



AIRWAVES

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF PINE RIVERS AERONAUTICAL MODEL SOCIETY

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THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY November 24th AT THE COMMUNITY HALL ON THE CORNER OF TODDS RD AND ELLIS RD, LAWNTON COMMENCING AT 7.30PM. Please note the early start! This is so we can have the Club Auction – bring along your unwanted models and goodies as well as your spare cash!

THE NEXT WORKING BEE WILL BE ON SUNDAY 3RD DECEMBER STARTING AT 8AM.

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Minutes of PRAMS GM held on 27th October 2006

Meeting opened at: - 8.07PM **Members present:** - 20 members attended.

Apologies: - Mike O'Brien, Dave Mount, Grahame Kennedy, Peter Summerfeldt, Gordon Grant

Visitor's welcome: - Lee Wherrett, Dave Wherrett, Warren Morrison, Jean Fagan

Minutes of previous GM held on Friday 1st Sep 2006: - As published in October 2006 edition of Airwaves. Proposer, Danny Hollis, Seconded by Dave Harper. Carried.

Matters arising from previous Meeting: - Next working bee 5Nov06 confirmed. Fence, pits regrassing, and drainage work planned. Members again reminded of 30 metre rule particularly with regard to helicopter hover area but care also required with regard to pits and taxiways.

Minutes of Special GM held on Friday 29th Sep 2006: - As published in October 2006 edition of Airwaves. Proposer, Dave Harper, Seconded by Peter Atkinson. Carried.

Matters arising from previous Meeting: - Resignation of Bob Ring as Secretary. President announced the casual vacancy was filled by George McLucas.

Secretary's report: - **Correspondence In:** Queensland Govt Upgrade Solar Power System Approval Stage 2; Bob Ring Letter of resignation as secretary; Royal Childrens Hospital Foundation - Letter of Appreciation & receipt; Sandgate PCYC Inviting PRAMS to display 3/4 Mar 07; Office of Fair Trading - amendment to annual return; Commonwealth Bank Cheque Account statement; Suncorp Bank statement; Motorcharge card statement

Correspondence Out: Payment Waste Busters; Payment D Harper Airwaves printing costs; Payment JJ Richards Cleansing Services Bin; Payment Auditor fees.

New Members:- Warren Morrison, David Wherrett, Brian Ford (Associate) were admitted as members by acclamation.

Proposed George McLucas. Seconded Barry Evans. Carried.

Treasurers Report: -. In Gordon's Grant's absence, the President read the treasurer's report. This was an interim report for the quarter. The Club has traded well for the three months. As cheque account balance has grown, transfer to an interest bearing deposit is to be arranged. On Gordon's return from leave he intends to prepare a budget and present it to the membership. Totals for revenue and outgoings were read to the meeting. A net surplus was detailed.

Proposed Danny Hollis. Seconded Barry Evans. Carried.

Business arising from correspondence:- Solar Power Phase II grant approved. Geoffrey Hunwick and Danny Hollis outlined aspect of project (additional batteries, charger, and solar panels. Remote monitoring, including security and weather. Some technical challenges.) A vote of thanks for Paul Hopley, Geoffrey Hunwick, and other involved in preparing the submission was moved by acclamation. Letter of resignation of Bob Ring carried to general business.

CFI Report: - Don Barber advised 5 trainers are available. Two receiver battery packs required.

Field maintenance Report: - Field top fence requires some work. Bill Hall thanked. Discussion on mowing which has resulted in less defined taxiways. Taxiways are line marked. Mowing persons to be advised of requirements.

Fuel Report: - Good stock levels. Four bottles of Coolpower do not appear to have been paid for. Any members who may have made recent oil purchases and have payment outstanding, please pay treasurer ASAP. Discussion on receipt details required to assist treasurer.

Catering Report: - All OK

Airwaves Report: - All OK

General Business:

Minature Vintage Warbirds. Jeff Hunwick reminded members that the Minature Vintage Warbirds Association would be attending the PRAMS Warbirds Day on Sunday 26Nov06. This group attendance has been an important part of the activity in past years. Jeff moved the invitation be extended for last weekend in November next year. Seconded James McAllen. Carried.

Range Check Aid. Barry Evans demonstrated a simple clip on flag to assist with range checking. Barry donated three of the aides for use at the field. The aides will be located in the pound for anyone wishing to take advantage of Barry's generosity.

