

VMAA Newsletter

The Aero Modeller's Newsletter

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A Change is always good...

Retiring Editor

Well as you know, I did retire from the editor's role in July 2014, but by April this year I was back helping out with the newsletter again. But the time is now for me to really stand down and let someone else place their mark on what I think is a newsletter for all modellers. Thank you to Ian Kershaw from the Greensborough Club for putting his hand up and giving it a go.

Ian is no stranger to graphics and will have his own flare on how the newsletter is presented. One thing for sure, the content will be there and plenty of room for you all to submit articles and photos of the many fantastic events we run in our great Association. I wish Ian the very best in the role and I hope he enjoys it as much as I did.

To all those that did provide articles, photos, ads and other interesting items, thank you for the support and supporting the newsletter. The newsletter has always been about all disciplines and the people that make it happen. It was a great journey and provided many highlights as I travelled to many Clubs and events. A special thank you to Des Bayliss who helped me for so many years. His guidance and the confidence he had in me kept me going.

I have now taken on the position of the VMAA Contest Director looking after such things as trophies for state championships, VMAA Events Calendar, VMAA Trophy and a few other tasks along the way. It will be busy in its own right as the year progresses.

Since the AGM 2015 a number of Club Members have stepped up and joined the VMAA Committee and for the first time in a long time, most of the Committee positions are filled. New blood is always good and great to see. So to everyone who reads the newsletter, I wish you well and safe flying. See you at a field somewhere in our great Association.

Regards

Joe Finocchiaro

VMAA Contest Director



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Ian Kershaw



I would like to introduce myself to all the VMAA members and hopefully will be able to offer some of my experience to this position. Professionally, I have worked in Secondary and Tertiary Education for the last 30 years in Media and Online Education production.

My experience with model aircraft started as a kid with my brother flying control line down at the local park. Forty years later I joined GMAC and started to learn to fly RC models with a 4 ch 36Mhz radio and a 40 size nitro high wing trainer. I have been flying at GMAC ever since. Eight years later I have my Gold wings and I am a MAAA Instructor.

A lots of changes have occurred in the time I have been flying. The introduction of Digital 2.4 Mhz Radios, Brushless Motors, Lipos, Foamies and online shopping. These have all had a big impact on the types of RC Aircraft and the way we make and fly these aircraft. I welcome any articles on new technology or applying old processes to new.

These advancements have brought changes to the Flight line. Many Club procedures and Club rules have had to be updated. The VMAA and MAAA rules have been amended and clubs are notified and will be circulated within.

I will be endeavouring to keep you informed of any advances in our Sport. Reporting on VMAA events, services and facilities. You can email me at editor@vmaa.com.au with articles, up coming event or any suggestions or feedback ...

Ian

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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.

Membership Fees For 2015/2016

Determined as of June 2015

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

VMAA Presidents Report

Greg Lepp



Adding to Norm Thompson as Secretary, Brian Dowie as Treasurer, Joe Finnichario as CD, Ivan Chislet as the Video Librarian and David Nichols as the education Officer

With this team in place I'm sure we have everything to lead the VMAA into the future.

If anyone has any comment/suggestions feel free to contact myself or any other member of the committee

Greg Lepp

VMAA President

So here we are the first Newsletter for a new committee.

It's with great sadness that we farewell our long time committee member Graeme Wilson. Graeme was a VMAA life member and will be sadly missed.

We also said goodbye to the outgoing president Carl Bizon. Carl has plenty of work to do as the VMAA Vice president, and personally I would like to thank him for all that he has contributed to the VMAA.

We have a number of new members on the committee, Paul Webber has taken on the task as registrar, Adam Thompson as SFI, Ian Kershaw as Newsletters Editor and Jon Goodge as an ordinary member.



Country Meetings

The purpose of country meeting is so Country Clubs can 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 2013/14 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, upcoming event or just information you would like to share with all Association Members, please send an email to 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 them in ... and the earlier the better.

The VMAA Newsletter is published quarterly and the closing dates for the submission of contributions will be two weeks before the month of publication.

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Education

Although I have said this before, as far as education is concerned my main area of activity remains with the young, and it will continue to do so all the time the sky is blue. However, if we can also get the Dads and Mums sucked in, we will be well on the way to achieving our goal.

Our most recent activity with cadets of The Australian Air League based at Moorabbin airport has been a buzz to say the least. Activity over the past two or three years of our association with this group has expanded in a big way. It started with a Spitfire chuck glider night supported by basic introduction to R/C. Here we have an exceptional group of young cadets wanting to be involved in aviation. I have therefore focused on them to a greater degree than normal because I am confident it will produce the desired result in the long term.

What their commanding officer wanted to do was to have the cadets build their own models from a plan or build up kit. Although ARF and foamys are well and good they will not really cut it for this project, so I contacted Mike Farnan from the ever supportive Model Engines company. It just so happens they have available a Phoenix Boomerang 40 trainer in build up kit form. That was what we were looking for, so I elected to go with them.

The kit comes with almost all pre-cut parts, a full sized plan, a reasonably good instruction book (without too much Chinglish), most parts marked for identification, a comprehensive hardware pack and a sensible sized bottle of white glue. Most things can be assembled dry which makes checks and adjustments easier. As time was limited we elected to use cyno where appropriate, and also some of the Deluxe Products version of Alphatic glue now distributed by Model Engines. This stuff sets more quickly than other white glues of the same ilk so we used that as well. It is good.

The Air league meeting night is every Monday at the Air Museum. What a great place to be! Initially four consecutive nights were set aside for us to start assembling this four model squadron (but we will need more). Building instructors provided much needed and appreciated help. They were (and still are of course) Khalid Ally, Stephen Green and Addie Hampson plus some other bloke called Yours Truly ! With four cadets assigned to each of the four models the head scratching process began, and we even started to act like we knew what we were doing. This might sound funny (as that last line was supposed to make you smile) but there is a grain



of truth in there somewhere. Even though each of us has been building kits since we were kids, some as far back as the good old steam days, none of us had done this type of tuition on this scale before. It really is more daunting than you might think.

