



# Airwaves

**Sports Aeromodellers Association Moreton Bay Region**

**Monthly Newsletter - May 2018**

## **President's Report**

We lost a good member the other day in **Graham Kennedy**. After a long illness he was on the mend when suddenly he passed away. Thank you to those who were able to attend his funeral.

Well most of you have probably heard by now that the concrete is finished in the pit area at Gibson field. Thank you to **Dale Parry** and crew for doing such a great job. Proud dad **Col Parry** has taught him well.

Hopefully the new shed was delivered on Wednesday 16th May so with a bit of luck our sheds and projects will be finalised by the time this newsletter is out.

Also our past president **Barry Evans** has hit the Big 80. Congratulations Barry.

We had another member turn 83 on Friday with the Friday group of oldies to help him celebrate. Congratulations **Peter Doolan**.

A big thank you to **Mike Lewis** and his helpers for all the work done on the solar system. It's looking great. We also have power to the toilet block for the shower. Talking of the shower, Tatts and myself will be working on that project next week. I believe there is so much solar power at Gibson Field now the city of Brisbane will want to plug into our grid.

I hope **Bob Moore** had a good trip over the Antarctic. I'm looking forward to hearing all about it.

Thanks to the blokes who helped at the working bee and all those who work behind the scenes, who without their contributions things would not run as smoothly as they do. The fields are looking great. And thank you to **Rocket Rod** and his helper for fixing the potholes in our entrance roads. May every flight be a good one .

From Your president .

**Bill Sharpe**

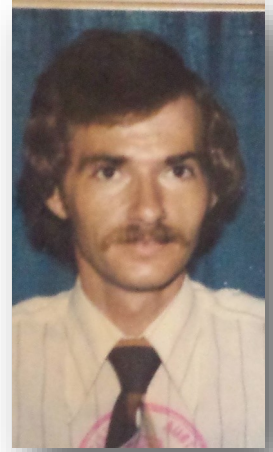


## Airwaves Editor position vacant .

After 4 years at the keyboard I've decided to step down and let someone else take over. I'm sure there's somebody in the club who can do the job.

It's not difficult work but takes time if you want to bash out something fairly decent and reasonably interesting.

It's published in Microsoft Publisher, converted to a pdf document then sent to the mailman to shoot out to your inbox. It's possible to create it in Word but I've found Publisher the best and easiest program to use. However, it's up to whoever takes over what they want to use.



To keep it as interesting and relevant as possible you'll need to have a keen eye for stories, filter your emails for the rubbish that comes your way, keep it clean (would you believe someone doesn't like blond jokes) and have a thick skin. Publish for the masses, not the minority and don't leave things to the last minute.

Most importantly, be mindful it's online and can be read by non-members young and old.

Keep your camera at the ready and be prepared to take a few photos of the boys getting stuck in. If you like travelling to other clubs it's always nice to see what other flyers are up to.

June will be my last Airwaves.

Dick Hall.



How good does the new pit area look at the Jim Gibson field?



## Coolum Giant Model Airshow 20-22 April.

The weather looked threatening but didn't dampen the spirits of the Suncoast Flyers. Early morning showers saw them taking shelter in their magnificent club house while the storm passed. Entry at the gate was by honest coin donation and the crowds flocked in as the days wore on.



Quite a number of our club members drove up for the occasion with some overnighing. Suncoast Flyers field has town electricity with all the mod-cons and amenities, including hot showers, as well as great cooking facilities (hot pies). The coffee machine which was kept busy making Late's and cappuccino's for the crowds. Overall it was a great weekend.



SAAMBR boys showing their support.



Tony Benstead's beautiful Viper coming in for another greaser.



# Model Aircraft

**10% Discount for SAAMBR Members**

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730 Gympie Road Lawnton 4501

**New Opening Times**

**Monday to Friday**

**8:30am - 5:30pm**

**Saturday**

**8:00am to 12:30pm**

"Of course I won't laugh," said the nurse. "I'm a professional. In over twenty years I've never laughed at a patient."

