



AIRWAVES

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF PINE RIVERS AERONAUTICAL MODEL SOCIETY

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THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY OCTOBER 27TH AT THE COMMUNITY HALL ON THE CORNER OF TODDS RD AND ELLIS RD, LAWNTON COMMENCING AT 8PM. A BRIEF BUSINESS MEETING WILL BE HELD BEFORE THE SOCIAL SESSION.
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THE NEXT WORKING BEE WILL BE ON SUNDAY NOV 5TH STARTING AT 8 AM.
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HELP! WE NEED SOMEBODY!

FOR REASONS TO BE EXPLAINED AT THE MEETING THIS FRIDAY OUR SECRETARY HAS RESIGNED.

SO – WE URGENTLY NEED SOMEONE TO FILL THIS VITAL POSITION ON THE COMMITTEE.

Are you willing and able to help us? If so, please make yourself known to the committee at the meeting this Friday! Thank you.
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Minutes of PRAMS Club Meeting held on Friday 1st September 2006 at Todd's Rd

Meeting opened at: - 8.40 PM **Members present:** - 49

Apologies: - Trevor Mills and Neil Tylor

Visitor's welcome: - Visitors had previously been welcomed at the start of the AGM.

New Members:- Paul Hampstead and James Blake were admitted as members by acclamation.

Minutes of previous Meeting: -. As per Airwaves

Proposer, Mike O'Brien, Seconded, James McAllen and accepted by the Meeting.

Matters arising from previous Meeting: - An Update was given on the mower repair and tractor unit. The broken ride-on is now fully operational as reported in August Airwaves.

Proposed, Mike O'Brien, Seconded, James McAllen, accepted by the meeting.

Secretary's report: -Correspondence In: - A/Cs from JJ Richards, A/Cs from Waste Busters, Suncorp Metway bank statements, Motor Charge A/Cs, Correspondence from Children's Hospital Charity, Agenda for MAAQ Meeting 9/9/06, Various application and renewal forms, Commonwealth Bank Statement.

Correspondence Out: - Cheques to JJ Richards, Cheque to Hobby Headquarters for 200l Nitro Methane, Various cheques to MAAQ for Affiliations, Club Cards and Affiliation Cards, Letters of thanks to Airshow Sponsors.

Reminders:- Will all instructors who use the Club Trainers please put them back on the racks provided, and in doing so keep the room uncluttered.

Proposed, James McAllen, Seconded, Mike O'Brien, accepted by the meeting.

Treasurers Report: - Airshow receipts and expenditure were read out. Proposed, Danny Hollis, Seconded, James McAllen, "That the sum of \$500.00 be sent to each of the two charities being sponsored". Passed by the Meeting.

Proposed David Mount, Seconded Geoff Hunwick "That the Treasurer's report be accepted. Passed by the meeting.

Catering Report: - No actual report but Therese said everything was going fine.

CFI Report: Don reported instances of aircraft crashing at wayward locations.

This would be followed up at the next Committee Meeting.

Field maintenance Report: - Moved Peter Dean and Seconded Dave Harper "That the Sept Working Bee be cancelled" Passed by the meeting. Peter

Summerfeldt reported Everything was fine for the moment but mentioned the need for some additional drains be added to the schedule of things to do, and that the bottom gate needs welding.

Fuel Report: - All OK.

Airwaves Report: - Everything OK

Promotions Report: - Members were referred to notice board.

General Business:- Moved by James McAllen and seconded by Dave Mount; In the year following their election, provided that each member has spent the full term in office, the PRAMS fees be waived and that PRAMS pay the MAAQ affiliation fee for those members holding the position of Secretary and Treasurer, and that the PRAMS fees be waived for all other elected committee members and appointed sub committee members, those positions being, President, Vice President, Field Maintenance Officer, Fuel Coordinator, Catering Officer and Airwaves Editor.

An Amendment to the motion was put by Danny Hollis and seconded by Patrick Hetherman "that the motion be carried over to the next meeting to allow full membership to be advised". Passed on show of hands.

Kerry Turton gave a reminder that the helicopter area is a dedicated flying area and not for use as a parking or children's play area. Graham Tattersall discussed implications of 30 metre rule. Committee to follow up.

Graham Kennedy announced that at the meeting on 29th Sept He would give a talk on Frictionless Propeller Balancers

There being no further Business the meeting closed @ 9.20PM.

Minutes of Social and Special General Meeting of 29/09/06

Meeting:- Opened at 8:04pm

Visitors:- Welcomed Mrs Dwyer

Apologies:-M.O'Brien, J McAllen, B.Evans, G.Hunwick, J.Condon.

