



## NEWSLETTER – March, 2014

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Note the meeting location.

The next general meeting is to be held out at the flying field on Wednesday March 26<sup>th</sup> 2014 commencing at 7.30PM. Please come along to the meetings and support your club and be part of the decision making process. Don't forget to bring a plate for supper.

**\*\*\*\* Our Annual Display is to be held on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> March \*\*\*\***  
**Field is in pretty good shape with longer runways.**

### Agenda Items for the next meeting

1. Wind Farm
2. Field Maintenance
3. 2014 Display Day
4. Any Further General Business Items
5. Agenda for next Meeting

### 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.*

#### 6. Reports

##### I) Management Committee Report

The President summarised the minutes of the Committee of Management meeting held on 29 January.

##### II) Relocation Working Party

M Rowan looked at two properties, but they were judged as unsuitable.

#### 7. General Business

##### I) Wind Farm

No change to the W-Wind web site. N Katsikaros to contact W-Wind and investigate the offer for assistance in moving from the currently leased site.

##### II) Field Maintenance.

(1) M Werner reported that the new mower has had new blades and belts;

(2) A Working Bee will be required to fill in the rabbit burrows before the various VPA, Display Day, etc. coming up.

(3) That 3 new padlocks for the containers need to be replaced as the locks are jamming.

Referred to the CoM for action.

##### I) 2014 Display Day

Agreed that the major raffle prize is to be a \$250 prize for a Scanner/Engine or \$250 Bunnings voucher. R Carrigg will work on the raffle tickets.

N Katsikaros will print up Display Day notices suitable for attaching to car/van windows.

##### II) Other Business

J McLennan noted that Tim Carter had the idea that old Airborne/RC Modellers magazines could be dropped off to GP/dentist surgeries with a contact information sticker glued on.

Members agreed that this was an excellent suggestion.

##### III) Agenda Items for next meeting

Litter (polystyrene cups found in paddock)

## Meeting location

The next meeting will again be held at *the Yendon Flying Field, 26th March 2014.*

**Meeting Closed 8:51PM**



## Annual Display – Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> March

### *Message from the President*

Once again it's time and the BRMFC Annual Display for 2014 is happening this coming Sunday. Hopefully we score a day of great weather which encourages a good turnout of pilots and spectators.

Thanks to everyone for the effort that has been put in up to this point and I also remind you that there is still a little prep work that needs to be undertaken to make the event run smoothly on Sunday. On Saturday there will be a working bee at the field to have a bit of a clean up around the place, erect signs and barriers, mark out flight lines and start up boxes, etc. The field is already looking in great shape, maybe a bit crispy, so it shouldn't take long to bring things up to scratch if there is a reasonable turnout.

There will be some tasks to be done in the lead up to, and on the day of the event that will require some specific commitment by members, so if you haven't already volunteered and been nominated for a task and are asked to be involved please try and make yourself available. If you find you can't subsequently complete your task, please let someone know so it won't go undone.

Members could also help with publicity by printing out some flyers and posting them at work or where ever else they think is appropriate.

Also, on the day, even if you are not flying, it would help to enhance the day if as many of your models as possible were on display in the pit area.

I hope to see you all at the meeting this Wednesday night, and next weekend as we prepare for and deliver another excellent Annual Display Day.

*May I reiterate Peter's request for you to attend the meeting and our display day. Ed.*

### Display Raffle

We now have the raffle underway. In an endeavour to make it attractive to a wider audience the prize this year is the choice between an R/C model and a Bunnings gift card. The choice does not have to be made at the time of buying the ticket. The winner will be able to choose the prize they prefer. We will then purchase the prize and pass on to the lucky ticket holder within a few days.

If the winner chooses the model, it is a Phoenix Scanner with an OS46AX engine. The Bunnings gift card will be to the value of \$250 which is roughly the same value as the plane engine combo.

*Ballarat Radio Model Flying Club Inc.*  
**Annual Display and Fly-In Raffle– 2014**



Win a Phoenix Scanner aircraft with OS46AX engine.

or

a Bunnings gift card to the value of \$250.

  


750 tickets only. Drawn on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2014 towards end of flying display  
Winner notified, name and ticket number will be posted on BRMFC's web site.

Our flying field is located at the corner of Yendon-Egerton and Spreadeagle Rds, Yendon. <http://www.brmfc.org.au>

**Tickets \$2**

A few members already have books to sell and some tickets were sold at the VFSAA scale comp held a couple of weeks ago. Hopefully on the day we will be able to sell a reasonable number to make it worthwhile. Anyway it's a bit of fun.

