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South West Associated Radio Modelers Society

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December 2011

From the President



This year has certainly been very full on with plenty of activity with the IMAC event, electric fun fly at Easter, the long awaited land sale to go through and a very successful Scale and Fun Fly meet.

I would like to encourage all members to please vote on the upcoming club logo that will be circulated very soon via an Email make your vote count.

Due to the good winter rain the grass has grown very well and there is a need to feed the paddock out this will require the electric fence to be erected so there will be a little assistance required when this is being done so please pitch in if your available at the time but in the interim please be careful with ignition sources and observe any harvest bans, the only thing black that would look good would be new runways.

With the year coming to quick close I would like to wish all members and there families a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

I'm dreaming of a white Christmas, maybe not at the flying field.



Dates to Remember

25th December Christmas Day

From The Editor:

We have almost survived yet another year, 2011 is all but behind us, are they coming round a lot quicker or is global warming having this effect on us.

We have experienced some changes during the year at the club, all for the better, the main change was the finalisation of the field purchase which has firmed up the long term future of flying at the SWARMS field.

The hosting of a successful first event with the Electric Flyin at Easter which could be even bigger and better this year, IMAC planes visited the field for their competition round and a great weekend with the Scale Rally recently topped it all off.

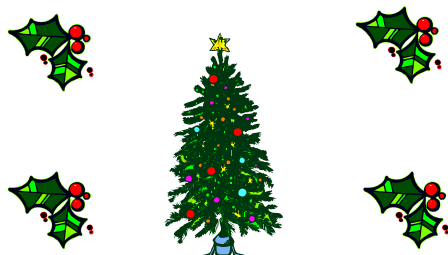
Please ensure that you all respect the rules of the road this Christmas as statistics show there will be some empty seats at the table this festive season due the ever present road carnage that occurs every year.

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year to all members and their families.

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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A scheduled general meeting was held on Sunday 4th December and this turned out to be the only practical thing to do on this morning as strong winds buffeted the field all morning which made it very unpleasant for flying.

The financial report indicated that the Scale Model flyin was a success as the attendance of pilots was up and also the weekend was financially profitable for the club. It was reported that we now have 38 financial active members.

Letters of thanks have been drafted to those who donated items towards this good outcome for the Scale rally highlighting the clubs appreciation for their support.

Two pieces of equipment required for field maintenance and upkeep of the facilities were discussed and it was decided to purchase a high water pressure unit and a petrol blowervac. Approval was given for these to be purchased up to the value of \$200 each.

There were some safety issues raised during general business that have occurred recently and need to be addressed,
** Planes have taken off whilst pilots are retrieving a model from the end or side of the runway upwind of the strip in the direction of take off.

** Planes are being taxied all the way back into the pit starting line under power.

** Planes taking off from any direction and not heading directly into the wind.

Members are asked in the interest of field safety to comply with the club By-laws and ensure that your actions are safe and not endangering other pilots.

Prices have been obtained for upgrading the club logo, shirts and hats, members are asked to submit their preferences to the Secretary ASAP It was agreed that we proceed with this upgrade and look at changing the colour at the same time, Ian Clapp recommended change to any colour but white as this shows up to much when you wipe the dipstick on your shirt. .

Both Scott and Grahame advised the meeting that they would not be standing for re-election in their respective positions next year, the AGM in conducted in June so there is now plenty of time for members to discuss filling these positions or step up for nomination on election day.

Discussion re outer field maintenance was conducted, concern had been raised about lack of maintenance of the long grass in the outer field and the meeting was advised that this year due to the poor quality of the grass and the fact that there was plenty of feed around the farmer who normally does the cutting was not interested in completing the task this year. This may be the case in the future so alternative arrangements are to be investigated, maybe the club obtain their own slasher and do the cutting on a regular basis this option will be reviewed by the committee.

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Make sure that your chimney is clean and accessible this Christmas eve or Santa my get a little P##ed off with you.*



STOP PRESS !!

If you have not yet cast a vote for your preference of the draft change to the club logos then you have better do it now. Refer to page 12 for a preview.

Time is fast running out, 18th December is the final day for voting so get active and cast your vote.

18th December closing date !!



Financial Statements November 2011

INCOME SUMMARY

interest		\$ 0.22
Scale rally		\$ 1,005.00
Fee & Canteen takings		\$ 765.00
	Total	\$1,770.22

EXPENSE SUMMARY

South west septic		\$ 154.00
	Total	\$154.00

Cash at Bank End of
November 2010 \$ 10,930.32

Monthly Outcome
Profit/Loss \$1,616.22



There is always the high risk of a mishap during air shows & flying displays, it happens to highly skilled pilots that train for these events on a regular basis. Two incidents caught on camera during one of these occasions.



