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Editor Notes

Ian Kershaw



What a great time I have had flying over this summer season! That's why I am a bit late with this edition of the VMAA Newsletter! And what a bumper of an edition I have for you. Even though the weather has been unpredictable and very windy there have been many good days for flying.

I have been off to a few flying events over the past months and seen some spectacular flying exhibitions. At the MAAA flying event at Sandown, a very large crowd watched some excellent displays of flying. I took lots of pictures and the front cover picture is just one of the highlights of that day. A story with pictures follow.

The annual Twin's Day at the State field had a large turn out of participants flying a variety of twin engine planes and multi winded aircraft. There was a strong wind blowing but luckily straight down the strip. Again the flying was excellent and the day was very well organized by the members at Northern.

Don't forget You can email me at editor@vmaa.com.au with articles, up coming events or any suggestions or feedback ... So happy reading!

I hope all have enjoyed the Summer season and landed safely more times than not.

Ian

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Sandown - Vampire

Country Meetings

The purpose of country meeting is so country clubs to meet the Committee and ask questions of the VMAA on any subject of concern or just to clear up issues that have been brought up by Club Members. Normally, the Committee would join the Club at their field and meet as many Club Members as possible, followed by dinner on the Saturday night.

The meeting is designed for questions and answers so if any Club is interested in hosting a Country Meeting, please contact the VMAA Secretary, to discuss a suitable date and make arrangements. We would also encourage other Clubs in close proximity to join in as well.

Meetings held in 2015 were very successful with the VMAA Committee meeting a number of Club Members. So give VMAA Secretary a call to find out more information

Closing dates for VMAA Newsletter Contributions

If you have an article, up coming event or just information you would like to share with all Association Members, please send an email to the me at: editor@vmaa.com.au.

There is no charge for Club events or Display Days to advertise in the VMAA Newsletter. All articles are considered so send then in ... and the earlier the better.

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Left - GMAC Skyboalt Squadron

George Vasy, Adam Thompson, Norm Thompson, Ian Kershaw, David Roberts

Education

As the year comes to an end and I look back to see what has happened, I am pleased to report on a most successful twelve months. 2016 should be good as well, starting with the Sandown F1 event in January. This is set to provide a good many leads for us to follow, but more about that later.

Throughout the year we have attended many scout groups for an educational evening based on an introduction to model flying. This is followed by the fun part of the night, where we often have 20 plus Spitfire chuck gliders whizzing about in the hall, in all different directions. This is a sight to see, and the expressions of joy on so many young faces as they learn how to get different results just by changing air speed, is just great. Thank you to all of those who have helped by the way. Your efforts have been much appreciated by many, and made my job a lot easier.

The major activity throughout most of the year has revolved around an Australian Air League, Moorabbin Air Museum Squadron, to be precise. In the last newsletter you will have seen pictures of a model building program undertaken by the cadets of this squadron. I decided that no ARF's, foamys' or electric motors were allowed through the door, and in my opinion this was a good thing. The cadets were genuinely excited when they were shown the kits and ENGINES we would be using. I rest my case.

The kits were of the Seagull Boomerang 2 [.40 size]. They are available in build up kit form which is what we wanted so that meant a full build/assembly including covering. The valiant team of instructors (both building and flying) were Stephen Green, Khalid Ally, Addie Hampson and myself. They all put in a huge effort to get the planes ready in time for the scheduled flying day but even then one of them was not quite ready to go.



The flying day was the 29th November at the P.A.R.C.S field in Carrum Downs. The club kindly agreed to let us use their facility for such a purpose and for that we would like to thank them most sincerely. We were able to give all the cadets who attended a fly and even some of the Dads as well. The fact that they had helped to build the planes, had seen the construction process and witnessed the flights first hand was a big buzz for them. As mentioned, one of the planes was not quite completed so I used one of the other wings for a test fly of the fuselage. It was however finished a week later and does fly very well, needing very little trim (and with its own wing this time). The whole project was a great success and now we have the opportunity to get all of these cadets flying their shared models.

By way of a bonus the eldest cadet has not only joined PARCS but has recently qualified for his bronze wings. His silver wings will not be far away once we get him flying I.C. At the conclusion of our flying session one of the other cadets asked if he too could join the club. Both of them are keen so I am hoping their enthusiasm will rub off to the others. The photos say it all and I hope there will be more in the future.

I encourage you all to not only to attend Sandown F1 this year but to tell as many people as possible about it. The more people we can expose to model flying the better. If we can show them that safety, accessibility and affordability are all there we have a better chance of reaching potential model flyers, therefore securing the future. I for one will be looking out for victims but it will be a really good day for all.





Finally I would like to extend a HUGE thanks to Mike Farnan and his team at MODEL ENGINES for their support and donations toward the Air League project, which made putting four kit trainers together a whole lot easier. As a token of our appreciation I put as many Model Engines stickers on the models as I could, and it did enhance them quite well. Also Addie Hampson, Stephen Green and Khalid Ally's commitment to the project is highly commendable, so a big thanks to them also.

Thanks as always to Dave Brown laser cutting service for his continued support making our Spitfire chuck gliders.

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Wangaratta Aero Modelers

30 cubs ascertain there 1st stage flight badge.

Our local Cub group held a pm meeting at the local field in Shanley Street Wangaratta. We help 30 cubs ascertain their 1st stage flight badge.

This involved construction of a foam plane , a chance to fly a plane (buddy system) and to learn the mechanism of the plane. The Wangaratta aero modelers donate all their time helping the young cubs succeed. We are hoping to be involved in their 2nd stage flight badge later in the year.



Beyond Blue

We lost a young member of our club David to suicide at Christmas and it affected the club deeply, as you can imagine. David had organized an aero tow event on the 12th, 13th & 14th of March. The club decided to continue with the event in David's name and we teamed up with Beyond Blue to fundraise in David's name for men's health, depression, anxiety and suicide.

We decided all profits from the canteen and a very generous raffle donation to the value of \$1300 worth of prizes will all be donated to Beyond Blue. The club has worked hard to make this a successful event, through our local paper and Facebook page. We are a small club but we hope to achieve big things and we are very proud of what we are achieving and giving back to the community and our work with Beyond Blue.

We are hoping to continue the aero tow event as an annual event and to continue our work with Beyond Blue. I have included a photo of an article from our local paper. I am happy to be contacted if you require any further information.

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Aero modellers event to help Beyond Blue

Members to honour the memory of Dave Roberts

DAVE Roberts was passionate about aero modelling.

And his fellow Wangaratta Aero Modellers will remember that dedication when they host their first aero tow over the Labour Day long weekend.

The club will run the event as a tribute to Dave, whose death prior to Christmas following a battle with depression has led to the event becoming, in part, a fundraiser for Beyond Blue (the national initiative which raises awareness of anxiety and depression).

Member Jon York said Dave had set the wheels in motion for the club's inaugural aero tow, and said fellow members quickly decided one of the best ways they could honour his memory was to carry on with his organisation of the event.

"Dave was a great bloke," Jon said.

"He had been involved



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in aero modelling all his life, building his first plane when he was nine or 10.

"He had plenty of ideas and skills and techniques, and was always happy to share them.

"His loss was a big one for the club, and a few of us spoke at his funeral and said we were going to continue on."

All proceeds from catering over the three day event, running from March 12 to 14, will be donated to Beyond Blue, along with those from a raffle to be held on the weekend, and part of the entry fee.

The event, which will draw tow planes and gliders of all shapes, sizes and designs, is gaining interest from Victorian and interstate enthusiasts.

It will be held at 100 Shanley Street this Friday, Saturday and Sunday.



IN MEMORY OF A MATE: Wangaratta Aero Modellers including Jon York (above) will carry on with a passion project started by their long-time member, Dave Roberts, when they host their first aero tow event on March 12, 13 and 14.

PHOTO: Kylie Wilson

VMAA DVD Library

IMPORTANT NEWS - 4 DVD's for only \$6.00

New DVDs List:

VMAA Video Library February 2016 Update.

Due to the recent increase in postage charges it has been necessary to increase the cost of borrowing from the Library.

The cost has risen from \$5-00 to \$6-00 for 4 DVDs. We think that this is still great value when considering the great selection of DVDs available from the Library.