### Advertising

Our advertising banners are up around town like the one below on the western entrance to Ballarat. They are certainly highly visible and I believe have been very successful in the past.



*One of our banners along the Western Hwy on the way into town just past Ring Road. Right next to a bus stop so that's potentially a good spot. This is one of the new banners.*



*Our banner is certainly more eye catching than the other banner. Yellow is a good colour. (Photos taken at 5:45PM on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> March).*

The others are outside Zagame's Tabaret in Main Road, on the entrance to Sebastopol coming from Buninyong and on the eastern entrance to town near East high school. John McLennan has the fifth one displayed very prominently

outside his shop Goldfields Model Supplies on the corner of Howitt & Doveton Streets.

We have one more banner to display – if we can't find anywhere else maybe at the corner of Spredaeagle Road on the day of the event. It could be hung on three pickets attached to the eyelets.

Nick has made up some A4 stickers to go on car windows and hopefully a few members will be able to display them.

We don't seem to have had much luck so far with 3BA putting it on air as part of their community events promotion. However I plan to ring Mike Cooper on Thursday or Friday between 11AM & 12 Noon during the Buy, Swap & Sell segment as I've done on previous years. On previous occasions he has mentioned our display on air over the weekend following the direct contact.



### VMAA News

Items below have been extracted from the February 13<sup>th</sup> meeting of the VMAA Executive.

- **MAAA Inspectors renewals** – As per the MAAA MOP006 *Appointment and Reappointment of Inspectors Procedure*, the renewal of Inspectors is due prior to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2014. Secretary is to advise all HM Inspectors; replies are to be in by the 1<sup>st</sup> June. VMAA to notify the MAAA that we re-accept all HM Inspectors.
- **Clubs with less than 10 members** – The VMAA constitution requires affiliated clubs to have a minimum of 10 members. The clause may be waived but must be reviewed annually. Currently there are 10 clubs state wide that fall into this category. The Executive has reviewed the membership numbers and will re-assess next year.
- **World Records** – Anthony Mott has been awarded an MAAA Certificate for breaking 3 world records. The certificate was presented to Anthony at the Greensborough Club on the evening of Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February by Greg Lepp & Chris Caulcutt.
- **AFF Caulfield Racecourse** – The Australian Freestyle Flyers (AFF) has sought and gained approval to register the flying area at the Caulfield Racecourse with the VMAA.
- **Municipal Council Grants** – Wangaratta club has been successful in gaining a \$5,000 grant from the Rural City of Wangaratta for the purpose of installing a septic tank system.
- **State Field Fires** – The State Field at Darraweit Guim was caught up in the recent bush fires. Damage was confined to fences and trees, grass in paddocks, damage to some agricultural stock, pipes building supplies near the containers. Club House and tractors suffered no damage. Now that paddocks have been cleared of grass, we should take this opportunity to sight the field and the rocks and consider having

them excavated/removed. This may be beneficial to being able to have crops grown and therefore no internal fences required.

- **Display Applications Risk Assessment** – With the newly updated MAAA MOP applying to Display Applications, all Display Applications are to be submitted with a risk assessment. The VMAA is to vet these risk assessments, and to date there is quite a difference of what is being sent into the VMAA. This is due to the fact that some clubs are not familiar with risk assessments, or what is actually required of them. The VMAA President is to write a short "Risk Assessment Guideline" paper that will assist clubs in completing the MAAA Risk Assessment requirement.



### New Models seen at field

Max and Glenn slipped out to the field on the evening of Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> February to test fly Max's new Super Cub.



Max is starting the DLE111 for the Cub's maiden flight.

The flight went reasonably well and as to be expected the DLE 111 had plenty of power to get the Cub in the air.

Unfortunately a wheel fell off on the second circuit which obviously made the landing rather unceremonious but he got away with it okay. Nothing more than a broken prop.



The moment of truth!!! The Super Cub on its maiden flight with what looks like Max in hot pursuit.



From this pic the Cub appears to be tracking nice and straight, tail up so as not to lift off too soon.

The details were in the last newsletter but no harm including again. It is a pa18 150 Super Cub World Models kit. 3.6 m wing span weighing in at 15.1 kg powered by a DLE111 twin cylinder petrol engine.

