

# AIRWAVES

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THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY NOVEMBER 26<sup>TH</sup> AT THE COMMUNITY HALL ON THE CORNER OF TODDS RD AND ELLIS RD, LAWNTON COMMENCING AT 8PM. This meeting is the annual auction, so bring all those old models etc along!

THE NEXT WORKING BEE WILL BE ON SUNDAY DECEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>. THE NEW CONTAINER IS TO BE PAINTED, ALSO THE TRANSMITTER POUND, SO BRING ALONG YOUR PAINTBRUSHES!

## Minutes of PRAMS Meeting held on October 29<sup>th</sup> 2004

Meeting opened at 8 05 PM

Apologies:- Jim Hill, Graham Kennedy, Eric Pond, Bob Porter

New Members Nil

Visitors Dave Bowe, James Ditton

Minutes of last meeting as published in Airwaves Accepted Proposed, Dave Harper, Seconded, Col Parry

### Presidents Report.

Hi everyone, just a few reminders for the festive season: The next monthly members meeting will be Friday 28<sup>th</sup> January and there will also be no working bee in January.

The 2005 calendar is completed and filled with various FUN events for everyone. There is also some MAAQ advertised days and fly-in weekends for everyone to come along and enjoy the company of other modellers from clubs within our local areas. I encourage our members to particularly take part in the "PRAMS MEMBERS" only events and to fully enjoy themselves. The 2005 calendar will be displayed on the member's notice board at the field and also obtainable from the club web site.

I trust that you all have a safe Christmas season and prosperous new year for 2005.  
Enjoy your flying.

Mike O'Brien.

Correspondence In, Hand delivered letter From Joyce Rowland re sexual discrimination and demanding \$5,000.00 compensation from club, JJ Richards, GBS Accountancy, Letter from David Turton, Annual AGM of Lawnton Community Centre, Letter from MAAQ [Insurance, AGM Meeting & Auditors report], Affiliation cards from MAAQ[Form 9] Bank Statement from Suncorp, Letter from Office of Fair Trading, Letter from

Society Caterer Therese Ross, Letter from Geoffrey Viertz. It was requested from the meeting that the letter from Joyce Rowland be read out and also the letter handed to me by Bill Rowland at the last Management Committee Meeting addressed to Dave Anderson and titled ROUGH DRAFT ONLY this having a name attached to it of Paul Pattison but no Legal Status. The President said it was not for discussion as it was being handled by the Management Committee at this stage.

Correspondence Out, MAAQ New members & Ins. For late members, Dept. of Fair Trading {Annual Return of Association}, JJ Richards, GBS Accountancy, Letter and return of Club fees to David Turton, Letter of confirmation to Geoffrey Viertz, Club cards to members, Affiliation cards to members.

Treasurers Report, We are doing very well Proposed Barry Evans, Seconded Pat Benson Carried by the meeting.

CFI Report, It has been decided that the minimum standard for PRAMS instructors be Gold Wing with Buddy Box Capability, list of Instructors to be posted on Club notice board in shed.

Field Maintenance Report, In anticipation of a new Container the ground work has been done for it to be next to the existing Container so that a roof can be erected over both to protect them and also to form another source of water catchment. Bob has asked if anyone in the Club has roof erection skills could they please contact him to give expert advice. From now on the Working Bee book will terminate at 8.30AM.

Librarian Report, Dave has said we are still getting in new books and DVD's so make sure you make good use of our excellent library facilities.

Catering Officers Report, Canteen is still doing very well and making good money, Therese has asked for donations for the Xmas Hamper raffle all donations gratefully received. Thanking you all also for changing around the layout of canteen, now much more pleasant to work in. Gordon Grant has kindly donated two chairs for this evenings raffle.

New Members, Dave Bowe, James Ditton, George Falcon, Thomas Kropp. Welcome to the Club lads.

Fuel, Geoff Hunwick will review the fuel situation as we are about to lose Jim Hill from this post.

PRO Report, The President has taken over this post temporarily and has made out a Proposed PRAMS Calendar of events for the Club taking in all aspects of the Hobby to try and suit everyone. If anybody has any ideas for the future please contact Mike.

General Business, Graham Tattersall has suggested the Club still retains the existing standards for Solo Flight Tests as previously published in Airwaves, Proposed By Barry Evans, Seconded by Ian Rae, Motion carried with one Abstention.

Bob Moore moved that we purchase a second Container as we can get it at the right price through Mike's contacts around \$1450.00, Proposed by Mark Kyle, Seconded by Col Parry motion carried.

Don Barber, has donated a suggestion box for the Club Members which he will look after and will be held in the canteen next to the library returns box.

The Raffle was won by Bob Porter and second prize by Mike O'Brien.

**DON'T FORGET THE CLUB AUCTION NIGHT IS FRIDAY 26<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER BRING ALONG YOUR GOODIES.**

**ALSO DON'T FORGET YOUR XMAS PARTY TICKETS, PARTY IS 12<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER AT THE FIELD.**  
There being no further Business the Meeting closed at 9.30PM.

# PRAMS 2005 Events Calendar.

## “PRAMS Member’s Only Events.”

**Fun Scale Day!** – Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> January. Come and bring any “scale” model and see what we have all been up to in our spare time. Trophies voted by pilot’s choice for best “built-up” and “ARF” models. Models must fly to be nominated for trophy. **Starting time 10.00am** \$5.00 entry fee.

