



## NEWSLETTER – February, 2017

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Note the meeting location.

The next general meeting is to be held at the **Eastwood Street Leisure Centre in the Canteen**, on Wednesday February 22<sup>nd</sup> commencing at **7.30PM** (Turn left after entry to the Complex, and the Canteen is on the left again). **Don't forget to bring a plate for supper.**

### Agenda Items for the next meeting

1. Trawalla Estate Update
2. City of Ballarat Update
3. Strategic Plan Development
4. Field Maintenance
5. Burrumbeet Airstrip
6. Asset Register
7. Canteen Re-Fit
8. Display Day 2017
9. Facebook Page Review

### Points of interest from the last meeting

*Extract of newsworthy items from the minutes of the last meeting. Note: Some events/activities may have concluded or been modified as circumstances change.*

#### 7) Reports

##### a) Management Committee Report

No meeting to report.

##### 8) General Business

###### a) Trawalla Estate Update

G Allen reported that the Trawalla Estate's crop is being harvested.

###### b) City of Ballarat Update

G Allen reported that there is no response from the City of Ballarat. M Williams noted that it was reported in the Courier that the original three councillors have been replaced with three other councillors, with a view to get the process moving. The reports mentioned only sporting car activities.

###### c) Strategic Plan Development

Matter is on hold until 2017. G Allen has volunteered to take over leadership.

#### d) Field Maintenance

M Anstis will re-erect the plastic webbing around the old eucalypt and extend it to the NE.

Agreed that flanged pipes should be installed to facilitate the easy erection/removal of the electric fence and the star pickets.

M Anstis will level up the patio area with a load of sand and replace the heater safety fence.

The toilet system requires some maintenance.

Some weed reduction work (spraying and whipper snipping) is scheduled.

#### e) Burrumbeet Airstrip

No feedback from Paul Beechey, re improving the airstrip.

Secretary still attempting to contact Paul B for a response.

#### f) Asset Register

Max Rowan tabled a preliminary Register, and assigned estimates as to the value of the items.

An "Invitation to Tender" document is being prepared and will be circulated in the November Newsletter. Secretary to circulate to other clubs via the VMAA. (Secretary requires make & model information before circulating to other clubs.)

Photos of items and information will be prepared and circulated.

Agreed that the 6 x 6M shed and possibly the spare mower could be advertised on Gumtree, with the reserve set at our estimated value. P Evans will see if there is any interest in the VHF and UHF radios, else put them up for sale on Gumtree as well.

#### g) Refit of Canteen

G Allen reported that good progress has been made in refurbishing the canteen. The electrical work is in progress, with M Rowan sourcing the necessary items. Paint and materials will cost ~\$130. P Weston will do the painting.

#### h) Display Day 2017

The Application documentation has been sent to the VMAA Secretary. Secretary to follow up to ensure that the VMAA consider the application ASAP.

When approved, should be advertised on RCTrader and the Facebook pages.

#### 9) Other Business

##### a) Facebook Page

J Weston has advised that he has created a Facebook page for BRMFC. Two administrators will be created to moderate posts (Jason and Peter Evans).

##### b) Camperdown Fun Fly

26<sup>th</sup> February.

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- vi) Asset Register
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- viii) Display Day 2017
- ix) Facebook Page Review

#### 11) Meeting location

The next meeting will be held on the 22nd February 2017, **in the Canteen, Eastwood St Leisure Complex, Eastwood Street, commencing approximately 7:30PM.**

#### 12) Meeting Closed at 8:48PM



## VMAA News

*Info extracted from the Minutes of the December 2016 VMAA Executive meeting.*

### Mt Wallace Land Purchase

The new home of the Bacchus Marsh Club.

**November 2016** – All town planning issues have been resolved satisfactorily and the MAAA has settled with the vendor. Work has already begun at the field with gates being in-stalled and car parking being laid out. A strategic plan for development will be tabled at the December VMAA meeting.

**December 2016** – Strategic plan is not yet completed as of December, *(may well be by now of course).*

### Nationals

The 70<sup>th</sup> MAAA nationals will be held at West Wyalong in 2018. As information becomes available we will advise all interested parties. Greg Lepp will join the Committee in charge of running the event.

A successful F5B event was held at Cootamundra early December 2106.

### Education

Further discussion on junior memberships with a membership package for a parent and child being discussed. GMAC has a successful program with the Mill Park Air League and the Mitchell Fixed wing club held a great day with the local scout group early December 2016.

### General Business

The VMAA President spoke on the Monthly minutes of the VMAA not being read by all clubs. Our information shows only 46 clubs opened the email and of the 46 only 35 opened the minutes. Some discussion on other ways to get information to clubs was deferred to the February meeting. *(The purpose of this column endeavours to achieve just that in some small way for our members. Ed.)*



### New Models seen at field

Peter Weston had a model to test fly out at the field on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> January. It was a model that he designed & built some 30 odd years ago and was intended for an internal combustion engine. For one reason or another it never got flown so he decided to convert it to electric power which Peter prefers these days.