The V.M.A.A. has a very extensive DVD Library. It contains over 1,300 titles covering models and full size aircraft as well as aviation movies. There are many excellent instructional DVD that provide you with excellent information that will assist you in this great sport. There are also lots of titles covering many of the big model shows and competitions from all over the world as well as a huge selection of full size aircraft documentaries. You are really missing out on something if you are not a member of the library. It only costs \$6-00, which includes the return postage, for **4 DVDs**.

Full details of how to join the V.M.A.A. Video Library is in your V.M.A.A. Directory. Alternatively you can e-mail me at videolibrarian@vmaa.com.au and ask for details of how it operates, joining form or a list of DVDs available or all of the for mentioned and I will send them to you.

To join the library, send and e-mail to the Librarian at videolibrarian@vmaa.com.au requesting an information pack. This will include a joining form, fill it in the membership application form and send it to the Librarian, at 1 Watson Ave. Mont Albert Nth. 3129, who will send your membership card back. Please note that there is a \$10 joining fee. If you would like to borrow titles when you apply to join then send \$16 and a list of at least 6 titles you wish to borrow just incase some of your selections are not available..

The video library is a great resource, if you are not using then it why not. You get 4 DVD's delivered to your house for only \$6-00. This includes the return postage.

1432 WARBIRDS OVER DELAWARE 2015 93 Mins.
Lots of great warbirds from this big warbird model rally in the US.

1433 D.O.G.S. AIRSHOW 2015 91 Mins.
The Dayton Ohio Giant Scalers airshow which is held in the USAF Museum grounds. Lots of great aircraft including a very large F104 Starfighter.

1434 NEAT FAIR 2015 102 Mins.
All the great aircraft at the Northeast Electric Aircraft Technology fly-in. An interesting lot of aircraft including a large P-38.

1435 IRCHA HELI JAMBOREE 2015 100 Mins.
All the action from this big event held at the AMA headquarters in Muncie Indiana.

1436 GATHERING OF EAGLES 2015 85 Mins.
Lots of very large warbirds including 2 large Wilscats and lots of other great scale warbirds.

1437 CRASHER 7 46 Mins.
More mayhem and big attacks of gravity.

6326 VE DAY ANNIVERSARY AIRSHOW 96 Mins
All the action from the Airshow held at Duxford to celebrate the 75th anniversary of VE Day. Lots of WW2 Warbirds

6327 ROYAL NAVY YEOVILTON 2015 101 Mins
All the action from the Airshow at the Roayl Navy Air Station Yeovilton. Highlights include the Swordfish, Sea Vixen and many more navy aircraft.

6328 FARNBOROUGH 2015 – Part 1 101 Mins
Highlights from the big Farnborough 2015 Event.

6329 FARNBOROUGH 2015 – Part 2 101 Mins
Highlights from the big Farnborough 2015 Event.

6330 2015 AIR TATTOO 115 Mins.
Lots of great aircraft on display at this famous event. Includes a salute to the 75th anniversary of he Battle of Britain.

6331 FLYING LEGENDS 2015 Part 1 120 Mins.
The Flying Legends Airshow was held at Duxford in the UK and features 10 Spitfires plus a Seafire and lots more warbirds.

6332 FLYING LEGENDS 2013 Part 2 100 Mins.
The Flying Legends Airshow is held at Duxford and features 10 Spitfires plus a Seafire and lots more warbirds.

6333 OSHKOSH 2015 60 Mins.
All the action from the great Oshkosh including a demo by the F-35.

6334 THE BATTLE OF BRITAIN 75th ANNIVERSARY AIRSHOW 90 Mins.
See 17 Spitfires in a flyby as well as many other warbirds. A really great airshow.

6335 BRITISH AIRSHOWS 2015 Part 1 120 Mins.
The highlights from 19 events across the UK during 2015.

6336 BRITISH AIRSHOWS 2015 Part 2 90 Mins.
An interactive disc that enables you to change camera scenes.

7390 AIR TRACTORS 60 Mins.
A documentary about the use of aircraft in Australian farming.

7391 CHASING RENO GOLD 50 Mins.
Interviews with the top pilots who have won this great race.

7392 FLYING – BOB HOOVER 86 Mins.
A tribute to that great pilot Bob Hoover.

7393 TWO VULCANS 78 Mins.
Highlights of the fast taxi run on Vulcan 655 with Vulcan 558 flying overhead. A detailed look at 655 which is virtually as operated by the RAF.

7394 GAINING ALTITUDE – MOSQUITO REBORN 90 Mins.
The story of the restoration of the Canadian Mosquito to flying status.

7395 RETURN OF THE CATALINA 100 Mins.
The story of flying the Catalina for the QANTAS Museum, in Longreach, from Spain.

7396 THE DOUBLE SUNRISE FLIGHTS 28 Mins.
A documentary on the top secret flights from WA to Sri Lanka performed by Catalinas during WW2

Scale Aircraft

Victorian Flying Scale

Aircraft Association - VFSAA

If you like to build and fly scale radio controlled aircraft then the VFSAA is the SIG for you. Scale events at various venues and are listed on our website. Events are open to all members of the MAAA and cater for Scratch built/Kits as well as Flying Only (ARF) scale models.



General Meetings are held bi-monthly on the first Thursday of every even month at the Field Naturalist Club of Victoria. Address: 1 Gardenia Street, Blackburn. Visitors are always welcome. The highlight of meetings is the show and tell presentations from members of their new models and includes discussions on construction techniques. Members are always available to advise or assist you in your building project or to explain and guide you through our flying schedules.



Our website keeps members up to date with news and information on upcoming events as well as event entry forms which can be downloaded and printed prior to entering an event.

Visit our website: vfsaa.org.au

For the most recent version of "Calendar of Events" you can view on the VMAA website at: [Calendar of Events](#)

VMPRA Event Report - Munro

28/29Th November 2015

Gippsland as a region is famous for its agricultural development and has become Melbourne's largest supplying region of dairy and vegetables.

Munro pylon field has also grown to what most racers would consider one of the best fields of its kind in the country.

As always, the grounds were meticulously prepared by a local fishing tackle sales rep Ian Rickard who devotes nearly every weekend at the strip working on a list of odd jobs and manicuring the bowling green run way!

Race preparation began on Friday where several pilots took to the course for fine tuning in preparation of the last pylon event for the calendar year.

The day saw Master Murphy's and Dannmann with their Minute Master's out circulating in the 20 knotter and Beau rippen into his new Miss Dara F400 running in a fresh motor. The Miss Dara model was designed by Dan Kane who also designed the Polecat and Loki both also being extraordinary models.

Ranjit and Tricky Ricky test flew Ricks Veyron and all went well. Rick due to extended family commitments with the safe arrival of baby boy #2 Albert couldn't stay for the weekend show down. Unfortunately Phelans' new V Tail models came to grief with more development required.





The day ended with good spirits and plenty of Crownies with many pilots arriving setting up camp with a feast prepared by the Axons.

The first race day plan was for 4 rounds of F400, Q500 then followed by F3D.

Willy Weather forecast for the weekend was for fine weather and Saturday morning was perfect for racing start at 9:45am of the F400 class. 10 entrants at his event with the podium hotly contested every month. Brain Steele and Andrew Davies the dynamic duo flew well all weekend proving out consistency was the recipe. Beau recorded the fastest time of the day and weekend with a 64.96sec. Jim and John managed to keep clear of each other as sometimes it seems an unfortunate magnetism between some models and pilots, Hmmm.



John Schmidli got all his times and Dannmann cutting him self out of the race after setting himself a target and pushing really hard for a record time! Great too see Frank back with the shiniest models ever unfortunately hitting terra firma after take off in his first heat. Pity as his plane was a ripper in practice but an upside for Father Christmas would be a new model order! An unexpected mid air between Barry Murphy and Andrew Davies saw both models return to ground with a broken prop on the Baz model and repair required on Batman's model.

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After 4 rounds of F400, the Quickie pilots were fuelled up and ready to race. With 12 entrants and a variety of skills saw fantastic racing with a veteran Tom Prosser returning to Munro for his second Q500 event. Tom must have had fun at the last event at Munro with his custom built plane which is a master piece and scratch built. Unfortunately the Prosser and Axon models had a mid air but both pilots returning into the comp for the next round. Also a special mention to Tom Allen returning to the pylon scene after a stint of car racing with only his second event back, well in the mix with his best time of 100.50 sec only 0.57 sec of the fastest time of the event by Jim Orenshaw....no doubt Tom is on it and will be going real fast in the near future.