New members:- A.Tsangari, B.Stone, R.Kirk, J.Kirk, D.Turtin, J.Dwyer, and S.Cosgrove.

Social meeting closed at 8:15pm

Special General Meeting opened at 8:15pm

Item 1. Management Committee recommends return to monthly meetings so that urgent matters can be taken care of without the need to call Special General meetings. The intention would be to keep it very brief, so that Social Activities would not be lost. Passed on show of hands.

Item 2. Notice of motion. Moved James McAllen and seconded by David Mount "That in the year following their election, provided that each member has spent the full term in office, the PRAMS fees be waived and that PRAMS pays the MAAQ affiliation fees for those members holding the positions of Secretary and Treasurer, and that PRAMS fees be waived for all other elected and appointed sub-committee members, those positions being President, Vice President, Field Maintenance Officer, Fuel Coordinator, Catering Officer, C.F.I., and Newsletter Editor.

The motion was lost on a show of hands, there being no votes in favour and a clear majority of members against. There were several abstentions.

Discussion included a request from the President to have a facility for not taking this benefit if not required, but it was pointed out that a donation could be made to compensate. A member also stated that all elected officers knew what they were taking on when they accepted nomination and should not be compensated. It was also said that all Committee Members have maintenance levee waived which should be enough, and puts everyone on a level playing field.

Notice was given that the next Committee Meeting would be at Pat Benson's home at Burpengary on Friday 6th Oct at 7:30pm

Meeting closed at 8:40pm

Graham Kennedy then gave a talk on the construction of almost frictionless prop balancers.

NOTES FROM COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT PAT BENSON'S HOME ON 6TH OCT.

Pat discussed the possibility of holding Corporate days, where staff of a Corporation could be given a trial flight or two as a sponsored activity. Gordon pointed out that his Bowls Club tried similar, but received very little interest from Corporations approached. Bob suggested qualified Instructors only should be used, with the club trainers. Pat suggested a small percentage of the income received could go toward the instructors future fees. To be discussed further.

There was discussion on the Charities supported by the PRAMS Airshow. It was agreed that there should only be one charity supported, and that it should be the Royal Children's Hospital. It was noted that this group had gone to some trouble to promote the Airshow.

There was also discussion on the occasional outburst including four letter words at meetings. We often have women and young people at our meetings, and if this happens again the Committee will consider the imposition of a penalty. Please have consideration and control this at our meetings.

Finally Bob Ring read his letter of resignation as Secretary.

RESULTS OF LIFE MEMBERS DAY COMPETITION SUN OCT 22ND.

Bill's Competition was to take off, do one loop then spot landing.

Ben's Competition was to take off, do 10 sec climb then land nearest to nominated time.

Despite 30 knot winds seven members entered for each competition. The results were as follows:

Bill's Comp: 1st – Darryl Thomas, 2nd Bob Moore, 3rd Eric Pond.

Ben's Comp: 1st Darryl Thomas, 2nd Ben Staines, 3rd Dave Mount.

Thanks to Bill and Ben for carrying on the tradition and to the competing members for risking their models in the windy conditions!

Library Notes

Subscriptions have just been renewed for Quiet & Electric Flight and RCM&E magazines for the club library. Previously several members donated funds to pay for these magazines and then had first opportunity to read them before they became available to all members via the library. As both subs came up at the same time and had to be paid promptly to keep them current I paid them myself. The club has repaid one subs that has been billed, the other when the bill arrives. Those members wanting to maintain their priority on the magazines are requested to stump up their share pronto so we can repay the club funds! Otherwise the magazines will go to any member on first in, best dressed system! This will be discussed at the meeting this Friday to canvass member's opinions.

There are still a few library items outstanding after longish periods – I reckon one month is long enough to read (or view) and return any item! Defaulters please note!

For our new members, the library is maintained in a cupboard in the club house – magazines are kept on the shelves at the back of the clubroom. Items are available to any member at no cost. Apart from myself there are three assistant librarians who have keys to the cupboard and will book items in and out on request. These members are: Patrick Hetherman, Keith Bartlett and Darren Robinson. There are quite a selection of books, magazines, videos and DVDs available on a number of aeromodelling topics as well as some full size aviation items. Feel free to ask any of the librarians to let you have a look at what we've got! There is also a Returns Box on top of the library cupboard so items can be returned securely even if there is no librarian available...I will also accept returned items at our Friday meetings. We hope to keep increasing our range of items – suitable suggestions are invited...

Copies of the 2005 Airshow DVD are still available at \$10 – order through me – Dave Harper