However we all settled down fairly quickly and the photos tell most of the story so far. If you are wondering about the power source we are going to use and asking questions such as do the kits come with both I.C and electric capability, the answer is yes of course they do. Well, block your ears before you read this next bit if you assume that electric is the obvious choice. Some of you will remember back to that golden era of control line and free flight flying , when diesel and glow engines were among the things that not only got your attention but sparked a desire to own one. An aeroplane to put that engine in was high on the wish list too. Fascination for all things mechanical and aviation related rated highly for some, and I am of the opinion that this is still the case.

OK so I figured that if we expose these cadets to electric only from the start, the chances are high that as this is all they will ever know, and they will be stuck with it forever. However, if they have some experience with engines first they can then graduate (or otherwise) to electric should they so desire. So engines it is then. As I have three used but good .40/.46 sized engines in a secret drawer in my workshop I figured we may as well use them. A bench run of each proved very satisfactory, so I know we won't be passing on some other persons' trouble or wear. The fourth pre-owned engine was kindly donated by Model Engines so we can now get them fitted and ready for final assembly.

The build program is going very well and is certainly been enjoyed by all involved.

By the time you get the next VMAA newsletter we hope to have them not only complete and ready to go but test flown on buddy box as well. I will keep you posted

There are other educational activities on the go as well and I am always looking for opportunities to put model flying in front of the young. Any lead that you are able to give me will be followed up. Just bring it on and see what happens!

Many thanks to all our supporters and sponsors, especially Dave Brown Laser cutting service for making our Spitfire chuck gliders, and Model Engines for their continued help and donations.

Till next time. Plan the fly, Fly the plan.

David Nichols

VMAA Education Officer

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Bendigo's 10th Anniversary Large Scale Racing

Nemesis's racers

Pilots L-R, Riley Sills, Andrew Ward, Steven Davis, Leigh Kellock, Les Sawyer and Brodie Hunter, very nice aircraft to fly/race.

This year 2015 was the 10th Anniversary of Large Scale Racing in Bendigo, and what a weekend it was, under ideal spring like conditions but still in the winter period, warm, sunny and light NW winds, the weather gods must have taken a liking to us this time around.

(A little bit of background)

Bendigo had not seen LSR before 2006 when it was held at Shepparton. It took us a while to work out how the races were conducted and operated, with a flying start, Brian Green came to the rescue and explained the system to us. He said the Davis family should get into this racing event, it only costs \$400 for a OS120 Engine and another 400 for a CMPPro Texan aircraft and you can go racing and that's what happened. Four months later we had a race aircraft and had organized the first race on the 20/8/2006 for Bendigo.

Our race is a little different to the others as we used, timers, counters, lights and scoring system which is all computer controlled. There are only the 4 light marshalls have to button press, so the human content/failure rate is low or non existent. This allows the races to flow continually with scores released after each round, to inform pilots of their performances.

On the 22-23rd of August we held the 10th Anniversary Bendigo races, with the entries spread over 4 classes that being Redball 120/30, F2 Nemesis 35, AT-6Texan and F1 Goodyear, with Texan class being the most favored by the pilots.

Racing started at 10.30am with the **Redball 120/30** first class to race, this is a mixed matched class with different size aircrafts, engines and fuels types, with most aircraft on the



AT-6 Texans.

Still the Favorite aircraft to race



Ready Boxes

Waiting to race, good weather nice field what more could one want ?

smallish size for Large Scale Racing, so many races are a bit one sided. Jeremy Randle with his MSX-Racer was by far the fastest all weekend, leaving the rest of the field in his wake. Although there was at times a bit of close racing, but not a lot of excitement, and this current Redball class will not be raced again in Bendigo in its current format.

F2 Nemesis 35 is the new class of racing, requiring the Seagull Brand Nemesis airframe with any petrol engine up to 35cc including the OS GT 33cc engine, this class comes in officially in 2016 when the new rules come in, with this event being one of the lead up races. Steve Davis with the MVVVS 35cc engine powered Nemesis was just fastest with the next two placings using the OS engine, they were only just seconds behind. To watch these aircraft race with the very similar speeds helps to keep the racing close and exciting, and to hear the pilots chatting away after the race, shows how much they loved it, and the entry numbers are rapidly growing in this class.

AT-6Texan class would have to be the most favorite aircraft to fly and race, but a little dicky to land at times, but that doesn't stop some great racing, and the racing was good as they all use the same engine keeping the speeds very close together. All weekend it was only a few seconds in time between first and fourth placings, Jeremy Randle wining by the smallest margins of, one tenth - of a second.

F1 Goodyear this is the fastest class, and when these F1's race everybody stops to watch. To hear the howl of the exhaust when they fly down the straight towards pylon one is magic, and at these speeds it keeps the pilots on their toes. Steve Davis's yellow "Fang " showed the way, followed by a pair of Cassutts racers flown by Neil Addicott and Steve Green which were dicing and weaving with each other in most races. It was great to watch, the term they use is called swapping paint, or whatever you may call it, its exciting stuff.

Thanks must go to the 4 Light Marshalls, John Newman for the race scoring, Graeme Beagley the race starter and the canteen staff who kept us fed and watered all weekend. Also our supporters on this 10th Anniversary of Large Scale Racing in Bendigo, Model Engines who supplied the Texan Fuel, many prizes for our place getters and also the Bonus Prize for the Nemesis Class. We appreciate their support and thank them greatly for it. And also to Modelflight SA, and Kelletts Hobbies NSW for their support of our races, as well Mitre 10 Bendigo for the raffle prize.

Model Engine Bonus Prize, for any pilot that used an OSGT 33 Engine and Hitec Radio in the Nemesis Class and finished highest on the F2 results list would be a winner, and the winner was "Brodie Hunter" from Ararat club, congratulations !Texan

Report By Les Davis



Model Engines Bonus prize for the Nemesis class -Brodie Hunter finished third in this class.



