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South West Associated Radio Modelers Society

Propwash

June 2011

From the President



I would like to thank everyone at the AGM for their support and retaining me as president of the club, and it is great that we have retained Scott and Anthony as secretary and treasurer for another year and I am sure they will give their best effort to ensure that the club has another successful year both in club events and financial endeavors.

Once again congratulations to the new life members Brenda and Dennis and it great to see them still putting in effort to ensure the clubs success.

The next club meeting is very important as the organizing for the Scale/Fun Fly for 2011 so please make every effort to attend when the meeting is called.

There appears to be an increase in interest with in the club and that is great to see, the large number of members who attended the AGM and shared their enthusiasm during the discussions was pleasing to see.

Flying on Sunday 26th June was also well attended with the car park being full to overflowing early in the morning.

At one stage the committee was considering a new position for a car park attendant as it became very congested with a number of trailer and also two caravan in the area at one time.

This is certainly good for the club and with only two weeks into the new year it certainly looks promising for the remainder of the year.



Dennis and Brenda Green, had life Membership bestowed on them at the recent club AGM.

Dates to Remember

Club General Meeting

Sunday 14th August

From The Editor:

With the completion of the AGM on Sunday 19th and the re-election of the previous committee members it is business as usual. The committee decided to maintain the club membership fees as per the previous year as there was no reasons identified to justify an increase this year.

The locks on the gate will be changed out at the 1st July, members will be given the gate lock code when they renew their membership and they will be required to hand back their existing key. The new locks will be keyless so members will need to ensure they remember the code to be able to gain safe access to the field at all times.

2011/12 should be the year for change with the field purchase almost complete, members should be looking at what other change could be implemented to both improve the facilities and the flying at the club. Raise your suggestions or concerns with the committee for consideration and implementation.

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.

The club Annual General Meeting was conducted on Sunday 19th June 2011, the meeting was preceded with an enjoyable breakfast which the early arrivals participated in and enjoyed immensely.

There was a very good roll up for the breakfast and meeting which would indicate a positive interest by the members in the coming year for the club as it was certainly not a good morning for flying due to blustery winds.

During the meeting the committee bestowed Life Membership status on two stalwarts of the club, husband and wife team Dennis and Brenda Green. They have been around the club for over 15 years and have been constant attendees on both Wednesday and Sunday flying days. The Committee felt that these two were worthy recipients of this award. Dennis still enjoys his flying and Brenda not only acts as pit crew from time to time she also enjoys the social side of flying.

Three other members were awarded Certificates of Appreciation for their active commitment and support to the club and it's members over the past 12 months.

These were Anthony Amadio, Ron Waller and Brod Meredith for his behind the scene active involvement in collating documentation and providing guidance with the purchase of the flying field which is in it's final stages on completion.

At the completion of the election the follow members were elected to office.

The elected Committee Members for 2011/12

- *President** *Grahame Woodcock*
- *Secretary** *Scott Pittick*
- *Treasurer** *Anthony Amadio*
- *Canteen Manager** *Vacant*
- *Safety Officers** *Dennis Green, Danny Anspach, Dave Pointon.*
- *Propwash Editor** *Ron Waller*

A lot of life's problems can be explained by the application of common sense expressed in these recently declassified military secrets found throughout this edition:

- *If the enemy is in range so are you !!*

President Grahame presents Brenda and Dennis Green with their well deserved Life Membership certificates.



Proud recipients of their Life Membership award certificates Brenda and Dennis Green, "congratulations".



President Grahame presents Brod Meredith with a Certificate of Appreciation for his support and guidance contributing to the successful field purchase



Financial Report 2010 / 2011

Income					Expenditure			
Fees			\$7,427.50		Gas			\$427.55
Canteen			\$2,195.77		AWA Fees			\$3,120.00
Scale Rally			\$1,797.00		Canteen			\$404.85
Donations			\$60.00		Field Spraying			\$275.00
					Trailer registration			\$57.30
		Total	\$11,480.27		Fuel			\$200.00
					Field Lease			\$1,381.72
					Website			\$137.76
					Septic			\$297.00
					WFI Insurance			\$530.74
					Mower parts			\$258.00
					Hardware			\$208.15
					Field Purchase			\$9,930.68
							Total	\$17,228.75

Treasurers Report 2010/2011 Summary

Total membership **38**.

Income for the year:

Fees **\$7,427.50**

The canteen takings **\$2,195.77** profit

Scale rally was a big success with **\$1,797** banked for the 2 day event.