F3D up next albeit weather proving a little slow, Beau opened up with a respectable 59.8 sec which proved to be the quickest time of the event. Dannmann recorded 61.2 in first heat which was also his best time for the weekend. Mix results with all other pilots with Frank flying great but plug problems in resulting in a few 200's.

Day 1 ended with a very familiar garlic scent of charcoal grilling lamb, chicken and pork gyros followed by Narida's tiramisu and Toni's Christmas pudding. Camaraderie with all



pilots attending the dinner was defiantly one for the record books and now the Saturday night event is almost part of the event calendar for most race weekends. All entrants this weekend stayed for the feast and many thanks to all helpers and to all cooks!

Late afternoon and evening affairs started with old timers, speed gliders and foamies. George Angelov certainly has his rocket master gold wings complemented the sky with rockets all landing safely with parachutes. Much fun by all.

After a dusty start to Sunday, the weather God's rolled up for the second day with perfect conditions and the F400's were on their way. The competitiveness of this class was very exciting to watch and well done to all competitors and place getters. John Schmidli again getting all his times with no cuts for the weekend will surely keep the ranks on their toes in months to come.

With Q500 scores very close after day 1, a number of pilots were well positioned to commence the days racing. Jim Orenshaw, Tom Allen and John Schmidli taking out the top three places this time round with many pilots in all placing all recording excellent times and PB's. Racing this class was great to watch as the very affordable models flown by entry level pilots had a great time and were also very competitive!

Grand finale premier F3D class was again a mixed bag something similar to a fishing trip in Western Port Bay! Again the weather a little slow with Beau recording the fastest time of the day of 61.76 sec, Baz flying very consistent this weekend and Andrew Davis holding it together to complete 8 rounds. Brian Steele alias Robin landed his F3D in a tree which took a mastermind of construction materials, Tarzan and luck to get his model back. Onya Brian!

Dannmann got all his times in for the weekend bar 2 cuts for the event ended up with the best average score to take out 1st place, 2nd Barry Murphy and 3rd Andrew Davies. Great to see Gary back in the air for 4th place and Beau in 5th due his last run a little rich resulting in a 200.

Again, well done to all pilots competing for the weekend and great efforts by all.

The Season Champs year to date tally score board remain relatively unchanged with Dannmann extending his F3D lead, Brian Steele also in 1st place for F400 and Jim Orenshaw 1st place Q500. With 6 months of racing to go, the season looks to be a ripper!



PARCS Host Padua College Students

On the 8th of December part of Padua College in Mornington visited PARCS club hosting 40 children from "Green House" at their field for a display day. I have been working with Padua college in Mornington where my son Daniel goes to school to visit a local club as part of end of year celebrations. Wayne Newman from Addie's Hobbies greatly assisted with the organization of this event.

Daniel and Wayne buddied 20 kids and most teachers had a go as well. We used a Phoenix Sports 40 trainer supplied by Addies Hobbies and also a Great Planes Ugly Stik for the hands on event. Kids were given a raffle ticket and then lucky dip to get a chance on the sticks, time constraints prevented us from all 40 having a fly but 20 students had a go! Display models were also set up and Wayne explained they variety of models and different areas of aero modelling.

To wrap, Wayne flew a jet with a spectacular demo and Daniel finished off the day with flights with his F3D World Champ model Minute Master around the pylon course that we set up for the event.

We all had loads of fun and kids, teachers and parents all being very lucky to be part of a great event. The interactive part and kids having a go as well as demo's were much appreciated and certainly did build an awareness of our hobby and sport!

Andrew Arapakis





Pylon Racing in Camperdown -

Camperdown is an agricultural centre located on the world's third largest volcanic plain and is surrounded by large salt and fresh water lakes. For the slope soarers among us, volcanic peaks such as Mount Leura and the ripper spot at the end of the Lakes and Craters Caravan Park also have fantastic views of the lakes in this region.

Located within the Camperdown Race Course, the CMAC President Foster Taylor's hand shake warmly welcomed all competitors to the traditionally hot weekend and also the first race meet of the 2016.

Friday saw many competitors arriving in the early afternoon to set up shade and test fly their pride and joys. Customary to recent meets, the line up for the weekend would be F400 starting each morning followed by Q500 then the missile class FA1 (F3D).

Competitors attending the Victorian Miniature Pylon Racing Association (VMPRA) Trophy, showed up in good numbers from far-a-field with some pilots coming from as far away as South Australia, Sydney and Bairnesdale having travelling many hours to compete. With a staggering line up of world class competitors, there was 12 pilots in F3D, 15 in F400 and 12 in Q500.

Saturday temperatures were forecast to peak in the mid 30's which is a challenge to all competitors. Beers were put on ice ready for the end of the days racing.

F400 was hotly contested with Leigh Hocken's first round setting the fastest time recorded in this class for the weekend of 61.75 seconds which is a time that most F3D pilots would be proud of. The battle continued with great racing from the Jacobsens with the final results being the ever consistent Shaun Jacobsen taking out first place by 0.3 seconds with his rocket red AR-6. Leigh Hocken can in 2nd place and Jarrod Jacobsen took 3rd place. This class is always exciting to watch as the out of the box equipment is ever so competitive.

With a broad range of experience, the Q500 contestants enjoyed a ripper event. 8 rounds in the peak of the heat saw a lot of fun had by all. This stock class again produced some very quick times and it was great to see Mick Kellet return to racing and being very competitive. Really only a hand full of seconds between most place



Setup on the Saturday morning, with hot weather predicted, There was plenty of Gazebos to make the pit area nice and shady.



Leigh Hocken with his Super Cat racer which recorded a fastest time for F400 on the weekend of 61.75 seconds



Les Spaltman, flew his first competition in the F400 class with his GR-7 and with the help of call, Mike Kellet (holding the plane).

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getters saw NZ F3D pilot Tom Wetherill taking out 1st place with consistent mostly sub 100 second times. He was followed by the fancy florescent pink, Addies Hobbies sponsored plane flown by Mick Kellet. 3rd place was taken out by the every reliable John Schmidli. Well done to all pilots for having a go.

F3D commenced mid afternoon on both days, 12 pilots spread across 4 heats battle high temperatures and hot racing. Shaun Jacobsen entered the F3D circuit for the first time and made it look easy getting into the grove early in similar style to his F400 flight path. Phelan's newly designed and built V-Tail also had it maiden race with the world watching on. For 8 rounds of F3D, the Victorian based Aussie F3D Team pilots battled it out.

Some spectators said that the racing witnessed this weekend was the best racing seen in a very long time. All three pilots ripped into the 10 & 1/2 lap course lap after lap. All three Aussie Team pilots are sponsored by JR through Model Flight with the root of their flying days starting out in Gippsland. Friendly camaraderie and competition saw Beau Murphy finishing in 1st place, Leigh Hocken in 2nd place and Dannmann Daniel Arapakis finishing 3rd after a last round cut – all flew their very best and unique styles and was fantastic to witness such a high standard and competitive racing! Perfect engine work with start-ups every time combined with ultimate precision flying is no doubt the success to this F3D class.

The annual VMPRA Season Championship trophy score board for season leaders remains unchanged with Dannmann now on 43 points extending his lead in F3D, Brain Steel 1st place with an aggregate score of 45 points in F400 and Jim Orenshaw currently running in 1st place in Q500 with a total points score of 46.



The Jacobsen family from South Australia, Jarrod, Tom & Shaun holding their AR-6 F400 racers and on the ground, a Voodoo and Dominator F3D models.



Our youngest team identifying their Viper racer, Austin Omann, Daniel Arapakis (hold the model).



The start of a F400 race with Rajit Phelan launching Tom Jacoben's AR-6. Callers, Mike Kellet and Tom Wetherill watch their team mate's planes as they approach pylon #1 for the first time. In the Background Barry Murphy pilots his racer with son, Beau calling for him.



Q500 class take-off. Shaun Jacobsen launches his brother's (Jarrod) Sonic While Mike Kellet waits for his turn to launch Les Spaltman's Banshee model.