Neil Addicott's Cassutt Racer In the starting pegs waiting to race.

Redball 120/30

1st	Jeremy Randle	1005.3	(NSW)
2nd	Byron Simpson	960.7	(NSW)
3rd	Tony Jones	932.8	(NSW)

Texan:

1st	Jeremy Randle	967.0	(NSW)
2nd	Steve Davis	966.9	(BGO)
3rd	Les Davis	960.3	(BGO)

F2 Nemesis 35:

1st	Steve Davis	978.5	(BGO)
2nd	Andrew Ward	963.9	(CHAMPS)
3rd	Brodie Hunter	944.5	(ARARAT)

F1 Goodyear:

1st	Steve Davis	1111.2	(BGO)
2nd	Neil Addicott	1063.9	(MELB)
3rd	Byron Simpson	1045.4	(NSW)

Future of Aero Modeling



The future for Aero Modeling looks a lot brighter in Albury, not only with the steady growth of club numbers but also the age spread among the members; currently the club covers all ages from the mid eighties down to just ten years.

A milestone was reached recently when their youngest member, ten year old Cooper Inskip, received his Bronze Wings. What is more remarkable about this award, Cooper was taught by the clubs second youngest member, fourteen year old Jack Seaton. Cooper passed his Bronze Wings test under the watchful eye of senior instructor Tony Small and was presented with his wings by Club President, Graeme Frauenfelder in the presence of the pilots competing in the Victorian Scale State Championships held recently in Albury.

David Balfour



Russell's European Sortie

Between May and August 2015, I travelled to Europe to participate in a number of F3A events across Europe, most of which were part of the F3A World Cup. The F3A World Cup events are held annually, and until this year were only in Europe. This year, Australia held the first World Cup event outside of Europe, which was at the Pitt Town field in Sydney, in March 2015.

In all, I participated in 10 F3A competitions (including 7 World Cups), and then met the Australian F3A Team who were competing in the World Championship in Dübendorf, Switzerland, where I acted as a helper for the team.

For transport and accommodation, I hired a campervan, which served very well and did about 14,000 kms throughout the trip. Most clubs allowed me to stay on site, and most provided



facilities such as power and water, and some even had wireless internet. In fact, staying at model flying sites in a campervan is extremely popular in Europe, and most clubs are well equipped for it.

The competitions were spread across Europe. Below is a map of my initial plan, to which I added 1 day comps in the Netherlands, Belgium and Germany.

Competitions that I didn't attend (due to timing and/or distance) included Portugal, Spain, Czech Republic and Russia – maybe I can attend them on another trip!

All the people at all the events I attended were incredibly friendly and hospitable, which really made the trip very enjoyable. It is fantastic that such a community spirit exist throughout aeromodeling across the world. As such, I can highly recommend Europe as a destination for anyone wishing

to try an aeromodeling holiday – no matter what facet of this hobby you are interests in.

Throughout Europe, there are very many flying fields, and many events that a visitor could participate in. In general, club facilities are probably a bit better than Australia. But, like Australia, there is on-going concern that their flying fields are in danger of being swallowed up by urban sprawl. And in fact, the Europeans were surprised Australia has the same problem because our country is so big relative to our population.

All the competitions I attended were exceptionally well run. Each was a bit different to the others, and generally very different to how competitions are run in Australia. The World Championships in Switzerland took organization to another level, and included a real-time display of scores by manoeuvre and judge, which had never been done before.



The winners at the Wanderpokal, Schaerding (Austria) comp (L-R): Wolfgang Matt (4th), Markus Zeiner (2nd), Gernot Bruckmann (1st), Christian Niklass(3rd), Helmut Danksagmueller (5th).

Further details can be found at:

2015 World Cup:

www.f3a-international.com/world-cup-schedule-2015/

World Championships: www.f3a-wc2015.ch

Russell Edwards

VMAA DVD Library

The VMAA 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 \$5-00, which includes the return postage, for 4 DVDs.

Full details of how to join the VMAA Video Library is in your VMAA 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 aforementioned and I will send them to you.

To join the library, send an e-mail to the Librarian at videolibrarian@vmaa.com.au requesting an information pack. This will include a joining form, fill 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 \$15 and a list of at least 6 titles you wish to borrow just in case some of your selections are not available..

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Here are three links to get you started in a flash:

- Join the VMAA DVD Library just click [Members Application](#)
- Want to order a DVD, just click [Order DVDs](#)
- Want to have a look at the DVD Catalogue, just click [Listing](#)

IMPORTANT NEWS - 4 DVD's for only \$5.00

New Acquisitions List:

Several new DVDs have been added since the last VMAA Newsletter. These are listed below.

1428 GATHERING OF EAGLES 2014 85 Mins.

Lots of very large warbirds including a ¼ scale P-47 and lots of other great scale warbirds.

1429 JOE NALL WEEK 2015 104 Mins

Lots great aircraft from the 1700 registered pilots at this huge fly-in.

1430 FLORIDA JETS 2015 93 Mins.

From Lakeland Florida, lots of great jets including a very big DC-10.

1431 SAE AERO DESIGN EAST 85 Mins.

Over 70 teams for 58 Universities and 7 countries compete with teams in various categories

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.

