



Propwash

February 2010

From the President



The New Year seems at this stage to be full of wind and some difficult flying whether, but never the less it will improve as the month progresses. The trip recently taken to Lake Nunijup was a great escape for the weekend; unfortunately only three members went but as always the flying is a good buzz.

The field purchase is still moving along with the advertising of the proposal to sub divide. The recent IMAC event run at the field was a success having a good turn out even with whether that was probably less than perfect let's hope we can attract a few more events.

For anyone that is interested in the Red Bull event it has been moved to April 17th and 18th this year.

There was a good attendance at the meeting on Sunday with an enjoyable sausage sizzle conducted around lunch time. A report that cows has accessed the strip on several occasions over the past weeks was a concern, the phone number of the person to contact when you find this will be posted on the notice board.

PS: It pays to get to the club early on Sundays your favorite car park maybe occupied by a trailer these days as some have difficulty reversing

The SWARMS logo pictures below was discussed at the meeting on Sunday and the consensus was that it was considered to be out of date. There are very few gliders that actually fly at the field hence the need to update it.

This is your opportunity to put your thinking caps on and come up with a draft design for consideration prior to the next meeting.

Email your design to either Scott or myself when completed.



From The Editor:

Welcome to the February 2010 edition of the Propwash news letter.

This edition's medical segment covers **"Diabetes !"**

Low Blood Sugar (Hypoglycemic)
High Blood Sugar (Hyperglycemic)

the signs and symptoms and how to assist all on page 11.

There has been a variety of new models at the field over the past couple of months with some photos enclosed in this edition taken prior to maiden flight.

The IMAC round was again held at the field the last weekend in January along with a float plane weekend at the lake, photos and details enclosed.

The flies have since left the field but the winds still persist I trust we can look forward to a bit more pleasant flying weather in coming months.

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

Rotary Children's 21st February day display.

Club Busy Bee 11th April

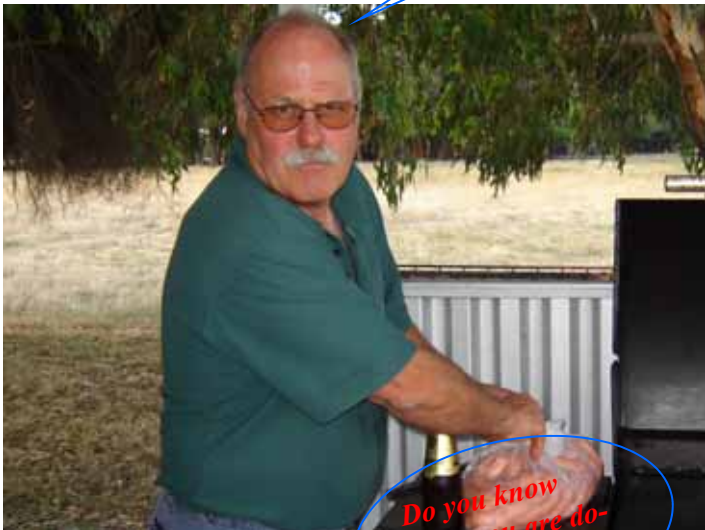
The SWARMS Christmas Party was held at the flying field on Saturday 19th Dec and the members, (that does not include the flies), who attended had a good evening with a nice BBQ being prepared along with traditional sweets.

The decorations may have been a bit over the top !!



Do I really have to do this

The chief about to commence.



Do you know what you are doing Grahame?

Too many cooks spoil the broth Anthony



Some of the members enjoying their meal, but not the flies



Not as good as the wife's.

Mum said I should never talk with a mouth full



Can't effectively talk and eat at the same time "Woody", wait until you have finished your meal !!.



I'll share my steak with you Dave

Thanks mate

Wish Mum had got the right size



I'm sure that was a fly that went in and not a bit of sausage, but it was fresh meat anyway.

No Officer, I have not been drinking !!



Thought I caught Dave showing the boys where he got his finger caught in the prop, or was that really what he was doing ?.

