



# Airwaves

**Sports Aeromodellers Association Moreton Bay Region**

## Monthly Newsletter - Feb 2014

### President's Report

Not much to report on this month.

Some may be aware that Bill Darby has resigned from his committee post and AIRWAVES editor. The AIRWAVES Position is still available for anybody interested. I would like to thank Bill for his efforts and contributions to the advancement of Uhlmann Rd during his time with the committee. In the mean time, I have produced a resemblance of a news letter, all be it small and disjointed. Now is the time for anybody that thinks they can do AIRWAVES better to stand up and have a go.

On a brighter note – The committee and SAAMBR members thank Graham Tattersall for stepping into the breach to assist with the ongoing coordination of the task at hand for Uhlmann Rd.

I have received some questions re insurance and public liability. The public liability we currently have is provided to us / you as part of your current MAAA membership. To mitigate risk – it is absolutely essential that if you are flying with non financial members on a casual basis at either field – cease. In any event that you are injured or property damage occurs you may find yourself in a position you may prefer not being in.

For the very small number of you encouraging others to fly without membership, please reconsider your actions, You may well be jeopardising yourself and the club as a whole.

The committee has sourced written clarification on the camping aspects at Uhlmann Rd from the council. Please see page 3 for details.

The committee has invited the MAAQ to talk to the members at our March meeting. This was offered as a gesture to allow members all sides of any argument regarding membership choice. To date no correspondence has been received from the MAAQ suggesting their invitation is accepted.

Last month I provided my personal phone number for any member wishing to call me to chat about any issues they feel compelled to discuss. So far – to date, I have had two call. One was from an Indian call centre, and the other was from a member concerned by the implementation of the new over 7kg flying boundary. On that note – I need to reconfirm that the flying boundary is for ALL aircraft over 7kgs only. The normal runways and approaches can still be used for takeoff and landings but normal flight envelopes are now confined to the areas designated in the map – see page 2

Concerns have been raised about our awareness when sharing the airspace with other pilots. Please communicate your intent with regards to flying patterns and circuits—i.e—Call if you are making a low pass or touch and go. Also—choose your moments to fly and give everybody a chance to enjoy the air-space. Don't go flying your jet when there a trainee in the air on buddy box etc.

With no other calls I'm please to state that the membership must be 99% happy with the current committee. Thank-you for your support :-)

### MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Friday the 28th Feb at the Community hall on the corner of Todd and Ellis Streets Lawnton commencing at 7.30pm.

### WORKING BEES

Our working bees are to be held:

Bray Field: none this month

Gibson Field: Sunday 09 March

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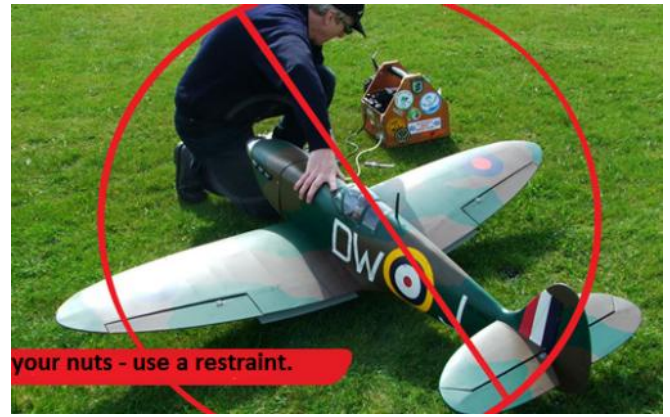
5% Discount for SAAMBR members

## Message from the C.F.I.

A reminder that the use of model plane restraints is actually a rule of flying at SAAMBR. While some rules allow “flexibility” in their application, rules around Safety cannot be overlooked. Please ensure your planes are well restrained before starting.

Please also remember to place all you 36 and 24Mhz keys (yep—some still have these) in the board when flying and place your Tx in the compound when not.

SAFE FLYING C.F.I.



