive weapons. Because of this, since the Vietnam War where many of them were lost, it has been used only against forces which have very poor anti-aircraft capabilities or to launch missiles from far away from the centre of action.



The name Stratofortress seems to have been too much of a mouthful and has rarely been used by its crews who usually refer to it as the BUFF which is said to stand for Big Ugly Fat er, um, Fellow? The BUFF is something of a dinosaur in the world of military aviation these days but for some time there will not be anything to beat its ability to deliver such a truly massive amount of ordinance to the battlefield. In many ways it is greatest of all the Military Classics.





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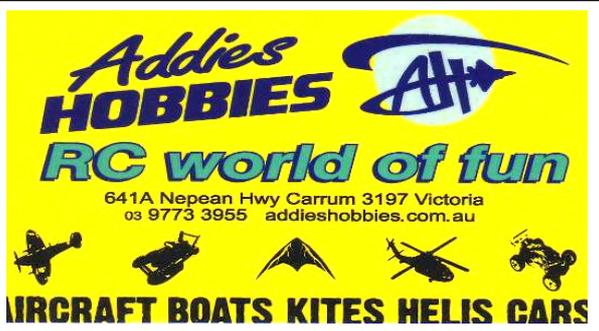


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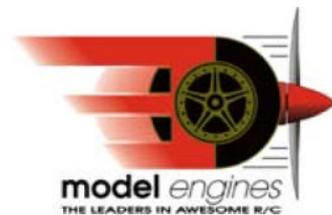


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