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This WEBSITE Calendar of Events
 Last updated: October 12th 2015

R/C POWER-MODEL CALENDAR

2015

Sept	6	Father Day		
	11-13	Mammoth Scale Fly In	Shepparton	VRF
	13	VMPRA Event. Sports Pylon & Q500		LDMFA
		Come and try pylon racing		
	20	Sports Scale Event	Yarra Valley	YVA
Oct	4	Sports Scale Event	Greensborough	GMAC
	10	Annual Action	Sunbury	MACS
		Action Starts at 12 pm. Registering goods at 10 am. Door Prizes and Raffle. Entry \$2		
	10-11	VMAA Trophy – Inter Club Competition		NFG
		State Field, Darrawiet Guim		
	17-18	Canberra F1 Air Race	Canberra	NAAS
		Round 2 – F1 Air Race Championship		
	17-18	Wangaratta Jets	Wangaratta	VJAA
	17-18	Mallee Rally 2015	Warracknabeal	WMAC
	23-25	Float Fly In – Lake Hume CANCELED		TCMAC
		Due to low water level.		
	24-25	VMPRA Event FA1, F400 and Q500		Hamilton
		State Championships		
	25	Werribee Fun Fly	Werribee	WMAA
	25	F3A Aerobatics Competition	Greensborough	GMAC
	31-01	Mosskosh 15 Annual Fun Fly	Ararat	A&DAC
		Contact rachael.lm1971@gmail.com for details		
Nov	8-9	VARMS Aero Tow Glider event	Shepparton	VRF
		Camping available.		
	8-9	Flying Display 8 am to 4 pm	Sale	SADAC
		Kero, Nitro, Amps, Petrol (K.N.A.P.) More information ring 0428 471 803		
	15	Sport Scale Event	Pakenham	P&DARCS
	20-22	VMAA State Helicopter Champs	Shepparton	VRF
	21	VARMS & SAM 600 Old Timer “Fun Day”		VARMS
		Facilities available.		
	28-29	Annual Fun Fly & Swap meet	Hamilton	HMAC
	28-29	Bairnsdale	State Field Eastern	BADMAC
		Round 3 – F1 Air Race Championship		
Dec	6	VFSAA Christmas Break up Event	State Field	NFG
		Darraweit Quim. No Comp, Just flying		
		All Welcome		

Great Events for 2016

Jan	23-24	Classic & Vintage Weekend	Pakanham	P&DARCS
		Incorporating Roy Robinson		
	30-31	FI Air Race Sandown 2016 Sandown Raceway		MAAA
		Two days of RC modelling. Trade Stalls on site.		
Fed	21	Multiplex Day	Pakanham	P&DARCS
	28	Monty Tyrell	Pakanham	P&DARCS
Mar	5-6	Warnambool Annual Fun Fly	Warnambool	WMAC
	13	Bipe & Bush Plane Day	Seymour	MFWAC
		Start: 10:00 am. Contact Barry 0418 246 693		
	20	Display Day 2016	Lilydale	LDMFA
Apr	12-14	ACTIO(n) Scale Rally	State Field Eastern	BADMAC
	3	Annual Twins & More	Darrawiet Guim	NFG
		Prizes. Raffles and lucky draw on the day.		
	10	Annual Fun Fly	Echuca	EMMAC
	16-23	69th MAAA Nationals	West Wyalong	NSW Host
		CANCELLED		
	17	Model Engines Fun Fly	Darrawiet Quim	NFG
Nov	5-6	Scratch Built Scale Rally	Pakanham	P&DARCS

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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

2015

May	17	F3B Multi Task Glider at Haddon Field,	Ballarat
	24	F3K Multi Discus Launched Glider,	Diggers Rest
	31	Open Thermal	Diggers Rest
June	6-8	Open Thermal (LSF Tournament)	Jerilderie
Aug	30	F3K#1 Discus Launch Glider	Longwood
Sep	13	Th#1 Open Thermal Glider	Diggers Rest
	20	F3K#2 F5J#1 – F3K (am) F5J (pm) (TBC)	State Field 1
Oct	4	F3B#1 Multi Task Glider	Diggers Rest
	10-11	Th#2 Open Thermal	Wentworth
			NSW
			Mt
	18	Slop Aerobatics Championships	Hollowback
	25	F3K#3 Discus Launch Glider/Asia Pacific	Diggers Rest
		Open Team Trial	
Nov	8	Th#3 Open Thermal	Diggers Rest
	22	F3K#4 (am) & F5J#2 (pm)	Diggers Rest
Dec	5-6	Th#4 Open Thermal State Championships	Horsham
		MF Midway Cup	

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 2015

May	3	GMAA Aerotow	Geelong
June	6-8	Cobram Scale Aerotow	Cobram

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

The VARMS Trophy series is for 2-channel rudder / elevator gliders. 1 pm start
VARMS Aerotow 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 Handlaunch 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
0417 347 034

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

AEFA Swan Hill Electric Rally

Monthly Postal competitions	Peter Henderson (02) 4379 1121 peterhenderson4@bigpond.com
Electric Old Timer	
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. Melways 72 D2

INDOOR EVENTS

1 st Saturday each month	At Warragul (LaTrobe Valley) 12-5pm, at the Warragul Leisure Centre (two basketball courts) contact Mick Gunn w 5622 0860 or h 5626 6329
1 st Monday each month (except January)	Electric & all types of Free-Flight Sandringham Youth Centre 10 am to 4 pm Contact ???
2 nd Saturday each month	Donvale/Manningham Sport Complex 8.00 to 11.00 pm Melways 48 F4 Contact Martin Lui 0408 406 758
4 th 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 garryryan@vegas.com.au (electric Old Timer)

FREE FLIGHT CALENDAR

2015

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.

(Melway 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 keyholder 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

C.L.A.S. Contest Calendar

2015

April	3-6	Victorian Control Line State Champs	
		Check program for Details and locations	
May	9	Club Competition. (DGY, Stunt, Combat)	KMFC
	17	Phantom, Vintage A and Diesel Goodyear	SSME
	29-Jun 1	AWA State Champs	Perth
	31 May	Classic Stunt	Doonside
June	6-8	NSW C/L State Champs CLAS Whalan Reserve	WR
		***Qualifying event for F2B and F2D W/Ch.	KMFC
	14	Club Competition	
	20-21	"Old Phartz and Friends" Vintage Weekend	KMFC
		Coffs Harbour	
July	5	AGM	KMFC
	12	F2B Aerobatics	Doonside
	19	Club Competition	KMFC
Aug	2	Combined Speed	SSME
	2	F2B Aerobatics	KMFC
	16	Classic Stunt	SAT
	16	Diesel Goodyear, 1/2A DGY Burford Racing & Diesel Speed	KMFC
Sep	5-6	MAAQ Queensland State Champs	Ipswich
		*** F2D CLASSI	
	19-20	MAAQ Queensland F2B Rockhampton	Qld
Oct	3-5	CLAS NSW C/L State Championships F2A and F2C CLAS at TCMAC (TBC)	TCMAC