**M**urri's new Victa Airtourer was featured in the February newsletter, but at that time I never had a photo of it flying or had seen it fly for that matter. Here's a couple of shots for the record.



The Airtourer on take-off towards the northern plantation.



On a pass over the runway at about 25 feet. The camera does lie a bit – that tree is a long way behind the model but it adds to the effect.



### Member Fuel Prices

At the BRMFC July 2013 General Meeting, pricing for Methanol, synthetic oil and Nitro Methane was reviewed, following the latest bulk purchases. It was agreed that the prices should be set at:-

- Methanol: \$1.50/Litre
- Nitro: \$12.00/Litre or \$60.00/5 Litre
- Coolpower Oil: \$15.00/Litre or \$60.00/3.8Litre.

Note: Nitro comes in 5L containers while Coolpower is 3.8L



### Club Constitution

With the recent discussion regarding the club constitution and possible amendments I thought the information on the Consumer Affairs web site might be of interest. Here is a link to the relevant information.

<http://www.consumer.vic.gov.au/clubs-and-not-for-profits/incorporated-associations>



### Tips & Tricks

#### Restrain models from going backwards?

We all realize the need to restrain models from going forward when starting the engine. Restraining it from going backwards is not quite as obvious.

Many engines will run backwards for a while and even though they normally don't run with much performance it could be sufficient to move the plane rearward.

There was such a case at our field recently when a 30cc petrol engine was being started. It may have back fired causing it to run backwards for a while. The main danger is hands getting caught up in the propeller and the resulting injuries (and pain).

I know my OS200FS will run backwards albeit at low revs coughing and spluttering. This can happen while flick starting with the 'chicken stick' and it fires well before TDC or while flicking backwards intending to bounce it on the compression but going too far with the flick.

You need to know your engine and how it behaves.



### Goin's on at the Field

Murri had his Pilatus Porter out for an airing on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> March. The Pilatus has an OS160X and a three bladed prop for propulsion and it has no trouble doing just that.

There was a bit of throttle pushrod control adjustment required at the field necessitating removal of the cowl that is why it is missing from the photos.

Once we had the engine running nicely the Pilatus was taken out to the runway for take-off which was normal and uneventful.



*The Pilatus Porter lifts off nicely powered by the OS160FX.*

After a couple of circuits someone yelled out (I think it was Mat) the fin/rudder is fluttering. When you focused on the model you could see the sun glittering off the whole fin assembly. Murri immediately cut the throttle and set up for an emergency landing.

In his haste to get it on the ground he landed just east of the north/south runway, fortunately the grass is short and the field is fairly smooth resulting in a safe landing.



*The fin had broken away from the fuselage – one would assume that the fin spars key down into the fuselage.*



*The plastic arm had broken away from the brass insert which has a set screw to locate on the rudder shaft. This allowed the rudder to flutter as well and prevent controlled movement.*

On inspection it was found that the fin had broken away from the fuselage allowing it to move laterally. Also the rudder wasn't working. The servo was working and when you held the rudder something was trying to move it. The bottom hatch was removed and the plastic arm had broken away from the brass insert resulting in lost motion.



### Events

#### *Fun Fly – Warrnambool 28<sup>th</sup> Feb – 2<sup>nd</sup> March*

By Glenn White.

The first weekend in March and it's off down to Warrnambool for their fun fly. Some of us have been going down there for several years now. This year they extended it to run over three days Friday, Saturday and Sunday. A few modellers camp there as there is plenty of room.

Max, Roger and I drove down on the Saturday, caught up with Wayne and Karen in Mortlake. We arrived out at the flying field late morning to find Mat already flying; shortly after we got there Graham and June arrived.



*A shot of the pit area where we were setup.*



*Max's new Super Cub on its one and only flight for the weekend. Clipped a fence (unknown to us) on landing and tore the tail off. Has now been repaired.*

The field was looking great as usual but the weather wasn't the best, very overcast, cool with a fresh southerly wind blowing. This probably accounted for the poor turnout of pilots. The track in left a lot to be desired as it was very rough.

Mat had been there since the crack of dawn but minutes before we arrived he and Brody (Ararat) had a full on mid-air destroying both of their Scanners. Apparently this is their third mid-air encounter.

Ararat was well represented with Rick and Pam, Brody, Moss and others I don't know.

It wasn't long before Roger had his CAP231 in the air and then the Super Stearman. Wayne flew his trainer to get the feel of the strip, and then progressed to his "trophy winning" (Hamilton last year) PT17 Stearman.



