

# Airwaves



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**The February Meeting will  
be held on Friday 27<sup>th</sup>  
February at the  
Community Hall on the  
corner of Todds Rd and  
Ellis St. Lawnton  
commencing at 8pm.**

**FEBRUARY 2004**

**NEXT WORKING BEE SUNDAY MARCH 7<sup>TH</sup>.**

General mowing and cleaning, finish tank stand.

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## Antique D H Dragon Joy Flights

**Day : Saturday**  
**Date : 27 March 2004**  
**Time : 9am to 2pm (approx)**  
**Where : Caboolture Aero Club**  
**Cost : \$50 per hour/per seat**

## Catering : BBQ Morning Tea/Lunch catering by PRAMS

**Drinks : Caboolture Aero Club**

All members welcome, also family and friends.

For your chance to win a flight in the D H Dragon purchase a raffle ticket (\$3.00 each) from Colin Parry. The prize flight must be taken on this day only – Saturday 27 March 2004. All proceeds to PRAMS.

Raffle to be drawn at the PRAMS meeting on Friday 26 March 2004.

Contact Colin Parry for further details and/or to book a time for your flight.

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**WANT YOUR AIRWAVES BY EMAIL?  
SEND YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS TO  
[sandave@bytesite.com.au](mailto:sandave@bytesite.com.au) and save the club  
postage!**

## **DH Dragon Flights** continued.

Colin Parry is organising a fun day at Caboolture Airport with a joy flight in a vintage De Havilland Dragon Aircraft, to help raise money for our club. Morning and afternoon tea will be available, as well as drinks at the Caboolture Aero Club.

A raffle is being arranged with the prize being a seat on the aircraft at \$3.00 per ticket. The raffle will be drawn on Friday 26 March at our monthly meeting and the winner will be notified by phone on the night.

The date for the joyflight is Saturday 27 March and will cost \$50 per seat for a one hour flight.

Flight destinations will include Moreton Island, Somerset Dam, Maroochydore and Mt Cootha.

Please phone Colin on 3888 3848 to confirm your seat and/or to confirm your destination, also to arrange your flight time. Feel free to stay and socialise for the whole day or for your flight only.

## **MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING HELD 30/01/04.**

Meeting opened 8.15pm. Apologies: E. Pond, R. McKerry, G. Thompson, A. Nolan.

Welcome to eleven new members! James Lauder, Peter Muller, Mark Costello, Warren Dunell, Bryan Bishop, Doug and Aaron Skinner, Dave Mount, Peter Reeders, Neil Tyler, John Hitzke.

Also welcome back to two old members, Dave Preller, senior and junior.

Attendance as per attendance book: 25.

Minutes were accepted as published in Airwaves.

Business arising from the minutes: Roller door for the shed has some problems to be resolved by the committee.

Warbirds fly-in confirmed for 28<sup>th</sup> November – put it in your diary!

Correspondence In: Members applications, MAAQ, J J Richards.

Correspondence Out: Treasurer, members.

Treasurers Report. Accepted as given by the treasurer. Moved A Phillips, seconded B. Evans.

CFI Report: As our club trainer needed replacing, Hobby Garage again came to the rescue with all the gear at cost price. They have also promised to donate a new trainer each year – thank you, Hobby Garage!

Grounds Maintenance: General clean up and more work on the tank stand. General Business: New procedures are being introduced for member applications in order to comply with our constitution. Full details will be published in Airwaves.

Please keep an eye out for helicopter spraying around the field, as per the notice in last month's Airwaves, and the notice at the field. If in doubt, don't fly!

There have been some problems with children playing in the model helicopter flying area. If you bring children to the field, it is your responsibility to control them....keep an eye on them!

With out membership at nearly 200 we have to share radio frequencies more often. Please don't leave your key in the board for more than 20 minutes. Planning for the Electric Fly-In in May is going well.

Graham Kennedy thanked all those who helped him look for his model in the mangroves, especially Frank Hinsky.

The T-shirts ordered last year are now at the printers. Please pay Graham Tatts if you have ordered any.

To fly in the Air Show, pilots must have Gold Wings.

Meeting closed at 9.22pm.