**Fun Aerobatic Comp!** – Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> February. Come and have some fun! “BARCS Annual Society Championships” trophy. Trophies for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> placegetters. Schedule: take off and fly circuit to start / finish line. Timer starts. Then fly 2 x inside loops, 2 x turn spin, 2 x rolls, 2 x inside loops and fly past finish line / timer stop. Quickest time wins **Starting time 10.00am** \$5.00 entry fee.

**Sporty 40 Aerobatic Comp!** – Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> March. A very basic schedule as per Australian Pattern Association rules. A great day of fun and an introductory to pattern competition flying. Rules .46 size standard engine (side exhaust, no performance pipes), fixed landing gear etc. Schedule as follows: Take off, procedure turn right to left, outward figure eight right to left, inward figure eight left to right, cuban eight with half roll right to left, immelman turn left to right, two inside loops left to right, two rolls right to left, two turn spin, inverted flight four to six seconds right to left, rectangular circuit right to left and landing. **Starting time 10.00am** \$5.00 entry fee.

**Don’s Flying School Competition Day of FUN!** – Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June. Always a great day of FUN! **Starting time 10.00am** See Don closer to the event for details.

**Fun Sailplane & Fun Old Timer Comp!** – Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> August. Now bring out those nice and slow flying models for some light-hearted fun! “BARCS Life Members Sailplane” trophy & “Len Amos Life Member’s Old Timer” trophy. Basic rules: fly 5 exactly minutes, bonus spot landing points, 3 rounds (best 2 x rounds scored), points deducted for over & under time. Glider can be launched either by electric motor or bungee launch. Old Timer’s must R.O.G. **Starting time 10.00am** \$5.00 entry fee.

**Life Members Day of FUN!** – Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> October. A friendly day of socialising and enjoyment. Incorporating a relaxed day of fun flying. Flying events organised on the day. **Starting time 10.00am** \$5.00 entry fee.

**Fun Pylon Day!** – Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November. “BARCS Life Members Pylon” trophy. Can you fly a circuit? Any model can be used! YOU DON’T FLY AGAINST OTHER PLANES! YOU FLY AGAINST YOURSELF! Basic rules: Fly 2 x practice laps, then fly 2 x timed laps and land. Pilot then flies 2 x laps to a nominated time. The pilot who flies as close to their nominated time wins! **Starting time 1.00pm** (please note closed field from 12.30pm). \$5.00 entry fee.

## “MAAQ Advertised Events at PRAMS field.”

*Please note radios must have current bandwidth check for all MAAQ sanctioned events.*

**PRAMS Fun-Fly Weekend** – Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> April.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Annual S & B Model Aircraft South East Qld Electric Fun-Fly** – Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May. \$5.00 registration fee.

**PRAMS Annual Charity Air-show** – Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July. (Practice day on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup>)

**PRAMS Fun Scale Fly-In** – Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September. Trophies for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> (pilot’s choice). Models must fly to be nominated for prizes. \$5.00 registration fee.

**Warbirds Fly-In** – Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November. Hosted by the Miniature Warbirds Association.

**Committee Bylines:** The following subjects were discussed at the last Management Committee Meeting.

The second container is now in place. Many thanks to new member John Martland for delivering it for us! We will need to paint it to match the other container at our next working bee.

New arrangements will be in place at future working bees for recording attendees and number of breakfasts. Bob Moore will control the attendance book which will close at 8.30. We are looking for Project managers to look after building a shower at the field and putting a roof over the two containers.

Therese would like some volunteer helpers to serve up the meal at the Christmas Party. The last day for registering and paying for the Christmas Party will be this month's meeting on 26 Nov. The meal to be served will be Red Rooster chicken and salad plus treats for the children. There will also be a lucky dip for the older children.

We are still looking for someone to play Santa at the party – any offers? Donations for the Christmas raffle are sought by Therese – please give model goods or non-perishable food items.

It was agreed that Airwaves is best distributed via email, this being much quicker and cheaper. It was suggested that only a basic copy be sent by 'snailmail' containing a single sheet with minutes of the previous meeting plus other essential information. A full copy would go to email recipients and would also be posted on the noticeboard at the field as well as the club website. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

Mike has made up a calendar of club and MAAQ events for 2005. A Planner type calendar will be posted at the field and distributed at the meeting.

Therese has club badges and patches for sale – contact her for details.

It was moved and approved that a better club web site be built with our own site address. Danny Hollis and James McAllen to organise.

### **Library News.**

Two new items have just been received – a DVD on model hovercraft and a book called Bipes – one of the Harry Higley series. Two more books are on order, scale drawings of WWI and WWII aircraft – lots of details for the warbird fliers!

We recently had a pile of magazine donated to the library by Jacques Boosten and Col Cruden – thanks fellers! I'm still sorting through them but they seem to be mostly American magazines such as Model Airplane News and RC Modeller. To make room for these new additions I'll be bringing a load of the older magazines along to the club auction where they will be sold off very cheaply! All proceeds from the sale will go into the library kitty for buying more books and DVDs etc.

It has been suggested that a charge of, say, a dollar be made for each item taken out of the library. I feel this would make accounting very messy, but maybe a donation box could be put near the library at the field...what do you think? Again, this money would be for buying new library items.

Danny Hollis is still producing DVDs of our 2004 Airshow – some computer problems have slowed up production but hopefully more will be available soon. Cost is \$10 of which \$3 goes to the library fund.

I'm happy to receive suggestions for new library items – there are heaps of books, videos and DVDs available now, check the internet and current magazines for titles!

Another service we can provide is to help members find particular plans. I have several plans catalogues to hand, but maybe a request in Airwaves will enable any other member with your plan to put his/her hand up to loan it to you....over to you!

Dave Harper