	11	Gordon Burford Day	KMFC
	18	F2B Aerobatics	SAT
	25	Club Competition	KMFC
	30-Nov 1	MAAQ Queensland F2A and F2C *** Maryborough	QLD
	30-Nov 1	1 F2B, Classic & Vintage Stunt Doonside (West Wyalong NSWFFS Field)	TBC
	22	Vintage T/R and Diesel Goodyear	KMFC
	22	Classic Stunt NACA at Gateshead	G/head
	29	KMFC Christmas Party and Fun Fly	KMFC
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 Aeromodeling 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

	2015		CLAM
May	17	Warbird Stunt, Speed, Classic B T/R	
	24	Warbird	KMAC
June	6-8	NSW State Championships, Grass Events	Sydney
	14	Classic FAI, Vintage A, F2C/F2F 1/2A Combat	CLAMF
	28	Rat Race Invitation and Club Day	KMAC
July	12	Speed, Classic Stunt, Mini G/Y Simple Rat	CLAMF
	26	All Aussie Day & Vintage Combat	KMAC
Aug	9	Carrier, 27 Goodyear, Goodyear	CLAMF
Sep	13	Speed, Vintage Combat, 2.5cc Rat Race	CLAMF
Oct	3-5	NSW State Champs, Hard Surface events	Albury
	18	Coreflute Combat, F2B, F2F	CLAMF
Nov	8	Speed, Warbird Stunt, Combat (TNA)	CLAMF
Dec	13	Vintage A, Classic B, Classic FAI	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)

Contacts:

Harry Bailey (03) 9543 2259

Email: clamf@ozemail.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:

Peter Koch 0413 222 046 or

Steve Vallve 0409 935 358

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)

2015

Sept	19-20	Old Timer Weekend	Cohuna	CMFC
Nov	7-8	Old Timer Weekend	Cohuna	CMFC
	29	Old Timer Day	Haddon	BAM

Contacts for SAM 600

Website - sam600.com

Secretary - BrianDowie Secretary/Treasurer

Phone: 03 9706 2074

brianflyrc@hotmail.com

Contest Director - Brian Laughton

brianlaughton@dcsi.net.au

Phone: 03 598 97443

President - Kevin Fryer

Phone: 03 9842 4361

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: [Calender of Events](#)

In the Hangar



George Vasi

George's passion for model aircraft started when he was eight when his dad took him to Studley Park to see control line flying. In the early 80s at age 12 he started flying at Northern Flying Field with an old Telstar 40 size high wing Aeroflight kit, controlled by a 4 channel Futaba. In 2006 George revisited building and flying RC model aircraft at GMAC and got his gold wings and when time permits he flies most Sundays.

George constructed his hangar out the back with a free standing brick veneer including high roof loft for storage to house his hobbies. If you look closely there are a few signs of different hobbies, fishing rods, motor bikes and hiding under the wing bags and kits is an original Ford XC GS Falcon 5.8 Lt., Emerald Fire Green (in bits, but it is all there). He got this when he was 18 years old as an apprentice motor mechanic and it is now taking a back seat to his passion for building RC aircraft.



George's major project is a scratch built 1/4 scale Hawker Sea Fury with a 115 ins wing. Laser cut off a Jerry Bats plans in America. Powered by a Mokie 250cc radial, spinning a 32/10 prop, controlled by an 18ch MZ futaba. Custom built, retracts with 6ins wheels, big spinner, canapé and an enormous size cowl.

Looking around "the hangar" there is an aircraft for every occasion Float flying, Pattern, Aerobatics, Control Line and even 40 size Trainer. Skywolf, Skybolt, Dirty Birdy, Cessna 310, Staudacher S300, and P40. Upstairs there is a F15 Eagle, Spitfire, Aquabird, Decathalon, Mustang... to many to list.

Ed





Daffodil Day at GMAC 30th August



Theme of the day Yellow

On Sunday 30th August 2015, GMAC conducted its 2nd Daffodil Day Fly-In to raise funds for Cancer Research. The weather was good but a bit cool for the early-arrivals. It was great to see a number of visitors from other clubs attending to help with our efforts.

The theme of the day was yellow as the flight line reflected. Those without a yellow flying machine did find themselves being asked for a 'little more' of a donation for some yellow to place on their aircraft, this was always forthcoming. Lunch was also available from the barbecue with profits going to the Daffodil Day fund



Bill Pearce and his yellow WACO

Earlier this month at the General Meetings and Social night, funds were raised via auctions where members donated their surplus bits and pieces and models. This helped towards our final contribution to the Daffodil Day Cancer Research fund. All up \$1,351.35 was raised.

GMAC will be running another Daffodil Day in 2016 and hope to see many VMAA members come along and join in the spirit of the day.

Story and photos by Greg Stevenson



David White - KMFC with his 1/3 Spacewalker, a questionable yellow tone



Joshua Labita added to the fun with his yellow helicopter manoeuvres.



VRF 34th Scale Mammoth Fly In Shepparton 11 to 13 September



The mammoth this year is celebrating its 34th year which in itself is a testimony to the event itself. Arguably it is the best scale get together in Victoria and maybe even Australia, which is a showcase of so many scale aircraft. As many know, pilots from all parts of Australia attend for 2 day event to display their scale aircraft and take part in some great flying.

The rumor mill was in full swing during the lead up to the mammoth with suggestions the event may not go ahead. This could not be further from the truth with about 100 pilots and 150 models on the ground of all shapes, sizes and era over two glorious days. As the photos illustrate, the pits were full of colour. Visitors were taking in what was on offer and were amazed with some of the quality on display.

This year it seemed the aircraft were bigger again with some big models taking to the sky. It was also noted the increase of jets models on display and flying over both days. It is certainly great to see models from all parts of aviation taking part and making the event such a success. The meeting of some interesting people is another part of the event which is just as good in my books with plenty of stories being told.

