



Sports Aeromodellers Association Moreton Bay Region

Monthly Newsletter - February 2017

From President Bazza's desk.

By the time you read this February will be nearly over and Easter just over the horizon. Today Sunday 12th Feb ,12.30pm I have just checked the thermometer I hung on the back clothes hoist and it's reading a sultry 46c with a humidity of 67%. That's why I am not enjoying my usual Sunday at the field.



I find my airconditioned workshop at a pleasant 22c is the place to be today. Please take care on these hot days to stay hydrated and cool. The worst part of dehydration and overheating is that as it's affects take hold you no longer feel thirsty and your organs begin to shut down and you are well on the way to that big flying field in the sky. There is no return ticket. If you must go to the field stay in the shade where possible and don't forget the sunscreen AND keep hydrated. Just lay off the caffeine drinks and especially coffee.

We have received a communication from Council with the proposal that when mossie spraying is taking place the field will be closed and a sign erected to this affect. This is totally unreasonable and it would appear the proposer of this has given very little thought as to just what this would mean to us. The committee has discussed this and we are in the process of arranging a meeting with council with regards to this matter and the signing of a new lease.

We also propose to seek a long period for the lease in view of the large amount of money we have expended on the new field. I expect it could be quite protracted as we are endeavouring to obtain certain data to support our appeal and this takes time.

Next Meeting
Friday 24th February 7.30pm
Community Hall
Cnr Todd & Ellis Sts.
LAWNTON
7.30PM

Meeting Dates 2017	
Last Friday of month	Aug 18 (AGM)
Feb 24	Oct 27
Apr 28	Nov 24
Jun 29	Xmas Party Dec 9th

It is intended to ask our local councillor to become our patron. The matters are all too long and too complicated to discuss in this missive. They can be discussed at the meeting. I hope by the February meeting to have more information to give you.

You can get an idea as to how council can react to any transgression on our part so be careful and stay within the boundaries when flying and also obey the time rules.

This is not meant as scare mongering but actual fact. We really had things too easy at Brays Field.

This next meeting is when we will be installing a Vice President as has been requested by a few members. It is a good idea so think about putting your hand up for the position. It will be an open nomination, ie, you can nominate yourself and you do not require a seconder. Should you be successful you will be expected if possible to take part in council negotiations, possibly just as a witness to the meeting events, and provide input as to the course the club should sail during the coming year. In the event of the President not being able to maintain the position for any reason you will be expected to take over the position of President and all that that entails.

The thought for this month " It is better to learn from another's mistakes than from your own"

Keep cool and happy flying.

Bazza

Paul Murphy's Flying Adventures.

Yesterday I had the best flight I have ever had in any small plane, bar none. Mark and I left Caboolture about 0730 in a trike, heading north, we flew low along the Pumicestone Passage looking to see how a small boat could navigate the shallow waters. It could be done and would be a wonderful trip. As we approached Caloundra the hills produced a few bumps in the air,. Up to that time everything had been real smooth but of course it could not last. We tracked to the left of the Main runway; I had a good look down at the Museum where I work on Wednesdays and saw the Venture. It has been painted some time ago but I did not realise how well it was camouflaged, other aircraft were easily seen but not ours. We made our approach to land from the north, Mark took over for a bit to lose some height by side slipping down, as I have not learned to do that as there were other planes behind us. He did let me do the landing and it is an entirely different sensation to be landing on a big wide sealed strip that seemed to go on forever.

After a rest stop at Caloundra we took of on the same runway, turned to have a look at the entrance to the passage and flew low along the beach. There was no wind so small schools of bait fish were visible near the coast but just out of reach of the surf casters. On crossing Bribie Island the air was not so smooth but it was with a real sense of homecomings that we landed back at Caboolture .

This is the first time I have ever had trip like this and i really enjoyed it. I cannot get over the fact that I am really doing what I am doing and not reading about it in some magazine.

See you later. Paul.

Membership Raffle

By Rob Moore



G- Day members, How would you like to win your membership for next years ' 2017-2018 Fees? Its easy; all you have to do is spend \$5.00 on a number of your choice. Yes; you select your number of preference. They run from 1 to 104. Almost all numbers have been bought so get in quick to be in it. It will be drawn on the night of our renewals in June this year.

They're being sold by **Rob Moore** on the weekends and will also be sold at the meeting in February (if there's any left). Just ask Steve Lightowler of what it's like to win this raffle. He won it last year.

Eleven Minutes Can Be Forever

A Police Officer was patrolling late at night up at Mt. Coot-tha.

At nearly midnight, he sees a couple in a car, hidden in the scrub, with the interior light brightly glowing. He carefully approaches the car to get a closer look. Then he sees a young man behind the wheel, reading a computer magazine.

He immediately notices a young woman in the rear seat, filing her fingernails. Puzzled by this surprising situation, the Officer walks to the car and gently raps on the driver's window.

The young man lowers his window. "Uh, yes, Officer?"

The police officer asks: "What are you doing?"

The young man says: "Well, Officer, I'm reading a magazine."

Pointing towards the young woman in the back seat the Officer says: "And, her, what is she doing?"

The young man shrugs: "Sir, I believe she's filing her fingernails."

Now, the policeman is totally confused. A young couple, alone, in a car, at night hidden in the scrub and nothing obscene is happening!

The officer asks: "What's your age, young man?"

The young man says: "I'm 22, Sir."

The cop asks: "And her, what's her age?"

The young man looks at his watch and replies: "She'll be 16 in 11 minutes."

Events Calendar 2017

February

24th. First club meeting for 2017. Details front page.



No Working Bee in March





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