"Okay then," said Bob, and he proceeded to drop his trousers, revealing the smallest male part the nurse had ever seen. In length and width it was almost identical to an AAA battery.

Unable to keep a straight face, the nurse tried her hardest to stop a giggle, but she couldn't control herself and burst out laughing. Feeling badly that she had laughed at the man's part, she composed herself as well as she could. "I am so, so sorry", she said. "I don't know what came over me. On my honour as a nurse and a lady, I promise that won't happen again. Now tell me, what seems to be the problem?"

"It's swollen," Bob replied.

She ran out of the room.

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## WANTED

A friend of mine has broken the screen of his Futaba Cap 9 Transmitter. If anyone has one of these radios they no longer want would they be willing to part with it?

They may contact me on **0407583917**

Much appreciated.

**Barry Evans**



## **26th May Phoenix Invitational Fun Fly**

**Gibson Field, Uhlmann Rd. Burpengary East**

### **Schedule**

All aircraft types are welcome up to 50cc.

**0830:** Pilot briefing and welcome.

**0845:** Short field landing Competition. Winner 50pts, 2nd 30pts, 3rd 20pts

(2 attempts each pilot) judged on where aircraft stops.

**0930:** Double Spot Landing Competition. Winner 50pts, 2nd 30 pts, 3rd 20pts

(2 attempts each pilot). Pilots must touch down before 1st white line and pull up

By the second white line. Nearest win who achieves both requirements.

**1015:** Flight Time Challenge. Pilots will have one attempt each. They will be required to take off, fly around and land within a specific time (given before event starts).

No transmitter timers, watches or callers are permitted.

**1100:** Dog Fight with ribbons attached. There will be initial rounds winners to progress until winner is established. 4 aircraft in the air at one time.

**1200:** Break for Lunch: There will be catering on the day.

**1230:** Balloon Burst. 5 balloons will be set up around the field. Pilots will get 2 min to burst as many balloons as they can. Only Balloon direct hits will count. Bursts are worth 10pts each. Any pilot bursting all 5 balloons earns 100pts.

**1330:** Dead stick short field landing comp. Pilots will have one attempt only at a simulated dead stick landing. Engine will be reduced to idle or cut-off (pilots choice) at half downwind position. Pilots will complete the rest of the landing to a stop with no power and a measurement will be taken from the end of the runway (marked). If any pilot applies power he will score zero. Winner 50pts, 2nd 30pts, 3rd 20pts.

**1430:** All in fun fly last man standing based on fuel or battery of your smallest aircraft, no gliders powered or unpowered. Winner 50pts, 2nd 30pts, 3rd 20pts. All pilots must be in the air within 1 min of the go call.

**1500:** conclusion and club challenge Trophies awarded.

**1530:** Finish.

I hope this will be an entertaining fun day looking forward to see everyone come long. Please wear club shirts on the day if you have them.

Any questions please feel free to give me a call or email me at [danimhoff1@gmail.com](mailto:danimhoff1@gmail.com)

Regards

**Dan Imhoff**

Event Coordinator

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## Vice President / Gibson Field Report – May 2018

Hi all,

The wheels are slowly turning and progress is still being made. Since the April meeting the concrete under the pit cover at Uhlmann Rd has been completed and looks great. Nice to be able to put models and gear on hard stand. Models still needed to be started on grassed area to keep hardstand clean.

Next working bee we will need to dress up around the edge of the concrete and do a general clean up. The cover over the containers, BBQ area and side access door into the kitchen were started on Wed 16th. Also nearing completion is the power system upgrade (Solar System) giving us ample power for the future. A huge thanks must go to **Mike Lewis** who has worked many hours almost single handedly to see the project through with some valuable help from **Nigel**.

We also have power to the shower area thanks to a very generous huge donation of cabling from Nigel. Other members like **Gordon Papps** have also been very generous and made the completion of the project possible. It's very humbling to see the commitment, generosity and passion for the club from all members involved.

