

# Ballarat Radio Model Flying Club Inc.

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# **NEWSLETTER – September, 2019**

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Note the meeting location.

The next general meeting is to be held at the <u>Eastwood Street Leisure Centre in the Canteen</u>, on Wednesday September 25<sup>th</sup> commencing at <u>7.30PM</u> (Turn left after entry to the Complex, and the Canteen is on the left again). <u>Don't forget to bring a plate for supper.</u>

# Agenda Items for the next meeting

- 1. Trawalla Estate Update
- 2. Strategic Plan
- 3. Field Maintenance
- 4. Burrumbeet Airstrip

# 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.

- 8. General Business
- a) Trawalla Estate Update Nil
- b) Strategic Plan Nil
- c) Field Maintenance
  - Matting awaiting installation, date to be decided. "Agidrain" can be installed under south end of the pits to enhance its drainage. To finish some granite sand fill could be spread on top of existing matting then the new matting secured over this.
  - Murri and Al spent some time during the week mowing the entire field.
  - Pits area is to be marked by a line that will define a "no taxi" area when returning to the pits; motors/engines are to be cut before reaching the line.
- d) Burrumbeet Airstrip
  - Murri called in and reported the grass is high, too high to fly off the runway.

- 5. Pits replacement matting
- 6. Logbook contents for new pilots
- 7. Organization of the March Fun-fly
- e) Pits replacement matting see field maintenance.
- 9. Other Business
  - BAMI fly-in (Len Astbury) 17<sup>th</sup> November 2019 confirmed.
  - Progress for Fly-in organization
    - o Flyer has been sent to clubs etc.
    - Nick distributed the Fun-fly planner and discussion followed on the tasks listed.
    - Naming of the October and March Fun-flies was decided; they will be the "BRMFC Spring/Autumn Fun-fly".
  - An update of the new member's pack gate key and a BRMFC badge, if new to model flying also adds a trainee pilot's logbook.
  - Container key holders:
    - o Max Rowan, Peter Evans, Murri Anstis, Alan Crisp, Peter Weston.
- 10. Agenda items for the next meeting.
  - Logbook contents for new pilots
  - Organization of the March Fun-fly
- 11. Meeting Closed at 9.02 pm Next meeting date will be the  $25^{th}$  September 2019.







# New Models seen at field

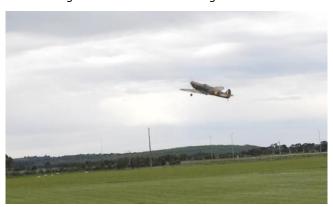
Max had the Spitty he acquired from Glenn out at the field again on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September to try and get it in the air.

This is the one Glenn picked up in the swap tent down at Hamilton a couple of years ago. It appears to be an ARF but the undercarriage is all wrong for a Spitfire – they retract inwards rather than outwards.

Max fitted an OS120 FS which seems to run quite well and most of all reliably. The main problem with the model is the undercarriage which is not really strong enough for the weight of the model notwithstanding the fact it is wrong scale wise. I think Max wanted to see how it flew before he considers doing any work on it to improve its scale attributes.



Alan holding the tail down while Max guns the OS120FS.



On about the third or fourth attempt Max managed a clean lift off.

Max had several attempts to get it off the strip with ground support from Alan, but it nosed over stopping the engine each time. Finally though he did manage a successful take off. The controls were a bit over sensitive however, but Max managed to keep it under control and flew it around for probably seven or eight minutes before attempting a landing.

The model was obviously very sensitive to elevator control making it difficult for Max to achieve a nice smooth approach. This caused a couple of go arounds but on probably the third attempt he managed to get it down safely, but the flimsy undercarriage didn't support the model and it skidded on the nose coming to a stop.



The first landing approach which Max aborted. By gee, Graeme likes to travel close behind Max!!!



On the second attempt Max got the Spitty down safely although it was a bit hard on the landing gear.

On post examination we found it needed exponential on the controls and Max is I think pondering what needs to be done to the undercarriage, how much work is involved and is it worth it. (ROI – Return On Investment!!!)



#### Goin's on at the Field



I (Ed.) had the old Super Stearman back in the air on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September after finding the wayward OS200 muffler nozzle in the paddock with the aid of Alan's metal detector.

e are currently working on the pit area in preparation to lay the matting we picked up from the Albury club earlier this year.