The weather once again was at its best with two days of sun and a slight breeze down the runway. The second weekend in September seems to be on the mark. Interesting to note, out of the 34 years of VRF running the event, only two flying days have been lost to bad weather. I dare say the late Ian Watts, which the field is names after, is looking down and leading a hand.



There were more jets on display and flying at the Mammoth. Top. David Law's BAC Hawk, Left. Rowdy Matthews Vampire and on the right, Neil Addicott and the Hunter. All flew very well. Crowd loved it.



Garry Bergen (Constellation Club SA) with his P47. Mokki 250 cc radial up front and yes it sounded fantastic.





Super Stersman with another Mokki 250 cc radial. And yes, it sound just as good as the P47

Brian Hutchinson (BADMAC) scratched built Sea Fury. Another big model that flew very well.



Above Neil Addicott from Model Engines Australia and the Hunter going through his routine



Mark Collins put the 323 Giant into the air and it certainly had its own presents. Its 6 46 LA do a great job....





From Seagull the Lysander above and 109 below.
Flew very well and bought in by Model Engines Australia



The commentary once again was provided by Ivan Chiselett who entertained the crowd with an introduction of most models that took off on the day, with a little bit of history. I am not sure how long Ivan has been doing this gig, but I think he is part of the furniture.

Speaking with the powers to be from VRF, next year's event is going to be big. The event will be in its 35th year and it is something to celebrate. I do believe there will be a few things on offer with the possibility the event will be extended either side of the weekend. I certainly hope the event is as good as this year, if not better and bigger.



The new grass runways are coming along very nicely and can only get better with time. The canteen was in full swing over the two days with the canteen staff doing a great job. Well done. Col Taylor Models which is normally in attendance was not at the event this year. Unfortunately, rising costs and distance to get to the event has made the venture not viable. But SC Hobbies were present and in full swing offering many modelling items including kits, plans, scale parts, electric motors and the list goes on.

Once again, well done to the VRF and supports for making the event a reality again for 2015. I know many people/pilots left with a big smile after a very relaxing and enjoyable weekend. If you want to be part of the 35th VRF Mammoth Scale Fly In, place it in your diaries and make plans to come on down. There will be information available over the next few months. So all I can say is, roll on 2016.

Report & Photos By Joe Finocchiaro.



AUSTRALIAN
MODEL
FLYING DAY

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Open to WMAA Guests
(Not a Display Day)

Fun Fly

25th October 2015

Werribee Model Aircraft Association Flying field
67 McGraths Road, Werribee
Flying Hours: 9am – 5pm

Control Line, Sports, Gliders, Pattern, Helicopters and Quads. Something for everyone

Hot Food & Cold Drinks will available



Members are invited to buy a **\$5 badge** to support the Royal Flying Doctor Services

The Wangaratta Aero Modellers are Open for Business



The Wangaratta Aero Modellers has a very well maintained 130 meter grassed strip with grassed pit area. Clubroom with Kitchen, BBQ and on site disabled toilet facilities

The Wangaratta club hire their facilities on a daily basis to clubs who wish to visit the north east of Victoria. Field hire is subject to negotiation which can also include lunch time catering for visiting clubs. Bookings for the use of the field are essential.

Grassed or gravel camping area with hot showers and uni sex toilets are only 200 mtrs from the flying field. Shopping and Motel accommodation is only a short 3 kms from the flying field.

For further information please contact:

Secretary - Russell Clough

Phone: 03 5722 1617

Email: russellclough@bigpond.com



Graeme Murray Alexander Wilson

14/9/1957—5/8/2015

Graeme was an absolute aero modeller, inducted into the MAAA Hall of Fame. He started flying at the VCLA club at Moorabbin Airport about 1969. He flew some free flight in his early years but his heart was always with Control Line. Over the years he flew every racing and combat class in the rules book. To say he was successful would be an understatement. He did have the benefit of flying with many skilled modellers, but it was Graeme's cool head and reliable flying that helped him win many hundreds of events. Graeme was a competent and resourceful builder. He completed hundreds of models to an ever improving standard over the years.

His contests included local club events, State Championships, Nationals and International events. He travelled far and wide pursuing his love of aero modelling. These travels included trips all over Australia, New Zealand, Europe, China and the United States of America. Graeme attended 8 C/L World Championships, the first of these being in 1978. He flew in 4 and was also the Australian Team Manager at 2 of those World Championship events.

Graeme was also heavily involved in the administration side of our sport. Graeme ran literally thousands of events over the years. He has been the lead organizer at our Victorian State Champs and Nationals for over 30 years. He has been our club treasurer for even longer. Added to this he served



Graeme Murray Alexander Wilson.
14/9/1957—5/8/2015

as the Frankston clubs' Control Line Advisory Committee representative and treasurer and also, for over 20 years he was VMAA registrar. No one came close to putting in the amount of work that Graeme did. These are big shoes to fill.

To use Mark McDermott's words "Graeme was Mr Control Line". Graeme was a popular gentleman. With all the flying and admin work he did, he won the respect and friendship of people from all over the world. The attendance at Graeme's funeral certainly proved that, as people travelled from all over Australia to pay their respects and celebrate Graeme's life. He will be greatly missed. R.I.P. Graeme

On behalf of the modelling fraternity, our condolences go to Fiona, Murray, Rebecca and family.

