

# Propwash

February 2009

## From the President



*Has any one seen this man ??*

### “REWARD OFFERED !!”

For the person who can locate and convince our president to dedicate some time to contribute to this space.

When it comes to putting pen to paper to complete this section of the news letter he becomes very illusive.

Graeme has been keeping very busy (so he indicates) and really did not have time to contribute to this edition of the newsletter, however, if we all keep reminding him he may well have something ready for the next edition. **“Watch this space”**

Graeme and I were eating our lunch in a cafeteria, when we overheard one of the administrative assistants talking about the sunburn she got on her weekend drive to the beach.

She drove down in a convertible, but didn't think she'd get sunburned because the car was moving'.

Graeme asked her did she not have her air conditioner on at the time.

The new sign for soft drinks at John's canteen.



If any members have items for sale or swap this is the ideal avenue to get a free plug. Don't hesitate to list them and get them to me via my Email address prior to the next edition of the news letter

## From The Editor:

Welcome to the February 09 edition of the Propwash, we have entered another year and with it comes a lot more challenges, one being that we are all another year older.

It also leaves us half way through the flying year, so if you have not been doing much flying over the past six months it might be a good idea to plan a little over the next six months to get a bit of value for your money

The long weekend in January saw a good number of flyers, both local and visitors, attend the IMAC competition conducted at the field.

This was the first event for the year listed on their calendar and it was well attended, from all reports the visitors were impressed with the field and the hospitality over the weekend.

Club meeting was held on Sunday 8th some of the key points discussed are on page seven, it was a good day for flying, however, only a few regular flyers enjoyed the experience.

### Remember !!

All items / photos can be Emailed to me when ever they occur so they can be included in the next edition of the newsletter

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### Dates to Remember

|              |                         |
|--------------|-------------------------|
| Feb 15th     | Rotary Kids day display |
| April 4th    | Combat comp             |
| October 25th | 38 Antique competition  |



Dennis with his Electric plane on charge ready for a flight, it is always good flying with Dennis on the flight line as you are always able to hear your own motor sound and know when you are dead stick.



Scotty back after a training session minus the landing gear, this is not a good start when teaching new members the fine art of flying. The aim is to return with all components of the plane intact.

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**“CONGRATULATIONS”**

***Scott & Ron***

Just prior to Christmas two club members gave up their time to sit through the Flight Instructors course conducted at the field by Larry Allen, the weather on the nominated day was both wet and windy so the theory exam was conducted in the clubrooms and the practical was postponed for two weeks.

On the designated flight day the weather was fine but strong winds buffeted the field, however, it was decided to go ahead with the testing. Under normal flying day conditions I would not have flown but I was a good test to ensure that we competent to fly in all conditions.

After flying the prescribed disciplines for certification it was back to the clubroom for a debrief with Larry and to receive the good news that both of us were successful and the documentation would be forwarded to Perth for confirmation. It had been confirmed that we are now accredited Instructors.

With the purchase of the Boomerang 60 club trainer it will enable the club to provide much needed support for new members.

Special thanks to Larry Allen for his assistance and guidance.

The Boomerang 60 was supplied by Hobby Central supplied for a very good price

Clint supplied and fitted the 4 servos and commenced the construction.

Scott has finished it off and supplied the OS 61FX engine, Sanyo 4.8v Eneloop RX pack, Switch & Battery monitor.



Ian just about to start his new plane a Super Skybolt in preparation for a test flight. Have not seen it fly yet.



Ian Clapp testing his new 50cc DL, I seen this plane test flown on Sunday 1st Feb and it performed well. Ian was heard to say that it was one of the better planes he had test flown.

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A married Irishman went into the confessional and said to his priest, "I almost had an affair with another woman."  
The priest said, "What do you mean, almost?"  
The Irishman said, "Well, we got undressed and rubbed together, but then I stopped."

The priest said, "Rubbing together is the same as putting it in. You're not to see that woman again. For your penance, say five Hail Mary's and put \$50 in the poor box."

The Irishman left the confessional, said his prayers, and then walked over to the poor box.

He paused for a moment and then started to leave.

The priest, who was watching, quickly ran over to him saying, "I saw that. You didn't put any money in the poor box!"

The Irishman replied, "Yeah, but I rubbed the \$50 on the box, and according to you, that's the same as putting it in!"



This is a familiar sight at the field with Clint hanging on the prop, he has been getting closer and closer to the ground when he executes this maneuver. This picture is the quietest you will experience this maneuver being performed, hang in there Clint.



Clint I think this guy has been watching you with your prop hanging.



Complete check underway prior to another round of competition.



How the field was transformed into tent city for the event, it appears that it is for the benefit of the plane not the pilot



More of the portable plane hangers in front of the pits.



Great colour scheme on this plane.



Lunch time flying display.

IMAC Weekend was a great success. There were 19 entries in all (would have been good to see a few more SWARMS members have a go :) in the various classes. We had a few visitors from Kalgoorlie, and the rest mostly from Perth.