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## **COMMITTEE BYLINES**

As most members will be aware, the management committee meets the second Thursday of each month to conduct the business involved in running the club. The object of this fairly new innovation is to free up time at the general meetings for fun items such as the glider contest held last meeting. It also enables the committee to discuss things at length if necessary without the rest of the members having to sit and wait! I plan to give a summary of the committee's discussions and decisions in Airwaves each month to keep members in touch. Here are some notes on February's committee meeting:

### **Pilot Testing**

It was decided that all future Bronze and Gold Wings tests must be observed by TWO instructor rated pilots. All club instructors will be informed of this decision.

### **Applications for membership.**

In order to comply correctly with our constitution some changes in procedure are being implemented. In future application forms are to be forwarded to the secretary WITHOUT any subscriptions. Each application must be signed by a club member who will act as proposer for the intended member. Applications will be presented at the next General Meeting for approval by the members. Applicants and proposers MUST attend the meeting in order that any queries about the applicant can be cleared up. Once the application is approved the member then has the option of paying the subs due, as calculated by the secretary, to the treasurer at the meeting and membership will commence from that date. Otherwise the treasurer will send an invoice to the applicant who will then forward payment to the treasurer. In either case, a receipt and membership card will be sent to the applicant when the card is received from MAAA.

From the above it will be apparent that potential members will need to be 'taken under the wing' of a club member who is willing to become the proposer. This not only should help the new member to learn about the club before joining but also gives the proposer a chance to get to know the new member, and hopefully continue to guide him/her as necessary. It will also cover our legal requirements as set out in the constitution.

## **RESULTS OF LAST MEETING'S COMPETITION.**

The fun paper plane contest last meeting generally proved that we all have a lot to learn about making and flying paper planes! It was a lot of fun, however, and the prizes (bottles of beer...) were won as follows:

Duration: 1<sup>st</sup> Bob, 2<sup>nd</sup> Graham, 3<sup>rd</sup> Barry.

Distance: 1<sup>st</sup> Aaron, 2<sup>nd</sup> Neil, 3<sup>rd</sup> Doug.

## **THIS MONTH'S FEATURE ATTRACTION! ELECTRIC FLIGHT SHOW AND TELL!**

Bring along your electric models and show the rest how it's done! We don't have all the answers, but hopefully we can clear up some of the mystery that seems to surround electric flight for many members.

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

### **Sunday March 14<sup>th</sup>. Bill and Ben's Life Member Day.**

Contests: Take-off and landing, secret spot, climb and glide. Open to all members, come and join the fun! Talk to Bill Rowlands or Ben Staines for more details.

### **Sunday March 14<sup>th</sup>. TMAC Warbirds**

Contact G Kruberg 3397 5697

### **Sat/Sun March 20/21. Susan River Fun Fly and Swap Meet.**

### **Sunday March 21. RAID Fun Fly and Swap Meet.**

### **Sat/Sun April 3-4. Watts Bridge, Toogoolawah Fun Fly-in.**

Contact Gary Button, 3848 4553 (ah) or 0419 254182 (bh)

### **Sat April 3<sup>rd</sup>. LARCS Electric Day. 6.30am start.**

Contact Brian Hucker 3206 2197. email: [brian\\_h@alltech.com.au](mailto:brian_h@alltech.com.au)

## LIBRARY NEWS

For the information of new members, and those who have been living under a rock lately, I'll note here some items held in the club library, which takes up two sets of shelves in my workshop!

We recently had some excellent books donated by Col Parry, on full size aviation. These include two Encyclopedias of Aviation, a book on Australian Air Power, The World's Classic Aircraft and War Machines – Air.

We also recently bought two new modeling books – Sports Flying for Beginners and Designing Model Aircraft – with money raised from the sale of surplus magazines. There is also a copy of the Traplet R/C Plans and Construction Guide, which lists all the plans available from the magazines R/C Model Flying and Quiet & Electric Flight.

The rest of the library consists of hundreds of magazines including many early Aeroplane Monthly magazines which contain a wealth of historical information on obscure prototypes etc.

One of our members who was grounded after surgery recently was very happy to have the loan of a couple of boxes of magazines to while away the hours. If you know of any members in a similar situation, let me know and I'll see if we can arrange a similar deal.

Remember, everything you want to know is in a book somewhere – you just have to read! See you at the meeting – Dave Harper