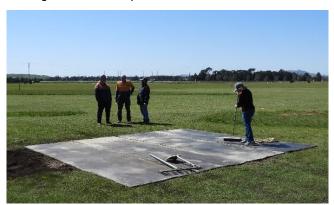
Murri and I (Ed.) tentatively organized on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September to pick up on Wednesday another load of granite sand for the matting underlay and also a load of soil

fill for the large model start up area which we are using four of the rubber (conveyor belt) mats as a base. This will provide an area of 15 x 16 feet. Once they are all levelled and draining properly they will then be covered with the matting from Albury.

As it turned out the Wednesday was great weatherwise and there were others out at the field to lend a hand. With the extra help we were able to shift the very heavy rubber mats from along the edge of the pits to form the heavy model start up area. With the recent heavy rain we knew exactly where the low spots were and adjusted the position of the start-up area to avoid where water lays.



Four of the rubber conveyer belt mats have been moved to the large model start-up area.



Ahh chivalry must be dead!!! The guys standing by while Lyn is sweeping the rubber mats.



The rubber mats should provide a good base for the large model start-up area. Due to the wire cable reinforcement we can't cut holes for model restraints but small cut-outs along the edge where they butt up against each other should be possible.



Murri has been taking granite sand out to the field over the last few weeks to level the pit area.



On Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September we shifted the remaining three rubber mats so the pit area levelling could be finished off. And yes there's always one in every crowd!!!



## Tips & Tricks

Watch "GIANT A-10 WARTHOG WITH BRRRRT & FLARE" on YouTube <a href="https://youtu.be/iWZTTg0hEwl">https://youtu.be/iWZTTg0hEwl</a>

Watch "Republic P-47 and Messerschmitt Bf 109 Hispano HA-1112-M1L @ Oldtimer Fliegertreffen Hahnweide 2019" on YouTube <a href="https://youtu.be/5EwRCDC58pY">https://youtu.be/5EwRCDC58pY</a>

This one has the P-47 & BF 109 flying in formation which underscores the size of the P-47.

Watch "FASCINATING RC JET MODEL SHOW WITH 2 HUGE SUKOI SU-30 MK SCALE TURBINE JETS IN ACTION" on YouTube https://youtu.be/9XlxGjXGlWw

Wow – flying models in formation is very difficult and would require extreme concentration.

Watch "Japanese B-17 Squadron" on YouTube <a href="https://youtu.be/JR-Yx4DojKg">https://youtu.be/JR-Yx4DojKg</a>

Watch "WORLDS LARGEST RC CONCORDE JET MODEL - 149KG 10 METERS - OTTO WIDLROITHER - JET POWER 2019" on YouTube <a href="https://youtu.be/HfnldSV 4vo">https://youtu.be/HfnldSV 4vo</a>

Watch "7 Essential Knots You Need To Know" on YouTube https://youtu.be/3X8drKsdf5E







# **Coming Events**

Fun Fly at Trawalla – Sunday October 20th



BRMFC has a fun fly scheduled for Sunday October 20<sup>th</sup> and invites members of other clubs to come and enjoy our hospitality. We really are a bunch of nice people (don't listen to what others might say!!! Ha ha). The field is an enjoyable place to fly with no real hazards to contend with. We do have the electric fence up now but that will be laid down on the day by way of the removable posts. Our east west runway is much longer than it was last year, now that the field southern boundary has been extended.

The kitchen will be operational with the usual hamburgers, sausages, dim sims, tea & coffee and soft drinks at very reasonable prices.

So if you feel like a day of relaxed flying come and visit us at Church Road Trawalla.

# Mosskosh Annual Fun Fly Ararat – $1^{st}$ - $3^{rd}$ Nov

The Ararat & District Model Aircraft Club is holding their annual Mosskosh event, so named in honour of the late Moss Heard who was a staunch member of the club for many years. The field is located near the corner of Warrak and Warrayatkin Roads. You can get on to Warrayatkin Road from the Western Highway but it is 4km of unsealed surface so it might depend on whether your car needs a wash or not. Otherwise into Ararat and back along Warrak Road. The entrance is off Warrak Road maybe 100m from Warrayatkin Road intersection.



Hopefully a few of our members will be able to make it on at least one day, most likely the day with the better weather forecast.

# BRMFC/BAMI Len Astbury Fun Fly – Sunday November 17<sup>th</sup>

BRMFC is hosting one of two annual get-together events with our sister club Ballarat Aero Modellers on Sunday November 17<sup>th</sup>. BAMI hosted a similar event on April 7<sup>th</sup> this year which has been named the Graham Waterhouse Fun Fly.

Put this one in your diary and let's make it another great day of interclub camaraderie.