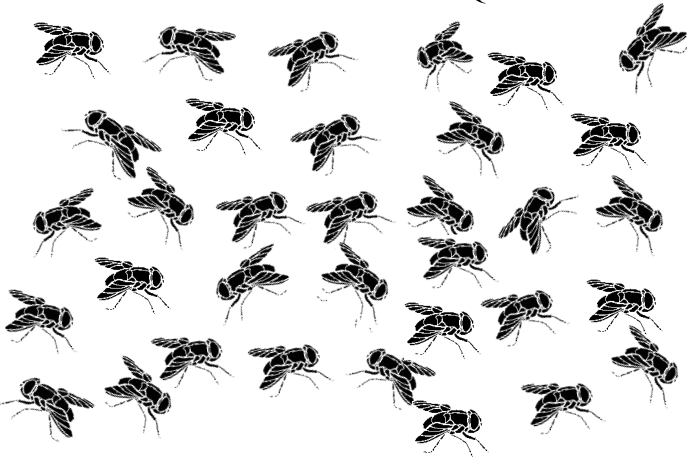
Did you want a bite John ?



The three wise members !



And there were also the flies at the BBQ!



This old Gentleman was conspicuous by his absence on the night I was told that he was getting all the new model planes ready to deliver to all the "good" modelers.

Oh ! Did I say that there were a few flies at the BBQ ?



Einstein's definition of Insanity

Continuing to do the same thing while expecting to get different results!

Anthony finally had this new plane certified and tested and he is now tearing up the sky with it, it took quite a few weekends to synchronize both plane availability and heavy model inspector to achieve this, however, the wait was certainly worth it and it looks good in the air.



Scott has also produced another flash model and that too has been certified and tested and fly's well and looks good in the air. The green colour scheme makes it very visible when aloft.



Chinese Proverbs

Man who runs in front of car gets tired !

Man who runs behind can get exhausted !

Man who eats prunes gets good run for his money !

War does not determine who is right, war determines who is left !

Man who drives like hell is bound to get there!

Float plane weekend report and photos, thank you Ian & Grahame.

Had a quiet trip down to Lake Nunijup – met up with Clappy and Graham at around 10.30 am.

Dave Plaistow from Albany was setting up when we arrived. We started flying about 11.30 and had a good day. Everyone's planes behaved well, test flew the Super Marine – 2 flights and the plane is now certified. Grahame took a few photos which have been published on this page.

We had a nice meal at the Pub in Cranbrook Saturday evening – which is only 10 mins from the lake.

Had a couple of flights Sunday morning and arrived home around 2.30pm

We would like to see more guys and their awesome models at the lake for some fun flying.

There is talk about holding an IMAC competition at the lake in the near future -- any takers???????????

Regards Humphro



Above Dave Plaistow's model, below ready for a flight



Looking at the hole in the water adjacent to the yellow buoy this looks like a perfect touch and go, if that is what was intended here.



A video clip that was attached showed this plane coming in to land and was last seen disappearing around the corner of the lake after touching the surface of the lake several times. Can't just walk onto the strip and retrieve your plane here a kayak is essential.



No !! This float plane was just used to fill a space here.



A couple of photos of the cockpit of Eddie's new scale glider, been advised that it is very realistic. Details of the plane, it is DG600 with a wing span of 4.8 meters full carbo fibre and retracts if it is anything like his other gliders it will perform well in the sky..



Another shot of Anthony's Cessna 182. It weighed in at 14.2 Kg and looks very impressive on the ground, looking forward to seeing it in the sky.



A man and his wife were spending the day at the zoo. She was wearing a loose fitting, pink dress, sleeveless with straps. He was wearing his usual jeans and T-shirt. As they walked through the ape exhibit, They passed in front of a large, silverback gorilla. Noticing the wife, the gorilla went crazy. He jumped on the bars, and holding on with one hand and 2 feet he grunted and pounded his chest with his free hand. He was obviously excited at the pretty lady in the pink Dress. The husband, noticing the excitement, thought this was funny. He suggested that his wife tease the poor fellow some more by puckering her lips and wiggling her bottom. She played along and the gorilla got even more excited, making noises that would wake the dead. Then the husband suggested that she let one of her straps fall to show a little more skin. She did... And the gorilla was about to tear the bars down. 'Now... Show your thighs and sort of fan your dress at him,' he said. This drove the gorilla absolutely crazy, and he started doing flips. Then the husband grabbed his wife, ripped open the door to the cage, flung her in with the gorilla and slammed the cage door shut.

