



Airwaves

Sports Aeromodellers Association Moreton Bay Region

Monthly Newsletter - July 2017

The club year is over for another twelve months. The Annual General meeting is scheduled for **August 18th** at "Pendicup."

If you wish to nominate for a position on the committee or an ancillary position now is the time to get your name in.

This will be my last report as President. I have reconsidered my previous nomination for the position of president.

I am no longer willing to occupy a committee position as from August 18th and withdraw my previous nomination. I have endeavoured to give the position the best time and effort that I could.

For most of the time I have derived satisfaction from my contributions to the efficient administration of this club.

You may have noticed that the untidy sheds at Brays Rd, belonging to the horse people, have been removed. There is still one small tidy shed on the site which belongs to a member of this club and will be left there for her use. The council have not objected to this unlike the two dismantled sheds.

Still, at Brays Rd it has been observed that there are now cattle present in the paddock. Two very large bulls are in this group so use a bit of common sense and stay clear of them especially if they are close to the gate. It is not known who owns them or if they will be permanently agisted there. It is not our property so we have no say in this matter.



With regards to the matter of the yellow runway markers, they will be reversed so that the flat side is upwards, where possible. These markers will still be visible to overflying pilots and should soothe the feelings of some of the more vocal and unhappy members.

By the time this goes into print the burn off at Uhlmann Rd should be finished. With a bit of luck this should slow the regrowth of the groundsel. The gate combinations have been changed at both fields. If you have not paid your renewal fess before the 31st of July you will incur a late payment fee. After payment of your fees you will be supplied with the new gate





combination. In due course the transmitter ribbons will be distributed to financial members. I will hold a supply of them until August 18th so if you produce your acknowledgement of membership receipt I can supply you with ribbons.

I hope the new committee can continue with obtaining and collating the required data for the submission to council for approval of night flying at Uhlmann Road. At the time of writing this the new lease has not yet been sent back to us for formal signing. I started chasing this up two years ago. As soon as the signing is completed the club Bylaws will require updating. I have done a provisional draft of this and it may need slight amendments to align with the lease conditions.

The snake bite kits are now in the First aid boxes.

So far I have had no response to emails that have been sent to MAAQ concerning the grant for the Defibrillator for Uhlmann Rd. I have been advised that an amount has been put aside for the large number of applicants but no decision has been made as to how this will be allocated to clubs.

MBRC recently completed an inspection of the buildings at the Sid Bray field and so far have not imposed any alteration or improvement conditions. Shortly they will carry out inspections for asbestos contamination and the fire extinguishers.

Well that's it from me. Keep flying.

Bazza

Dad: "I want you to marry a girl of my choice."

Son: "No!"

Dad: "The girl is Bill Gates' daughter."

Son: "OK then."

Dad goes to Bill Gates and says, "Bill, I want your daughter to marry my son."

Bill Gates: "No!"

Dad: "My son is the CEO of The World Bank."

Bill Gates: "OK then."

Dad goes to the president of the World Bank: "I think you should appoint my son as the CEO of your bank."

President: "No!"

Dad: "He is the son-in-law of Bill Gates."

President: "OK then."

This is HOW YOU DO BUSINESS.

How To Re-build a Walbro Carburetor



One of the great features that make giant scale RC airplanes so popular, is the bulletproof user-friendly nature of the Walbro carburetors used with most of the gas engines powering them. Once a gas engine is properly adjusted, its carburetor usually won't need to be tweaked again for most, if not the entire flying season. As an example, my Hangar 9 quarter-scale Piper J-3 Cub PNP is powered by a Zenoah G-20 gas engine, and in its four years of operation, I have never needed to adjust the high- or low-end needle-valves. But, to maintain optimum engine operation, you should do some basic engine maintenance and cleaning.

There are a few things that can affect the performance of your Walbro carburetor and these include, dirty un-filtered fuel, debris ingested at the flying field, and possibly water which can cause internal corrosion. No matter what the cause, whenever you notice obvious dirt or mud in your carburetor or if you notice a distinct decline in your engine's performance, the first thing you should do is open up the carburetor and take a look inside. This takes a minimum of tools and time and this article shows how I keep my Zenoah engine and Walbro carburetor happy. You can make any RC airplane more reliable by keeping its Walbro carburetor clean.

What You Need

To get inside the Walbro carburetor the required tools are a common head and Phillips head screwdrivers, Allen wrench or hex driver, a mild spray solvent like WD-40, some bamboo BBQ skewers and Q-tips. Don't use a high pressure air gun to clean the carburetor as this can drive dirt deeper into the fuel passages not to mention scattering a bunch of the smaller rebuild parts and pieces. A soft cotton rag or towel to cover your work surface is a good idea too.

Start by draining the fuel from your model then remove the engine cowl so you can disconnect the throttle linkage and fuel line. You can do this job with the engine attached to the model or you can remove the engine and work on it that way. It's up to you. If you remove the engine, you'll have to disconnect the spark plug lead, the ignition timing sensor lead and the engine attachment bolts. You might as well remove the muffler also so you can give the entire engine a good cleaning before reinstalling it on your model.



