



Airwaves

Sports Aeromodellers Association Moreton Bay Region

Monthly Newsletter - July 2016

From the President's desk .

Hi fellow members it's July and the AGM is next month. This will be held prior to the general meeting for the election of office bearers.

Get those nominations in for the committee. It is important to play a part in the running of the club. It is no good complaining that the club is not been administered properly if **YOU** won't do something to right this. Don't be part of the problem , be part of the solution. The positions are not difficult but do take some time.

There are a few things to learn but as I said it's not difficult. Co-ordination with the MBRC can be frustrating at times but you just have to go with the flow. No government department works at light speed.

The new lease is still not ready to be signed and I have not been able to view a copy of it yet.

At the date of writing this we have had 155 membership renewals and join ups for 2016/2017. If any member has not paid by now you cannot fly as you have no insurance.

Please ensure you have your Transmitter tag fitted and you won't be challenged about your membership status. If you pay after the 31st of July you will have to pay the late payment fee of \$50 in addition to your club fee.

There has been a rumour doing the rounds that the main strip at Brays Rd. is being closed. This is news to me. It is amazing how these rumours start and how quickly they seem to become fact. There is no intention to close the main strip at Brays Rd. If you hear ANY rumours please ask a committee member and you will be given the right information. The updates to the club by-laws have been completed and once ratified by the committee will implemented

Next Meeting
Friday 29th July 7.30pm
Community Hall
Cnr Todd & Ellis Sts.
LAWNTON
7.30PM

as soon as possible. There are no major changes. As soon as the by-laws are included in the webpage they will be available for your perusal.

Not much can be included in the by-laws with reference to Drones etc. as everything is in a state of flux with these particular operations. The drone operations will have to adhere to our by-laws as they are presented in the by-laws.



It is time to begin thinking of the annual Christmas party. Maybe some thought should be given to making this more young family oriented.

Options available are to have the party catered for as has been done for the previous few years or have the members do the catering themselves. Both ideas have been advanced but it is up to you the members to decide which path to follow. We would like to hear your ideas on this so when you are sitting around having a coffee have a talk about it. If the option is to have caterers provide the food we will have to make a decision soon as that is the busy time of the year and early bookings are essential.

Most of you will have heard of the incident at Uhlmann Road where the strips have been damaged by some hoons in vehicles.

Repairs will be undertaken as soon as possible and limited operations are available, just be careful of ruts.



The police and MBRC have been notified of the event. I will have discussions with council about the possibility of the council providing materials to build a fence to avoid this happening again and we will provide the labour required to erect the fence.

The weather is great for flying so get to it.

Bazza.

Pitt Covers at Uhlmann Road Field

As discussed at the last meeting and mentioned in the minutes Tatts has now received quotes for same. Barry is currently following up with council / MAAQ to see if we can obtain a grant but wheels turn very slowly at these levels so we may have to discuss our options at the next meeting.



Regular Night Flying

To help the club become more social we should have night flying at the Sid Bray field on a monthly basis and those that wish to camp overnight may do so.



So as not to conflict with any working bees or club meetings they will be on the second Saturday of the month.



The first one will be on the second weekend in **August** which will be **Saturday 13th**.

Steve Lightowler

Dave Harper's Butterfly

This article appeared in Issue **111 of RCM News Jan-Feb 2012** and thought it worthy of reproduction. Dave (SAAMBR member) has been flying for many years and is an avid builder of aircraft. His knowledge and expertise is right up there with the best of them.

" Though we haven't met Dave Harper is such a regular correspondent I feel like we are friends. One of his latest efforts is a modified Dynaflyt Butterfly the kit of which came from Peter Pine in NSW. The Butterfly is a relatively old design and it followed a similar style aeroplane the Piece-O-Cake which were, in essence, IC powered gliders with an undercarriage for convenience. A similar model, the Helium, comes as a laser kit from Stevens Aeromodel.



Back to Dave: I installed a Turnigy 3536/1100 motor and their 40amp ESC. These run on a 10 x 5 APC-'E' prop and the power comes from a 3S 3000 MAh Lipo pack. You may see from the photos that I built a ply box on to the fire wall to get the prop into the same location as the prop shown in the plan as it is designed for a .20 glow or similar. Other than that I built it pretty much as per kit. The fuselage is really strong with light ply sides.

She is a real floater and only flyable in winds below 10kts. Ground handling is bad and you have to point her into wind to get off in about 1 metre. Hand launching is a good option as just a gentle shove gets her going. Landing can take a while in a breeze! Once down, again, the wind can tip her over very easily. That being said she is a load of fun to fly being able to hover in anything like a breeze and gives plenty of time to react.

I bought it basically to show what an ideal trainer it is for oldies

(who me? David) or youngsters who needed something nice and slow. One of our elderly members is learning to fly on one he built and powered to my specs and he is having great success. The biggest problem was getting an instructor who was game to fly her.