'Now. Tell "**HIM**" you have a headache.'

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At the meeting on Sunday there was a request put forward for the SWARMS field to be used every third Saturday of the month for Gliders, after a discussion it was agreed that this request be granted approval. This would mean the field be made available for all types of gliders during the day, hand launch, electric, tow gliders and any other type that may be available.

This will be advertised at the Perth clubs to encourage their members to make the trip down for the day with their gliders also, here is an opportunity for club members to get involved in the more docile style of flying at the same time.

A list of jobs that have accumulated around the field over time was compiled and arrangements to complete these tasks will be put in place with a busy bee being scheduled for 11th April. The past couple of busy bee's have been well attended with many hands making light work of the list, this being the case there is still time during the morning to partake in a bit of flying.

Keep this date free !!

A Sobering thought here 2009 has gone, what did you achieve ?

Imagine there is a bank that credits your account each morning with \$86,400. It carries over no balance from day to day. Every evening deletes whatever part of the balance you failed to use during the day.

What would you do ??

Draw out every cent, of course !!

Each of us has a bank. Its name is TIME. Every morning, it credits you with 86,400 seconds. Every night it writes off, as lost, what ever of this you have failed to invest to good purpose. It carries over no balance. It allows no overdraft. Each day it opens a new account for you. Each night it burns the remains of the day. If you fail to use the days deposit, the loss is yours. There is no going back. There is no drawing against "tomorrow" You must live in the present on today's deposits. Invest it so as to get from it the utmost in health, happiness and success. The clock is running make the most of today.

To realise the value of **ONE YEAR**, ask a student who failed a grade.

To realise the value of **ONE MONTH**, ask a mother who gave birth to a premature baby.

To realise the value of **ONE HOUR**, ask the lovers who are waiting to meet.

To realise the value on **ONE MINUTE**, ask a person who has missed the train.

To realise the value of **ONE SECOND**, ask the person who just avoided an accident.

To realise the value of **ONE MILLISECOND**, ask the person who won a silver medal in the Olympics.

Treasure every moment that you have ! And treasure it more because you shared it with someone special, special enough to spend your time

Remember that time waits for no one.

Yesterday is history

Tomorrow is a mystery

Today is a gift. That's why it is called the present.

Overheard a conversation with a couple of flyers at the field last week relating to storage of models in the workshop. I also experienced this recently and now have a solution, the time spent moving planes when you first go into the shed to do a bit of work and then to rearrange them at the completion of the work was time wasted.

I seen an article in the Airborne Magazine #228 where a flyer also had the same problem and like him I don't have a problem anymore. Simple construction of a rack to accommodate for eight planes has given me loooooots more room in the shed.



Below is a photo of Ian Humphros new four cylinder motor that was test run at the field recently, the cylinders are opposed to each other in a straight crankcase.

No, it is not a special prop that is fitted here the motor is actually running to give this illusion.



A number of people who I have spoken to over the past couple of months have all stated that the weather was hot at some time during the conversation, my reply to them was "This isn't Hot".

Having spent 18 years in the Pilbara probably gives me a bit of experience to make that statement, when this time of the year up there it is 40 deg plus during the day and down to about 30 deg at night.

With hot temperatures and very little rain the landscape is both barren and dry, however, it still has a lot of appeal to both locals and visitors. The attached photo shows a section of the landscape with barren rocky outcrops and little vegetation around the ground.

This can change in 24 hours when rain passes over the area, however it does not stay green for very long after the rain has passed.



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Do you know what would have happened if there were Three Wise Women instead of Three Wise Men ?

They would have asked for directions. Arrived on time.

Helped deliver the baby. Cleaned the stable.

Made a casserole, brought practical gifts and there would be peace on earth

Granny.

I have a little granny, She's really very old.

But very unconventional in most unusual mould.