*Piper Pawnee 235 designed & built by Peter Weston in 1985 and first flown on 29<sup>th</sup> January 2017.*

Peter has been kind enough to provide some details and insight into this interesting model.

Piper Pawnee 235 two seater variant.

Designed by Peter Weston with some technical data on two seat modification from Graham Waterhouse.

It was built in 1985 and spent many years hanging from the ceiling in my house. Being too pretty not to fly I converted it to electric in January 2017 with its maiden flight on 29<sup>th</sup> January, hate that messy oil.

It is built to 1:6 scale which gives it a wing span of 1830mm and tips the scales at 3.1 kg with 4 cell battery included.

Power is provided by a Turnigy G46 brushless motor turning a 13X8 wood propeller, which is equivalent to 46 glow engine. Speed controller is an ESC Turnigy Plush 60 amp drawing 619 watts.

It currently uses 5 channels and will soon be 6 when I get the spreader going.

*Thanks peter for the interesting info – unfortunately we don't see many scratch built models these days. Ed.*

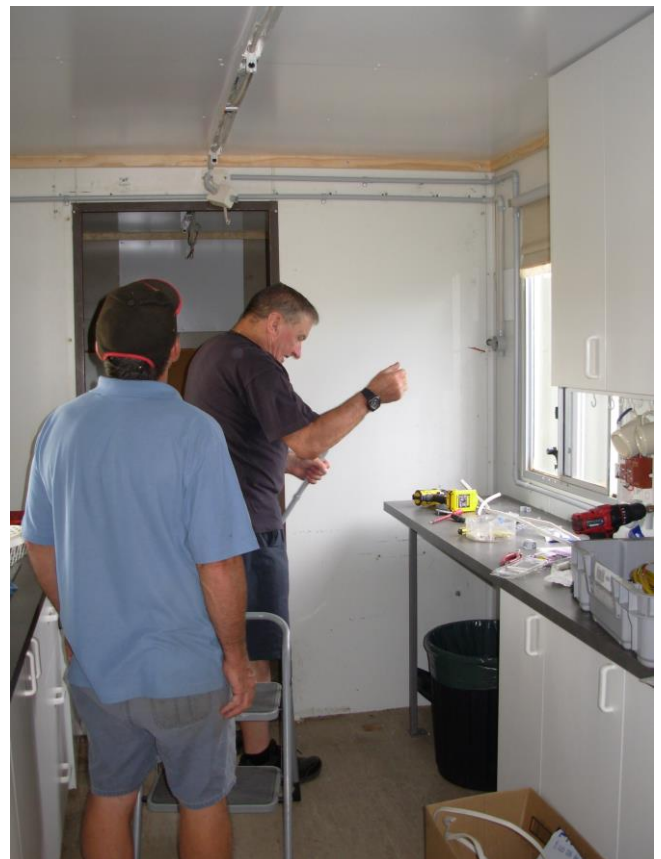


### Goin's on at the Field

#### Kitchen Reno

On Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> February Max & Graeme got stuck into the new wiring which is all externally fitted in conduits attached to the walls & ceiling. Fortunately we were able to reuse the existing double pole switches (a requirement in portable buildings) by fitting them to standoff mounting blocks screwed to the walls. A caravan style plug has also been fitted to the outside of the building on the west side which the generator now plugs into.

So we now have three fluorescent lights and a number of power points strategically located throughout the building.



*Max & Graeme working on the new wiring.*



The new kitchen got a bit of a workout while catering for the pattern aerobatics event held on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> February. Everything seems to work well.

The supply of soft drinks is now kept in the cupboard located under the shelf at the southern end instead of lying all over the place. They are better on the floor because it is cooler in the hot weather.

Murri built a tank stand for the other water tank we had in the container over the past couple of weeks. It was all hooked up before for the VPA event weekend. Both tank levels equalize by the connection of the outlet pipes which are not shown in the photos but have since been fitted. With both tanks we have a total of 4500L which should be plenty.



The new tank was empty at this stage so it was tied to the stand in case of strong wind.

**Stock in Paddock.**

The farmer has put sheep back in the paddock now that they've finished harvesting the crop, which we understand was red wheat used for stock feed. They must have gone in during the week before the VPA comp held on 11<sup>th</sup> February.

It seems the electric fence setup we have is inadequate to keep the sheep out and will most likely need upgrading if we want it to be effective. It never seems to give much of a kick and the tester we have only indicates 1kVA in sporadic pulses. Two runs of wire will also be needed to cater for both sheep and cattle.