The idea came to me when I saw one of our members flying a glow powered Butterfly that he and his ten year old son had built and the lad passed his Bronze Wings on it. Dad normally hand launches for his son and they have very long flights with what I think is an OS 15"



Many thanks as usual Dave "

Please note if you are searching for the **RCM News** website this has been changed to www.flyboys.com.au

Mild To Wild Doubles Locations

Anyone who has been to Joe's shop in Arana Hills knows it's become quite popular. Across the road in the K-Mart shopping complex an opportunity came up to rent a shop for a few months so Joe jumped at it. He's not sure if he will be there permanently as the centre are looking for a permanent tenant after his short lease expires.

All the aeroplane stuff has remained at the main shop as this location is mainly stocked with cars, helicopters and other great hobby stuff, so keep going to where you've always gone.

If you are looking for something for the grandchildren for Xmas then take a look here. Prices are good and there's plenty of variety.



Obituary

Long time member Eric Wildermuth passed away on the morning of Tuesday 12th July. He was a club member for many years but relinquished his membership due to ill health.

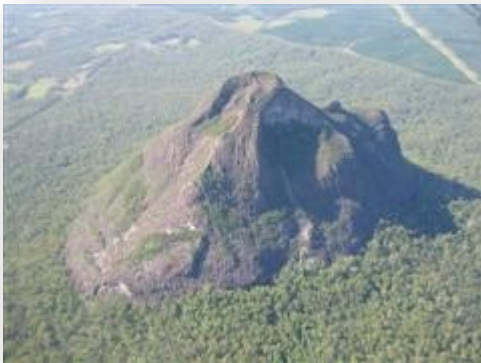
More Flying with Paul Murphy

As I have been feeling more confident I made arrangements to go flying on Friday 24th June despite the weather being ordinary. Arrived at Caboolture airfield at 0700, nice and fresh.

Met Mark Gentry, who was to be my instructor as John had a full time student. Got on well with Mark, he helped me with the usual pre-flight checks etc. and as we were taxiing to the runway told me I could do the take-off. Nothing for it but to line up the trike, and give it full power. The trike lifted off when it wanted to do, just like my models.

Flew to the training area near Bribie Passage and practised turns, climbing, level and descending at up to 35 degrees of bank. I do not want to go any steeper than that. Mark said anything more than that was not necessary and I was happy to agree with him.

We did one turn, 270 degrees to end heading straight for Brisbane CBD and remain level throughout. Thought it a bit unusual request but did as requested. On the way back to the airport the wind had freshened, 20 knots plus right on the nose, so had to use a lot more power but to keep the trike level had to pitch the wing down.



As we only have a maximum speed of 70 knots weather conditions play a big part of flying, but I would not miss it for anything. I did the cross and down wind landing approaches and assisted with the landing. I have the feeling that the instructors are doing less and less during the landing phase and I am doing more. So be it, it is a good way to learn.

I have a feeling like being born again when the wheels hit the ground. After taxiing back to the hanger and during the debrief John asked Mark how I went with the turns and he replied **"The old B----- absolutely nailed it."** In reality that turn felt so easy, everything must have been in balance, just like the one good golf stroke you have during a round.

To say that I am enjoying myself would be surplus, though I do think I may have raised a few eyebrows in the aviation circles.

Who cares !!

Regards to all, Paul.



Dynamic Flight
Discover the freedom!

Minutes of Meeting June 24th 2016

The meeting commenced at 7:35 pm. Attendance as per the sign on book.

Apologies : Peter Dolan, Will Hall, Ian Swadling, Col. Parry.

New members : Tania Mac Dowel, Robert White, Gordon Papps, Shawn Ward, Trent Russell.

Minutes of the February 2016 meeting put to the members as true and correct.

Motion moved by : Arthur Barnett. Seconded by : Dick Hall

Vote taken : passed

Business arising from the February 2016 meeting : none

President's report : The July 3 working bee will be at Jim Gibson field not Sid Bray field.

The new lease for Jim Gibson field is still being written by the MBR council.

Regarding mossy spraying, the council was requesting a contact person in the club to give fore warning to but this is still being sorted.

The council has advised the club that the area must be available to the public when not in use by the club. Also regular fire inspections of the club area have to be done but likely paid for by the council. The president is still negotiating with the council about fuel stored on site as the lease states no fuel to be stored.

Some club by-laws will be re written to bring them up to date and comply with the terms of the lease.

The shade area at Jim Gibson field is to be extended. Building approval has already been obtained. Barry is applying for grants. Flying boundaries must be complied with by all members, especially as a new development looks like happening at Sid Bray field.

Treasure's report : Finances are healthy but the club computer has problems. The monthly reports are being done and membership fees are being collected. There will be a full financial report at the next meeting in August.

Secretary's report : Not available at this time as Andrew is away.

C.F.I. report : Steve is waiting on some certificates for wings. A night fly is to be arranged.

P.R.O. report : Not available at this time.

Field report for Sid Bray field : All okay.

