



AIRWAVES

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THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY AUGUST 26TH AT THE COMMUNITY HALL ON THE CORNER OF TODDS RD AND ELLIS RD, LAWNTON COMMENCING AT 7.30pm. Doors will be open at 7pm. The Annual General Meeting will be the first item on the agenda. All committee positions will be up for election. However the existing committee have all indicated that they are willing to continue, with the exception of the Vice President. Consequently Bob Moore has accepted nomination for this position, proposed by Danny Hollis, seconded by Dave Harper.

THERE WON'T BE A WORKING BEE AS SUCH IN September as the field is in pretty good shape. However, we do want to move ahead with fitting the roller door to the far end of the shed and doing the rest of the work to move the kitchen into that area. Anyone who is prepared to help on this work please contact Jim Fagan with your resume! Anyone helping with this project will of course have working bee credits applied.

P.R.O. Memo.

Due to poor weather conditions on Saturday 13th August, the Fun Old Timer & Fun Sailplane / Glider competition will now be re-scheduled for Saturday 8th October, 10.00am. The rules have changed slightly with now only 5 minutes (exact) duration for each class. If you have or know anyone with an Old Timer or Glider aircraft, I encourage you to participate in this "fun relaxed" competition. Any enquiries please call me.

Mike O'Brien

Library News

We now have enough members signed up to start the subscription to RCM&E magazine. We need a few more for the QEFI and Quietflier mags, and RC Modeler. We've also just received a number of good DVDs of model flying displays for the library, thanks to one of our members. Returns are coming back mostly in good time, keep it up! Dave Harper

Minutes of Prams Meeting held on 29th July 2005

Meeting opened at: - 8.05 PM

Attendance Book: - 33 Members attended.

Apologies: - Barry Evans, Kerry Turton, Bill Rowland, Lyndon Smith, Garth Smith.

Welcome to Visitors: - Craig Kingsman, Barry Weaver, Peter Tompkins, Michael Suttie, Joe Springer, Darren Manski, Rainer Novy, Greg Catlin, Tompkins.

Minutes of previous Meeting as per Airwaves: - Proposer: - James Mc Allen, Seconded Graham Kennedy, accepted by the Meeting.

Business arising from Previous Meeting: - The question was asked about the safety committee which was raised at last meeting, the Secretary reported this was still before the Management Committee and hopefully would be finalised at the next Management Committee Meeting.

Secretary's Report: -

Correspondence In: - JJ Richards A/C, Pine Rivers Lock & Gunsmiths A/C, Motorcharge A/C, Suncorp Metway Cheque A/C, Commonwealth Bank Cheque A/C, Letter of Complaint against another Member from Barry Evans, Letter of Incident plus Letter of complaint from Chris Parker, both these letters were read to the meeting as requested, Various renewal notices from members, Various new Membership Application forms, Letter from Quest Community Newspapers, Letter from Don Richards (new Accountant) Return of Affiliation cards from MAAA, Letter of thanks from Brian & Anne Springthorpe for winning the Qantas Mystery Flight, Letter from Dave Buckel, Letter from Kerry Turton. Proposer: - Geoff Stopher, Seconded Darryl Thomas, accepted by the Meeting.

Correspondence Out: - Various letters to Radio Stations to plug Airshow, Various Letters to Community and Regional Newspapers about the Airshow, Personal Letters to ABC Presenters about Airshow, Letter of Written Warning Notice to Chris Parker, Intended letter of reply to Barry Evans re his complaint against Chris Parker, Various Letters of Thanks & Appreciation Certificates to all our Sponsors and Helpers at our very Successful Airshow.

The Management Committee wishes to thank all the people who put in a great effort in preparation, running and clearing away after the Show.

However the Secretary would like to point out that it appears to be, there are still some members of the club who think it above themselves to share the burden of work involved. I refer to the gentleman when asked to give a hand, refused point blank, saying he had just completed a twelve-hour shift on Saturday. Lots of Members put in at least Six Hours of work for the show on Saturday and again on Sunday, without complaint. When the Show was over some Members continued to Fly their Planes ignoring the request for help to clear away the Flying Site, instead just put their planes in their cars and left the work to the same dedicated band of helpers who continue to clear up year after year. In view of this situation I shall be Proposing to the Management Committee that the Maintenance Levy be increased for the Current Year to compensate for this. Proposer: - Jim Fagan, Seconded Dave Harper, Accepted by the Meeting.

New Members: - The following New Members were voted on and accepted by the Meeting: - Barry Weaver, Rainer Novy, Craig Kingsman, Michael Suttie. Greg Catlin, Joe Springer. Darren Manski & Peter Tompkins were also accepted by will join in the near future. Welcome to the club Fellas.

Treasurers Report: - The Bank Balance at the end of this financial year was \$1,919.00 but during this period a further \$ 6,000.00 was paid into another Deposit Account, all these figures will show up in the Audited Accounts which are before the Auditors now. The Total Proceeds from The Charity Airshow were \$ 6,627.00 which considering the weather conditions we think was very good. We will be Donating \$750.00 each to our nominated Charities, The Salvation Army Lawnton Branch and The Royal Children's Hospital Foundation. Proposer: - James McAllen, seconded Danny Hollis, accepted by the Meeting.