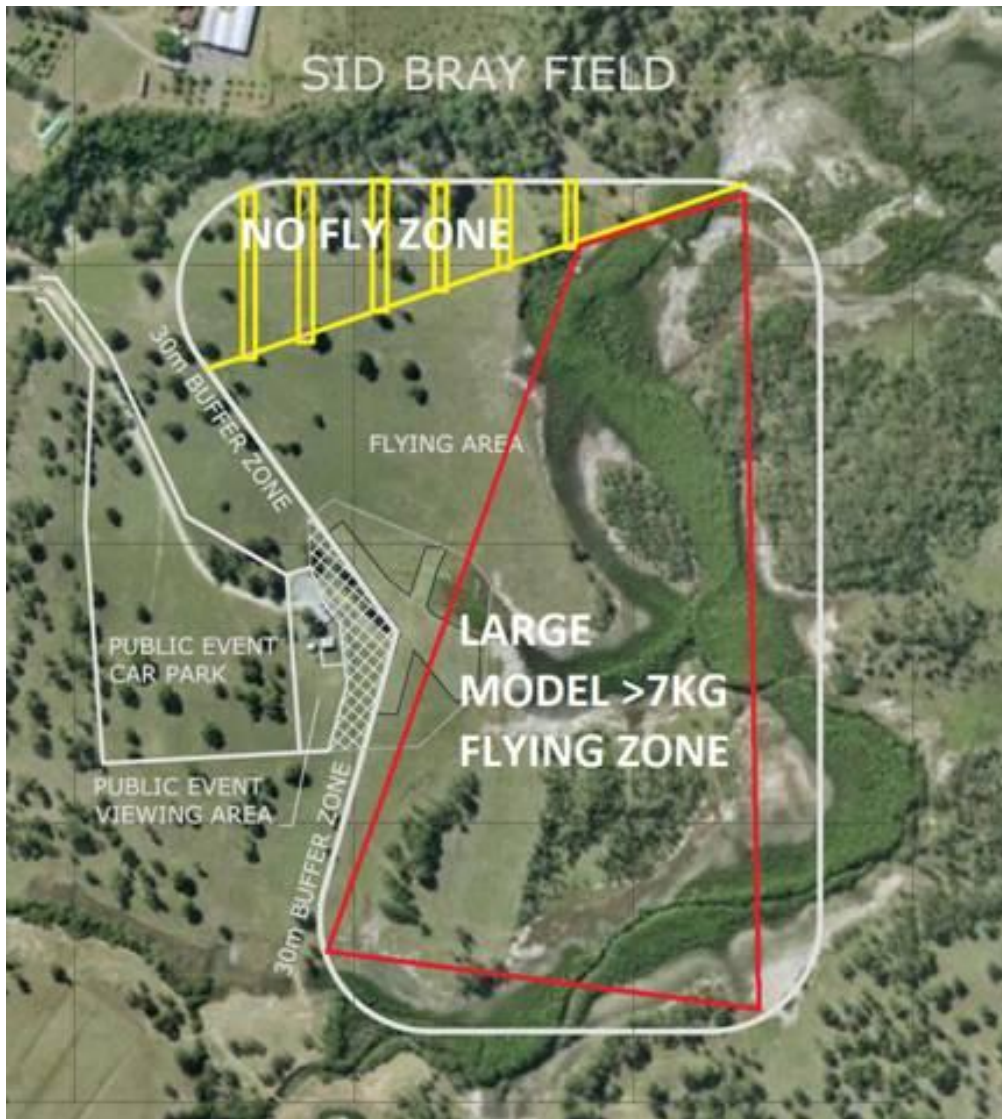
# WANTED

## AIRWAVES Editor

Looking for an enthusiastic volunteer with basic computer skills to edit, collect and format our monthly edition of the AIRWAVES mail out.

No training or remuneration provided for either position – but a thick skin may be beneficial.

Please contact the President or Secretary or any additional information.



### Large Model Flying Zone (from page 1)

Concerns are still being aired re the current flying boundaries and the encroaching into the air space behind the tree line. Effective immediately, ALL Large Model (those over 7Kgs) must now fly within the “large model boundaries” as identified in the map (left). The short strip to the left of the pilot box may only be approached for landings, or upon take off. Failure to comply with the new boundaries may follow with a request to land.