Donations were **\$60** for the year.

Total income for the year **\$11,480.27** .

This has financially been one of the most profitable years in the clubs history.

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Expenditure for the year:

The biggest expense for the year was for the contribution towards the field purchase which was **\$9,930.68** This has completed the expenditure for the purchase.

\$3,120 was paid to AWA in membership fees

Field lease was **\$1,381.72**

The purchase of Gas was **\$427.55** this was higher due to we had a loose fitting on 1 of the bottles and lost the lot.

Our insurance was **\$530.74**. The cost of servicing the mower **\$258** . The cost of emptying the toilets, twice during the year **\$297**. Spraying the field for weeds **\$275**. Petrol for the mower and generator **\$200**. Hardware for fixing up the runway and pits areas **\$208.15**

Total Income June 2011 **\$11,480.27**

Total Expenditure \$17,228.75 leaving us with a difference of **\$5,748.48** for the year.

President Grahame presenting the Certificates of Appreciation to Anthony and Ron during the meeting.



These elderly refined members decided it was too cold to dine alfresco so they dined inside the club rooms.



Members enjoying the hearty nutritious breakfast that was provided and seen here enthusiastically listening to the after breakfast speaker, Ian .

Members observed standing around after the breakfast eagerly awaiting the commencement of the AGM. Not much flying done prior to the meeting, not sure if this was due to weather condition or the full stomach.



- The only time you have too much fuel is when you are on fire !!*

Confusing or What !!

When you look at radio control flying there can be a reason to be confused with so many avenues you could go down when making a selection, from Scratch Build, Almost Ready to Fly, Almost Ready to Cover, Plug and Fly ie, electric models etc.

Warbirds, Scale, Sports, Pylon, IMAC, Pattern planes, Old Timer's, Jets, Helicopters

The list of motors is unlimited, all sizes from Nitro to Petrol to Turbine Jets to Electric, the range of servos is unlimited and with the 2.4 Ghz radio frequency over taking the 36 Mhz range now how could anyone new get into the sport without some guidance from an experienced flyer.

The concern I have is when a new person turns up at the field with equipment that has been purchased without any guidance only to be told that the gear is sub standard and not suitable for what they had hoped it would do.

When a prospective member arrives at the field enquiring about the sport it is strongly advisable that members ensure that he/she leave with enough of the right information to get started and not saturated with a lot of details that cause him/her to leave confused.

With the commencement of the new flying year we should now be setting a goal to encourage a specific number of new members to the club over the next twelve months so they to can enjoy what we as members enjoy each week.

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Danny Anspach had a new petrol model which has been certified as a heavy model and test flown, pictured here.



Is he happy with it ?? You betcha, can't wipe the smile off his face.



The new Virgin space transporter currently going through it's flight trials, you can see some of the flight and release of the large glider that attaches to the under belly of this mother ship on Youtube, interesting vision.

Don't think I will have enough money to get a seat on it.



WIFE VS. HUSBAND

A couple drove down a country road for several miles, not saying a word.

An earlier discussion had led to an argument and neither of them wanted to concede their position.

As they passed a barnyard of mules, goats, and pigs, the husband asked sarcastically,

'Relatives of yours?'

'Yep,' the wife replied, 'in-laws.'

This year has produced many windy flying days which also included the Easter Weekend Electric Flyin, however, this has not deterred members turning up if it was only for a coffee on a few occasions.

The weather is one thing we cannot control but we certainly have control on how we enjoy our sport, for many, that is turning up at the field each week regardless of the weather to fly or enjoy a bit of fellowship with other members over a coffee.

I know that John Knowles often refers to it as the Peppermint Hill Coffee Club, not sure if he just likes his coffee or dislikes flying.

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“Bronze Wings”

Congratulations to Danny Anspach and Peter Sabitino on achieving their Bronze Wings status recently. These two members decided that it was time to try out their skills in the air and by meeting the criteria required for the Bronze Wing competency they have been rewarded for their achievements.

Danny is now out practicing his Silver Wings routine whilst he is still hot.

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Three women in a sauna

Three women, two younger and one elderly citizen, were sitting naked in a sauna.