Pylon Racing in Camperdown - February 2016



Formula 400 competitors.
Back L-R - Beau Murphy, Jarrod Jacobsen, Tom Jacobsen, Barry Murphy, Jim Orenshaw, Marcus Guss, Les Spaltman, Andrew Davies & Glenn Matthews.
Front L-R - Leigh Hocken, Shaun Jacobsen, John Schmidli, Brian Steele, Gary Davidson & Ranjit Phelan.



FA1 competitors
Back L-R - Ranjit Phelan, Barry Murphy, Beau Murphy, Tom Jacobsen, Shaun Jacobsen, Gary Davidson, Tom Wetherill & Andrew Davies.
Front L-R Daniel Arapakis, Glenn Matthews, Leigh Hocken, Brian Steele.



Quickie 500 competitors
Back L-R - Jarrod Jacobsen, Tom Wetherill, Les Spaltman, Jim Orenshaw, Gary Whitbourne, Mike Kellet
Front L-R - John Yianni, James Hurley, John Schmidli, Andrew Arapakis, Austin Omann, Allan Whitbourne.

Australian Precision Aerobatics (APA) - Australian Masters/World Cup

In March 2016, the APA held their annual F3A Masters competition at PDARCS in Pakenham. This event was also the team trial for pilots to compete at AOC in Taiwan in October 2016, and was also an F3A World Cup event. The World Cup is a series of F3A competitions held in Europe each year, and the Australian competition is the only World Cup held outside of Europe.

38 competitors from Australia, New Zealand and the Netherlands competed across all classes. Derk van der Vecht was the visiting pilot from the Netherlands, and we hope to see Derk at another future Masters event, and hopefully more European visitors.

The Masters covers all F3A classes being: Sportsman, Advanced, Expert, F3A and Masters. The competition is structured so all pilots have six flights and their lowest score is dropped. The facilities at PDARCS are first-rate, and it was a pleasure to have the use of such an awesome club for this important event. Special thanks to Mr Norm Morrish for all his efforts in preparing the field. Thanks also to the local school and PDARCS members for running the canteen.

However we did get off to a worrying start for the Friday practice session. After a lull of a few years, the flying ants were out with a vengeance, and were so bad it was feared the competition was at risk. Fortunately they came and went in a day, and weren't seen again.

Overall the weather throughout the event was good. Saturday night saw the club house host a sit-down roast dinner for 38 people with not much room to spare. It was a terrific night that included the APA AGM and some pretty wild night flying from our Netherlands guest Derk van der Vecht, and Paul Summerville. Live music was spontaneously provided by Russell Edwards on guitar and sax. It was a lot of fun.



(L-R): Glenn Orchard, Derk van der Vecht and Matt Bailey

Competition results:

Masters (pictured above)

Derk van der Vecht

Matt Bailey

Glenn Orchard

F3A

Russell Edwards

Anthony Hall

Peter Pennisi

Expert

Tom Collinge

Geoff Healey

John Brann

Advanced

Jason Sparks

David Creed

Rod Bailey

Sportsman

Kahl Eckersley

Durwin Dharmaraj

Josh Newman

AOC Team

Matt Bailey

Glenn Orchard

Dennis Travassaro

Reserve: Paul Marlan



F1 Air Race Sandown 2016

The MAAA hosted the F1 Air Race and exhibition of RC model on Sunday 31st January 2016 at Sandown. As promised "Like a top gun, you can experience the thrill of flight" and the pilots delivered. Australia's top display and racing pilots put on a spectacular show for a very large family crowd.

This year, the F1 Air Race Sandown program delivered a longer, more exciting and spectacular air show. The day feature:

F1 model aircraft fly past

Spectacular Aerobatics

Giant Scale models

Fast and Furious Sandown F1 Air Race five aircraft will battle it out in a spectacular show of speed and skill

Fast and Furious Sandown F2 Air Race

The best young F3D Pylon Racers in the country

The conditions on the day were warm and sunny with a strong wind. Although this was very testing for the pilots, luckily the wind was coming straight down the raceway (runway). Landing on the main raceway with racing barriers on both sides, there is no room for error.

There were a number of exhibitors, hobby retailers and Aero Special Interest groups to entertain all.

The speed, noise and smoke combined to make a very entertaining Air Show. Well done to all, a great day.





Annual Twins and More

On Sunday 3rd April 2016 the Northern Flying Group held the annual Twins and More day at the State Flying Field. Entry was open to all MAAA registered Pilots who have a plane with two or more engines or two main wings.

Northern members organized and catered the day beautifully. A lot of Great prizes were on a fly per ticket lucky draw system. A trophy for the most unusual multi-engine aircraft was awarded. There were some excellent twin models and they were a joy to see in the air.

The conditions were bright and what ?"Windy"... No ! but the sky was full of twins and they were lining up to take to the sky... and didn't stop all day! A relaxing Sunday flying was had at this unique event.

Make sure you put it in your calender for next year. It is one not to be missed.





Above - Brian Evans, Grumman F3F



Right - Billy Pearce Waco 1/5 Scale 4/S Sato 125



Above - Rob MacDonald Gypsy Moth, 91 OS



Right - Norm Edmunds, Cessna 310



P&DARCS Scratch and Kit Built Scale Rally

5 - 6 November 2016

As part of the 50th Anniversary of the P&DARCS club they are hosting a Scratch & Kit Built Scale Rally ie hand made, not ARFs. The event is to be held on the weekend after Melbourne Cup Day. The main priority of the event is to give modelers who hand build models a place where they can come, display and fly their model in a controlled environment and plenty of airspace to fly their creations.

As part of the Rally there will also be a Diorama Competition. It is hoped that this will also give modelers a bit of scope to further display their creations and creative ability. Prizes will be given out for both flying and the diorama displays. Lucky draw prizes will also be given out during the day.

Part built projects are welcome. It is all about promoting the skill of the model builder. The scale models do not have to be large, just scale and hand built.

Ivan Chiselett from the P&DARCS Club is getting ready for their big Scratch & Kit Built Scale Rally as he recently test flew his new scratch built model B-25 Mitchell. It was built from Ziroli plans cut by SC Models and is 2,57M (101") span and has a mass of 13Kgs. It is powered by two Motorolfly 3625 Electric motors with 5000mah 5 cell batteries. The electric motors give it plenty of power and the takeoff run was less than



Ivan Chiselett just prior to the test flight of his 101" B-25.



30M. It flies very well with no vices. It has air operated retracts with sequencing gear doors to replicate the full size aircraft as well as a rotating upper turret with machine gun noise and landing lights.

The model is of the B-25 that was flown on Australia back in the late 1980's. It was sold to the US and now resides at a museum in Chino near LA. It now wears US markings. The tiger on the side was from the sponsorship the aircraft when it was in Australia by Esso who at that time had a tiger as its logo. Remember the advert of "put a tiger in your tank". The aircraft in Chino still has the tiger on its side.

The decals on the model were made using photos taken of the full size at Chino when Andrew Smallridge, Paul Sommerville and Ivan went to the US in 2011. The photos were scaled and then soaked in water, placed face down on a sheet of glass and the paper carefully rubbed off the photo with a finger until you just have the thin film with the photo. It is then let dry, cut to shape and then stuck to the side of the model. All other decal were painted.

Ivan was also seen practicing for the diorama competition at their big Scratch or Kit Built Scale Rally November 5 & 6 2016 with his B-25 and assorted equipment.

Are you all getting ready for the big event? Put it in your calendar as a "Must Attend". Even if you are not flying you will see some great models.

Entry will be \$5-00 per car per day.

All Stars Day - GMAC

In March 2016, the Greensborough Model Aircraft Club (GMAC) was host to a special event which showcased some of Australia's best pilots in a variety of RC disciplines, including:

- Scale, Gliders, 3D Helis, Precision, Aerobatics - F3A (fixed wing) and F3C (heli), Aeromusicals, 3D Freestyle and Jets

Additionally, we were privileged to have Mr Derk van der Vecht from the Netherlands as a special guest and pilot.

Derk demonstrated the very challenging F-17 schedule from the current F3A programme, plus aero musical style flying using an F3A model, as well as a model kindly loaned to him by Ido Segev. The model was a "Humungous" which is Ido's own design.