The strips may still be accessed for all takeoffs, finals and landings



## Ulhmann Rd —clarification

The committee appreciates the situation with regards to Camping and Campfires at Ulham Rd., and the division it's causing between the committee and some members. With over \$100,000.00 of your money invested into it we cannot afford to rush into play any policy that may jeopardise our future flying activities at this site. The committee has formally written to the council to seek "written" clarification on the subject of camping and campfires, asking information such as:

*what is the duration of any authorised camping activity or are there limits applied through any particular council by law. Would the council prefer to see camping conducted during organised club events, or is the council happy for members to camp "ad-hoc". Are numbers or campers restricted by any bylaws, or are there any special social requirements such as water, toilets (which we have), waste management etc that need to be taken into consideration.*

*With regards to the camp fires, what council restrictions or bylaws apply that either allow or prevent us from having camp fires. Are there requirements (other than public liability) that need to be considered. Are factors like "fire pits", extinguishers or water reserves a requirement? Are there restrictions on days or times that need to be observed?*

To this end, despite previous correspondence, may we please ask that members refrain from camping at Ulhmann Rd until the council come back to us—in writing—clarifying our position and appropriate guidelines are put in place surrounding these.

We have also written to the MAAQ seeking clarity on our Public Liability insurance.

## SAAMBR Calendar of Events 2014

### February

Events calendar TBA



### Coming South East Queensland events

Refer to [www.maaq.com.au](http://www.maaq.com.au) for details

### BRISBANE FREE FLIGHT SOCIETY (BFFS) 2014 CAL- ENDAR OF EVENTS

March 1, 2014 - @ VARIOUS LOCATIONS

### JET TURBINE WEEKEND

March 1, 2014 - March 2, 2014 @ SUNCOAST

### COFFS COAST EDF JET MEET

March 15, 2014 - March 16, 2014 @ EMERALD BEACH

### SOUTHERN CROSS AIRFORCE EVENT

March 16, 2014 - @ TINGALPA

### STUNT COMPETITION CONTROL LINE

March 16, 2014 - @ THUNDERBIRDS AEROMODELLERS CLUB

### JOHN VEER DAY - FUNFLY AT T.A.A

March 23, 2014 9:00 am - 3:00 pm @ TOOWOOMBA AERO-MODELLERS ASSOCIATION AT WESTBROOK (TAA)

### SPEKTRUM GRATTON AIR SPECTACULAR

March 26, 2014 - March 30, 2014 @ GRATTON FIELD CALVERT

## Treasurers Report for Feb

Full Report provided at Feb meeting:

Due to changing circumstances we have been missing out on some revenue lately ie

No canteen for profits

No Airshow

Less fuel sales due to more electric & gas motors

No more regular raffles

You—as a member can help. We are often given gifts that we don't want, if you have something new & unwanted & is suitable for a raffle prize please donate it to the club for future raffles

Secondly if there is an enthusiastic member out there who is willing to organise some regular raffles ie monthly please make yourself known to one of the committee members

Peter Edmonds

Treasurer

## Secretary Report for Feb

Andrew will be absent for the next meeting as he has informed me that he will be on Holidays in Malaysia with his wife—Connie. Andrew plans to celebrate his wedding anniversary by having a second honeymoon as he tells me that one is never enough.

On behalf of all the members—may I wish Andrew a great holiday and may he have many (many) married years in front of him.



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## Bray Field Update



### Working Bees

There are no working bees scheduled for March.

The BBQ area is now up and fully functional. I'm also pleased to see that the area, while still new, is being well maintained and the BBQ cleaned after use.

Paul Holmes has donated an unwanted kitchen to the club and is planning to install it over the coming weeks. Please don't remove or damage the Kitchen cabinets currently lined up in the club house.

Moving forward with future working bee's, we will need to replace the whole shade cloth section to the 3 bays to the left of the pit area. This was done last working bee but the recent high winds damaged the fixtures and necessitated the need to have it removed again.