Andrew Nugent

- **Chairs**
- **Folding Tables**
- **Umbrellas**
- **Round Tables**



- **Display Boards**
- **Heaters**
- **Marquee/Shelters**
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CLASSIC AND VINTAGE WEEKEND

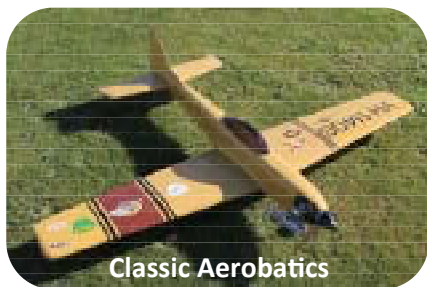
(Incorporating the Roy Robertson Trophy)

23rd & 24th January 2016

9.30am to 5.30pm

P&DARCS, Burley Field, Cardinia

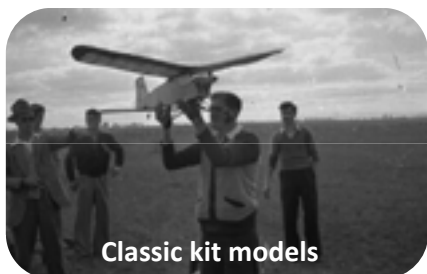
Join us in celebrating our 50th Anniversary



Classic Aerobatics

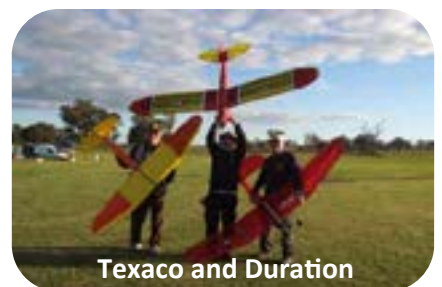


Foam gliders mass launch

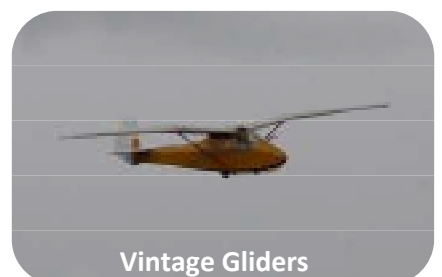


Classic kit models

Saturday, 23rd January



Texaco and Duration



Vintage Gliders



Classic kit models

Sunday, 24th January

Saturday Night Anniversary BBQ, cutting of P&DARCS Birthday cake and night flying.

Entry Fees: \$5.00 per model to a maximum of \$20.00

Saturday night BBQ at canteen prices. BYO drinks.

Free camping - tents or caravans.

Check our website for more details - www.pdarcs.com.au

NAAS Annual Mammoth Fly-In 20/21/22 November 2015



FLY-IN

Primarily large models, but if you want to be part of this great experience bring what you have.
Field will be open from Friday Morning

WAR MEMORIAL TOUR

The usual fantastic guided tour of the War Memorial will be arranged for the Friday Afternoon.
(Details will be posted on the web page closer to the event)

Pilot entry Saturday & Sunday \$40.00

Saturday night roast/baked Dinner
at the field \$20.00 per head

Food and drink, tea and coffee will be available all weekend

More information will become available, please refer to:

Web: www.naas.org.au Email: naasact@outlook.com



Warrnambool Model Aircraft Club

Annual Fun Fly

The 5 - 6th March 2016
Maaa & Vmaa Rules Apply



Come along and enjoy a great weekend flying from daylight until dark, or after dark if you like.

Facilities available include free camping, hot shower and Disable Toilets. BBQ Lunch and drinks available.

For more information contact:

Geoff - Email: gbwatson7@bigpond.com
Phone: 03 5562 0648
Mobile: 0408 337 518

Ken- Email: ken-perrett@bigpond.com
Phone: 03 5566 2220
Mobile: 0428 527 139

Website: warrnamboolmac.google.sites

Attention Scratch or Kit Builders

As part of their Golden Jubilee year celebrations in 2016, P&DARCS are planning to host a Scratch or Kit Built Scale Rally, ie hand made, not ARFs. The event is to be held on the weekend after Melbourne Cup Day. It is hoped that this will be an annual event on this weekend every year.

The Club believes that there is a need for an event to specifically cater for those modelers that still hand make their models. It is also hoped that the event/rally will encourage many modelers to start, or get back to, hand building models and flying them.

It should be noted that the first P&DARCS Scratch or Kit Built Scale Rally will be held on the weekend after Melbourne Cup Day in 2016, ie. November 5 & 6 2016. Please note that it is a 2 day event. This notice is intended to give those wishing to participate time to start and complete the project that you have been thinking of so that it is ready by November 2016.

It is planned that, when requested, airspace will be controlled to enable modelers to have exclusive airspace to fly their models if they require it. The emphasis of the event is to encourage hand built scale models to be displayed both on the ground and in the air without the worry of a midair incident. There will a variety of prizes offered, many of them lucky draws, so everyone who participates will have a chance of winning.

It is also planned that as part of the P&DARCS Scratch or Kit Built Scale Rally there will be a side event of a Diorama Competition. The idea is to have aircraft displayed in an environment that depicts a "real life" situation. That is, maybe a P-51 being fueled and armed with scale trucks etc around the aircraft, or maybe a crop duster being refilled, the limit is only your imagination.

The aircraft in the diorama does not need to fly at the event, but can and it should be able to fly. It will be encouraged that the accessories used be also hand made although this is not mandatory. It is hoped that this type of competition will generate interest for both builders and observers.

So far we have been encouraged by the interest shown in the event with several interstate modelers indicating that they will try to attend with some of the very large models. The weekend is shaping up as a great display of the art of building and flying model aircraft.

Why no be part of it and start building that project now. They do not need to be large, just a scale model built from plans or kit. Pencil it into your 2016 diary.

More information will be published in future within the VMAA Newsletters, so stay tuned...

Locate 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

Lilydale & District Model Flying Association

Radio Control Model Airshow

Sunday 20th March 2016 Starting at 10 am

Spandonis Reserve - Victoria Road, Yering - Melway Map 274 Ref:E10
(Follow Victoria Road North from the corner of MacIntyre Road)

Scale Models – from World War 1 to late model jets plus a wide range of civilian models

Aerobatic Models - Precision aerobatic flying by some of Australia's best Aerobatic flyers

Helicopters, Aerobatic, Pylon Racing, Jets, Electric Gliders, Glider Tows, Aerial Combat and more...