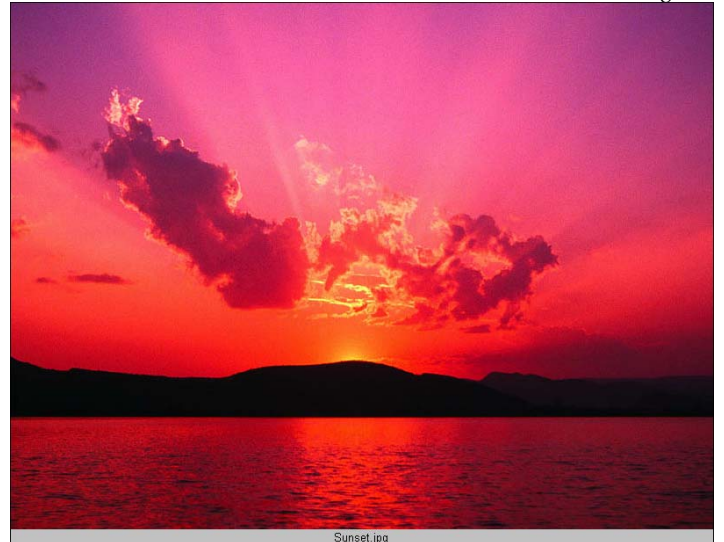
Suddenly there was a beeping sound. The young woman pressed her forearm and the beeping stopped. The others looked at her questioningly.

That was my pager she said, I have a micro chip under the skin on my forearm.

A few minutes later, a phone rang. The second young woman lifted her palm to her ear. When she finished talking she explained, that was my mobile phone, I have a micro chip in my hand.

The older woman felt very low tech, not to be out done she decided she had to do something just as impressive. She stepped out of the sauna and went to the bathroom.

She returned with a piece of toilet paper hanging from her rear end, the other two raised their eyebrows and stared at her. The older woman finally said, well, will you look at that I am getting a fax.



As the sun sets on the end of our Summer months the 1st June marked the start of Winter so we can now look forward to some cooler morning at the field for the next three months or so.

With all the hype regarding climate change I hope we don't experience this type of scenario during winter



- ***Flying the airplane is more important than radioing your “plight” to a person on the ground incapable of understanding or doing anything about it !!***
- ***Cluster bombing from B-52s is very, very accurate, the bombs always hit the ground !!***
- ***Don't ever be the first, don't ever be the last and don't ever volunteer for anything !!***
- ***Tracers work both ways !!***
- ***If you see a bomb technician running, always try to keep up with him !!***

Lachlan Jennings with his new AX pictured in the pits after having completed a successful maiden flight, however, he has experienced a few problems since then.



This very well presented large scale model Cub was recently certified as a heavy model and test flown under the watchful eye of Ian Humphro.



A few more currents are injected into the power pack prior to test flight to ensure it will add enough power to enable the safe return of the plane.



Humphro casts his eyes over the flying surface movement during the mandatory range check



With several of these Skyfun electric models in the hands of members now there has been a few rumors around the pits that we should commence some pylon racing with them. This being the case Scott may need to give all other pilots at least two laps start in a three lap race to maintain interest because of the speed of his plane.



- *You know when the landing gear is up and locked, when you have to use full power to taxi to the terminal !!*
- *Instructions painted on a US rocket, aim towards the enemy !!*
- *A Purple Heart just proves that you were smart enough to think of a plan, stupid enough to try it and lucky enough to survive !!*
- *It is generally inadvisable to eject directly over the area you just bombed !!*

Do you think we should tell Dave that his plane has landed, that's it parked behind him



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A little girl asked her father:

'How did the human race appear?' The father answered, 'God made Adam and Eve ; they had children; and so was all mankind made.'

Two days later the girl asked her mother the same question. The mother answered, 'Many years ago there were monkeys from which the human race evolved.'

The confused girl returned to her father and said, 'Dad, how is it possible that you told me the human race was created by God, and Mom said they developed from monkeys?' The father answered,

'Well, Dear, it is very simple. I told you about my side of the family, and your mother told you about hers.'

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Some big toys seen laying around the pits during a recent flying session.



- *The Piper Cub is the safest airplane in the world, it can just barely kill you !!*
- *If you find yourself in a fair fight you didn't plan your mission properly !!*
- *The three most common expressions (or famous last words) in aviation:*
 - Did you feel that.*
 - What was that noise.*
 - And, "Oh Shit"*
- *Air speed, Altitude and brains. Two of these are always necessary to successfully complete a mission !!*
- *Friendly fire isn't !!*
- *Don't draw fire it irritates those around you !!*
- *A five second fuse lasts about three seconds !!*
- *If it is stupid and it works, it isn't stupid !!*
- *Any ship can be a mine sweeper,.....Once !!*

The Silent Treatment

A man and his wife were having some problems at home and were giving each other the silent treatment. Suddenly, the man realized that the next day, he would need his wife to wake him at 5:00 AM for an early morning business flight.