All the pilots put on a fantastic show, which was inspiring to watch. David Law demonstrated scale flying with his Pitts Special. David will be representing Australia later this year at the world scale championships. Dennis Travassaros did some glider flying and demonstrated the use of thermals to stay aloft. Josh Labita thrilled us with his 3D helicopter flying. Adrian Koro demonstrated 3D freestyle flying with his Extra 330. GMAC president Norm Thompson and member Bill ??? flew Bill's Boomerang jet. Craig Baverey flew his 3.1m Freestyle Extra 330 SC Krill. Ido Segev flew 3D freestyle with his Humungous model to music. Matt Carmichael demonstrated F3C precision helicopter flying.

During the lunch break and at the end of the day, GMAC members put on an impromptu demonstration of combat flying with their Assassin models, plus a brief limbo competition. Then our guest pilots also tried out the Assassins.

A great day was had by all. A special thanks to all the pilots for their awesome demonstrations, and to the GMAC club for hosting the event. Also, thanks to

the Victoria Precision Aerobatics Association (VPA) for organizing the event, which was to take advantage of Derk's visit from the Netherlands and to promote precision flying and "flying with purpose".





Top left, LHS – Derk van der Vecht, & Dick van der Vecht

Top left, RHS – Norm Thompson & Bill Pearce

Top right – David Law and Mel Clarke

Middle right & Bottom left – Craig Baverey
(if you can find him in all that smoke)

Story By - Russell Edwards GMAC



David Law Pitts Special

The aim of scale modelling is to build a model that looks and flies like the real aircraft. President: Victorian Flying Scale Aircraft Association

Dennis Travassaros Glider

Started with control line as a child and still have my first 4 Channel Tx from when I was about 10. Love flying with a passion and have flown a bit of everything...Scale / IMAC, Gliders, 3D, Electric /IC/Gas and Nitro, a bit of Heli, foamies, Pylon, Indoor / F3P, and F3A as my main discipline...

Gliders are fun because they can be anything from scale to foam, powered, super hi tech or basic, and they allow you to get the adrenaline going or just float around in thermals etc. Which I find relaxing...

F3A has dominated my flying for 10 years now and taken me around the world on 2 World Championships teams, being South Africa in 2013 and Switzerland in 2015...and Thailand / AOC in 2014...I also have my gold wings instructor license for fixed wing...

Pilots

Josh Labita

3D Heli

Been flying Helis for 8 years since 8 years of age

Sponsored by ZenRC and Xnova Performance Motors

Heli: Goblin 700 3 Bladed edition, running 2100 RPM headspeed. 1.6m blade span

Member of GMAC and Melbourne RC Heli Club

Derk van der Vecht F3A

I have been flying since 5 years old. 26 years old now. Started flying competitions in 2003. Numerous times Dutch national champion F3P (indoor) and F3A flying. I also fly: jets, scale planes, gliders, helicopters, pylon racers (pretty much everything).

Adrian Koro 3D Freestyle

Flying experience since 13 years of age.

Home club at doncaster aereomodellers club.

Flying 3d freestyle with maneuvers including Harriers, hovers, rolling harriers, waterfalls and flat spins, Aircraft flown today is the 3dhobbyshop extra 330 powered by the os 33gt with canister.

All Stars Day cont.

Norm Thompson/Bill Jet

Flying experience in jets since 1996 started with ducted fans and then propane fired turbines and finally full kero start turbines. First turbine purchased was a JPX which ran on propane and put 5kgs thrust approx \$1500 per kilo. Now we are using full Kero fired turbines at about \$300 per kilo with 3 times the power. Competed in the 2001 World Jet masters in Thailand and finished 5th. Interested in anything that has got wings

Craig Baverey 3D Freestyle, Precision Freestyle

Redbull extra based on redbull airrace pilot "Martin Sonka" Extra 300sr. Extra 330 SC Krill 3.1m. Engine MVVS 190 4 cylinder, 14 hiteck 7990TG 44kg servos Power Box systems Champion SRS PBUS & Smoke pump. Secraft hardware.

- Learnt to fly in 1996 in Durban South Africa.
 - From 2006-2015 UK show pilot
 - Competed in Europe and USA
 - EXFC CZ 2009/2010/2012. 15th, 10th, 15th
 - XFC Indiana USA-13th
 - German acromasters 2010&2013 competition.
- Now reside in Frankston. Hastings model club

Ido Segev 3D Freestyle

Flying for the past 20 years, since I was 6(I feel old). In the last 7 years focusing on aerobatic flying and freestyle to music, as well as precision aerobatics. Flying my own "SegevDesign" design airplane, the Humungous 78". A slick, semi composite

aircraft design for 3D and freestyle flying, yet still retain flying qualities of a F3A pattern airplane. Inspired by WW2 fighters with their large spinners and aggressive yet sleek look.

Design and tested over a 12 month period, by leading Aeronautical engineer Yonatan Segev, the Humungous has been perfected to blend precision flight with extreme aerobatic capability.

It's gentle flight characteristics make the Humungous an easy to fly plane making it perfect for intermediate pilots honing their skills to all out freestyle aerobatics guns seeking an airframe that gives them a great platform to perform.

Complementing the unique lines of the Humungous are a choice of three colour schemes that have been designed by Australian specialised aircraft design guru from Darwin,NT - Ray Younger.

Matt Carmichael F3C Heli

Flying helicopters since 2006 and began competing in F3C Style competitions in 2010.

3rd in Advanced in 2010 Victorian State Championships

1st in Advanced 2011 Victorian State Championship

Stepped up to F3C in 2012

3rd in F3C NSW State Championships 2015

3rd in F3C Victorian State Championships 2015

Main machine is a JR Sylphide EX800 size competition helicopter and fuselage powered by Scorpion 4530-520 ultimate motor on 12S with 5800Mah batteries, JR tags mini flybarless.



Ido Segev

Lilydale & District Model Flying Association

Radio Control Airshow 2016

On Sunday 20th March the LDMFA conducted their RC Airshow for 2016. In the two weeks leading up to the Airshow we did static displays at two local shopping centres on both the Friday and Saturday. These were highly successful and the brochure for the day were handed out in there hundreds. A range of different models were on show each day. There were also roadside signs advertising the day

Due to the close proximity of the flying field to Lilydale Airport good relationships have been developed with airport management and local operators. This proved vital in getting the CASA approvals for the day including a height clearance of 1500 feet.

All five local hobby stores were engaged to support the day.

Andrews Scale Models in Croydon,
Models and Hobbies 4U in Boronia,
Hobbyzone in Bayswater,
WOT Hobbies in Ringwood and
RC Garage in Boronia

With their generous donations and a couple of ARF's donated from the estate of the late club stalwart Neil Bathie, we were able to have gate prizes for children and eight prizes in the main raffle. The raffle was well supported by the public. A very satisfactory outcome.

The grounds staff put in a huge effort to ensure the field was in immaculate condition. The main runway was top dressed to ensure the smoothest surface. The club has one of the best flying surfaces going and it was a treat to see all models execute smooth take off and landings.

And so to the day. All eyes were on the weather forecast leading up to the day. The forecast for Friday and Saturday weren't real great and we were hopeful the bad stuff would

clear in time. After an anxious wait Sunday dawned with a little fog which quickly burnt off for a perfect day – clear blue skies and almost no wind at all. A huge sigh of relief.

With a very professional PA system in operation and two old hands on the mike – Les Marriner and Cliff McIvor – backed up by Matt Carmichael for the helicopters sessions and Chris Wallace for the new FPV racing session, flying kicked off at 10am and ran through until 3:00pm non-stop. There was always something happening. The flying schedule covered a very broad range of disciplines including F3A, Pylon, Scale (both helicopter and aeroplane), gliders, 3D (helicopters and fixed wing), multi-rotors and FPV racing. There was even a father / daughter session demonstrating that the hobby is for all ages and genders. Most of the flying was done by LDMFA club members.

The blistering flypasts by Glenn Mathews with his speed machine was a real crowd pleaser as was the FPV racing. The sight of three large gliders performing aerobatics enthralled the crowd as did Josh Labita with his 3D helicopter antics. Club members provided a large number of models for static display along the fence line and club members were on hand to respond to queries from the public. There was always a queue at the food stall and caffeine addicts were catered for with a coffee truck on site. In excess of 400 adults passed through the gate and almost the same number of children. Each child was given a chuckie glider courtesy of MAAA and a ticket in the gate prize draw.

