

AIRWAVES

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF PINE RIVERS AERONAUTICAL MODEL SOCIETY
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THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY FEBRUARY 25TH AT THE COMMUNITY HALL ON THE CORNER OF TODDS RD AND ELLIS RD, LAWNTON COMMENCING AT 8PM.
THE NEXT WORKING BEE WILL BE ON SUNDAY 6TH MARCH. Start 8am. This will be a minor working bee, with general mowing and trimming plus a start on tidying up the fence around the field. Flying should be able to start at 10am.

In future, if a major working bee is announced, flying may not be able to commence until 12 noon. This is a committee decision to help non-participants to schedule their flying time.

Minutes of PRAMS Meeting held on 28th January 2005

Meeting opened at 8.00 PM

The President opened the meeting wishing all Club Members a Very Happy New Year

Members present as per attendance book 31

Welcome to 6 New members

No Visitors

Minutes of November 26th 2004 meeting as published in Airwaves be accepted by meeting Proposed Dave Harper and seconded by Graham Kennedy Accepted by the meeting

Secretary's Report.

Correspondence In.

Letter from Lawnton Community Centre, Letter from cancer Fund, Statement from Motor Charge, Statement from Suncorp, 3 Letters from Suncorp about Term Deposit Acs, Statement from JJ Richards, Statement from Commonwealth Bank, Statement of Suncorp term deposit A/C, OFT Good Business Guide, Statement Motor Charge, Bank statement Suncorp Current A/C, Statement s Suncorp Current A/C, Statement JJ Richards, 3 Statements Suncorp Term Deposit A/Cs.

Correspondence Out

Lawnton Community Centre re hire of Hall for 2005, Sympathy Card for Yvonne Barlow, Rigg IT Fabrications, Multivend Pty, Choice Electric Co., Letter to Joyce Rowland, Letter to Syd Bray, Get Well card to Ian Rae, Cheque to JJ Richards, Cheque to Affordable Trophies.

The next club meeting will be Friday 25th February 2005. However, because Good Friday falls on 25th March **the March meeting is postponed to Friday 1st April 2005** Proposed Garth Smith, Seconder Col Parry, Accepted by the meeting.

New Members

12 New members Voted for and accepted by the Meeting

Treasurers Report

Two term Deposit A/Cs have matured and are to be continued. One has been added to by the sum of \$6000. The third Term deposit will mature shortly and will be reinvested. Otherwise our finances are looking very healthy. We have received from the Gaming Commission a cheque for \$15,623.00 for a Renewable Energy Resource as applied for, We thank the Gaming Commission for this generous sum. Proposed that the meeting accepts the report Dave Harper, Seconded Dave Mount, Carried by the meeting.

CFI Report

Darryl has said the new Solo Flight test, which is the Club Standard Test, will have two new Manoeuvres added to the existing Test. We now have 3 Club Trainer Aircraft all in working order. A list of all Club Instructors will be posted on the Club notice board. Danny has asked for a copy of this list so it can be added to the PRAMS web site, which is www.prams.asn.au

Field Maintenance Report

Bob said the Wind Sock has seen better days is there any one in the Club who could help us out on this, Bill Rowland has promised to help out here thanks Bill. Working Party Supervisors are being arranged for the next Working Bee, which will be on Sunday 6th February 2005; bring lots of tools as lots of work needs doing. Lyndon is sorting out the concreting to be done.

Fuel Report

Plentiful supplies of fuel and lots being sold

Airwaves Report

3 new DVDs are on order. Permission has been granted for Dave to Order a set of DVDs from the UK re, the Royal International Air Tattoo. These are great DVDs.

PRO report

Sunday 30th January 2005 is Scale Fun Day so sort out all your decent Models Trophies will be presented for 1st, 2nd & 3rd in each Category. MAAQ 2005 Calendar is now available.

Catering Report

Terese is happy the way the catering is going and still making lots of money for the Club

General Business

It was requested by Dave Buckell that the letter sent to Joyce Rowland and letter to Syd Bray be read to the meeting. These letters were read to the meeting by the Secretary.

Reminder to all Club members re Flying Field Safety Bye Law No 5. This applies to visitors and non-club members being in the Pit Area. You can now download the Club Constitution Rules and Bye Laws from our Website.

Reminder to all Club Members about Bandwidth Testing As per Airwaves of June 2004 as this was not clear at time of Publication. The Management Committee has decided to extend the period to get your Radios Tested to the 1st March 2005. After that date no Orange MAAA sticker on Transmitter no Flying.

Danny explained to the meeting the History of the new Electrical System, which will be installed within the next two months and is being financed by The Gaming Commission to the tune of \$15,623. A vote of thanks was called for to all of Danny's team for the Sterling work they have done to achieve this Donation. Proposed Bill Rowland Seconded Jim Fagan.