Sadly on another note, long time member of the club, Grahame Kennedy is no longer with us. Grahame recently passed away at home after battling major health issues over the last few years. He was always a very passionate club member and always had the welfare of the club in mind. Over the years he enjoyed the companionship and camaraderie that only a club like ours offers. He was also instrumental in arranging space in shopping centres when we used to have air shows. He will be sadly missed. RIP Grahame

Finally, on a flying note, many members of the club made there way to Tincan Bay over the long weekend for their annual Warbirds event which is also open to the public. Over a hundred aircraft on the flight line and the field was immaculate, a 220 metre runway of bowling green smooth, very manicured grass. The club catered for us very well and they even had powered sites, hot and cold showers and real flushing toilets. Not bad for a small club of 30 members. There were more than 30 Vans/Tents in the camping area.

Coming up this month is also the interclub Funfly between **Phoenix club** and **SAAMBR** at Uhlmann Rd. Make sure you get up there and have some fun.

Until next time, safe flying and happy landings.

Cheers

Tatts



## Israeli Defence Force Model Planes Armed with Knives Take Down Gazan Firebomb Kites.

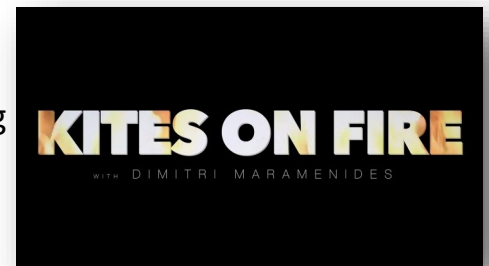
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The IDF has been dealing for many weeks with Hamas' new weapons – the firebomb kites that land in Israeli agricultural land, igniting fires and inflicting severe damages on local farmers. On Friday, the IDF began to use a new weapon against the kite threat – radio-controlled model airplanes with knives attached to their wings.

The test of the new means of combating the firebomb kites began for the first time on Friday, when model pilots from the IDF logistics division took to the air. The model aircraft operators managed to drop at least 7 kites that threatened to land in Israeli territory.

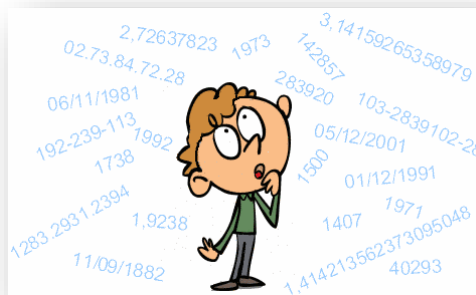
The enclosed video shows how the pilot manoeuvres near the kite and finally manages to sever the kite's control line.

During the day there were violent riots in five locations along the Gaza border, with the participation of some 15,000 Arabs, who torched tires and threw stones at IDF forces. The Arabs also sent firebomb kites into Israeli territory.



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**REMEMBER NEXT MEETING IS FRIDAY 8TH JUNE**



## Events Calendar 2018

For Warbirds contact Bill Sharp (07) 54966870  
[www.southerncrossairforce.com](http://www.southerncrossairforce.com)

- May** 26 Fun Fly competition Jim Gibson Field
- June** 2-3 Bundaberg Warbirds  
8 SAAMBR Club meeting
- July** 28-29 Coolum Warbirds
- August** 3 SAAMBR Club meeting  
11 Phoenix Warbirds Nambour
- September** 4-8 IMAC World Champs Muncie, USA  
8-9 Qld Precision aerobatics Jim Gibson  
22-23 SAAMBR Warbirds Gibson Field
- October** 5 SAAMBR Club meeting  
27-28 Maryborough Warbirds.
- December** SAAMBR Xmas Party Jim Gibson field.

### Meeting Dates 2018

Friday 08 June  
Friday 03 August  
Friday 05 October

### Next Working Bee.

**Sid Bray Field**

**Sunday 3rd June**

Sign on book gets taken away 08.30am

Next Meeting

**Friday 8th June 2018**

**"Pendicup"**

**365 Samsonvale Road**

**WARNER**

**7.30PM**

**Guests and New Members Welcome.**

**Plenty of off street parking.**



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