Clint's brother (Brett Richards) traveled over from QLD and had his first go at IMAC (and first time flying large petrol aircraft) and managed a 2nd in the Intermediate class. His days of flying competition pattern ships showed through. Very smooth/precise flying by him.

Clint and I both flew in Sportsman (my first time in this level) and Clint managed a 3rd and myself a 2nd last... but I had fun trying :)

It was a windy and hot w/end without any major incident. I managed to wreck a spinner and prop when the prop came loose in the final round and sheared off all the prop bolts. Was lucky the spinner held it all together as if the prop/spinner had come off completely a blown motor would have been the end result. Make mental note – REMEMBER TO PERIODICALLY CHECK THAT THE PROP BOLTS ARE TIGHT. Lucky, the motor stopped and I was able to dead stick land without much fuss and the plane is all in one piece.

It was a very very hot and dry w/end and quite windy on Sunday, with only light to moderate winds on Saturday.

Steve Maitland put on a breathtaking 3D demo with his 100cc Yak at lunch and was rolling, hovering and flopping it all over the field with smoke belching everywhere, at times only inches and feet from the ground. Real heart in the mouth type stuff, and very impressive.

Was a good w/end had by all, with a good turn out for the BBQ on Saturday night.

I would like to thank John Knowles for sorting out the catering, and Dennis and Brenda for once again helping out for the lunch time rush. Thanks to Clint for organizing the meat and encouraging the IMAC guys to hold the comp at SWARMS in the first place. Thanks to Brian Wilkins for manning the BBQ.

The IMAC crew really like the field and club facilities at SWARMS and if everyone is OK with it are considering holding another round at SWARMS later in the year (in the cooler months)

Is also a good fundraiser via the canteen income for the club.

The idea is to have a good time and improve your flying. You don't need to get a place to walk away with something either. Everyone's name is put in a hat and prizes are drawn out, so everyone has a chance and getting something. Discount Hobbies donated a handful of vouchers and there was various other gear thrown in by some others as well.

Why not have a go next time we host a IMAC round? Anyone can have a go at basic, its all good fun and really challenges you (flying in a straight line is the hardest bit)

Results as follows

***Basic***

- 1st John Mcleod
- 2nd Chris Walker
- 3rd Les Davidson

***Sportsman***

- 1st Jeff Gittos
- 2nd Bill Bland
- 3rd Clint Richards

***Intermediate***

- 1st Dean Allison
- 2nd Brett Richards (QLD)
- 3rd Dave Stuart

***Advanced***

- 1st Ben Cohen
- 2nd Steve Maitland

***Unlimited***

- 1st Mark Easton
- 2nd Steve Coram
- 3rd Roman P

Thanks to Scott for the IMAC report and photos.

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I couldn't find my luggage at the airport baggage area. So I went to the lost luggage office and told the woman there that my bags never showed up. She smiled and told me not to worry because she was a trained professional and I was in good hands.

'Now,' she asked me,

***'Has your plane arrived yet?'***...

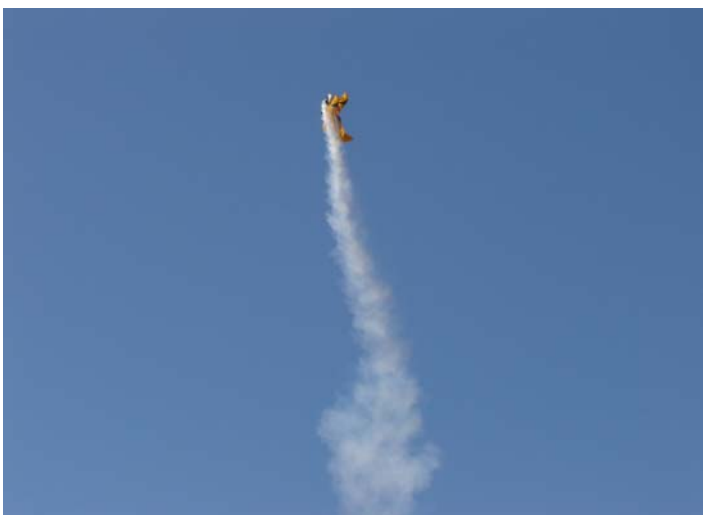
A couple of action shots of a Bi-Plane smoking up the sky over the field before Christmas. It was powered by a D A 150 motor. The plane was owned and flown by a visitor to the field.



Hanging on the prop with smoke full on.



Smoke trail gives clear indication of the progress of the plane.



Heading for the clouds. (Oop's there is none)

We are all aware of the consequences that smoking has on our health and the choice to smoke is for the individual to decide, however, a medical breakthrough on the consequences of smoking for model aircraft was discovered at the field on this day.

After entertaining the onlookers for some time with this display of smoke on flying the plane was landed for refuel only to discover that a considerable amount of the covering had come a drift from the top left wing. After an autopsy was performed it was announced that this was caused by smoking too much. The attached picture shows the extent of the damage, it was also discovered that this damage could be rectified not so for the human lungs when they suffer this type of damage



### Brothel Trip

An elderly man goes into a brothel and tells the madam he would like a young girl for the night. Surprised, she looks at the ancient man and asks how old he is.