Field report for Jim Gibson field : All okay no damage after the recent rain. The clubhouse sink is soon to be finished off and splash back tiles put up.

CCTV cameras have been installed around the club house.

Two fixed shade stands are to be erected as soon as grants can be arranged.

All the mowing is being done and the next working bee will be to fill some low areas and a tidy up.

Fuel report : Fuel is okay, plenty in stock and is available in small quantities.
Rob Moore is asking members to make sure they clean up any crash wreckage because of damage to mowers.

Motion to accept reports : Moved by Bill Sharpe, Seconded by Ross Vogler. Vote taken: passed.

General business : Discussion was had on going back to bi monthly meetings for better continuity. Motion moved by Graham Tattersall. Seconded by James MacAllen
Vote taken : passed.

The President reminded the members that the AGM is coming up in August so if any member would like to be on the committee then get your nomination in.

With no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 8:20pm

Looks Like Winter's Here



Jon Carney's Latest Jet



Gibson Field Report

By Graham Tattersall

Another good working bee at Gibson field on the 3 July saw 15 dedicated club members turn up and put their shoulders to the wheel. About half armed themselves with rakes, wheelbarrows and whipper snippers and attacked the fence-line on the entrance road clearing the long grass away.



The entrance to the field now looks nice and tidy and will be easy to maintain. The remainder of the crew moved many metres of dirt and topped up the gateway areas around the field and also around the shed. Well done boys!

Some work was done internally with some of the catering area kitchen pieces sorted out ready to start assembling soon. The other sink in the main part of the shed is now hooked up to the tank and the pump now gives us

pressure at the tap. No more buckets!

A member of the Warbird fraternity (friend of Bill Sharp) has kindly donated some sheets of villaboard/fibro for the walls to attach the kitchen tiles to so that will be done in the next week or two.

I always walk away from the working bees feeling good knowing that we have great people in the club who are always willing to put their best foot forward and have the interests of the club at heart.



Last Airwaves I mentioned security cameras and unfortunately we have had a 4WD drive hoon come onto the strips and do a few donuts and burnouts, leaving some ruts in the ground. The camera couldn't pick up the offender at night nor is it powerful enough to see that far so the mongrel got away with it.

It appears to be a single vehicle so hopefully he won't return anytime soon. As you can see by the photos, a few of the regular flyers and maintenance boys got stuck in and did a few repairs to the damage and we still need to do more to get the strips back to normal.



Thanks to Nev, Col, Ross and Mike for your efforts.

Re the pit cover; Shedzone have given us an amended quote and Barry is pursuing the council and MAAQ/MAAA re possible grants to lessen the financial burden on the club. How that goes remains to be seen but if you don't ask you don't get. The

club is in a very sound financial position so if we don't get a good response we need to go ahead and get the job done anyway. We all know how unpleasant it is in the middle of summer without cover over the pits or moving models when it pours with rain!

Until next time fly safe and well.
Tatts.

Obituary

George Joyner's wife, Margaret, passed away recently and the club extends it's condolences to George and family.



In the middle of the forest, there was a hunter who was suddenly confronted by a huge, mean bear. In his fear, all attempts to shoot the bear were unsuccessful. Finally, he turned and ran as fast as he could. The hunter ran and ran and ran, until he ended up at the edge of a very steep cliff. His hopes were dim. Seeing no way out of his predicament, and with the bear closing in rather quickly, the hunter got down on his knees, opened his arms, and exclaimed, "Dear God! Please give this bear some religion!"

The skies darkened and there was thunder and lightning in the air. Just a few feet short of the hunter, the bear came to an abrupt stop, and glanced around, somewhat confused. Suddenly, the bear looked up into the sky and said, "Thankyou, God, for the food I'm about to receive."



RC crash compilation

Ever seen a turbine powered flying wing ?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zGI-6mvZ4fk>

Events Calendar 2016

July

29 July club meeting 7.30pm

August

7th Working Bee Uhlmann Rd field

13 Night fly BBQ and camp-over Sid Bray field.

27-28th Southern Cross Airforce Gladstone. Troy

Josefsky 0411 397 139

September

24-25th Southern Cross Airforce SAAMBR. Robbie

Potter 0403 978 928

October

15-18th Maryborough. Southern Cross Airforce. Craig

Paskins 0427762320

November

12-13th Toowoomba (TAA). Southern Cross Airforce.

Peter Love 0412 633549

NEXT WORKING BEE

Sunday 7th August

Uhlmann Road Field

8.00am

(Sign in book gets taken away at 8.30am)

Apology

Last month's Airwaves confused some members as to the whereabouts of the working bee. One report mentioned it as Uhlmann Road and the notice on this page showed it to be Sid Bray.

Many thanks to those who turned up to both fields as there was also work to be done at Sid Bray.

Note: Those who didn't attend the meeting were the same ones who turned up at Sid Bray.

It was corrected at the meeting.

Come to meetings and be informed !



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