Wayne with the "Trophy winning" PT17 Stearman in the start-up box assisted by Glenn. OS155FS Alpha power.



Moss Heard's (Ararat) Great Planes P47 Thunderbolt on landing approach. DLE 55 petrol engine.



John Hoy one of the Warrnambool club members also on a landing approach with his large Texan. Has a Zenoah 62cc engine and retractable undercarriage.



And about to touch down...

Max brought his new large Super Cub and had only test flown it the weekend before to get his heavy model permit. With such a large wing area it is a handful in the wind. The Super Cub doesn't lack for power making it easy to get into the air but getting it down is another matter. On the first landing attempt it just wanted to float on and on and on. On the second attempt Max decided to cut the motor (I think the cost of those large carbon fibre props prompted this action) things looked okay but the model started to weathercock into the wind causing it to drift away from the runway. A go around was now not possible so it looked like it was going to be a dead stick landing in the rough. This should have caused no problems at all but just before it touched down it hit a fence that none of us knew was there. On retrieval of the model it appears that the tail wheel caught the top strand of the wire fence this caused the fuselage to snap just in front of the tail feathers, there was very little damage done anywhere else. One thing we should learn from this is that we should check any new field that we fly from to see what obstacles there may be.



There were some relaxing moments as well...

Note. Max has since repaired the Super Cub it is now as good as new he has done a great job.

There were no more incidents over the weekend as far as I know.

Mat had to leave on the Saturday but the rest of us had a nice social night out in Warrnambool, good food and plenty of good wine!

Sunday proved to be a better day, there were a few breaks in the clouds and the wind wasn't as strong. Graham spent some time putting his Kraft Super Fli together but found that he had brought the wrong radio (is this Old Age)!

Moss and John Hoy flew their war birds in formation, Moss an ARF P47 and John a scratch built Harvard.



All in all it was a good weekend. Roger was the only one of us to get a mention at the presentations; I think it was for being a frequency hog! No I have just been told he did more flying than anyone else (same thing) anyway he got a nice bottle of red wine.

I am sure all being well we will be back next year to do it all over again.

**VFSAA Comp at Ballarat on March 8<sup>th</sup>**

A round of scale comps was held at our field on Saturday March 8<sup>th</sup> amidst favourable conditions. All up there were 14 entrants spread out across Flying Only, Large Scale and F4C.

Temperatures for the day reached the mid 20's with a south easterly breeze between 20 – 30 km/h making it personally very comfortable and not too challenging to fly.

This time we not only had one world championship model competing (Noel's Fox Moth), but David Law's Pitts S2A as well which gained 5<sup>th</sup> place at the 2012 World Scale Championships held in Spain. It is not every day you see models of that calibre flying so our members should think themselves very fortunate. That is one of the benefits of holding competitions such as this.

We kicked off the first competition flight at 10AM with Flying Only, followed by F4C and Large scale. I was the lucky entrant to be first up for the day – always good to get the first flight under your belt.



Gregg Lepp flying his yellow Piper Cub assisted by VMAA editor Joe Finocchiaro. Is that a "one" Noel is holding up? L to R. Gary Sunderland and Bill Wheeler judging. This shot was taken at 10:30AM so would be the first round.

With only 14 entries, of course it would be nice to see a few more from an interest point of view but the reality is the more entries the less rounds that can be accommodated in one day. As it was, to get three rounds in we didn't finish the last flight until around 5PM which is pretty late for those who have an hour or two drive home.



A general shot of the pit area taken around 1:30PM.

The field whilst it is very dry is quite good to fly off at the moment – the runways have gradually been extended considerably recently as the field is mown and to that end I don't believe anyone had any difficulty landing and stopping on the strip.



David Law's Pitts S2A – a veteran of world scale champs. Powered by a DA120 twin cylinder petrol engine. Came 1<sup>st</sup> in F4C.

I think everyone who took part in the day's activity enjoyed themselves, whether it be flying, judging, score keeping or working in the canteen.

It is very pleasing to report that there were no accidents on the day so no one had any extra work to do as a result of the days flying. I downloaded the wind speeds that evening and it was South/Easterly averaging 20km/h gusting to 30km/h for most of the day.