**NO Working Bee this month**

## Gibson Field Update



### Working Bees

Graham Tattersall (Tatts to his mates) has kindly stepped up to assist in coordinating the field maintenance activities for Uhlmann Rd.

Grahams plans moving forward are :

Concentrate on getting the steel posts put in so we can get some shade happening. Would also like to see a few wheel barrows at the working bee so we can pick up a few more stones from where there are high ridges and anywhere in the outfield mowing area in general but especially the carpark/container area. We also have some shelving in the second container to put together as well so bring along some basic tools.

Would also be good to just encourage more members to get out there and enjoy the field.

**Working Bee—Sunday 09 March**



**Graham Ross**  
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# AED—Automated External Defibrillator

A motion was passed at the January meeting for the committee to look into the potential purchased of an AED device. There have been a few instances lately that have caused concerns amongst the members and the availability to access a device like this may be the difference between life and death.

The one being currently being considered is the Laerdal 'Heartstart' M5067A from Alpha industries- price \$2400 tax exempt, is QAS approved and is simple to use.

If any members have other ideas on an AED, please raise them with the committee for investigation.



## AUTOMATED AND USER-ACTIVATED SELF-TESTS

Daily Automatic Self-tests	Tests internal circuitry, waveform delivery system, pads cartridge and battery capacity.
Pads Integrity Test	Specifically tests readiness-for-use of pads (gel moisture).
Battery Insertion Test	Upon battery insertion, extensive automatic self-tests and user-interactive test check device readiness.
Status Indicator	Blinking green Ready light indicates ready for use.

## DATA RECORDING AND TRANSMISSION

Infrared	Wireless transmission of event data to personal computer using the IrDA protocol.
Data Cable	ACT-IR Databable for HeartStart First Aid HS1
HeartStart Event Review Software	M3834A Data management software "optional" for download and review of data retrieved through defibrillator's infrared data port.
Data Stored	First 15 minutes of ECG and the entire incident's events and analysis decisions.

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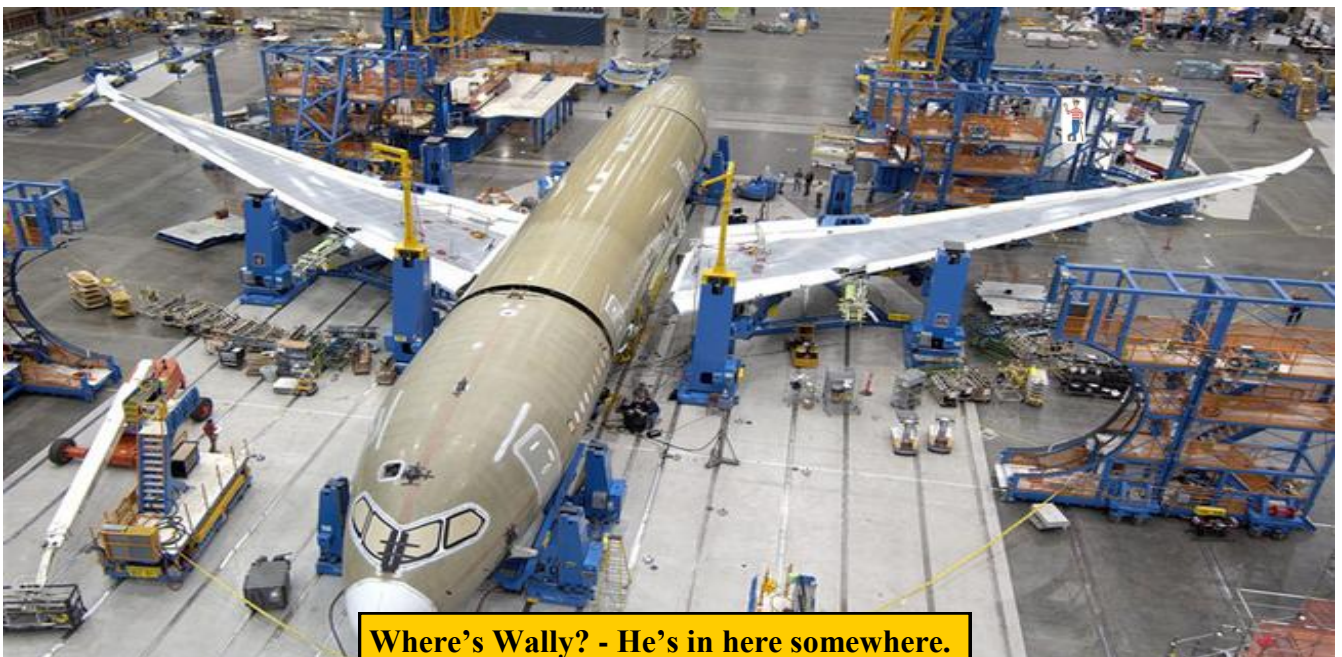
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## Something to chew over