She doesn't wear her spectacles perched upon her nose.

She's into contact lenses and varnishes her toes.

Unlike other grannies who are home before it's dark.

She's dressed up in her track suit and goes jogging in the park.

And sometimes when I wish she'd tuck me up in bed.

She's off to study yoga and standing on her head.

Some grannies sit in rocking chairs and crochet shawls indoors.

My granny jumps upon a horse and rides across the moors.

She goes on day trips with her gang, the Over Sixties Club.

They rocket round the country side and end up in the pub.

And on their homeward journey like a flock of singing birds.

They harmonise old favorites with some very naughty words.

I love my granny, I think she's really great.

If that's what growing old is like, I simply cannot wait.

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Another front on view of Humphros new four cylinder motor below, not sure what plane it is fitted into.



Photos from recent IMAC weekend

Scott preparing for a flight.



Clint returns to the pits after completing another successful flight.



Scott in flight



Oop's I wonder if Clint knows his plane is still on the ground



This shows the amount of pedestrian activity on the flight line, not sure that they are all adding value to the competition.



A well prepared model parked in the pits.

Not a lot of information available re the outcome of the competition, however, I am lead to believe the local lads Scott and Clint did get a mention. The only problem that seems evident is the tally score sheet was held upside down when the final results were reviewed.

Their names appeared in the lower section of competitor listing but they both enjoyed the competition over the two days



Barman on the phone:

"You will have to give me a bit better description than that Lady, this pub is full of hopeless layabouts who should be home."

Diabetes !

Diabetes is a disturbance of the blood sugar level. Insulin, manufactured by the pancreas is used to digest sugar and fats. In people with diabetes it is not manufactured in sufficient quantities, so they require synthetic insulin.

Low Blood Sugar (Hypoglycemic)

Not enough sugar in the blood because:

- Not enough insulin.
- Not enough food.
- Excessive exercise.

Signs & Symptoms:

- Moist skin
- Disorientation.
- Rapid pulse
- Shallow breathing
- Unconsciousness

Management if conscious:

- Give something sweet to eat / drink.

If unconscious:

- DRABC / recovery position.
- Give oxygen if available.
- Urgent medical aid.
- Rub the gums with glucose oral gel if available Or honey / Jam.

Low blood sugar is **Potentially Fatal !**

High Blood Sugar (Hyperglycemic)

Too much sugar in the blood because:

- Not enough insulin
- Undiagnosed diabetes.

Signs & Symptoms:

- Dry skin
- Excessive thirst.
- Acetone breath.
- Change in conscious level.

Management if conscious:

- Give oxygen if available.
- Medical aid.

Management if unconscious:

- DRABC / Recovery position.
- Give oxygen if available.
- Urgent medical aid.

Important: It is safe to give any conscious person with diabetes sugar, however, in small quantities and monitor your patients condition. If the patient indicates a deteriorating trend do not administer any more.

Did you know !

Diabetes is Australia's fastest growing chronic disease. The total number of Australians with diabetes and pre-diabetes is estimated at 3.2 million people. It is the sixth leading cause of death in Australia and up to 60% of cases of type-2 diabetes (Hyperglycemic) can be prevented and a large number of Australians have this disease and are not aware of it.



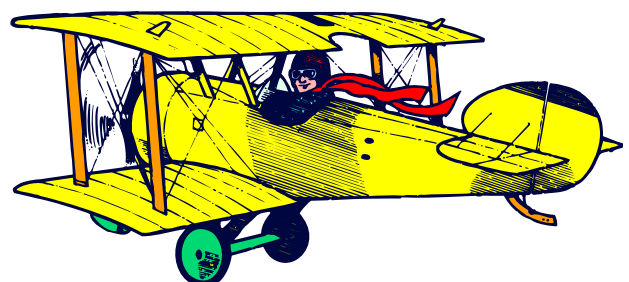
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My grandson was visiting one day when he asked, "Grandma, do you know how you and God are alike?" I mentally polished my halo and I said,

"No, how are we alike?"

"**You're both old,**" he replied.

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Catch you when we fly into the next edition in 2010!!