Not wanting to be the first to break the silence (and LOSE), he wrote on a piece of paper,

'Please wake me at 5:00 AM.' He left it where he knew she would find it.

The next morning, the man woke up, only to discover it was 9:00 AM and he had missed his flight Furious, he was about to go and see why his wife hadn't wakened him, when he noticed a piece of paper by the bed.

The paper said,

'It is 5:00 AM. Wake up..'

Men are not equipped for these kinds of contests.

Kalgoorlie IMAC Competition

Well another year, another trip to Kal.....my fourth time now!

Long drive but worth it I think, the Kalgoorlie club do a great job, much like SWARMS do with the Scale Rally!

First time up at Kalgoorlie with my big Super Extra, and very happy with the way it flies. I have found that the less I fiddle with the sticks the better it goes!

In the sportsman class I fly in was very very close competition, with only a few points separating 1st ~ 3rd. Unfortunately we got rained out on the Sunday so only got to fly half the comp. I managed a very close 2nd place so happy with that.

On Sunday with bad weather the IMAC crew took the opportunity to have a meeting about ways to encourage more people to have a go at IMAC and the future of IMAC in WA. Discussion took place about ways of getting past the fear of going in a competition that many seem to experience. They also talked about ways of getting more info about IMAC to the rest of the modeling community.

Some of the results of the meeting being:

- Advertising will be done in the state Windsock new letter
- A new class of basic for models under 50cc (so people don't feel disadvantaged about having to competing against larger models)
- Waive entry fee for first two competitions for new comers
- Have a go day / Intro to IMAC being held at Whitford club on Sunday 14th August (weekend before next competition)
- Reminder that to enter basic you can fly any sort of model that is capable of basic aerobatics, 40 size scanner or boomerang is fine!

I will be listed as contact for South West area for people wanting to learn more/have a go etc down this way

Obviously IMAC isn't for everyone, but if you want to have a go at the basic routine one day, let me know and I'm happy to help....you might enjoy it!

It is challenging and a excellent way to improve your flying. It's also a good excuse to fly at other clubs and fields, or have a weekend away.

I have found the crew that fly IMAC very helpful, they want you to do well and will do what they can to help you....even if it means you beat them!

There are some very experienced flyers in this group, and all are willing to share their knowledge however they can.

If you want to come to a comp that I am going to, I have plenty of room in my trailer if you want to come along and have go.

The worse thing that can happen is you will learn something and improve your flying.....**go on I dare you!**



I see by the very conspicuous sign that DL Engines was well represented at the competition.



- *If you hear me "Yell, Eject, Eject, Eject, the last two will be echo's. If you stop to ask me why ?, you'll be talking to your self, because by then you will be the pilot !!*



The above pictures were taken at the IMAC competition in Kalgoorlie over the long weekend in June, details of the event are with courtesy of Scott who attended and performed very well obtaining a second position in his class. Top left shows the wet conditions had set in which caused the Sunday flying to be cancelled, however all who attended enjoyed both the competition and the social activities.

Why Some Men Have Dogs And Not Wives:

1. **The later you are, the more excited your dogs are to see you.**
2. **Dogs don't notice if you call them by another dog's name.**
3. **Dogs like it if you leave a lot of things on the floor.**
4. **A dog's parents never visit.**
5. **Dogs agree that you have to raise your voice to get your point across.**
6. **You never have to wait for a dog; they're ready to go 24 hours a day.**
7. **Dogs find you amusing when you're drunk.**
8. **Dogs like to go hunting, fishing and flying.**
9. **A dog will not wake you up at night to ask. If I died, would you get another dog??**
10. **If a dog has babies, you can put an ad in the paper and give them away.**
11. **A dog will let you put a studded collar on it without calling you a pervert.**
12. **If a dog smells another dog on you, they don't get mad. They just think it's interesting.**
13. **Dogs like to ride in the back of a pickup truck.**
14. ***And last, but not least:***
15. **If a dog leaves, it won't take half of your stuff.**

- *Yea, though I fly through the Valley of the Shadow of Death I shall fear no evil, for I will be flying at 60,000 feet and climbing !!*
- *No ! We are not retreating, we are advancing in a different direction !!*
- *Without ammunition the Air Force is just an expensive flying club !!*
- *A good battle plan that you act on today can be better than perfect tomorrow !!*
- *When one engine fails on a two engine plane, you always have enough power to make it to the scene of the crash !!*

New club toilet facilities designed for the field.