"I'm 90 years old," he says.

"90!" replies the woman. "Don't you realize you've had it?"

"Oh, sorry," says the old man. "How much do I owe you?"

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### Success

A successful man is one who makes more that his wife can spend.

A successful woman is one who can find such a man.

Points of interest from the recent meeting:

Insurance for newcomers that have not joined with MAAA will be covered by the instructors insurance for first two days of training/flying.

To clarify the insurance issue, If someone is being instructed and they have not yet joined a club (i.e. NOT of MAAA member) they are only covered by the MAAA insurance if the person teaching is an MAAA instructor.

If someone wants to teach someone how to fly or provide an introductory flight, and they are not an instructor, the student needs to have their own current MAAA membership for them to be covered by insurance.

After discussion it was decided the trainer was only to be used by members holding current MAAA instructor rating. The trainer aircraft and equipment is to be used only for the purpose of training SWARMS and new potential members for intro flights etc.

Current SWARMS members that are MAAA instructors are IAN CLAPP, IAN HUMPRYSON, RON WALLER, SCOTT PITTICK, LARRY ALLEN (Dave Pointen is part way through his instructors course, only needs to complete the practical test.

Reminder that the lawn mower needs to be washed and/or brushed down after every use. This is part of the preventative maintenance and will help prevent rust and damage (in particular to the deck & belts). It only takes a few minutes and will help to reduce the need for more expensive repairs later on.

Out of service tags are in the draw and need to be used if there is a problem with the mower (or any other equipment, including kitchen etc at SWARMS) Thank you to members who do mow the lawn and help keep the field looking good for all of us.

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**Facts about bathrooms !!**

A man has five items in a bathroom: toothbrush, shaving cream, razor, soap and towel from Holiday Inn.

The average number of items in the typical woman's bathroom is 437. The average man would not be able to identify most of these items or know what they are used for.

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One day I was walking down the beach with some friends when someone shouted....' Look at that dead bird!' Everyone looked up at the sky and said... 'where?'

Pest Control

A woman was having a passionate affair with an inspector from a pest-control company. One afternoon they were carrying on in the bedroom together when her husband arrived home unexpectedly.

"Quick," said the woman to the lover, "into the closet!" and she pushed him in the closet, stark naked.

The husband, however, became suspicious and after a search of the bedroom discovered the man in the closet.

"Who are you?" he asked him.

"I'm an inspector from Bugs-B-Gone," said the exterminator.

"What are you doing in there?" the husband asked.

"I'm investigating a complaint about an infestation of moths," the man replied.

"And where are your clothes?" asked the husband.

The man looked down at himself and said,

**"Those little bastards!"**

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**Husbands are husbands**

A man was sitting reading his papers when his wife hit him round the Head with a frying pan.

'What was that for?' the man asked.

The wife replied 'That was for the piece of paper with the name Jenny on it that I found in your pants pocket'. The man then said 'When I was at the races last week Jenny was the name of the horse I bet on'

The wife apologized and went on with the housework. Three days later the man is watching TV when his wife bashes him on the head with an even bigger frying pan, knocking him unconscious.

Upon re-gaining consciousness the man asked why she had hit again.

Wife replied. '**Your horse phoned**'

On Sunday 1st Feb Kevin Jones experienced some type of interference with his radio whilst enjoying a bit of flight time at the field. He was overheard telling some members what had happened and that he was going to drive over to the area where his plane had come down.

I returned to the pits just to hear the end of the discussion and asked what was the extent of the damage just as I observed Sarah getting into Dad's car to go and retrieve the plane with a large garbage bag in her left hand, my question has been answered !!!

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Some guy bought a new fridge for his house. To get rid of his old fridge, he put it in his front yard and hung a sign on it saying: 'Free to good home.'

**You want it, you take it.'**

For three days the fridge sat there without even one person looking twice at it. He eventually decided that people were too un-trusting of this deal. It looked too good to be true, so he changed the sign to read: 'Fridge for sale \$50.'

**The next day someone stole it!**

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Two guys, one old timer and one young, are pushing their carts around Bunnings when they collide.

The old timer says to the young guy, 'Sorry about that. I'm looking for my wife, and I guess I wasn't paying attention to where I was going.'

'The young guy says, 'That's OK. It's a coincidence. I'm looking for my wife, too. I can't find her and I'm getting a little desperate.'

The old guy says, 'Well, maybe we can help each other. What does your wife look like?'

The young guy says, 'Well, she is 24 yrs old, tall, with blonde hair, big blue eyes, long legs, big boobs, and she's wearing tight white shorts, a halter top and no bra. 'What does your wife look like?'

The old timer says.....

***'Doesn't matter --- let's look for yours.'***

Most Old timers are helpful like that!

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**Wife:** 'What are you doing?'

**Husband:** Nothing.

**Wife:** 'Nothing...? You've been reading our marriage certificate for an hour.'

**Husband:** 'I was looking for the expiry date.'

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Below is the criteria for women to play golf on a local course, your guess is as good as mine.

How many would meet this criteria ??