All in all an absolutely fantastic day. It exceeded all our expectations. So much so that we have already started planning next year's event.

Terry Pollock



Sandown - Warthog A10 landing on the race track

VMAA Members Visits Kiwa Valley Flyers

Mt Beauty

Norm Thompson - Secretary, Adam Thompson - FSI and myself - Editor, had a great weekend at the Kiwa Valley Flyers. We were joined by Geroige, Billy and Trevor from GMAC and we were all well taken care of by Dugg Brawood KVF president, Robert Snaith and KVF members.

On Saturday we took to the sky with the local members at the clubs flying facilities, located in the centre of Mt Beauty at the local Airport. The club shares the Terminus building and runs a grass strip next to the tarred runway. It's not strange to see a small aircraft or a glider taking off or landing. Saturday night, more country hospitality and off for a counter meal at the local.

On Sunday we were treated to a fly off the Hydroelectric Pondage which is just next to the Airfield. What a magnificent setting surrounded by hills! It's a bit of a hike up the dam wall, but well worth it. The pondage was dead calm with not a breath of wind. It was perfect conditions for float flying and once we got used to flying off the top of the dam wall, which is a different perspective, it is a joy skimming across the water.

A big shout out to all the members at Kiwa Valley Flyers!
Can't wait to go there again...

Cessna 150 fullsizewith pilot



Adam Thompson



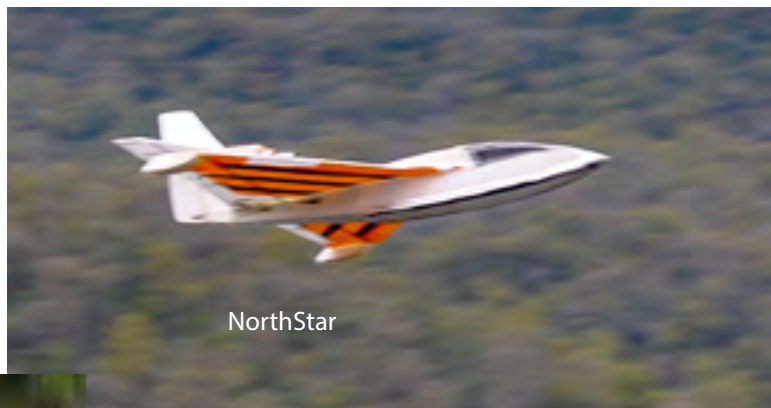
Boomerang XL 140 KingTeck



Billy Pearce Gaint Super Sporter



NorthStar



George Vas Decathlon



Joe Matthews Magnatilla



Cub OS 120 4/S - Trevor Pugh



Spacewalker OS 150 pumped 4/S - Ian Kershaw
That's mine !



Model Engines' Fun Fly at Northern



On Sunday 17th April Model Engines sponsored a Fun Fly with Northern Flying Group commonly know as the OS day ! and that's not, Oh S__t I am going to crash!

Entry was open to all MAAA pilots who fly an aircraft powered by an O.S engine or controlled by a Hitec or Multiplex radio or a Phoenix or Seagull ART model. The entry fee was a \$5 donation and all proceeds went to the NFG.

Again the NFG members organized and catered a great day. The flight line was constant all day as the more flights you had the more tickets you had for the Lucky Dip prizes that Model Engines provided.

There where some very large Gliders on display and when they took to the sky it wasn't hard to see them. On landing you couldn't miss it with a wing spane nealy as wide as the runway.

A Great day was had by all!



Above - Jim Paschalis 1/4 scale Spacewalker

Below - Model Engines, Glider





Above -

Far Left - David Nichols

Left - Mark Radburn, Mustang P82, with twin OS LA 46

Right - Daniel Goudge, PC9

Right Side - Jon Goudge, P47 JUG

Bottom - Father and son where very busy on the flight line and the luck dip.



Model Engines' Fun Flyat Northern - cont.



Above - Pat Garro and son Luca with there Stega MK2



Left - Mario Parcejepo, very happy with the his new OS GGT

Bottom - The field was in perfect conditon again, what a great facility. Northern member have to be comended on how good the runway is maintained

Below - Gary Sunderland



WebSite

Geelong Miniature Aircraft Association (gmaa)

Geelong Miniature Aircraft Association (gmaa) have a new website and the old one is no longer operational. So if you are linked to the old site and wondered where why it sends you off into cyderspace here is the new webpage address:

thegmaa.wix.com/geelong



Radio Control Glider Association

Has a very active website always keeping you up to date with the latest Glider events and news

RCGA Website: <http://www.rcga.org.au/>



Greensborough Model Aircraft Club

GMAC has been modernized for the new look social media with a new website design

GMAC Website: <http://www.gmac.org.au/>



Model Aeronautical Association of Australia

The MAAA Website brings you information on a number of areas at the National level. This includes reports from the Committee, Contact details, Manual of Procedure (MOPS), National and International Events Competition dates and reports on such events.

MAAA Website - <http://www.maaa.asn.au/>



Flying Fields

We, at the VMAA do not think that anyone would argue that the most important matter is having use of a flying field from which to function.

With this in mind the MAAA has a policy of supporting State Associations and Clubs to acquire suitable properties to go some way to guarantee the future of Aeromodelling in Australia.

In Victoria we have a number of Clubs that have secure tenure because they or the VMAA own the property from which they fly and operate.

The Clubs so far are Pakenham and District Aircraft Radio Control Society; Sale and District Model Aero Club; Valley Radio Flyers; and Twin Cities Model Aero Club and more are coming.

Each of these Clubs hold their property through various arrangements, but they all have one thing in common. A person or group of persons committed themselves to finding and then putting together an arrangement from which their local Club could secure their future and tenure.

VMAA would like a local club to investigate in their local area and see if there is a suitable property that could be used as a flying field. It may be that the first proposition is rejected but without some effort from the local Clubs there will be no permanent flying field established.

It would be difficult to give you any criteria to assist in your search but the flying site must be of a size to allow multiple discipline use and also not likely to be swamped by suburbia in the short term.

So, the challenge we at the VMAA would like to issue to all Clubs is to locate a site, put together a proposition, submit it to the VMAA and be prepared to argue your case. If at the end we can agree on the concept we will work with you to put together a finance package that will bring the dream to reality.

Model Aircraft Club and Special Interest Groups Newsletter/Bulletins

Below you find a variety of links to the latest news from Model Aircraft Club and Special Interest Groups that come across my desk:

Website	Newsletter Link
Australian Model News	April Newsletter
BRMFC	BRMFC March Newsletter
LVMAC	LVMAC Newsletter
MAAA	MAAA Newsletter
P&DARCS	April Newsletter
VALLEY RADIO FLYERS	The Valley Flyer

Flying as a Visitor

When visiting other clubs, and want to fly, introduce yourself, preferably to a committee member. Show your current FAI card to prove you have insurance, your valid 'heavy model permit' if applicable, and sign in to the 'visitor's book'.

Enquire about local rules before flying and obey them, especially frequency control.

At competitions, the Contest Director usually takes charge of these matters, and explains the details at the 'pilot's briefing' before flying starts. Checking entry procedures and processes are other available before the contest dates.

Above all, treat the host club and its members with respect, and feel privileged you are allowed to fly at their field.

NOTE... most clubs don't fly at all on days of declared Total Fire Ban.

Membership Fees For 2015/2016

Determined as of June 2015

	MAAA	VMAA	Total
Seniors	\$60	\$54	\$114
Juniors	\$30	\$27	\$57

Per DAC - Scale Flying Weekend Fund Raiser - Royal Flying Doctor

On the Saturday 24th October 2015 Per DAC had a Scale Flying Weekend for the Royal Flying Doctor Service. The event had excellent weather and flying condition.

I believe we raised \$700 which came from the BBQ and raffling a 300mm wing span static RFDS model.

Highlights of the day can be found on our website:
<http://www.dac.org.au>

Michael Best
Per DAC Committee



Having problems with URL links or printing the newsletter?

The newsletter is produced in a PDF format and contains a number of extra links for you to view additional information or email VMAA members.

Depending on how your computer is setup, when you open the newsletter from the Notification link in the email I send out, the newsletter may open in your default web browser, but not as a PDF. The end result is that you might be able to see the articles but you may not be able to access any links.