These are some facts about Boeing Commercial jetliners.

1. The Boeing 747 (all versions) have travelled an estimated 35 billion statute miles, that is the equivalent of 75,000 trips to the moon and back.
2. The Boeing 767 sucks in enough air during take-off in both of its engines to fill the Good-year Blimp in 7 seconds.
3. It took 75,000 engineer drawings to build the first Boeing 747-100.
4. The Boeing 737 is the most popular twin aisle - twin engine jetliner in the world, more than 3,000 have been sold from Boeing, and it has carried the entire world population of 6 billion people and it has travelled more than 25 billion miles.
5. You can fit 45 mid size automobiles on only one wing of a Boeing 747-400.
6. There are approximately 200,000 flights every day around the world.
7. There are 24,000 Boeing 777 flights each month.
8. There are 800 Boeing 777 flights each day.
9. You can fit 6 million golf balls inside of a Boeing 757 freighter.
10. One wind shield or window frame of the Boeing 747-400's cockpit, cost as much as a BMW.

Do you have any interesting fun facts about airplanes?



**Where's Wally? - He's in here somewhere.**



And a joke to take up some room because I have an extra page to fill in.

A plane was taking off from Kennedy Airport. After it reached a comfortable cruising altitude, the captain made an announcement over the intercom, "Ladies and gentlemen, this is your captain speaking. Welcome to Flight Number 293, nonstop from New York to Los Angeles. The weather ahead is good and therefore we should have a smooth and uneventful flight. Now sit back and relax -- OH MY GOD!" Silence followed and after a few minutes, the Captain came back on the intercom and said, "Ladies and Gentlemen, I'm so sorry if I scared you earlier, but while I was talking, the flight attendant brought me a cup of coffee and spilt it in my lap. You should see the front of my pants"! A passenger in Coach said, "That's nothing, he should see the back of mine!"



On any given Sunday at SAAMBR



## DEAL BREAKER

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## SAAMBR General meeting minutes

Minutes: General Meeting

Date: 31/01/2014

Chair: Brad Jory

Present: Quorum present as per attendance book.

Meeting commenced: 7:30pm

Apologies: Dave Werrit, Mark Brown, Eric Pond

Previous minutes – correct as published in Airwaves

Moved: Barry Evans

Seconded: Dick Hall

All members in favour

Business arising from previous minutes: Nil

### Presidents Report

The President thanked Peter Edmonds and those who assisted for their work on the covered B-B-Q area at Sid Bray Field.

The president advised of amended flying boundaries for models exceeding 7kg. Those boundaries require to pilots of 7kg+ models to fly to the south of the short strip to avoid any overfly of the nearby populated area. He advised that pilots can fly outside the designated areas to facilitate landing and take off from the main strip.

### Secretaries Report:

The secretary welcomed the following new members:

Robert Newcombe  
John Patterson  
Stephen Glasson  
Bernard Riding  
Alex Kuchmenko  
Col Taylor  
Brad Taylor  
Graham Bate  
Anton Bate  
Michael Phillips  
Darren Dixom

### Treasurers Report

The Treasurer offered up a written treasurers report current as at 30/01/2014.

### CFI Report:

Bob More spoke of a recent incident involving a pilot standing outside of the pilot area being hit by an aircraft making a dead stick landing and reminded pilots that they need to remain in the pilot area when piloting models.