I was privileged to have been invited to Ian Clapp's house a few Sundays ago on my home from the flying field to assist Ian with a few final checks he was undertaking to complete his new project prior to inspection and certification.

My task was to get into the cockpit start the motor and run it up to 2000 RPM and back to idle several times whilst Ian checked the motor for any leaks or vibrating parts before putting the cowl back together on the plane.

Whilst sitting in the pilot seat in the warm sun during these tests my thoughts drifted away as the plane vibrated through it's range of RPM's and it felt like I was actually flying the plane and it felt good, only to be disappointed when I got out to see that Ian have the plane tied to a tree, it does not hurt to dream.

It has a wing span on 9metres, powered by Jabaroo engine and is 1-1 scale model

The new Flysijnthesis project almost complete.



The cockpit is quiet roomy and a bit more comfortable that his previous model with a fully enclosed cabin.



The nerve centre fitted with the essential instruments for safe flying. Visibility from the cockpit is very good I could see all the leaves flying around from every angle in the strong wind whilst seated inside the plane. That's when I realized that I was still on the ground.



Ian placing the last screws into the cowl before a final test run of the motor.



A man and his wife were having an argument about who should brew the coffee each morning. The wife said, 'You should do it because you get up first, and then we don't have to wait as long to get our coffee.' The husband said, 'You are in charge of cooking around here and you should do it, because that is your job, and I can just wait for my coffee.' Wife replies, 'No, you should do it, and besides, it is in the Bible that the man should do the coffee.' Husband replies, 'I can't believe that, show me.' So she fetched the Bible, and opened the New Testament and showed him at the top of several pages, that it indeed says .. **'HEBREWS' !!**

When designing the next model we need to consider fitting more seats to this chopper !!



Sopwith triplane



There was some concern raised at the last meeting about the extent of the long grass in the out field, I have done some research into a solution for this problem.

The attached photo in the latest ride on mower designed to comply with the global warming legislation and good for weight control also.



This unit would certainly been of benefit during the recent devastating Margaret River fires !!



A man said to his wife one day, 'I don't know how you can be so stupid and so beautiful all at the same time. The wife responded, 'Allow me to explain. God made me beautiful so you would be attracted to me; God made me stupid so I would be attracted to you!'

The radial motor fitted to this plane must sound very nice in flight at full throttle and with the three blade prop that it fitted makes it a fine scale model. Oh and the pit crew is not all that bad either.



On a recent trip to Perth I found that I had a bit of slack time and heard about the Air Museum in Bull Creek so I went to have a look around. Some of you may have also done this, so for those who have not been through yet I hope the following photos entice you when next in Perth to spend a little bit of time going through the Museum you may be like me very pleasantly surprised. These photos are just a few of the many displays available to view.

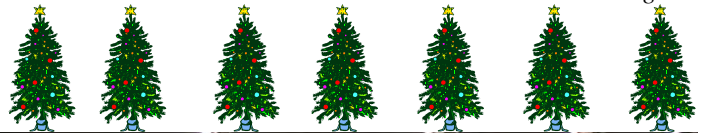
This Spitfire is mounted in the car park at the entrance to the Museum.



Another well preserved Spitfire amongst the display inside, the motor is positioned nearby to give an idea of the power plant inside the cowl. There is a button beside to engine and when you press it the propeller on the model positioned in front of the real plane works and you hear the sound of the actual motor in flight. Sounds very powerful and life like.



Golf! You hit down to make the ball go up. You swing left and the ball goes right. The lowest score wins. And on top of that, the winner buys the drinks



As well as the Machi Jet shown here there are several model planes in the foreground that have flown at various clubs around Perth



Sopwith Pup with pilot standing proudly in front.



The first flight simulator used to train pilots on instrument flying, I had a look inside and thought that it would be no good training in this if your were costrofo-bic, dark and not much room inside..



I paid particular attention to the detail on the large Catalina positioned just inside the door to ensure that Woody had included all this detail on his model. I was as impressed with the real thing as I was with Woody's model.



This Australian built De Havilland Tiger Moth was used to train 10,882 Australian pilots.



The cut away section of this Harvard shows the construction of the plane under the skin, it is dwarfed by the wing and float of the Catalina.



Lancaster bomber ready for it's next sortie.



A classic Douglas DC 3 well restored brought back many memories of my early flying days, as a passenger.



Yes Woody, your details are the same as the real thing. Observation dome and wheel retract housing below the wing centre structure of the Catalina.



This is painted on the side of the Catalina, if you did this these days it would be classed as graffiti



The cut away fuselage shows how this plane was constructed, not sure if it was built by a carpenter or a cabinet maker but the outcome was good.



