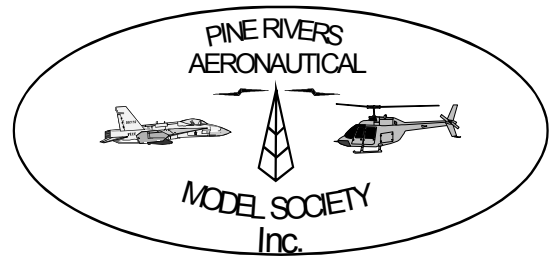


# Airwaves



Monthly newsletter of PINE RIVERS AERONAUTICAL MODEL SOCIETY

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## STOP PRESS!

**THE MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL NOTICES JUST SENT OUT ARE WRONG! THE \$55 MAINTENANCE LEVY WAS NOT INCLUDED, BUT WAS TAKEN OFF! PLEASE WAIT FOR THE NEW INVOICE TO ARRIVE, BEFORE SENDING OFF YOUR SUBS. If you've already sent the cheque, wait for the new invoice and send off the difference!**

**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY JUNE 25TH AT THE COMMUNITY HALL ON THE CORNER OF TODDS RD AND ELLIS RD, LAWNTON, COMMENCING AT 8PM.**

**WORKING BEES: THERE WILL BE A WORKING BEE ON SUNDAY 4TH JULY, mainly to rake up and dispose of the grass currently being slashed in the area for car parking for the Air Show. Bring rakes, trailers and utes!**

**ON SATURDAY JULY 24th we will be preparing for the Air Show, and all hands will be needed for this major job. If any members can come along on FRIDAY 23rd, they will be very welcome to help get things moving for the Air Show.**

**All three days will count as working bees, but breakfast may not be available on the 23rd, so come prepared....check with Geoff Hunwick and Dave Anderson for which jobs you can help with on 23rd and 24th July.**

**SUBSCRIPTIONS: All members should have received their subs invoice by now. I'm sure Artie would prefer to receive your cheques by mail rather than try to take in 200+ subs on meeting night! However, if you MUST pay cash, I guess he will be there...prepare to join the queue!**

## **MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 28/5/04.**

Meeting opened 8pm. Apologies: Chris Parker, Joyce Rowland, Dave Mount, Peter Sommerfeld.

Visitors: Greg and Timothy Muir were welcomed.

Minutes of the previous meeting as published in Airwaves were accepted as being true and correct.

Business arising from the minutes: Fuel has still not arrived.

Correspondence In: MAAQ licenses, member applications, JJ Richards.

Correspondence Out: Members, JJ Richards.

Treasurers Report: The financial account was read and accepted. It was moved by the treasurer that Motorcharge cards be obtained for use of the committee for buying fuel and supplies. This particular card cannot be used for cash advances and has a low monthly limit. The motion was passed unanimously.

CFI Report: The new low wing trainer is finished and was displayed to the meeting. It looked very smart in the decals produced by Darryl. It was moved by the CFI that the club purchase a new radio and buddy box to fit. The motion was passed unanimously.

Ground Maintenance: We are getting another load of topsoil so bring shovels etc to the next working bee!

Caterer's Report: The Electric Day was a great success and the canteen made a good profit on the day. Therese would like some help with the catering on Air Show Day.

Fuel: Members with empty fuel containers are requested to return them to the club.

Library: Another box of books has been donated by Dave Anderson. These will probably be sold off and the proceeds used to buy new modelling books for the library.

President's Report: Some members have concerns about radio interference from the model boat club at North Lakes. The lake is about 3.5Km away, and no evidence of interference has been found. If any member is concerned, try to obtain even numbered crystals on the 36Mhz band as boats and cars should only use odd numbers. Planes can use both.

When buying a new radio it pays to have both Tx and Rx bandwidth tested. It should also be retested after any bad crash! Regular testing, say every two years, can also pick up any drift caused by vibration and save your model....

It is an MAAQ rule that all radios must have a current test certificate before they can be used at any MAAQ contest or other sanctioned event. It may well become a club rule that all radios have a valid test sticker in future, so get those radios tested!

General Business: Members using the engine test stand behind the container are requested to clean it after use, and leave it as they would like to find it....

The member who donated and installed a new vice on the bench at the field has been rewarded with 4 working bee points, so would he please make himself known to the secretary on 54283701!

Mike O'Brien would like to thank all members who helped make the Electric Fly-In day such a great success. Electric power seems to be increasing in popularity as a result!

Mike was given a round of applause from the members for his efforts in organizing the day.

Air Show 2004. 25th July is the big day! Preparation is going ahead with the car park area to be slashed—(see working bee notice)

We will need members to help on the gate, with car parking, the canteen, pit area and registrations. The more members we can get involved in these jobs, the easier it is on all concerned! It is hoped to organize a roster of jobs and members volunteering for them, so ask the committee how you can help!