As mentioned before we didn't finish until around 5PM and by the time the scores were finalized and transposed to the board it was 5:30PM before the presentations were made. A mistake was made identifying 3<sup>rd</sup> place for flying only which at the time went to John Lamont. Ironically it was John who picked up the error after I sent him the photograph of the score board which he uses for his [Australian Model News](#) newsletter. The scores below correctly record 3<sup>rd</sup> place going to Mark Peterson from Bacchus Marsh.

BTW you can now find John's newsletters online at <https://sites.google.com/site/australianmodelnews/>

In winding up we must thank the members who prepared the field in advance for the event and those who worked in the canteen all day. Doug & Cath Wallis were the main stayers helped by Wayne Goodwin. Thanks to Max for organizing the food. Things don't just happen unless someone puts there hand up and does it.

Let's hope we get a day as good if not better for our annual display next weekend (March 30<sup>th</sup>).



David Law's Super Decathlon which came 2<sup>nd</sup> in large scale. Engine is 100cc petrol twin cylinder.



Mat Werner's Sukhoi SU29 aerobatic aircraft. Power is from a 3W 106 twin cylinder petrol engine. Came 1<sup>st</sup> in large scale.



This shot was taken by Glenn and would be one of the best I've seen for a long time. The zoom and depth of field makes Mat's SU29 look like it's flying between the trees although it is well this side.

**F4C Scale Results**

Entrant	Aircraft	Flt 1	Flt 2	Flt 3.	Static	Total	
David Law	Pitts S2A	2512	2629	2542	2880	5465	<b>1</b>
Noel Findlay	Fox Moth	2332	2442	2418	2745	5175	<b>2</b>
Bill Wheeler	Turbulent	1973	2009	2157	1953	4036	<b>3</b>
Gavin Gedye	Corby Starlet	1827	1851	DNF	1912	3751	<b>4</b>
G. Sunderland	Bristol	1542	1746	DNF	-	1644	<b>5</b>

**Large Scale Results**

Entrant	Aircraft	Flt 1	Flt 2	Flt 3	Total	
Mat Werner	Sukhoi SU 29	2472	2477	2419	2474	<b>1</b>
David Law	Super Decathlon	2404	2393	2426	2415	<b>2</b>
Tony Grieger	Gee Bee	2241	2271	2201	2256	<b>3</b>

**Flying Only Results**

Entrant	Aircraft	Flt 1	Flt 2	Flt 3	Total	
Roger Carrigg	Super Stearman	2256	2296	2317	2306	<b>1</b>
Greg Lepp	Piper Cub	2254	2215	2173	2234	<b>2</b>
Mark Peterson	RV 8	2137	2103	2177	2157	<b>3</b>
John Lamont	Yak 54	2161	2135	DNF	2148	<b>4</b>
Joe Finocchiaro	Cub	2078	1880	1751	1979	<b>5</b>
Max Rowan	Piper Pawnee	1815	1996	1715	1905	<b>6</b>



**Coming Events**

Annual Open Day – Sun. March 30<sup>th</sup>



This quite possibly will be our last open day at our Yendon field with the looming construction of the wind farm rumoured to be underway by this time next year.

Hopefully the weather gods will be kind to us this time. From memory last year we endured a fairly strong NNW wind which abated somewhat during the afternoon otherwise it was a pleasant day.

Once again the club needs the support of the members to run the event and also invites members of other clubs to bring their models and have a great day.

Hopefully we will get more event advertising this year and hence better attendance from the public.

**VPA Model Engines Trophy – April 12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup>**

We are again hosting the VPA (Victorian Pattern Association) Model Engines Trophy over the weekend of April 12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup>. This has been a regular event at our field for maybe two decades now. Goes back to our time at Bowes Road Ross Creek.

A number of helpers will be required on both days to assist with running the canteen. This will either be discussed at

the meeting on Wednesday night or held over until the March meeting.

Our newer members might find it interesting to see this facet of our sport/hobby.

### *Autumn Scale Rally at Albury – 17<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup> May*

Why not head up to Albury in May for the annual Autumn Scale Rally held by the Twin Cities club at their field.

They are blessed with great flying conditions – in fact I don't think they know what wind is up there.

David Balfour sent me their advertising flyer so I have included it here for your information.

They have a magnificent concrete runway to test your tracking skills during take-off. I mentioned the importance of undercarriage earlier on and on a hard surface that is where properly aligned wheels are important. A bit of toe-in on the mains for tail draggers is advantageous.



