



# Airwaves

**Sports Aeromodellers Association Moreton Bay Region**

**Monthly Newsletter - October 2016**

## **From the President's desk .**

Christmas is getting close and the club Christmas party will be on **Saturday December 10th** with the event now being catered for commercially. The event will be held at Brays Road as the caterers require the cooking and heating facilities available there. The Main course will be served from **6.30pm**.



There will be finger foods, roast meats , salads and Desert, which will be a Pavlova and fruits. Of course there will be the usual nuts , chips, sweets etc prior to the main course. So bring your favourite tippie and get there early. The cost will be **\$20 per person** with the club subsidising the rest. Last year was a great success with the event being fully booked. It will be on a first- in- best- dressed basis so pay up early to reserve your feast.

After the eats where will be the club trophy presentations. Bring along your night flyers and have a few flights. Entertain the hordes.

**PAYMENT CAN BE MADE TO ERIC POND OR BARRY EVANS AT BRAYS RD**

**PAYMENT CAN BE MADE TO GRAHAM TATTERSALL AT UHLMANN RD.**

I have again been contacted by MBRC concerning notification of mosquito spraying events to the members. The system is fairly cumbersome and I expect there could be complications. However we will do our best to notify all members about the events as soon as we are advised by council. Exactly how we are going to accomplish this is still causing a bit of head scratching. As we will only receive 12 to 24 hours notice it makes it a bit difficult.

Next Meeting

**Friday 25th November 7.30pm**  
**Community Hall**  
**Cnr Todd & Ellis Sts.**  
**LAWNTON**  
**7.30PM**

### **Meeting Dates 2017**

<b>Last Friday of month</b>	<b>Aug 18</b>	<b>(AGM)</b>
<b>Feb 24</b>	<b>Oct 27</b>	
<b>Apr 28</b>	<b>Nov 24</b>	
<b>Jun 29</b>	<b>Xmas Party Dec 9th</b>	

If any of you have a SIMPLE workable solution as to how all members can be quickly notified please let the committee know.

One solution proposed by MBRC is that to be a member of SAAMBR you must provide your current email address and mobile phone number to the club to use for spraying notification. Their opinion is that if you do not provide this information ie. email and mobile number you cannot be a member of the club. This would make it difficult if some members had no email address and no mobile phone number. I have explained this to MBRC. This is not my idea and was proposed by council during several long and protracted discussions. I have tried to carefully and politely dissuade them from having this written into our new lease agreement ,which is still being prepared.

Midweek fuel supplies are going to be available by the time this is published as **Eric Pond** will have a key to the fuel shed. If you need fuel please call Eric on his mobile number **0438070137** to arrange **midweek** purchases. All purchases for fuel at ANYTIME will be by **CASH only** and you **MUST** present the **RIGHT MONEY** as there is no facility for change to be given.

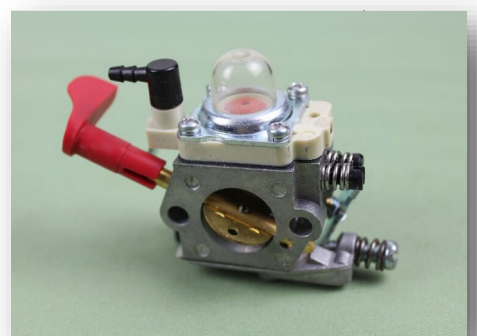
Fuel **WILL NOT** be given out on a credit basis so don't ask. **NO money - NO fuel**. Eric would like a few days notice PLEASE. Thanks for your cooperation on this matter. We have had a recent fuel supply price change so this may entail a small increase in fuel prices to members. We will be doing some cost analysis and will advise if there will be any changes to fuel prices after the current stock runs out.



The club will be using Klotz oil instead of Coolpower for club fuel. If you wish to use Coolpower you will have to source your own when our current stock runs out. Personally I think Klotz is a superior product. It is supplied locally and is of AAA class quality. It also smells nicer when it combusts. There seems to be some concerns about the reliable supply of cool power lately.

Here is a tip. After you have finished flying for the day disconnect the inlet fuel tube to the carby and run the motor to empty the fuel residue from the crankcase.. Seal ALL outlets from the fuel tank for storing. Then introduce about a teaspoon of after-run oil into the carby and flick the prop a half a dozen times to circulate the oil. When you store your model at home try to have the nose pointed downwards if possible. This will cause the oil to seep down through and around the bearings and crankshaft to stop them corroding. A good after-run oil is Auto transmission fluid, Inox or light machine oil. INOX is available at most auto supply or hardware stores .

NEVER EVER use gun oil or hydraulic brake fluid as an after-run oil as this will completely ruin your engine by stripping all the lubrication from the moving parts and possibly corroding the aluminium parts. The brake fluid also attracts water which is another problem causing rusting and corrosion internally. Look after your engines and they will last a long time. I have



one engine in use since 1975 and it has worn out 3 carburettors from dust and it still runs reliably.

It is proposed to omit the minutes of the meetings from Airwaves as it exposes any club problems to anyone who wants to visit our web site. If you object to this come to the November meeting and explain the reason. It was only in recent times that the minutes first started to be printed in Airwaves for some reason and I cannot recall why.