Bob also asked that members who crash models to ensure that you clean up the area thoroughly as model parts (a broken prop and wire undercarriage) have caused flat tyres on the mower.

### Fuel Report

Rob Moore reminded members that fuel sold at the club costs around 1/3 of the price of fuel sold at hobby shops and advises that there is plenty of fuel available for purchase.

### Pro Report:

Greg advised the meeting that he has obtained permission from the water authority for club members to fly models off an area of North Pine dam. The approval has been granted on a 3 month trial basis for flying to take place between the hours of 6am and 6pm every day of the week for electric powered models only. He advised that shaded parking is available.

### Motion that all reports be accepted as read

Moved: Barry Evans

Seconded: Paul Bakes

All members in favour

### General Business:

Anthony Banks addressed the meeting re Mueller College students flying at Sid Bray Field. Anthony told the meeting that he is immensely grateful to the club to be able to fly at the club on Thursdays. He spoke of times passed when students flew at Sid Bray Field on Wednesdays as well and sought permission for them to fly between 1:30pm and 2:30pm on Wednesday afternoons as well.

Brad Jory observed that students had always conducted themselves courteously towards SAAMBR members while flying and sought a motion from the floor to permit students flying between the stated times on Wednesdays.

**A motion was moved by Dave Mont to permit students from Mueller College to fly at Sid Bray Field between 1:30pm and 2:30pm on Wednesdays.**

Seconded: Graham Kennedy

Motion was carried unanimously.

Anthony sought to facilitate students' progress through the rating system to Instructor level. Andrew Holloway advised the meeting that persons wishing to become Instructors must at least 18 years old. Anthony was further advised in order to progress through the wings system; students need to become members of the club.

Brad Jory thanked Paul Holmes for his work in installing a kitchen in the Sid Bray Field club house.

Barry Evans addressed the meeting stating that there appears to be a declining interest in the current magazine he subscribes to on behalf of the club and sought input from members to identify a magazine that may be of greater interest. If you have a magazine you would like to see at the club (aero mag of course) and believe other members may be interested let Barry know.

Barry reminded members who have not changed over to 2.4 MHz radio systems to ensure they have a key in the board when in possession of their radios.

Dave Mont advised the members that SCARF are attending at Susan River on the weekend of 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> of Feb. Any flyers of warbirds who are interested can contact Dave for details.

Dick Hall expressed concern over an observed lack of discipline on the flight line. Brad Jory urged members to maintain an awareness of what is going on around them and to ensure that they call out their intentions so that all other flyers know what is happening. **The key message is to communicate with one another while on the flight line.**



Graham Kenned addressed the meeting re the annual display at Morayfield Shopping Centre. He reminded the meeting of the need to provide notice of at least 12 months to secure a site at the shopping centre. He advised that he has booked the site for 10, 11 and 12 September. So if you have a model you would like to display publicly and/or have some time to spare on these dates please let Graham know.

Graham sought new air show signage for the side of the highway to replace signs that were stolen. Brad Jory advised that the club needs to secure permission from the relevant authority to enable signage to be erected adjacent to a road and approval would be investigated.

Jin Fagan sought feedback on the prospect of hosting a Hobby King sponsored event. Darren Robinson advised that The Hobby King event is an AMAS sponsored event and that Hobby King will only hold such an event if it is open to members of all national associations.

Darren Robinson reminded members of the pending visit by AMAS committee officials to present at our February meeting scheduled for 28 February 2014. He urged members to bring along any questions they would like answered by the visiting AMAS officials.

#### **Uhlmann Road:**

Graham Tattersall advised the meeting that the containers at Gibson Field are now secured and that work needs to be done at the field. He advised the meeting that he would like to see more persons flying at Uhlmann Road.

Graham went on to thank the committee for their effort over the years. He then advised the meeting that Bill Darby had stood down from his role on the committee and at Uhlmann Road and expressed thanks to Bill for his tireless efforts in establishing Gibson Field.