Dave Anderson has recommended that all Mobile phones be left outside the Pit Area, as they are prone to cause RF Interference. He has suggested we adopt The MAAA policy on Mobile Phones and that it be added to the Bye Laws of the Club, it was decided to pass this to the next Management Committee Meeting so we can get a clearer view of MAAA policy.

Bob Moore has suggested that all lone, early Fliers at the field lock the Gate after them for Security, Say before 8.00AM.

Don Barber has had quotes for a new roof to be erected over the two containers at a total cost of \$3,000.00, it was Proposed by Dave Harper that this work be carried out and seconded by Dave Anderson it was carried by the meeting.

Club Shirts are now ready for collection by people who ordered them, contact The Secretary on 38822117 Club raffle of a meat tray was won by lucky Dave Anderson.

Meeting Closed at 9.30PM.

Hi everyone,

With the start of a new year I was very much appreciative of the positive participation of our first PRAMS members events for 2005. On Sunday 30th January saw over 20 pilots showing off various scale models and having fun with their pride and joy aircraft. The ARF section saw John Curtis 1st place with his very slick fibreglass Lancair, 2nd place to Bob Moore with his Zenoah powered Space Walker and 3rd place to Warren Dunell with his Sportsman Aviation electric converted Corby Starlet. The built-up section saw Roy Dray 1st with his magnificently prepared WW1 Blackburn, 2nd place to Ben Staines with his Top Flight P39 Aircobra and 3rd place to Col Parry with his 1.20 size D.H. 84 Tiger Moth. By the time you receive your Airwaves, our next PRAMS members event would have been run. I hope that everyone that participated had fun.

Please note that Saturday 12th March will be the PRAMS members “Sporty 40” competition. The Qld Pattern Flyers Association will also having a round for their calendar and will be running the day’s events. This will also be a great opportunity to improve your flying skills and above all have some fun with other members. Please note that the day is a “closed field” for the competition. Get there early to nominate with a pilot’s briefing at 8.30am and a 9.00am start.

YOUR CLUB NEEDS YOU!

A call to any club member for the position of “Promotions Officer” that is willing to be part of the organisation and assistance of the club’s events calendar. Please contact any of the committee members or myself if this sounds like you.

Enjoy your flying!

Mike O’Brien
President

Committee Bylines

At the recent Management Committee meeting the following subjects were discussed: **Working Bees**; these will be nominated as major or minor, depending on the amount of work to be done. Members shouldn’t expect to fly before noon on a major day, about 10am on a minor day.

The committee all expressed their appreciation of the work put in by members at working bees, particularly the last one! The next working bee will be a minor one, and concentrate on fencing.

Smokers are asked to remember to put their butts in the ashtray and bin provided – many were picked up around the pit area at the working bee!

Fuel sales are going very strongly, and contributing a lot to club coffers.

Therese asked that all members who have helped her in the canteen, particularly at the Christmas Party, be thanked for their assistance as it is much appreciated.

The suggestion box in the canteen can be used to suggest new items for the menu as well as general suggestions for the club – please use it!

The four DVD set of the Royal International Air Tattoo has been ordered for the library.

Flying Instructors. We need more of them! With the current influx of new members there is some frustration among them because of the delays in receiving flight instruction.

The Club Scale Day was enjoyed by all, a great turn-out of models by club members.

Helicopter Spraying. A reminder to members that if the helicopter is seen in the vicinity spraying for mosquitoes **all model flying must cease until the pilot indicates he has finished or until 45 minutes has passed since the last sighting. This is a CASA requirement!**

Bandwidth Testing: the club bye-laws will be amended to accept MAAA policy with regard to bandwidth testing.

Mobile Phones: The MAAA policy banning mobile phones from the pit area, Tx pound and flight line will also be incorporated into the club bye-laws. **Signs are to be erected at the gates to the pits to advice everybody of this ruling. Failure to comply with this could affect any insurance claim in the event of an accident!**

Welcome Pack: This is being prepared for new members and will also be incorporated into the web site.

Library News

The 15 copies of World Air Power Journal are still for sale – great reading for anyone interested in modern military aviation. These quarterly journals are dated from 1993-96, and were donated to the club. Proceeds from the sale will go towards buying model books or DVDs for the library. Any offers?

Three new DVDs have been received, the 2004 versions of the Dayton, Ohio Giant Scale Rally, Joe Nall Rally and the Jet Masters Rally. These will be popular, so check with me if you want to borrow any of them!

Dave Harper

For Sale:

New 12 volt geared starter for large engines. Excellent condition. \$55. Phone Peter on 3261 2416