Some of the problems caused by drone operations overseas will impose harshly on the freedom of modellers in the EU. I will put a copy of the email I received, which explains the above, on the notice boards for you to read. Lets us hope it does not happen here.

Fly safely .

Bazza.

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### **IMAC Competition Uhlmann Rd. 3rd & 4th December**

The last IMAC competition held here was such a buzz we're doing it all again. Some of the best flyers will gather at our field for the 2nd Annual Bayside Buzz Competition.



The field will be closed to general flying between 9am-5pm on both days but the good news is Sid Bray field will still be available. The last two events were a great showcase and a huge success, not only for our club, but for the sport and to share our world class venue.



There will be 5 categories with a freestyle round for all to enter at the conclusion of every day. Freestyle is something we are trying to encourage so that this part of the competition is not just routine but a little different if you like. As a SAAMBR member you are invited to come along and have a go. You don't need an expensive model, why, even a scanner will do nicely ! Plenty of experienced pilots are only too keen to lend a hand and show you the ropes.

The canteen will be open all day beginning with breakfast from 7am. Saturday night will be a spit roast dinner.

Last event saw club members volunteer to assist in the kitchen and BBQ and we are asking once again if we can have volunteers for this event. Your help was invaluable and greatly appreciated by all who attended.



Please contact **Dan Imhoff** on **0427 006 290** or email: [danimhoff1@gmail.com](mailto:danimhoff1@gmail.com)

**Apology:** The AGM minutes were inadvertently omitted from last month's Airwaves. Ed

## **Minutes of the Annual General Meeting**

August 26th 2016. AGM opened at 8:35pm.

The president declared all committee positions vacant and stated that there were no written nominations received for any positions.

President position : James Mac Allen nominated Barry Evans as president.

No other nominations were put forward and Barry agreed to continue as president.

Secretary position : The president called for nominations for secretary.

James Mac Allen nominated. No other nominations.

Seconded by : Jim Fagan. Vote taken : Passed.

Treasurer position :The president called for nominations for treasurer. No nominations were put forward and Russell Ramsay agreed to continue as treasurer.

PRO position :The president called for nominations for pro. Dan Imhoff nominated. No other nominations.

General committee positions : No nominations received. Graham Tattersall and Peter Atkinson agreed to continue.

Club register and web master : Danny Hollis agreed to continue.

With no further business to discuss the AGM closed at 8:45pm.

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## **Wild Dogs**

Over the fence to the east of the airfield near the clump of trees you will notice a sign placed by council warning that bait has been laid and to stay away.

It is understood that wild dogs roam this area and have been known to kill native animals, namely koalas and kangaroos.

If you happen to lose a plane and need to retrieve it , it may be wise not to go in alone.

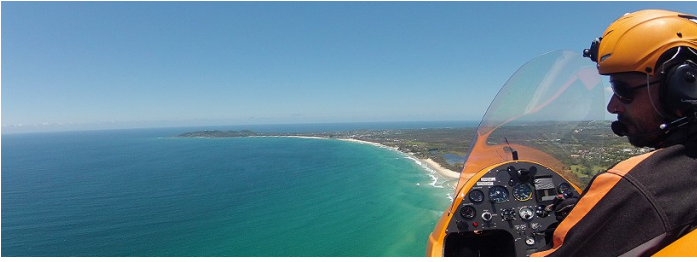
Traps are checked on a regular basis.

(besides, SAAMBR members wouldn't taste very nice.)





## "Biggles" Murphy Flys Circuits



On Thursday 6th October I had another lesson in the Trike with Mark as my instructor, this seems to be "*condition normal*" but I do not mind, I get on well with both of them.

There was more traffic than I had experienced before so had more to watch out for others as well as flying. Planes are not that easy to see in the air for a start but it is all a matter of becoming used to different circumstances. I keep telling myself that others can do these things so why not me? I suppose that his may be a cop-out but it does make me more determined to do whatever I'm doing.

Back to the flying, Mark had me doing circuits again as I had forgotten that a trike yaws to the right when the throttle is opened and I was late in anticipating this, so our flight path was anything but straight. At least I should be able to improve next time I fly. I seem to have a habit of improving, at least in my own mind, though I do not know if it is only wishful thinking on my part.

My enthusiasm for learning to fly has not diminished in any shape or form, I really am more keener than ever, so you are going to have put up with me flying around in anything I can get myself into. Oh what a wonderful thought.

On Wednesday I was helping Norman secure the instrument panel on our Venture, and on reading the gauges I concluded although we had no airspeed we were at 2980ft and descending at 400 ft/ minute.



Back to the lesson, I did the landing, better than the last time but not as good as it should be. I would rate it as 3 /10 so more practice is necessary. That makes a good excuse for more flying don't you think. I have one more lesson booked in on Sunday 16th October.

Can I interest anyone In a Bantam microlight which were made in NZ ? They really are a delightful little aircraft that would grace anyone's back yard and I would look after it for you. Would look good at our model airfield, some of the giant models I seen are almost as big.

Until I have something aeronautical to report that is all for now.