Food and drinks available

Toilets on site

Admission: Adults \$10, Children under 16 years FREE

www.ldmfa.com



The Allen Danvers Challenge - Norfolk Island

Greetings from Norfolk Island

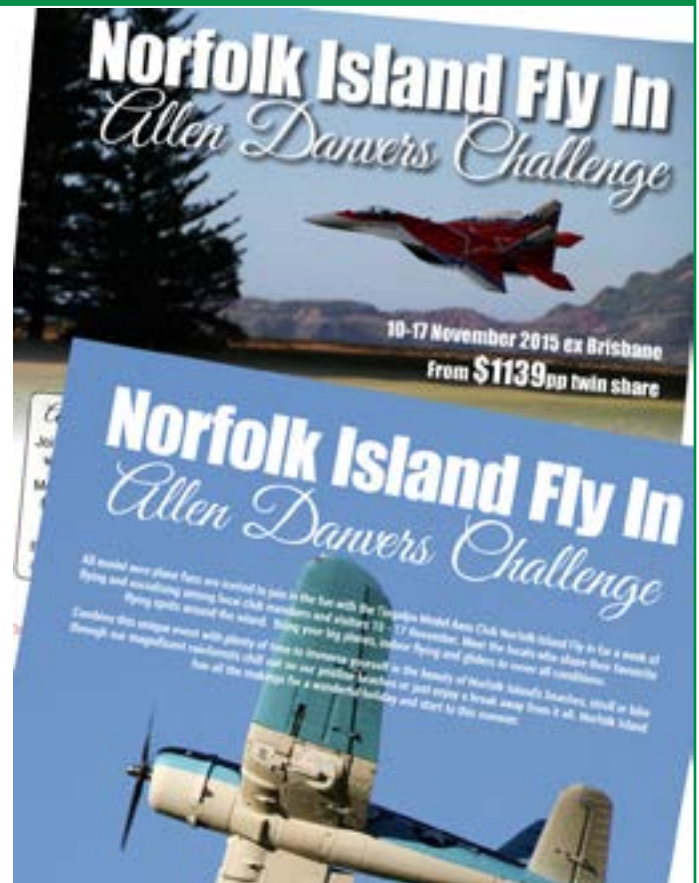
All model aeroplane fans are invited to join in good times and lots of flying! in special memory of Allen Danver one of the organizers integral to establishing what has now become an annual event the Norfolk Island Fly In. Participants will enjoy a week of flying and socializing with Norfolk's very own local and enthusiastic club and meet new friends from Australia and New Zealand clubs 10-17 November 2015.

The locals will share their favorite flying spots around the island. Bring your big planes, indoor flying and gliders to cover all conditions. Combine this unique event with plenty of time to immerse yourself in the beauty of Norfolk Island's beaches, or just enjoy a break away from it all.

Please contact the Norfolk Island Travel Centre if you would like further information.

Jacqui Jackson

<http://www.tmac.asn.au/miscdocs/NorfolkIslandFlyIn2015.pdf>



Northern Flying Group's Annual Twins & More

Sunday 3rd April 2016

Held annually at the State Flying Field, Quayles Road,
Darrawiet Guim Melways Reference 425 G3

Visit www.nfg.org.au for a detailed map and registration form.

All pre-entered registrations will receive one bonus entry into the prize draw at the end of the day.

Entry is open to all MAAA registered Pilots that have a plane with two or more engines or two main wings (bi-planes).

Non flying visitors are most welcome to come and enjoy the day

Food and drink will be available during the event.

Great prizes on a fly per ticket lucky draw system.

A trophy for the most unusual multi-engine aircraft.

\$10 Entry Fee for all Competitors – bring as many planes as you like.

Pilots briefing and registration 9.30am

Flying from 10am

Contact: Mark Sills – 0419 338 847

Northern Flying Group in conjunction with our major sponsors hopes you come and enjoy a relaxed Sunday flying at this unique event.

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OLD TIMER “ Fun “ DAY.



When: Saturday 21st November.

Where: VARMS Field, High Street, WANTIRNA SOUTH, Melways 72C1.

Open to all and any Old Timer Models, and veteran Woodies, be it I.C. , Electric, or Winch / Bunjie Gliders. Whatever. !!!

Assembly is from 11.30am. Events will Start at 12.00 pm Saturday Afternoon. and will start I.C. and Electric from the same flight line all at the same time. Subject to prevailing conditions, it is anticipated that a 1/2A competition event will be held, then an Antique Glider / Height Limited competition event, and then whatever else that can be put together as the afternoon develops, and the interest is there.

Given adequate safety provisions and subject to the CD's direction, all and any Old Timers can be flown from the Start Line during and within actual competition tasks, so that all and anybody can fly their “ Old Timer “ even if they don't have a competition plane with which to compete , or seek to compete. !!!

The essence of the afternoon is fun flying. !!!

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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 require 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

MAAA Latest Newsletters

The MAAA Newsletter 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. Goto: [MAAA Newsletter](#)

Albury Float Flying Weekend Cancelled

We have had to cancel this years Seaplane Weekend in Albury due to low water level in Lake Hume. The lake was rising very slowly from its low point in winter and when it reached 50% we made the call to go ahead. Unfortunately as soon as it reached that level, the authorities began releasing water one month earlier than usual. The lake is now dropping rapidly and Table Top will be unusable by the end of the month. No other alternate locations are available at this time. Hoping for higher levels next year.

David Balfour



Albury Float Flying

Just a couple of past pictures of Albury Float Flying 2013. I was looking forward to having another long weekend float flying at Albury. It is one of my favorite events. Just means next year will be twice as good! Ed.



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**Sunday
8th November
2015**

8 am – 4 pm

**If weather prohibits then date
will be moved to 15/11/14**



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the fine refreshments while you see a wonderful collection of radio
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large collection of kero burning jets; some worth well over \$ 10,000.**

Corner of Back Maffra and Centre roads, Sale (near Sale Cattle Yards)

For more information, ring 0428 471 803

Pre-qualified visiting pilots welcome, please contact for more information.

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