Steel Trunk. The donation of a steel trunk by Peter Atkinson was acknowledged by the meeting.

Water Pump. Jeff Hunwick reported that while the water pump motor was serviceable the pump was corroded and near the end of its life. James McAllen proposed that Jeff be authorised to purchase a new stainless steel bodied pump up to the value of \$600. Seconded Danny Hollis. Carried.

Jeff also acknowledged the support given to the club by the landowner Sid Bray. Jeff indicated that our tank water storage installation had been timely and had been topped up by recent rains. A bath tub "watering trough", to assist the agisted stock, was to be relocated to west of the club enclosure and connected to our tank allow stock watering would be installed next working bee.

Christmas Party. Meeting was reminded that the party was scheduled for 17Dec06.

Disabled Persons Club Activities. The funding of various club projects by the Community Gaming Funds was acknowledged. Ways to repay some of this generosity to the community were discussed. Pat Benson moved that the executive committee investigate the conduct of a familiarisation / buddy box fly-in activity for disabled persons. Pine Rivers people to be given priority. Seconded Dave Anderson. Carried.

Library Subscriptions. . Dave Harper advised some members subscribed to RCME, QEFI, and Quiet Flyer magazines and copies had been donated to the library. A proposal for the club take up subscriptions these magazines (a total of \$340 pa approx) moved by Dave Harper and

seconded Neil Tyler was passed. Dave Harper proposed and Neil Tyler seconded a motion to purchase a DVD set "Setting up Model Helicopters" (US\$ 50) was defeated.

Community Gaming Funds. The various ways in which the requirements to acknowledge this funding were discussed.

Resignation of Bob Ring as Secretary. Bob's letter of resignation was read to the meeting and discussed. The chairman reminded that the committee were volunteers. He also reminded members that coarse or profane language in meetings would not be tolerated. He asked members to maintain common courtesy towards other members. Club Rules provided for disciplinary action to be taken.

Payment of Executive Members. The payment of committee members for their services was again discussed James McAllen proposed the membership fees be waived for the Treasurer and Secretary in the year following a year of service.. Dave Anderson moved, seconded David Hale that the proposal be carried over to the next meeting. Defeated. An amendment to the motion for an honorarium in lieu of waived fees was proposed by Danny Hollis and seconded Neil Tyler. The amendment was passed. The amended motion "an honorarium of \$250 per annum, or pro rata amount, be paid to the Treasurer and to the Secretary at the end of the year" was carried.

There being no further Business the meeting closed @ 9.50 pm

“Scale Day” report by Mike O’Brien.

On Sunday 12th November saw members of our club and some visiting pilots from the Sunshine Coast take part in our annual fun scale day. This event is run in the memory of P.R.A.M.S. Life Member Harry Gerhmann for scale and craftsmanship that he pursued in his life of aero-modelling. The “built-up” class was also supported by various well presented aircraft. In conjunction with the built-up scale we also ran an A.R.F. (almost ready to fly) class based on similar A.R.F. scale events that are run nationally. With the increase and large variety of A.R.F. models this class was well supported with a good variety of Warbirds, Civilian and Aerobatic aircraft. An annual perpetual A.R.F. trophy was donated by P.R.A.M.S. club member Mike O’Brien. All the pilots flew two rounds with their best score counted as their nominated flight score. After the two rounds it was great to see many of the competitors scores very close. The schedules included a set of compulsory and optional manoeuvres that were scored and judged in the spirit of the full size aircraft they represented. Despite the windy conditions everyone that participated had a great time. Thanks to Steve Glasson, Fran Sutherland, Bob Moore and Dave Mount for assisting with judging the event. If you have a scale model, then make sure you attend this event next year.

The results were as follows:

A.R.F. Class

- 1st Darren Robinson – Great Planes Stuka
- 2nd Mike O’Brien – World Models Fairchild PT-26
- 3rd Dave Mount – Hangar 9 Sopwith Camel
- 4th Robert Bennet – Extra
- 5th Jim Wilson – Tiger Moth

Built-Up Class

- 1st John Borrill – Citabria Pro
 - 2nd Paul Holmes – Sopwith Pup
 - 3rd Ben Staines – Qantas 747
 - 4th Fran Sutherland - Skyfox
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