Meeting closed at 9.55pm.

## **Committee Bylines:**

At the committee meeting held on 10th June the following items were discussed:

Peter Sommerfeld was thanked for donating six 6v sealed lead acid batteries for use at the field on Air Show Day.

The padlock on the field gate is faulty and will be replaced.

Slashing of the car park area for the Air Show was discussed, maybe it should be contracted out.

New fees for MAAQ have finally come through so subs notices can be sent out.

Please inform the secretary if your address changes, so notices and newsletters can find you!

Mark Costello was thanked for donating a line marker and 12 cans of paint to go with it.

A new radio may be donated from Moreton Region Soaring Soc. which could be used in the new trainer. An OS40FSR has been donated by Graham Tattersall. Thanks for both items...

Working bees to be called for July 23 and 24 to prepare for the Air Show. Members to be asked to volunteer to help on the day, rosters to be organized for this.

A list of videos and books in the club library will be posted in the notice board at the field.

An application for a grant for a Renewable Energy installation at the field was circulated, and agreed to be most impressive. It will be submitted to the Community Gaming Fund. It consists of a mast carrying a wind generator and solar panel, both connected via control circuitry to batteries. This would enable us to run a fridge continuously etc.

Bandwidth testing of radios to be made compulsory by July 2005. New members' radios must be tested as of July 2004 before being allowed to use them at the field. This will be discussed at the next General Meeting.

## **Library Notes:**

Thanks to members buying up the books donated by Dave Anderson, as well as keeping the old magazines moving, I now not only have some space in the library but generated over \$100 for buying new books!

So far, two new books have been purchased—Martin Simon's classic Model Aircraft Aerodynamics and R/C Foam Modelling. Having both books in my own library, I can vouch for their usefulness! Both went out on loan straight away, which is what they are there for, but let me know if you'd like to borrow either one, or any other library book, and I'll try and organize a holding system.

Also I'll be producing a list of items held in the library to be posted at the field, which will at least let members know what we have! I have two racks full of books and magazines in my workshop, which members are welcome to come and look at any time, just give me a ring on 32611140 to organize a time....

I have been bringing some of the library to the field each time I come flying, and this seems to be working well. It's not doing anyone any good sitting on the shelf! I'll continue to sell off odd magazines as in the past, to raise money for new books. If anyone knows of a book or video they'd like to see in the library (aeromodelling subjects only, please!) let me know, and we'll see what we can do. Maybe a member would have a copy he's willing to donate! Many members seem to be shopping through the internet these days—maybe it would be worth giving useful web sites here in the newsletter to help new members etc. Although we need to support our local suppliers, it is patently impossible for them to carry all the specialized gear around today...here's a few sites that I can recommend:

[www.flyelectric.com](http://www.flyelectric.com) is Peter Pine's electric flight store. A good range of specialized electric goodies as well as moulded gliders.

[www.ozeflight.com.au](http://www.ozeflight.com.au) is based in Tasmania and is another electric flight specialist.

Most of the magazines have their own sites and Model Airplane News has its

[www.rcstore.com](http://www.rcstore.com) which lists many books and plans that can be ordered over the net.

## EVENTS CALENDAR

- July 18 LARCS Warbirds—contact D Garle 07 38070447.
- July 17/18 Dalby Climb and Glide
- July 17/18 Susan River Airshow
- July 24 PRAMS Air Show practice day
- July 25 PRAMS Air Show
- August 22 Suncoast Model Flyers All Electric Fun Fly Day at Coolum. Contact John Borrill 54928664 or Jim Wilson 54997170
- August 28 TMAC Air Show practice Day
- August 29 TMAC Mini Airshow
- September 19 RAAF Amberley Warbirds—contact Col Ron Cavanagh 07 33786325
- October 2/3 Gold Coast Open Day/Have a Go Day.
- October 2/3 East Coast C/L Championships at ALC field Chetwynd St, Loganholme.
- October 9/10 Dalby Fun-Fly
- October 16/17 Bundaberg Warbirds—contact Col Jim Rose 07 41521851
- October 31 RAID Warbirds—contact P Davies 07 38799966
- November 21 TMAC Biplane and Warbirds Day.
- November 28 PRAMS Warbirds—contact C Parry 07 38883848

### THINK SAFETY!

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Solid steel construction with polyflex cushions for model protection.  
You can push or hammer it into the ground.  
It will last a lifetime! Quick delivery!  
Standard model a bargain at only \$10!  
Phone Barry Evans on 33599101 or catch him at the field.

### Thoughts for the day.

It's damned hard to fly with your transmitter upside down because your ailerons are reversed! (True story!)  
The best way to save your model is to leave it in the car.....