It may help to save the document as a PDF on your Notebook/Desktop and then open the PDF document. The document will open Adobe Acrobat Reader and you will be able to access any of the links contained in the Newsletter.

If you want to print a copy of the Newsletter Adobe Acrobat Reader will allow you more flexibility in printing. If you don't have Adobe Acrobat Reader you can download a free copy from the Adobe website.

MAAA Instructor's Course

If any Club is interested in hosting an Instructor's Course, please contact the VMAA, SFI, Greg Lepp. Courses will be arranged to run over one day.

Nominated Club Members are required to have their Gold Wings before attending the course.

By completing the course you will be helping our hobby by teaching within a National Framework and promoting safe flying.

Note to all instructors - Scanned copies of proficiency achieved are to be sent to the State Flying Instructor at:

sfi@vmaa.com.au

Locate a Club

VMAA welcomes enquiries from people interested in the sport of RC Model Aircraft. Information about becoming a member can be found on VMAA Club Websites.

To location a club near you can search at:

vmaa.com.au/find-a-club.html

VMAA Trophy Weekend

Oct 08 to 09, 2016

To be held at P&DARCS (Pakenham)



The
Trophy
rules make
it fair for
smaller
Clubs to

have a go with a good chance of doing well against big Clubs. Enter as many events as you can. Your best six of the ten events will count.

A pilot can compete in two events only and 'assist' other pilots/team members in other events. All Clubs will be asked to provide people to act as judges or time-keepers for some events.

Trophy Events:

- Fun Scale
- 2 x Helicopter events
- Thermal Soaring
- Scale Aerobatics
- Electric Glider
- Old Timer Duration
- Sports Limbo
- Musical Landings
- Combat

The aim of this event is to encourage Association Clubs to have a go as a team over the two days. The event that has the emphasis on fair play, maximum fun and competition.

The event will be held at **P&DARCS, 30 Fowler Road, Cardinia**. Catering available both days and on site. Camping facilities available. Motels and caravan parks are available nearby.

If you need further information, please contact the VMAA CD; Joe Finocchiaro on Mobile: 0425 708 654, email contestdirector@vmaa.com.au
Rules and conditions will be posted on the VMAA Website
www.vmaa.com.au over the next couple of weeks

The Trophy weekend has been modified to ten (10) events. All rules are being reviewed for the 2016 competition



www.vmaa.com.au
This WEBSITE Calendar of Events
Last updated: June 08th 2016

R/C POWER-MODEL CALENDAR

Events for 2016

May	01	ME Scanner Challenger	Bendigo	BRCAC
	14-15	VPA Vic State Champs	Bendigo	BRCAC
	14-15	Annual Autumn Scale Rally	Albury	TCMAC
	15	Mid May Muster Scale Fun Fly	Bairnsdale	BADMAC
		State Field Eastern		
	15	Mangalore Jets Sunday Only	Mangalore	VJAA
	21	VPA Competition Classic Pattern	Yarra Valley	YVA
		+Sports AEROS		
	21-22	VPA Weekend	Albury	TCMAC
		Field - Burnt Creek Drive. 40 th Anniversary		
June	11-13	VPA Vic/SA Challenge	Mildura	SAM
	11-12	VFSAA VicScale Trophy TBC	Shepparton	VRF
	19	VPA Competition	Nepean	NMAA
July	3	Nepean Club's Training Day	Rosebud	NMAA
		Sports Aeros		
	9-10	VPA Competition	Echuca	EMMAC
	21	VMAA AGM – All welcome to attend		VARMS
Aug	6-7	VPA Competition	Albury	TCMAC
	13	RC Swapmeet and Auction	Seymour	MFWAC
		Visit VMAA Website for details or call Barry Dunn 0401359981		
	21	VPA Classic Pattern	Darraweit Guim	NFG
	20-21	Large Scale Racing	Bendigo	BRCAC
Sept	10-11	VPA Competition	Newbridge	Private Field
Oct	8-9	VMAA Trophy Weekend	Pakenham	P&DARCS
		Inter club Club Competition.		
	22-23	VPA Competition	Bairnsdale	B&DMAC
	29-30	VPA Champs	Albury	TCMAC
Nov	5-6	Scratch Built Scale Rally	Pakenham	P&DARCS
	6	Classic Aerobatics	Nepean	NMAA
	19	VPA Competition	Greensborough	GMAC
	26-27	Hamilton Fun Fly	Hamilton	HMAC
Dec	3	VPA Competition	Caldermeade	SWAMPS
	4	VPA Competition	Pakenham	P&DARCS

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For further information contact the VMAA Contest Director:

contestdirector@vmaa.com.au

Fly Safe, Have fun and enjoy our great Sport!

WEBSITES and CONTACTS:

Aerobatics-	www.f3a.com.au (or...)	
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CD Henry Hutchinson	h.hutch@optusnet.com.au	
Scale Aerobatics	www.scaleaeros.com.au	
Free Flight	www.members.optushome.com.au/vffs/	
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R/C GLIDER CALENDAR

F3K is discus-launch (hand-launch) R/C glider
Thermal (open thermal, or F3J) is a 10 minute thermal flight
F3B is multi-task, using the same model for all. From winch launches
Speed... fastest time around a number of laps of a pylon course,
Distance... maximum number of laps around a pylon course,
Duration... 10 minute thermal flight and precision landing

RCGA

2016

Jan	10	Th#5 Open Thermal	Diggers Rest
	17	F3K#5 (am) F5J#3 (pm)	Diggers Rest
	23-26	Thermal, F3K and F5J Armidale Expo	Armidale NSW
Feb	7	Th#6 Open Thermal Glider	Ballarat
	14	F3B#2 Multi Task Glider	Diggers Rest
	21	F3K#6 (am) & F5J#4 (pm)	Diggers Rest
Mar	5-6	F3K#7 Asia Pacific Open	Longwood Vic
	12-13	Th#7 – F3J Open Thermal	Milang Sth Aust
Apr	10	Th#8 Open Thermal Glider	Diggers Rest
	17	F3K#8 Discus Launch Glider	Diggers Rest
May	1	F5J#5 State Championships	Diggers Rest
	15	F3B#3 Multi Task Glider (TBC)	Ballarat
	22	F3K#9 Discuss Launch Glider	Diggers Rest
	29	Th#9 Open Thermal	Diggers Rest
Jun	11-13	Th#10 Open Thermal Glider	Jerilderie NSW
	26	F3K#10 Discus Launch Glider	Diggers Rest

For Scale Pilots 2016

VARMS Club (Briggs Field) is off High Street Rd Wantirna. Mel ways 72 D2

The VARMS Trophy series is for 2-channel rudder / elevator gliders. 1 pm start
VARMS Aero tow is the second Saturday in the month

WEBSITES and CONTACTS for R/C GLIDER

VARMS website:	www.varms.org.au	
RCGA website:	www.rcga.org.au	
MAAA website:	www.maaa.asn.au & go to Special Interest Groups.	
VMAA website:	www.vmaa.com.au & go to SIG's and Clubs	
LSF website:	www.lsf.org.au	
Oz Scale Soaring:	www.scalesoaring.com.au/	
VARMS President	Col Collyer	9561 9097
RCGA President	Marcus Stent	0419 690451
	mongoose@foobox.com	
VARMS Training	Ian Slack	9489 3001
VARMS Trophy & Slope events	Bruce Clapperton	9803 3108
VARMS Scale Group	Danny Malcman	9884 0614
VARMS Open Electric Glider	Alan Mayhew	9887 7885
VARMS Calendar		
RCGA Scale	Theo Arvanitakis	9561 6464 RCGA,
F3K R/C Hand launch glider	Brett Anthony	518 554
	brett@f3k.com.au	

R/C ELECTRIC Glider

OUTDOOR EVENTS

National Electric Flight Rally
at TCMAC, Albury. Presented by the AEFA
Contact: Laurie Baldwin 03 9437 0284
Mobile: 0417 347 034

NEW EVENT: AEFA **F5J** competition at
Picton, NSW over their long weekend.

AEFA Swan Hill Electric Rally

Monthly Postal
competitions
Electric Old Timer

Peter Henderson (02) 4379 1121
peterhenderson4@bigpond.com

Limited Electric Glider

http://au.groups.yahoo.com/group/AEFA_postal/

Open to all AEFA
members and conducted
all over Oz.