Brad Jory acknowledged Bills good work and expressed sadness at his decision to vacate the position. He went on to thank him for his kind words for Bill.

Ian Swadling addressed the meeting, expressing a need to have a defibrillator available at the field. He recounted a number of incidents that have occurred and spoke of the value of having a defibrillator on hand if needed. He has obtained quotes for a number of units which range from \$2850 to \$3400. Ian advised members of the ease by which a defibrillator can be used by anybody to administer life saving treatment.

Dick Hall sought information re the life of the unit, maintenance requirements and battery life. Further investigation is to be made in these areas.

Paul Dalton spoke of the advantages of a defibrillator in his workplace.

**Anthony Banks moved a motion that the purchase of a defibrillator be investigated.**

**Seconded by: Paul Dalton.**

**All members voted in favour.**

Bob Moore raised the issue of non-members flying at Uhlmann Road. Graham Tattersall stated that he has not encountered non-members flying there.

**Meeting Closed: 8:30pm**



#### **SAAMBR**

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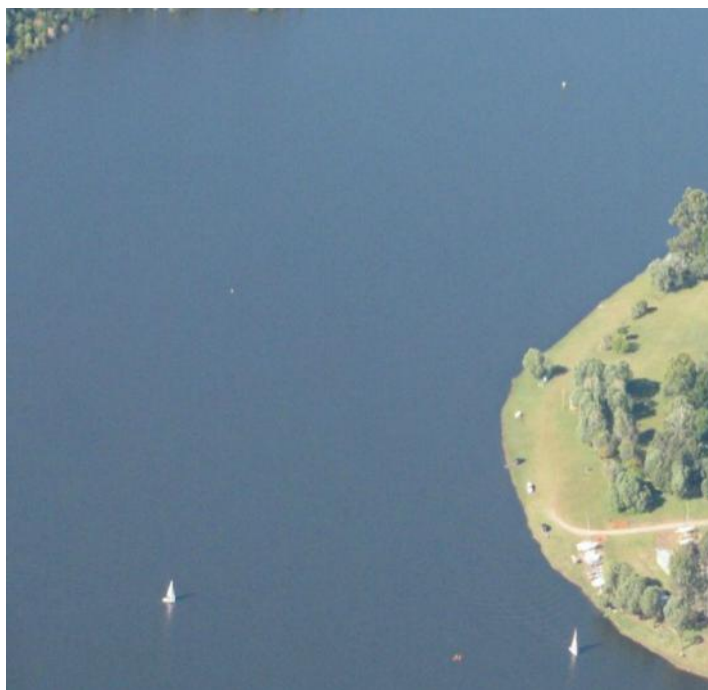


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# Water Sports



## Pro Report:

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Greg has also sent a formal request to Lake Samson Water Sports Association for use of their grounds, they have their meeting later this month so he should have an update at the meeting for Friday next week.

## DON'T MISS THE FEBRUARY MEETING



As most members would be aware, the Australian Miniature Aerosport Society (AMAS) was established a couple of years ago to provide a viable alternative to the Model Aeronautical Association of Australia (MAAA). The association has grown significantly since its inception and continues to attract new members from all flying disciplines.

On offer to AMAS members is:

- \* Direct membership to a national society where your vote counts
- \* Comprehensive insurances for members and clubs
- \* A flying competency (wings) program
- \* Instructor's courses for our clubs
- \* Affordable membership from just \$33.00 for juniors and \$66.00 for seniors
- \* Club affiliation for just \$10.00

It is acknowledged that SAAMBR members have expressed considerable interest in what AMAS has to offer and some have expressed desire to seek exclusive AMAS membership. It is not a decision that can be arrived at without considerable thought. There are some issues that need to be clarified before an informed decision can be made regarding membership with one or more national bodies.

**To assist in addressing these issues Mike Snabaitas, the Secretary of AMAS, has offered to attend our February general meeting to answer any questions you may have about AMAS and what it can do for you.**

So please consider questions or concerns you may have regarding AMAS membership and bring them along to the February general meeting for Mike. If you are unable to attend and have a question, pass it to another member who is attending.