The ribs on the model planes these days look a bit more substantial than this construction but it proved adequate.



Shell refueling truck used at Perth airport, it is a Bedford not sure what vintage or model .



This is your captain speaking, please remain seated with your seat belts fastened until I bring the aircraft to a complete stop at the terminal.



A husband read an article to his wife about how many words women use a day. 30,000 to a man's 15,000. The wife replied, 'The reason has to be because we have to repeat everything to men...' The husband then turned to his wife and asked, 'What?'

I know I'm not going to understand women. I'll never understand how you can take boiling hot wax, pour it onto your upper thigh, rip the hair out by the root, and still be afraid of a spider.

Not the ideal inverted pass !!



I think it is high time to leave this "son of a bitch" !!



Port side engine is a little over heated captain !! Do we have a fire extinguisher ?



If someone says don't proceed with that it could open up a can of worms, just pray that it is not this can they are referring to.



A couple of pictures of Gibraltar's Airport, the runways are controlled by traffic lights due to the street crossing the main runway of the airport. Signs indicate for drivers to cross the runway with their lights dipped during darkness.



No requirement for taxis here, just get out of your plane on the door step of your accommodation.



This certainly fits into the category of a bird strike !!



If you didn't get a model plane or a boat for Christmas and want to get an adrenalin rush you could go boarding here is an option you have with a quad bike!!



Do you have a hedge trimming problem, maybe, this is the solution. No hard hat or seat belt required.



An Irishman moves to the USA and finally attends his first baseball game. The first batter approached the batters' box, took a few swings and then hits a double. Everyone was on their feet screaming, "Run! Run!" The next batter hits a single and the Irishman listened as the crowd again cheered, "RUN, RUN!" The Irishman enjoyed the game and began screaming with the fans. The fifth batter came up and four balls went by. The umpire called "walk" and the batter started his slow trot to first base. The Irishman stood up and screamed, "R-R-Run ye lazy bastard, run!" The people around him began laughing. Embarrassed, the Irishman sat back down. A friendly fan noted the man's embarrassment, leaned over and explained, "He can't run -- he's got four balls." The Irishman stood up and screamed, "Walk with pride, lad!"

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Python observed on the side of the road in the Pilbara eating a Race Horse Goanna



Almost gone !!



If you wake up on Christmas morning and your partner looks like this !! Might be a good idea to roll over and go back to sleep.



Would not be all that reassuring to board this particular airline, all the components of the plane are clearly listed on the outside of the fuselage, I hope it is not for the engineers to enable them to find the relevant parts of the aircraft for maintenance.



If you have not yet cast your vote on your preference for the club logo change time is fast running out. Please contact Scott or any committee member and do so ASAP by indicating the number of your choice from the attached designs.

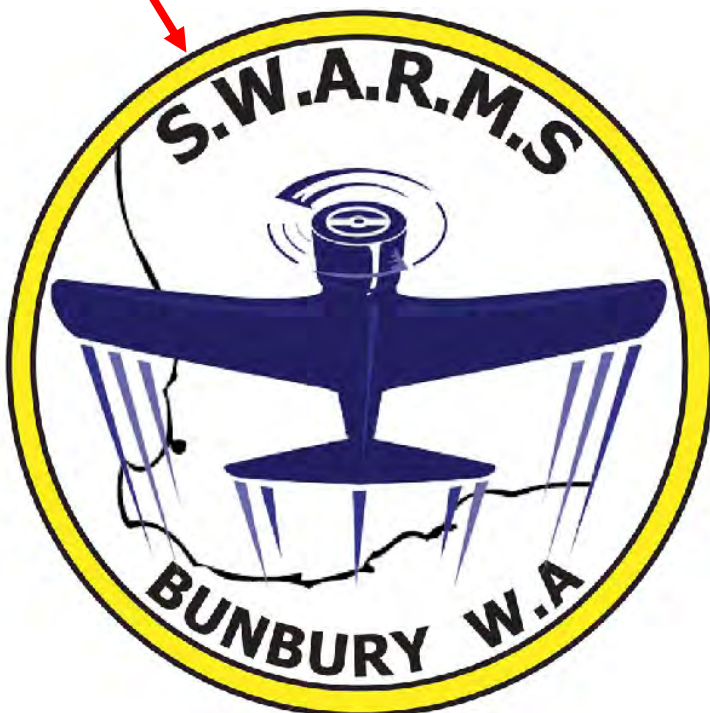
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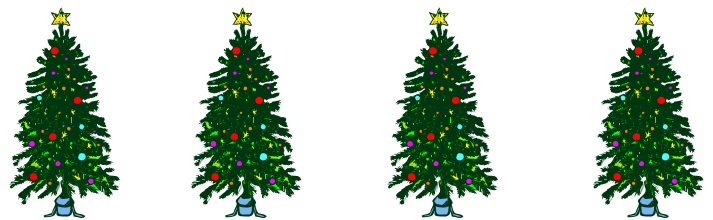
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Get your votes in NOW !!