We obviously have to coexist with stock and they will still get in no doubt even with an effective electric fence. To that end we need to erect a permanent fence around the front of the facilities like we had back at Yendon to keep stock out. We have a number of treated pine posts and wire from Yendon, it looks like all we need is a couple of gates.

**Painting the Kitchen**

Peter Weston started painting the inside of the kitchen during the week before the weekend of 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> February. It makes a huge difference and lightens up the inside immensely.

If you need any help Peter just sing out.



**Tips & Tricks**

Nothing comes to mind this month. If anyone has any good ideas to share please pass them on for inclusion in the newsletter.



Murri is trimming the tank stand base which is a Laminex flooring product that is really hard to cut – wears out blades in no time.





## Events

### VPA Tates Trophy 12<sup>th</sup> February 2017

The VPA (Victorian Pattern Association) held their Tates RC World Trophy event at our field over the weekend of 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> February. Due to lower numbers than anticipated the event was all over by about 3:30PM on Saturday which meant it only became a one day event. Henry thought the forecast bad weather for Sunday had a bearing on the small number of entries and I guess most would not be familiar with our field setup as well.

It appeared that those who entered enjoyed their flying although the sun in the morning was an annoyance. That is why they liked Yendon which was orientated for east/west flying where we are predominantly north/south at Trawalla.

We ran the canteen with the generator connected into the kitchen via the new wiring all of which seemed to work quite well. The generator ran all day (7.5 hours) and there was still an inch of fuel left in the tank so it is feasible to use it more often – maybe normal Sundays.

Going by the results included further on which Henry sent through, it appears they flew 5 rounds each. Just a pity there were not a few more entries, but it is what it is.



*A few shots of the pit area and flight line.*

It was all over around 3:30PM after which Henry tallied up the scores on the computer, printed out the results then made the presentations.



*Henry Hutchinson is presenting the Sportsman class trophy to Daniel Wheeler.*



*Ted Knowles for second place in Advanced.*



*Artur Uzieblo is receiving first place in Advanced.*





Peter Hill is presented with third place in F3A (the top class)



Old mate Norm Morrish (old means I've known him for a while, he's not old really) got second place in F3A just being pipped for first by David Gibbs.



David Gibbs won first place in F3A.

It was good to see the pattern guys at our field once again, the last time was back at Yendon over the weekend of 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> April 2014 about 6 months before we vacated the site.

Let's wish them the very best of luck in their aerobatic competitions coming up and hope to see them at Trawalla next year.



### Coming Events

#### March 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> Warrnambool Annual Fun Fly



Don't forget the Annual Warrnambool Fly-in is being held over the weekend of March 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>. Several BRMFC members are going and staying the Saturday night. Some might even make it a two night event by heading down Friday.

This is always an enjoyable event and a good opportunity to get down to seaside Warrnambool for a weekend getaway.

The Warrnambool members have regularly supported our flying display days in the past so we might see a few at our Trawalla open days to be held over April 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Northern Flying Group's Annual Twins & More**  
**Sunday 26th March 2017**

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

Visit [www.nfg.org.au](http://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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**2017**  
**Phoenix Flyers of Launceston**  
**Scale Fly In**  
*Come one and all to the 2017 PFL Scale Day Fly In.*

**When: 26th March**  
**Where: Panshanger Farm, 41°39'32.0"S 147°08'44.7"E**  
**Time: Pilots briefing will start at 0900, flying will commence shortly after then.**

**Award Categories Include:**

**Best Scale Fly including take off and landing for -**

- Pre WW2 airplanes
- WW2 airplanes
- Post WW2 airplanes
- Pilots Choice – ARF
- Pilots Choice – Scratch / Kit Built

*(Combination of static and flying to be included in the awards)*

**A \$5 fee per pilot will apply (each pilot can fly multiple scale planes).**  
**There will be BBQ lunch plus tea / coffee and soft drinks all available at club prices.**

*Sky's The Limit*



**TWIN CITIES MODEL AERO CLUB**  
 Albury/Wodonga  
 10th Anniversary Autumn Scale Rally

Autumn is the perfect time to visit the Border Region and fly in ideal weather conditions  
 This is a no competition rally open to all Scale Models, including ARF's and Non Builders of the model entries, so bring them all along, even if it looks scale come and fly.  
 Current MOP certificates will need to be sighted for models exceeding 7kg  
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**May 5/6/7 2017**  
 10th Anniversary Autumn Scale Rally

