



Airwaves

Sports Aeromodellers Association Moreton Bay Region

Monthly Newsletter - June 2017

From the president's desk.

Quite a few things of interest this month. First and foremost, safety. Please use safety restraints as this is a club and MAAA rule. I have noticed some members are not doing this. In the latest MAAA newsletter there is mention of a modeller losing digits to a prop strike. One of our members recently tried to cut some furrows in his fingers and was quite successful.

Lots of **blood**. The next item is charging Lipo batteries with care. Please be careful as the new formulation batteries produce lots of flame when mishandled. If you care to examine one of the wooden tables in the pit area you will see a nicely charred patch (since cleaned up but still visible) which was caused by a runaway battery situation. The flame only lasted mere seconds so it must have produced an enormous amount of heat. Believe me it was spectacular to watch.



Imagine this happening in you car or house. Use Lipo safe containers if possible. The one thing that was disconcerting was that NO ONE took a fire extinguisher to the fire????

The new first aid kit has been taken to Uhlmann road and Graham Tatts will be affixing it in a suitable position. The first aid kit at Brays has been replaced and items updated. The old ones were binned due the fact that most items were well out of date and the storage cases were broken. The snake bite kits should arrive shortly.



Domed runway edge markers have been placed to provide a reference for the mosquito sprayers. They were placed after discussion with a council

representative. They are carefully lined up but we have some member/members moving them a few feet which means we have to keep putting them back in place. Please try not to damage the domes with your propellers as we have to repaint them .

The meeting hall has been changed at the request of the owners and the new one is much better. The new venue is at...." **PENDICUP**" **365 SAMSONVALE ROAD WARNER**..... The

meeting place is **HERE for June 30th**. The cost to us will still be the same through 2018. A successful IMAC competition was held at Uhlmann road with the club receiving a donation of \$735.

A special thanks goes to **Eric Pond** and his helpers for the canteen at both the IMAC and FPV drone events. This should produce about \$150 profit for the two days. If you missed the Drone day you missed something. They are quite impressive to watch and there were many collisions with the pylons and each other which kept everyone entertained. The younger flyers seem to have the right reflexes for the Little Monsters.

A successful night fly and BBQ was held the night before the Drone event. (This was highlighted by the battery conflagration). When necessary some of our members can imitate Usain Bolt.

After having been successful at getting the restriction lifted on flying at Uhlmann road, when mossie spraying is happening in the southern only blocks, I am now revisiting the restriction on holding night flying events at Uhlmann Road. I have done research into how we can get permission for this without a great financial outlay and can finally see success in the wind. It will take a little time as there will have to be lots of data submitted, so be patient. keep your fingers crossed.

We have two new red rubbish bins at Brays Road thanks to **Gordon Bartils**. Please fill the old bins first and when full they and the contents will be discarded.

The FUN-FLY event on June 10th was great FUN and well attended. There were the usual exciting crashes and collisions especially in the limbo event and everyone seemed to have an enjoyable time.

Do not forget your club fees are due at the end of the month. We prefer payment by Bank transfer or if you cannot arrange this by cash at the June meeting. Avoid paying by cheque. (cash in large denominations only please.)

Keep in mind a late payment attracts a late payment fee. You cannot use the club facilities UNTIL you are a financial.

Keep flying.

Bazza

NOTE: CHANGE OF VENUE FOR MONTHLY CLUB MEETINGS



GRRRRR !

Finding a woman sobbing because she had locked her keys in her car, a passing soldier assures her he can help. She looks on with amazement as he removes his trousers, rolls them into a tight ball then rubs them against the car door.

Magically it opens.

“That’s amazing,” she gasps in disbelief. “How on earth did you do that?”

“Easy,” replies the man. “These are my khakis.”



A big Thank You

Perhaps it is timely to reflect on what the club has achieved over the last year and in particular give a big thumbs up to **Barry Evans** for his commitment and involvement in the running of the club.

Of course all committee members must be recognised for the great job they have done also. The club could not function without these dedicated people who put in their own time and expense to ensure everything runs like clockwork. Much goes on behind the scenes you never get to see or hear about.

There are others who’s important tasks go unnoticed; people who clean the toilets, ensure tea, coffee, sugar and drinks are always on hand and gas is always there for the kettle and barbeque; the librarian; the working bee co-ordinator; the CFI, the person who rises before sunrise to drive 25km to come and mow the lawn before most flyers arrive.

Let’s not forget the army of regulars who turn up for every working bee and ensure the club is in tip top condition. Thanks fellas, your contribution is appreciated.

Fun Fly Saturday 10 June

Thanks to all that came out to watch or brave enough to fly in the different events.

There was the usual chaos and mayhem with some of the planes receiving on-site repairs to keep them flying.

1st Place Andrew Holloway; **2nd** Rod Garrett, **3rd** Michael Haines.

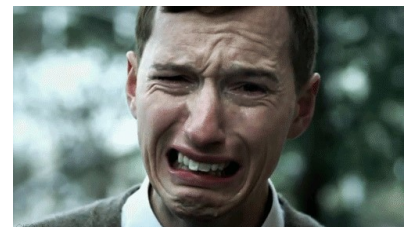
There will be a presentation of prizes for place getters at the June club meeting.

The prizes were kindly donated by one of our own club members, Dan Imhoff at

www.HOFFRC.COM.AU

Dan has been involved with different aspects of radio control for quite some time now and is also our current **Public Relation Officer**. Please visit his internet site to see what he has to offer. I’m sure he will look after club members. I’m glad to inform everyone that during the day no wildlife (Birds or Roos) were maimed and no competitors were seriously hurt, (apart from a few hurt feelings maybe). All in all it was a good day.