For info see **Postal Competitions** page of the
AEFA website www.aefanet.com

SEE ALSO: the R/C Glider Calendar for regular VARMS electric fun fly
meetings at the Briggs Field, High Street Rd Wantirna. Mel ways 72 D2

INDOOR EVENTS

1st & 3rd Saturday
each month

At Grey St School Hall in Traralgon (La Trobe
Valley) 2 - 5pm. \$10 for flyers.
contact Graham Blackman on 0438 597 723

1st Monday each month
(except January)

Electric & all types of Free-Flight
Sandringham Youth Centre 10 am to 4 pm
Contact???

2nd Saturday each
month

Donvale/Manningham Sport Complex
8.00 to 11.00 pm Mel ways 48 F4
Contact Martin Lui 0408 406 758

4th Thursday each
month

AEFA show & tell
8 pm, Uniting Church Hall, Essex St, Mt Waverley

WEBSITE & CONTACTS for R/C ELECTRICS:

Australian Electric Flight Association (AEFA)

www.aefanet.com and see Contacts / Committee

Secretary: Laurie Baldwin 03 9437 0284 0417 347 034

laurie.baldwin@internode.on.net

Gary Ryan garvryan@vegas.com.au (electric Old Timer)

FREE FLIGHT CALENDAR

2016

No information provided

INDOOR events are held at the Donvale Indoor Sports Centre (Manningham
DISC), Springvale Rd Donvale (Melway 48 F4) between 12-45 and 4-30 pm

OR at the Sandringham Athletic Centre
Thomas St Hampton, between 10 am and 4 pm.

Fun or sports flyers are welcome at calendared indoor events at DISC, but visitors
must heed the requirements laid down on the VFFS web site. Hall fee: \$10

Indoor flying at the Sandringham Athletic Centre is not supervised by or the
responsibility of the VFFS.

Outdoor events are held at Eynesbury, south of Melton

The venue may change. Check first before attending.

(Mel way ref. 220 C9). The VFFS field is accessed from Eynesbury Road.
Go through the Eynesbury township, past the golf course, then turn right [north]
on Haul Road. Current construction works may force a detour through the
housing estate. Total distance from the Parwan-Exford road to the field entrance
gate is 7-8 km.

Visitors will need to contact the VFFS Secretary to arrange to meet with a key
holder at the gate to gain access to the field. No dogs are allowed on the
property. Competitions are from 8 am - 2.30 pm.

Notes: There may be some variations to this calendar due to weather.
Participants are advised to contact the event CD listed on the VFFS
web site or the VFFS contacts, on the day before OUTDOOR events.
At Indoor State Champs, other events may be run if time permits.
Planned changes to the calendar will be posted on the VFFS web site.

WEBSITE & CONTACT for Free Flight:

www.members.optushome.com.au/vffs

For general free flight information and for calendared outdoor events run by
the Werribee Wanderers and others:

Col Collyer 9561 9097 llcollyer@dodo.com.au

For all other calendared outdoor and indoor events:
Sean O'Connor sean-oc@netspace.net.au or
Darien Cassidy joybdes1@bigpond.com

CONTROL LINE CALENDAR

2015 Dec

6 F2B Aerobatics

Doonside

Events marked * are qualifying rounds for the 2016 C/L World
Championships.**

KMFC - (Ku-ring-gai Model Flying Club) - St. Ives Showground, Mona Vale Rd, St.
Ives.

SAT - (Sydney Aeromodelling Team) - "Duck Pond", Ashford Road, Milperra.

SSME - (Sydney Society of Model Engineers) - Model Park, Lud-denham Road,
Luddenham.

DOONSIDE - Baseball diamond, Whalan Reserve.

Victorian Control Line Calendar - 2016

Mar	25-28	VMAA C/L State Championships (events TBA)	CLAMF
		KMAC	
Apr	10	Coreflute Combat, 27 Goodyear, Goodyear	CLAMF
Apr	24	KMAC Carnival	KMAC
May	4-14	World Cup & C/L World Championships	Perth
May	29	All Aussie, Vintage Combat	KMAC
Jun	12	Classic FAI & Vintage A T/R, 1/2A Combat	CLAMF
Jul	10	Speed , Classic Stunt, Mini-Goodyear	CLAMF
Jul	26	Rat Race invitation and club day	KMAC
Jul	31	Warbirds and AGM	KMAC
Aug	14	Navy Carrier, 27 Goodyear, Goodyear	CLAMF
Sep	11	Speed , Vintage Combat	CLAMF
Oct	16	Coreflute Combat, F2B & Classic Stunt	CLAMF
Nov	13	Speed , Warbird Stunt, Vintage Combat	CLAMF
Dec	11	Classic FAI & Vintage A T/R, Classic B T/R	CLAMF

Events will be flown in per schedule above

CONTACTS for CONTROL LINE:

CLAMF - Frankston. Old Wells Road, Seaford
10:00 am Start (Melways 97 J10) GPS: 38.086777,
145.148009

Contact: Secretary, Harry Bailey (03) 9543 2259

Email: hbailey@optusnet.com.au

Web Site: <http://clamf.aerosports.net.au/>

KMAC - Knox. Stud Road Knoxfield (Opposite Caribbean Gardens)
10:00 am Start (Melways 72 K9)

Contacts: Steve Vallve 0409935358 or

Bruce MacKay 0418380014

Web site :- <https://sites.google.com/site/knoxmacv/home>

**CLAG (Gippsland) has a monthly fly-ins at the Moe Race Track every first
Sunday of the month**

Contacts:

Treasurer Alan Frost 0432 232 909 afrost2@skymesh.com.au

Secretary: Graham Vibert (03) 5134 6393

SAM 600 (Old Timers)

2016

Mar	4-6	1/2A Texaco, Burford, Duration	Shepparton	VRF
		Sunday, Texaco, 38 Antique, Climb and glide		
		MAAA 69 th National Champs		
	25-26	SAM Champs Down Under	Canowindra	
		SAM 1788 Competition		
Apr	16-17	1/2A Texaco, Burford, Duration	Echuca	EMMAC
		Sunday: General Meeting, Texaco. 38 Antique,		
		Climb and glide		
	30-1	Victoria & South Aust Champs	Minarto	SA
May	14-15	1/2A Texaco, Burford, Duration	Trawalla	BRMFC
		Sunday, Texaco, 38 Antique, Climb and glide		
	21-22	1/2A Texaco, Burford, Duration	Cohuna	CFMC
		Sunday, Texaco, 38 Antique, Climb and glide		
Sept	17-18	1/2A Texaco, Burford, Duration	Cohuna	CFMC
		Sunday: AGM, Texaco, 38 Antique, Climb and glide		
Oct	1-2	Eastern State Gas Champs	Wangaratta	WAM
		SAM 1788 Champs		
	22-23	1/2A Texaco, Burford, Duration	Echuca	EMMAC

Nov	5-6	Sunday, Texaco, 38 Antique, Climb and glide 1/2A Texaco, Burford, Duration	Cohuna	CFMC
		Sunday, Texaco, 38 Antique, Climb and glide		
	27	Sunday: Texaco, 38 Antique, Climb and glide	Ballarat	BRMFC

Contacts for SAM 600

Website - sam600.com
Secretary - Brian Dowie Secretary/Treasurer
 Phone: 03 9706 2074
brianflyrc@hotmail.com

Contest Director - Brian Laughton
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President - Kevin Fryer
 Phone: 03 9842 4361

For the most recent version of "Calendar of
 Events" you can view on the VMAA website at:
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- Chairs
- Folding Tables
- Umbrellas
- Round Tables









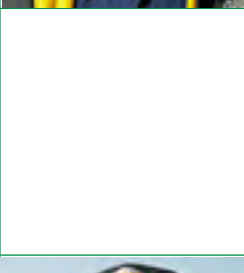


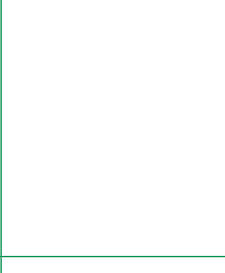


- Display Boards
- Heaters
- Marquee/Shelters
- Kids Tables

Ph. 9428 0066 www.melbournetableandchairhire.com.au

Tables & Chairs for Hire and Sale

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