Read the rest of the article at : <http://www.modelairplanenews.com/how-to-clean-and-rebuild-your-walbro-carburetor/>

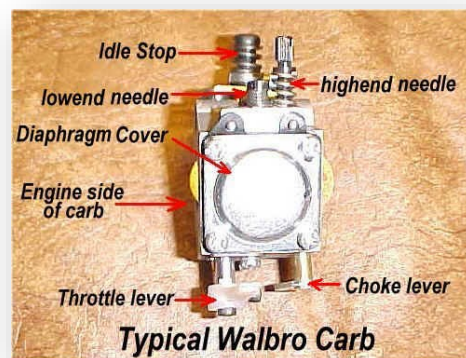
Images from Google images.

Note: Walbro kits are available at good mower shops in Australia.

New Venue

Members were impressed with the new venue at last month's meeting and you'll be pleased to know that there are more parking spaces than the previous one. Access is via the side street.

The building is more modern with air-conditioning which will be welcome in the summer months.





Annual Membership Winner

The management committee wishes to advise all members that **Duke Ellis** was the winner of the membership draw. The winner was drawn by Steve Lightowler at our June meeting held on the 30th, Thanks to all who chose a number, maybe next year you will be the winner.

Who's Moving The Markers ?

Council has informed the club that the strips on the Sid Bray Field must have markings to identify where to land and to signify to passing aircraft that the field is in use and not abandoned.

The helicopter pilot who sprays for mosquitos reported he thought it was no longer in use as he was unable to identify any landing strips and there were no cars in the car park.

It has been alleged some of these have been moved several times and have now been returned to their original positions. If anyone is caught removing or moving them it will result in instant dismissal from the club. Members were informed of this last Sunday July 16th which was decided by the committee.

Weird or Wonderful ?



Meeting Dates -Last Friday of the month.

NOTE NEW VENUE

August 18th (Annual General Meeting)

October 27th

November 24th

December 9th (Christmas Party)

General Business from the meeting on 30th July

- * The club by laws are going to be updated to be more relevant to present times.
- * A padlock on one of the container doors at Sid Bray field is to be replaced.
- * Two of the horse sheds which are no longer in use will be dismantled. (one has already been done).
- * The roller doors at the Sid Bray field were to be repaired. (Now done).
- * MBR to check the switchboard for the solar power unit.
- * Someone suggested making up one of those portable banners to be placed wherever required.
- * The new lease for the Jim Gibson field is currently still being drawn up by the MBRC.
- * The club books are being made ready for auditing.
- * Club fees are still being received and transmitter bands for membership identification are available.
- * **Tatts** has acquired a good second hand ride on mower for \$200.
- * **Nev Vogler** has donated an air compressor to the club for pumping up the tractor tyres. Thanks Nev.
- * **Dave Mount** has donated some Bain Maries and trays for the kitchen. Thanks Dave.
- * A member asked if the club could purchase some more shirts with the SAAMBR logo on them (with pocket). EP to pursue.
- * The secretary notified that indoor flying is being done at the YMCA Hall in Samsonvale Rd. on the 3rd Friday of the month if anyone was interested.
- * The club President is still in negotiations with Council regarding night flying at Jim Gibson field.
- * There was some discussion on how to attract more members to the club. It was thought club fees were too high. The man who visited recently with two sons would have to pay \$719.00 in fees.



Official Club Opening—24th September

This will coincide with a **Warbirds Weekend** and a great event is expected with all members expected to attend.

As always, the Warbirds day is one of the highlights of our year with many members from other clubs coming to join in the fun and taste the boys magnificent hamburgers and other goodies from the canteen. General flying will be permitted on the Sunday and a free lunch will be provided.

By this time the weather should have turned and the days will be and fine and warm.

Our guest of honour will be **Peter Flannery** from the Moreton Bay Regional Council who will officially open the field. (image is not PF).



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The Albatross D111—The Face Melting Plane!

An agile German fighter plane during World War I, the Albatross D-III was amazingly aerodynamically advanced for its time. Its final redesign was very quick and maneuverable, making it a favourite for this guy named Manfred von Richthofen, otherwise known as the Red Baron.

The Red Baron flew it, racked up over a dozen kills, painted it red and made it one of the most iconic fighter planes in history. The final redesign, that is.

The Only Problem



There were problems with the early designs. No big deal. It could just, you know, literally melt the pilot's face off. The plane's radiator was mounted directly above the pilot's head. Though this made it aerodynamic, any slight damage caused it to shoot its boiling contents straight into the pilot's face.

Imagine it like a clown getting hit in the face with a pie at the end of a joke, except instead of pie, it's a lava-hot, face-melting stream of water, and instead of a clown, it's a surprised pilot hundreds of feet in the air, and instead of being at the end of a joke, it was every time its wings cracked, which was all the time, thanks to another flaw that caused the wings to fail at high speeds.

In fact, the first draft of the Albatross D-III nearly succeeded in something thousands of men before it had failed at: killing the Red Baron. He suffered the wing-cracking problem during a flight and managed to land (many other pilots weren't so lucky) and refused to fly the damned thing until they fixed the design. This is a guy who routinely flew through thunderstorms and enemy territory to fight nearly a hundred battles against superior forces, and he felt spending another second flying in the D-III was too dangerous.



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



Events Calendar 2017

August

11-13th Qld turbine flyers annual fly in Goondiwindi
18th SAAMBR Annual General Meeting and elections.

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

November

December

9th SAAMBR Christmas party Sid Bray field.

Next Working Bee.

No Working Bee in August.



Next Meeting

Friday 18th August

"Pendicup"

365 Samsonvale Road

WARNER

7.30PM

Guests and New Members Welcome.

Plenty of off street parking.



SAAMBR

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