## Event Calendar

Feb 28 <sup>th</sup> -Mar 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Fun Fly weekend – Warrnambool
March 1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup>	Centenary of Military Aviation air display – Point Cook
<b>March 8<sup>th</sup> (Sat)</b>	<b>VFSAA Scale competition – Yendon.</b>
March 16 <sup>th</sup>	F1 Grand Prix – Albert Park
<b>March 30<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>BRMFC Annual Open Day – Yendon</b>
March 30 <sup>th</sup>	NFG Annual Twins & More Darraweit Guim
April 6 <sup>th</sup>	Model Engines Day – P&DARCS
April 6 <sup>th</sup>	Echuca Annual Fun Fly – EMMAC
April 11 <sup>th</sup> - 13 <sup>th</sup>	VJAA Wangaratta Jets Wangaratta Airport
<b>April 12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>F3A Pattern Aerobatics Ballarat – Yendon (Model Engines Trophy)</b>
April 12 <sup>th</sup> /13 <sup>th</sup>	VMAA TROPHY inter-Club FUN competition at the State Flying Field, Darraweit Guim.
<i>April 18<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup></i>	<i>Easter long weekend</i>
April 25 <sup>th</sup>	ANZAC Day War Birds Hamilton – HMAC
April 25 <sup>th</sup> -27 <sup>th</sup>	WW2 & Military Scale Event – Wagga
April 27 <sup>th</sup>	Model Engines 2 <sup>nd</sup> Scanner Challenge Bendigo BRCAC. Rules/Conditions are available. \$10 Entry Fee
May	MAAA Council Conference – Northern Territory.
May 3 <sup>rd</sup> /4 <sup>th</sup>	VFSAA State Champs – BRCAC, Bendigo
May 17 <sup>th</sup> /18 <sup>th</sup>	Autumn Scale Rally Albury – TCMAC.
June 7 <sup>th</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup>	VicScale Trophy weekend – Shepparton
June 29 <sup>th</sup> (Sun)	VFSAA Scale competition – P&DARCS
Nov 29 <sup>th</sup> /30 <sup>th</sup>	Annual Fly-In and Swap Meet – Hamilton

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

## 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.

### *HOW WE LOVE OLD PEOPLE*

A farmer stopped by the local mechanic's shop to have his truck fixed. They couldn't do it while he waited, so he said he didn't live far and would just walk home.

On the way home he stopped at the hardware store and bought a bucket and a gallon of paint. He then stopped by the feed store and picked up a couple of chickens and a goose. However, struggling outside the store, he now had a problem - how to carry his entire purchases home.

While he was scratching his head he was approached by a little old lady who told him she was lost. She asked, 'can you tell me how to get to 1603 Mockingbird Lane?'

The farmer said, 'Well, as a matter of fact, my farm is very close to that house. I would walk you there, but I can't carry this lot.'

The old lady suggested, 'Why don't you put the can of paint in the bucket. Carry the bucket in one hand, put a chicken under each arm and carry the goose in your other hand?'

'Why thank you very much!' he said and proceeded to walk the old girl home. On the way he says 'Let's take my short cut and go down this alley. We'll be there in no time.'

The little old lady looked him over cautiously then said, 'I am a lonely widow without a husband to defend me. How do I know that when we get in the alley you won't hold me up against the wall, pull up my skirt, and have your way with me?'

The farmer said, 'Holy Smoke lady! I'm carrying a bucket, a gallon of paint, two chickens, and a goose. How in the world could I possibly hold you up against the wall and do that?'

The old lady replied, 'Set the goose down, cover him with the bucket, put the paint on top of the bucket, and I'll hold the chickens!'

### *Beware of older women*

*(This one has been vetted by some ladies in the age bracket mentioned and I've been given the all clear...)*

I ended up with an older woman at a club last night. I reckoned she really looked OK for a 61 year-old, too. In fact, she looked really good and I found myself thinking that she probably also had a really hot daughter. We drank a bit and had a bit of a snuggle up, after which she asked me if I'd ever had a 'Sportsman's Double'. As I didn't know what she was talking about, I asked her:

"What's that?"

"It's a mother and daughter threesome," she replied. Well, she really had my interest level up now, so we drank a bit more and then she told me that tonight was going to be my lucky night. As you might imagine, by now I was starting to get really excited. So, we drank a bit more, then she said it was time to get on with my lucky night. Without any further delay, we went back to her place. Once there, she switched on the hall lights and shouted upstairs:

"Hey, Mum, are you still awake?"