Cheers, **Steve Lightowler**



Win Your Annual Membership— Last chance!

One lucky winner will win their membership for the next financial year. Whatever your fee is, you will not have to pay. If you have already paid it will be refunded.

Purchase a lucky \$5 number square and if your number is drawn you win.



There is only a limited number and as you can see there are not many left.

You can make a purchase at the next meeting from **Robert Moore** . Thanks Rob.

Official Field Opening

After all this time there hasn't been an official opening of the **Jim Gibson field** so it has been decided to go ahead on **24th September**, which is also the Warbirds day. (general flying is permitted).

All members are invited to attend this important occasion and **Peter Flannery** of the Moreton Bay Regional Council has agreed to be the club's patron.

Watch this space for further information for publicity details.



Meeting Dates for 2017

Last Friday of the month.

June 30th - NEW VENUE
August 18th (Annual General Meeting)
October 27th
November 24th
December 9th (Christmas Party)

First aid & snake bite kit to be obtained



This is for both the Jim Gibson and Sid Bray fields, kindly being funded by Peter Flannery from the MBRC. Many thanks Peter. Let's hope we don't have to use it.



Sid Bray Working Bee Sunday 4th June



Many thanks to the regular members who gave up their Sunday sleep in to assist in maintaining the airfield. Your regular attendance and commitment is always greatly appreciated (*the Dad jokes don't get any better*). The usual mowing was done, Neville was kind enough to bring his weed sprayer and the *Table Of Knowledge* had a new cover put over the top. A general tidy up made sure everything was spick and span for the drone demonstration day.

Many thanks boys.



FPV Drone Racing Demo Day

FPV Rebels held a great demonstration race day on the **4th June** with the weather being perfect. The event was open to all MAAA members and several SAAMBR members joined in the fun and added to the atmosphere. The invitation is open to anyone wishing to join the club.

Timing is right with renewals due at the end of this month.



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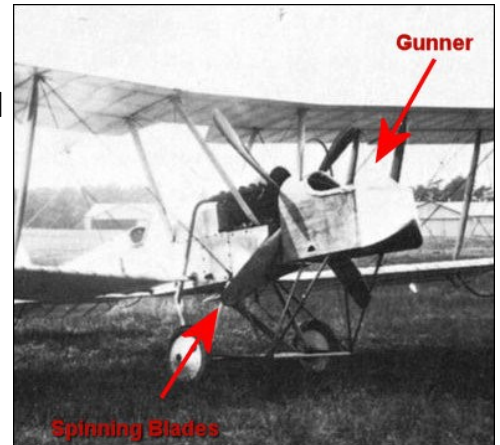


The Royal Aircraft Factory BE9 "Pulpit" Perfectly designed to kill whoever flew in it!

We don't know if you've ever tried it, but trust us when we say that building aircraft is really, really hard. It takes large teams of smart people a long time and a lot of money. Building a military aircraft is even harder -- it not only needs to fly, it needs to survive repeated attacks and make other planes dead. So you can imagine the care and expense nations put into building them.

But sometimes, they just slap something together and send the pilot off to die.

It was a pretty simple idea. During World War I, the British Royal Aircraft Factory, or RAF, wanted a fighter plane with guns that could shoot forward. So they took an existing plane and stuck a gunner onto the front of it. Seems like a pretty straightforward solution.



The only problem ...

Their method of adding a gunner? Strapping him in front of the propeller in a plywood box that earned the nickname "the pulpit," presumably to try to remind the gunner that he was about to meet God.

Should the BE. experience even the lightest crash, the gunner was guaranteed to be crushed by the firing V8 engine mounted to his back. It honestly didn't matter, however, since the gunner was much more likely to be sucked into the whirling propeller blades like a Bond villain long before then.

Because there was no shielding used whatsoever between the gunner and the roaring vortex of death behind him, anything loose on his person, be it a scarf, wallet or goddam arm while swinging the gun, was instantly sucked into the propeller blades. The gunner had no choice but to literally hold on for dear life until he either tired out or landed. And because the screaming engine was placed between the helpless gunner and the plane's oblivious pilot, the gunner had no way to communicate his fatigue to the pilot until the spray of his guts hit him in the face.

Source: http://www.cracked.com/article_18839_7-planes-perfectly-designed-to-kill-people-flying-them.html



Events Calendar 2017

June

30th Last club meet financial year. **NEW VENUE**. Pay fees. Raffle draw for membership last chance to buy.

July

8-9th 2017 Drone Nationals Nerang, Gold Coast
1st & 2nd Southern Cross Airforce Coolumb. Russell Mitchell 0427 405 461

August

11-13th Qld turbine flyers annual fly in Goondiwindi
26-27th Southern Cross Airforce LARCS. Ian Flanders 0401 991 621

September

23-24th Southern Cross Airforce SAAMBR. Bill Sharpe (07) 5496 6870 & official field opening.

October

21-28th Norfolk Island Fly in organized by Tingalpa.
28-29th Southern Cross Airforce Maryborough Neil Brockley 047 071056

Next Working Bee.

Both Fields

Sid Bray & Uhlmann Road.

Sunday 2nd July

Sign in book closes 08.30am

If you don't sign the sign-in book, too bad. That's your fault !

Next Meeting

Friday 30th June

"Pendicup"

365 Samsonvale Road

WARNER

7.30PM



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