Catering Report: - Teresa was very happy with the help out she received during the Airshow and wishes to express special thanks to the following people; Jacques Boosten, Lyndon McCallum, Jean Fagan, Pat and Linda Benson. Catering continues to be a great success, thanks to her.

Teresa has been in contact with Ben Staines and he is recovering well from his Operation, she will keep the Club up to date with his progress.

Field Maintenance Report: - No working bee on Sunday 7th August as the Field is looking really good. Training Flights for the Public will take up the time instead, as promised at the Airshow.

Reminders once more about Working Bees, it is your responsibility to insure your name is entered in the Book, as no additions will be made after 8.30 AM on that Working Bee Day.

Dave Mount brought up the subject about the state of the Car Park saying it was showing signs of tattiness and that he is in negotiations with local Quarries about helping out with cheap aggregate, hope you have success Dave.

Fuel Report: - Geoff reports we have lots of Fuel now, we have just purchased in bulk 3 drums of Methanol and 1 drum of Nitro, by doing it this way we were able to save on the delivery costs. Should keep us going for a while. Well done to Dave for organising it for the Club.

Airwaves Report: - Dave reports Danny has included Airwaves on his Data Base so making it easier for him and we are deeply indebt to him for this. If any Club member has any suggestions about DVD's or Videos please let me know as I am always looking for good stuff for the Library. All new members please note that the library is available to all members at no cost. We have a number of very good books for beginners! Also please make sure you give your E-Mail address to the Secretary when you join as it is easier and a lot cheaper for the club to send the newsletter by E-Mail.

CFI Report: - Darryl says a lot of New potential Flyers will be coming to the field over the next few weeks as a result of the Airshow offer, please make them welcome as they are our future Membership. Thanks to everyone for making this Show so successful, the good thing about it was it was continual running and there always seemed to be something happening, great show everyone.

Any other Business: - The President read to the Meeting an E-Mail we received from MAAA confirming the interference caused by Mobile Phones, used within the vicinity of Radio Control Transmitters, in particular Synthesised Tx's. A very expensive Jet Powered Helicopter was totally destroyed by someone using his or her Mobile Phone in the near vicinity of the operator. So please people pay attention to the NO MOBILE PHONES BEYOND THIS SIGN notices.

The Xmas Party this year has been proposed for Saturday yes Saturday 10th December at 4 PM to be held at the Flying Site. This year we will be using outside Caterers who will provide a Spit Roast with two meats, jacket boiled potatoes, and a choice of 5 salads, Tea and coffee and all crockery and cutlery provided. The total cost to each person will be \$10.00, children under the age of 12 \$7.00; entertainment will be courtesy of our very own CHICKEN STICKS. All orders must be in by 10th November 2005 and must be accompanied with cash for the full amount, no orders will be accepted after this date, as that is the latest date the Caterers are willing to accept. You can place your order with James or Jim any time from now.

The Club needs Ratification of the By-Laws so they can be added to the Website, they are being Proposed by Jim Fagan and seconded by Don Barber. The Meeting accepted this with the exception of PRAMS By-Law.

1.e Except for the initial take off or final landing of a flight, Pilots must stand in the designated pilot area, behind the safety fence. Touch & Go's do not constitute a final landing.

This rule will be discussed at the next Management Committee Meeting and reworded to suit our needs; it will then be submitted to the next meeting for approval.

Dave Mount raised the question about Blue Cards for Instructors; Committee will raise the question again with MAAQ and report in the near future.

Next Meeting will be the AGM followed by the General Meeting on Friday 26th August 2005, doors will open at 7.00 PM for meeting at 7.30 PM. Don't forget voting for the new Committee for the next year takes place at the AGM, so have your say.

There being no further Business the meeting closed at 9.45PM.

Committee Bylines

At the recent committee meeting the following topics were discussed: on several occasions recently the bottom gate to the field has been found open! Please make sure it is kept closed at all times, and inform any visitors you may invite to the field of the need to keep the stock contained by closing the gate.

James reported that the new auditor is very happy with the record keeping by the club. This is the result of many hours of work put in by James and Jim, also assisted by Danny Hollis. Well done, guys!

The 'Have-a-go' days were a great success with many prospective members having trial flights over the weekend. Thanks are due to all the instructors and helpers who gave their time over the weekend. Apparently so many people went to Hobby Garage to buy new gear that Rod Garrett donated a new ARF trainer to the club! Thanks very much Rod!

This raises the problem of finding sufficient instructors to cater for all the new members, all instructors please help!

The roller door is to be fitted to the open section of the shed ASAP. All help accepted!

The Christmas Party is now organised as detailed in the minutes above. Thanks to James for organising this – it looks like a real bargain!

The Sporty 40/Sportsman day is on 18th Sept. The field will be closed to general flying on the day. This is a Qld Pattern Fliers Association Competition – all members are invited to take part. Entry fees Sporty 40 - \$10, Sportsman - \$15.

Safety Panel – it was determined by the committee that this will consist of all rated instructors in the club. Headed by the CFI, they will oversee safe flying practices at the field.

The 2006 Charity Airshow will be held on 30th July, a week later to miss the V8 Supercars!