Clint's new P47, looks good on the ground and fly's very well. Very nice scale model.



Not a pretty sight for any pilot to walk up to !! Results of a mishap at the IMAC Comp in Kalgoorlie. One consolation though, it is all in the one area and easy to collect.



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Last month a world-wide survey was conducted by the UN.

The only question asked was:-

"Would you please give your honest opinion about solutions to the food shortage in the rest of the world?"

The survey was a huge failure because of the following:

In Eastern Europe they didn't know what "honest" meant.

In Western Europe they didn't know what "shortage" meant.

In Africa they didn't know what "food" meant.

In China they didn't know what "opinion" meant.

In the Middle East they didn't know what "solution" meant.

In Latin America they didn't know what "please" meant.

In the US they didn't know what "the rest of the world" meant.

In Australia they hung up because they couldn't understand an Indian accent.

Amazing pictures of a person getting out of one glider onto the wing and then forming a link with another glider whilst standing on the wing as an inverted glider passes over head. (Wow! sounds a bit confusing)

Positioned on the wing awaiting second glider to arrive.



Rolling under the wing into position.



Transferring into position onto the wing of the second glider as it passes below.



Human link completed between the two gliders, I think good communication were essential to complete this stunt.



The day of reckoning, John's electrified Pilatus PC-6 Army plane arrived at the field for certification and testing. On completion of the assembly all components were checked by our heavy model inspector Ian Clapp and were given the tick of approval.

The plane was moved to the holding pegs and the motor run up, after the range check was conducted it was all clear for take off.

Positioned at the end of the runway awaiting clearance.



Rolling, rolling, rolling and lift off !!



The trials were very successful with the plane being put through a variety of maneuvers and passing with "flying" colors. The power unit proved to be more than adequate for the plane and it was very stable in flight, the stall check was almost a non event with the nose dropping only a little after holding up in the wind.

After the test flight John took over the controls as the rain ceased for a short period and he landed without incident, three times actually under Ian's watchful eye.

Heard a comment in the pits that John had just landed three times without breaking a prop !!

Low level pass, or was that the 18 times zoom on the camera whilst doing a high pass.



On final approach to the strip over the trees along the roadside to complete a perfect landing under the controls of test pilot Scott.



Some minor adjustments, battery checks and it was back in the sky to complete the trials.



This Guy was learning to fly, (or was he) when he was attempting a vertical take off from the window sill this is what occurred !! Maybe he requires some time on the "Buddy" lead.

Not sure what the landing was like !!



Experienced pilots know not to fly in close proximity to power lines !!

On another occasion, a man making heavy breathing sounds from a phone box told a worried operator:

"I haven't got a pen, so I'm steaming up the window to write the number on."

OOP'S Most embarrassing moments !! Please explain.



For Sale

The following items are for sale, these items are all new and are available locally.

- 2 x OS46 AX @ \$120 or \$100
- 1 x OS55 AX @ \$140
- 4 x Hi Tech TX 4 channel
- 1 x Foamy Twister ducted fan jet plane
- 1 x 60 size Katana plane
- Hi tech high speed servos HT 625 @\$35
- Hi tech metal gear servos HT 645 @\$35
- Assorted Du Bro items
- Approx 50 assorted props \$75

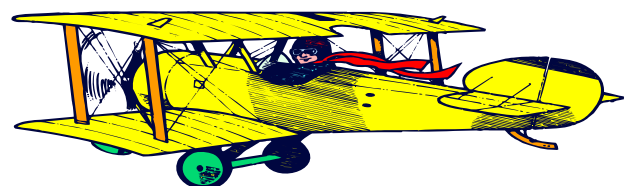
If anyone is interested in purchasing any items contact Eddy on 0418 944 134 and arrange a look.

IT Frustration !!

- Tech Support: "I need you to right-click on the Open Desktop."
- Customer: "Okay."
- Tech Support: "Did you get a pop-up menu?"
- Customer: "No."
- Tech Support: "OK. Right-Click again. Do you see a pop-up menu?"
- Customer: "No."
- Tech Support: "OK, sir. Can you tell me what you have done up until this point?"
- Customer: "Sure. You told me to write 'click' and I wrote 'click'."

Tech Support: "Okay. In the bottom left hand side of the screen, can you see the 'OK' button displayed?"

Customer: "Wow. How can you see my screen from there"



Catch you when we fly into the next edition !!