## Event Calendar

<b>Feb 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Tates RC World Trophy (F3A Pattern Aerobatics) – BRMFC Trawalla</b>
Feb 12 <sup>th</sup>	Bipe & Bush Plane Day – Seymour
Feb 19 <sup>th</sup>	Ballan Display & Fun Fly – BMMAC
Mar 1 <sup>st</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup>	Avalon Airshow – Avalon Airport
Mar 4 <sup>th</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup>	Warrnambool Annual Fun Fly – WMAC
Mar 19 <sup>th</sup>	VFSAA Scale Fly-in Greensborough GMAC
Mar 26 <sup>th</sup> 2017	Twins & More Darraweit Guim – NFG
Mar 31 <sup>st</sup> - Apr 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Wang Jets, Wangaratta – VJAA
<b>April 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Display Day &amp; Fun Fly– BRMFC Trawalla</b>
<b>April 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>VFSAA Sport Scale – BRMFC Trawalla</b>
April 14 <sup>th</sup> /17 <sup>th</sup>	Easter weekend
April 29 <sup>th</sup> /30 <sup>th</sup>	VMAA Trophy Weekend – NFG
May 5 <sup>th</sup> /6 <sup>th</sup>	Autumn Scale Rally Albury – TCMCA
May 21 <sup>st</sup>	VFSAA Sport Scale Pakenham – P&DARCS

That's all for now. Good flying.  
 G.W & R.C.



# Final Results

Tates Trophy Ballarat 2017

Held: 12/02/2017

Competitor	Flight 1	Flight 2	Flight 3	Flight 4	Flight 5	Flight 6	Total
<b>Advanced</b>							
1 Artur Uzieblo	1000.00	1000.00	1000.00	1000.00	1000.00	0.00	<b>4000.00</b>
	321.67	303.67	323.00	316.00	316.67	0.00	
2 Ted Knowles	803.11	980.24	794.63	840.72	0.00	0.00	<b>3418.70</b>
	258.33	297.67	256.67	265.67	0.00	0.00	
<b>Expert</b>							
1 Henry Hutchinson	1000.00	1000.00	1000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	<b>3000.00</b>
	278.33	314.00	329.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
<b>F3A</b>							
1 David Gibbs	986.11	1000.00	1000.00	882.45	951.39	0.00	<b>3937.50</b>
	402.33	412.00	418.00	360.33	411.00	0.00	
2 Norm Morrish	1000.00	911.81	925.84	1000.00	1000.00	0.00	<b>3925.84</b>
	408.00	375.67	387.00	408.33	432.00	0.00	
3 Peter Hill	941.18	982.20	996.01	984.49	912.81	0.00	<b>3903.88</b>
	384.00	404.67	416.33	402.00	394.33	0.00	
<b>Sportsman</b>							
1 Daniel Wheeler	1000.00	1000.00	1000.00	1000.00	1000.00	0.00	<b>4000.00</b>
	196.00	199.00	201.67	200.67	217.33	0.00	



**Time for some Frivolity – the sealed section**

Note: If easily offended please skip this item. It contains adult themes, but no crude language or nudity.

*Brain Study*

Good example of a Brain Study: If you can read this you have a strong mind:

7H15 M3554G3 53RV35 7O PROV3 HOW OUR M1ND5 C4N  
D0 4M4Z1NG 7H1NG5! 1MPR3551V3 7H1NG5! 1N 7H3  
B3G1NN1NG 17 WA5 H4RD BU7 NOW, ON 7H15 LIN3 YOUR  
M1ND 1S R34D1NG 17 4U70M471C4LLY W17H OU7 3V3N  
7H1NK1NG 4B0U7 17, B3 PROUD! ONLY C3R741N P30PL3  
C4N R3AD 7H15.

PL3453 FORW4RD 1F U C4N R34D 7H15.

*NEW COUNCIL RATES for 2016/2017*



*Your House As seen by yourself.*



*As seen by your buyer.*



*As seen by your lender*



*As seen by the bank's valuer*



*As seen by your Council Rate Assessor*

*Old is When...*

**'OLD' IS WHEN...**

Your sweetie says, 'Let's go upstairs and make love,' and you answer, 'Pick one; I can't do both!'

**'OLD' IS WHEN...**

Your friends compliment you on your new alligator shoes and you're barefoot.

**'OLD' IS WHEN...**

A sexy babe catches your fancy and your pacemaker opens the garage door.

**'OLD' IS WHEN...**

Going braless pulls all the wrinkles out of your face.

**'OLD' IS WHEN...**

You don't care where your spouse goes, just as long as you don't have to go along.

**'OLD' IS WHEN...**

You are cautioned to slow down by the doctor instead of by the police.

**'OLD' IS WHEN...**

'Getting a little action' means you don't need to take any fibre today.

**'OLD' IS WHEN...**

'Getting lucky' means you find your car in the parking lot.

**'OLD' IS WHEN...**

An 'all nighter' means not getting up to use the bathroom.

**AND**

**'OLD' IS WHEN...**

You are not sure these are jokes?