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A couple had been married for 50 years.
They were sitting at the breakfast table one morning when the wife says,
' Just think, fifty years ago we were sitting here at this breakfast table together. '
' I know, ' the old man said.
' We were probably sitting here naked as a jaybird fifty years ago. '
' Well, ' Granny snickered.
' Let's relive some old times. '
Where upon, the two stripped to the buff and sat down at the table.
' You know, honey, ' the little old lady breathlessly replied,
' My nipples are as hot for you today as they were fifty years ago. '
' I wouldn't be surprised, ' replied Gramps.
' One's in your coffee and the other is in your oatmeal '



Always Remember This:
You don't stop laughing because you grow old,
You grow old because you stop laughing!!!

This is an Ideal solution for the Greek economy !!

It is a slow day in a little Greek Village. The rain is beating down and the streets are deserted. Times are tough, everybody is in debt, and everybody lives on credit.

On this particular day a rich German tourist is driving through the village, stops at the local hotel and lays a €100 note on the desk, telling the hotel owner he wants to inspect the rooms upstairs in order to pick one to spend the night.

The owner gives him some keys and, as soon as the visitor has walked upstairs, the hotelier grabs the €100 note and runs next door to pay his debt to the butcher.

The butcher takes the €100 note and runs down the street to repay his debt to the pig farmer.

The pig farmer takes the €100 note and heads off to pay his bill at the supplier of feed and fuel.

The guy at the Farmers' Co-op takes the €100 note and runs to pay his drinks bill at the tavern.

The publican slips the money along to the local prostitute drinking at the bar, who has also been facing hard times and has had to offer him "services" on credit.

The hooker then rushes to the hotel and pays off her room bill to the hotel owner with the €100 note.

The hotel proprietor then places the €100 note back on the counter so the rich traveler will not suspect anything. At that moment the traveler comes down the stairs, picks up the €100 note, states that the rooms are not satisfactory, pockets the money, and leaves town.

No one produced anything. No one earned anything. However, the whole village is now out of debt and looking to the future with a lot more optimism.

And that is how the bailout package works.

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I took my dad to the mall the other day to buy some new shoes (he is 66).

We decided to grab a bite at the food court.

I noticed he was watching a teenager sitting next to him.

The teenager had spiked hair in all different colors - green, red, orange, and blue.

My dad kept staring at her.

The teenager kept looking and would find my dad staring every time.

When the teenager had had enough, she sarcastically asked:

"What's the matter old man, never done anything wild in your life?"

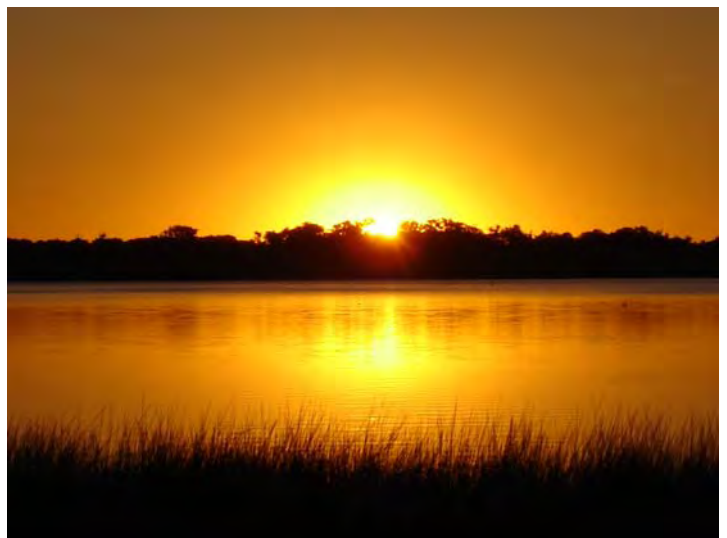
Knowing my Dad, I quickly swallowed my food so that I would not choke on his response; I knew he would have a good one!

In classic style he responded without batting an eyelid

"Got stoned once and had sex with a parrot. I was just wondering if you might be my kid."

As the sun sets at the end of another year we can look back and reflect on what we achieved in 2011, there is a lot of potential for improvement around the field so we can look forward to many more changes in 2012 along with the continued commitment and dedication shown by the members this year we can achieve these changes.

HAPPY NEW YEAR !!



Catch you when we fly into the next edition in 2012!!