Paul



## Drone Drongos

Effective 29th September 2016 CASA introduced amendments for drone flying advising that anything under 2kg is permitted without registration as they are considered lower risk.

<https://www.casa.gov.au/aircraft/standard-page/part-101-amendments-cutting-red-tape-remotely-piloted-aircraft>

Obviously there are dangers of flying in public spaces rather than in designated clubs/warehouses etc. ( It is noted that not all drone flyers are irresponsible.)

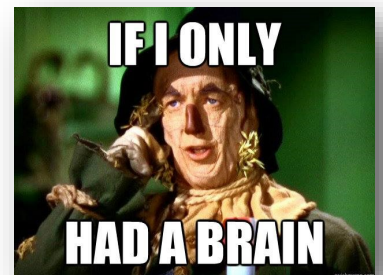
These are posts on a Facebook site of drone flyers in Queensland which has over 2,000 followers.

**Post 1:** "Whoever was diving buildings over the weekend, you may want to rethink what your doing to the hobby in our country. I have been spoken to about mine and havn't gone near one since. I was informed that 2 drones were diving buildings in and around the GC and Brisbane area. I was accused as being one of those pilots."

**Post 2:** "Ok guys, the post about building diving has me concerned. Rant hat on. I know that there are certain people in here who have been flying illegally, and I suspect that others have been egging them on. It all goes on behind closed doors, which is a start... but common sense seems to be lacking, and I don't think that the full consequences have been thought through.

Now, I am not one to always stick 100% to the rules. That's not in the spirit of what we do. Go a bit high, fly in a park and accidentally get a bit close to someone you shouldn't have (we \*always\* apologise in those situations of course, being the good polite people we are)... we've all been there. No real damage done.

**Hell, I don't even care that much about the potential for private property damage, broken windows and scratched/dented parked cars might gonna get you in hot water and cost your hip pocket, but they're not the end of the world or our hobby. Diving buildings isn't the real problem.**



What I have a big problem with is people flying over traffic. Public roads. Not at 2am when they're empty, but during the day, with moving vehicles. I really hope this hasn't been happening.

This is the scenario. Some poor motorist receives a mini quad to the windscreen at 60kph (plus whatever speed they were doing). They swerve briefly, and kill a cyclist. They hit another car and cause a spinal injury. They leap over a gutter, clip a busload of orphans which then wipes out an entire cafe of latte sipping wankers.

Sure, I'm using hyperbole, but this is not as far fetched as it sounds. People are stupid. People

are bad drivers. People overreact. Cars are deadly weapons weighing more than a tonne and travelling at enough speed to seriously f\*\*\*k you up. Do you really want to slap one in the face and see what happens?

Sure, fly over 400ft in controlled airspace down on the GC, cause a media stir, maybe even get a fine. That's not the end of our hobby.



But all it takes is one person dying, once. Not only will you have to live with the consequences of your actions (including possible jail time for manslaughter), but you'll f\*\*\*k it up for everyone else in the hobby, in this country, for a long time.

So please just ask these questions before you go guerrilla flying:

- do I trust my skills 100%?
- do I trust my gear 100%?
- do I trust the local RF environment 100%?
- do I trust the local human environment 100%?
- what is the absolute outside-chance-worst-thing that can happen if I fly here?

If any of those things are iffy. Don't. Do. It. “

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## Wings & Wheels– Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October.

**Caboolture Warplanes & Fight Heritage Museum**

(This is not an airshow and the field will still be open for general operations. Photos are sourced from Google images and not on actual display)

**Come along and have a great day**

*Planes, Cars & Fashions from a bygone era.  
Museum Raffle: Tiger Moth Flight*

**When: Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October**

**Where: Hangar 101 McNaught Rd Caboolture Airfield**

**Time: 9.00am**

**Entry: Family \$25, Adults \$10, Children \$5, Concession \$5.**

**Food and Market Stalls, Vintage vehicles, military vehicles, Pin up girl pageant, Mother/child pageant, entertainment.**



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## Events Calendar 2016

### October

Sunday 30th. Wings & Wheels Caboolture air-field 9am.

### November

Sunday 6th. Monthly working bee.

Friday 25th. Club meeting Lawnton 7.30pm.

### December

Saturday & Sunday 3rd & 4th. IMAC competition Jim Gibson Field Uhlmann Rd. Closed field both days. Sid Bray still open.

Saturday 10th. Club Christmas Party Sid Bray Field 6.00pm \$20 per head. Bookings essential. Night fly and camp-over.

## 2017

January 14th & 15th. CRAMS Calvert. 8am-5pm.

### NEXT WORKING BEE

**Sunday 6th November**

**Which Field ?**

**NFI ...ask Eric Pond.**

**(Sign in book gets taken away at 8.30am )**

## Xmas Party

- \* Saturday 10th December
- \* Sid Bray Field
- \* \$20 per person
- \* Dinner served 6.30pm. Arrive early
- \* Payment to Eric Pond, Barry Evans or Graham Tattersall
- \* Night Fly & Camp-over
- \* BYO drinks
- \* Club presentations and recognitions
- \* First in first served
- \* Set-up assistance required.



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