# Hamilton Fun Fly – 23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> November

The next club trip away event will be the annual pilgrimage down to Hamilton over the w/e of November 23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup>. If you plan to go it would be a good idea to organize accommodation now. There is also ample room for onsite camping at the field of which many modellers from around the state and beyond take advantage of. So if you decide to camp you won't be on your own.

Many of us regularly stay at the Hamilton Lakeside Motel <a href="http://hamiltonlakesidemotel.com.au/">http://hamiltonlakesidemotel.com.au/</a>

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Directions: To get to the HMAC field, head out the Hamilton-Port Fairy Road from Hamilton for about 15 kms and turn right into Branxholme-Byaduk Road. Travel along for 5kms and the field is on the right hand side (north side of the road).







#### For Sale

RCGF 20cc MK2 Side Exhaust Gas Engine w/CD Ignition and Walbro Carb 2.2HP@9500rpm.

Ricky Gerada just bought this engine from <u>Hobbyking</u> but then found it was unsuitable for the intended model and has decided to put it up for sale.







If you are interested in discussing a deal, Ricky can be contacted on 0400 919 577 or <a href="mailto:gerada@vic.chariot.net.au">gerada@vic.chariot.net.au</a>.

#### Irvine 72 Two Stroke Engine.

I (Roger) have for sale an Irvine 72 engine which belonged to the late Graham Waterhouse. The engine is in excellent condition externally without a mark on it and one would assume it is internally as well. Has heaps of compression and the crank turns over smoothly so bearings are good.

Unfortunately is missing the prop nut & washer as well as the 2 x M4x40 muffler attachment bolts but comes with muffler and engine mount.

Price: \$150. Neg.









If anyone is interested please contact me via the editor details at the top of the newsletter.

# Humbrol 14mL paint tins

5 trays of assorted unopened Humbrol paints, approx. 70 tins per tray. In many cases, there are several tins of the same colour. There are 306 unopened tins.

SELL FOR \$1 each.



The colours are those that would be used for cockpit detail undercarriage wheel wells etc.

If anyone is interested I can send a PDF file of the list of colours with Humbrol colour number, colour swatch and number of tins available.



# **Event Calendar**

Sep 4 <sup>th</sup> (Wed)	Indoor Flying at Haddon Hall 7 - 9:30PM — BAMI.
September 8 <sup>th</sup>	RCGA Glider Competition – Mt Wallace
Sep 14 <sup>th</sup> /15 <sup>th</sup>	Shepparton Mammoth Scale Fly In – VRF
September 15 <sup>th</sup>	BMMAA Inaugural Float Fly-In – Mt Wallace
Sep 18 <sup>th</sup> (Wed)	Indoor Flying at Haddon Hall 7 - 9:30PM - BAMI.
Oct 2 <sup>nd</sup> (Wed)	Indoor Flying at Haddon Hall 7 - 9:30PM – BAMI.
Oct 16 <sup>th</sup> (Wed)	Indoor Flying at Haddon Hall 7 - 9:30PM - BAMI.
October 20th (Sun	) Fun Fly – Trawalla, BRMFC
October 27 <sup>th</sup>	NFG "Twins and More" fly in – Darraweit Guim
Nov $1^{st} - 3^{rd}$	MossKosh Annual Fun Fly – Ararat & DAC
Nov 6 <sup>th</sup> (Wed)	Indoor Flying at Haddon Hall 7 - 9:30PM – BAMI.
Nov 10 <sup>th</sup>	Scratch & Kit Built Scale Rally – P&DARCS
Nov 17 <sup>th</sup> (Sun)	BRMFC/BAMI Len Astbury Fun Fly – Trawalla
Nov 23 <sup>rd</sup> /24 <sup>th</sup>	Fun Fly & Swap Meet – HMAC, Hamilton
December 13 <sup>th</sup>	BRMFC Xmas Function (Friday night) TBC

#### Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup> 2020 Leura Fun Fly – Camperdown

Mar 8 <sup>th</sup>	Fly-In – Trawalla, BRMFC ?????
Mar 21 <sup>st</sup> /22 <sup>nd</sup>	Warrnambool Annual Fun Fly – WMAC
March 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Monty Tyrell Scale Rally – P&DARCS
April 4 <sup>th</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup>	Echuca Moama Annual Fun Fly - EMMAC
April 10 <sup>th</sup> -13 <sup>th</sup>	Easter long weekend

See the VMAA Calendar for all Victorian events.

That's all for now. Happy landings. Roger.