



Sports Aeromodellers Association Moreton Bay Region

Monthly Newsletter - June 2014

President's Report

From Brad Jory

Membership Fees

The new 2014 / 2015 fees and membership renewals have all been distributed.

Please ensure your fees are paid by the due date. Failure to maintain your membership will result in you being suspended from flying until dues are paid. Members intending to fly at other clubs or in special events at other fields may need to print off their membership renewal notices and provide a copy of their payment details for proof of yearly membership.

Social BBQ/Night fly Sat 12 July

The committee will be holding a midyear BBQ for all members and their immediate family on Sat 12 July 2014. This is a free BBQ and will also be held in conjunction with a night fly at the Sid Bray Field.

RSVP required

For those members interested in attending, please place your name in the folder located in the club house at Sid Bray Field. For members flying at Ulhmann Rd, please email your intention to attend to myself or Andrew Holloway (Secretary). Email contact can be found on the last page of Airwaves. Keep this date free where possible and keep a look out for upcoming information.

That's it Thanks, Brad.

Membership Terminated

At the May general meeting members voted to either terminate or retain the membership of one of our own. This has never happened before in the history of the club and we hope it will be the last. There had been an unsavoury incident that breeched the club's safety rules. The member concerned had received a letter from the club

and was given the opportunity to put forward his defence which was followed by a secret ballot.

Safety First

Members are reminded to always use a buddy box if they have not attained their **Bronze Wings** and are still under instruction. Under no circumstances are members to fly on their own if they have not reached this level of competence. The CFI will make an assessment if he thinks they are ready to undertake the test.

Safety is everyone's business and not just committee members' role to approach members if they feel other's safety is at risk.

Keep the noise down

We might also remind those flyers who's planes are heavier than 7kg there is a specific boundary to fly within. It's easy to forget but it's important we be good neighbours with residents in the new River Breeze Estate. If you are not sure where it is please ask a committee member.

Church Ladies With Typewriters –from Newsletters

- The fasting and prayer conference includes all meals.
- * Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale next week. It's a chance to get rid of all those old items not worth keeping around the house. Don't forget to bring your husbands.
- For those of you have children and don't know it ,we have a nursery downstairs.
- Please place your donation in the envelope along with the deceased person you want remembered.
 Thanks to Gordon Scamp for this.

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SAAMBR

Minutes: General Meeting Date: 30/05/2014 Chair: Andrew Holloway

Present: Quorum present as per attendance book.

Meeting commenced: 7:27pm

Apologies: Brad Jory, Dave Anderson, Graham Tattersall, Danny Hollis.

Previous minutes – correct as published in Airwaves.

Moved: Ian Rae. Seconded: Barry Evans. All members in favour.

Business arising from previous minutes: Nil.

Presidents Report: Nil.

Secretary's Report: The Secretary welcomed new member John Southey to the club.

Treasurers Report: The Treasurer offered up a written treasurers report current as at 30/05/2014. **CFI Report:** The CFI congratulated the members on their observance of the new flight boundaries.

Fuel Report: Bob Moore advised that fuel sales are down.

Pro Report: North Pine Dam - Greg advised that he continues to liaise with North Pine Dam Yacht Club regarding flying off the dam and is awaiting a response from them. Advice was provided to speak with the council if no feedback is received from the Yacht Club.

Air show – Greg advised that the application for approval for the air show on 14 September is with CASA. He has spoken to a vintage car club who have shown interest in participating in the festivities and advised that between 30 and 40 vintage cars may also be on display on the day.

Grant Clarke suggested that the airshow be held at the Uhlmann Road field to avoid traffic congestion through the new estate. The venue was discussed and resolved to hold the air show at Sid Bray Field.

Airwaves: Dick Hall thanked Paul Dalton for his efforts in establishing social events/visits and went on to thank all contributors to our club magazine.

Bob Moore expressed his thanks to **Ross Fraser** for his work in building the new table at the field and his placement of turf in the pit area.

Motion that all reports be accepted as read.

Moved: Eric Pond. Seconded: Grant Clarke. All members in favour.

General Business:

Change of constitution:

Darren Robinson moved a motion to change the wording of the SAAMBR Constitution Paragraph 5 (1)(b) 'Associate member' (definition of class of membership) as per the notification published in Airwaves:

from

Associate member

Any person affiliated with the Model Aeronautical Association of Australia through member-ship with another club or <u>organisation</u> may be accepted as an associate member. As such, this member will be entitled to all the privileges of an ordinary member except the right to hold office.

to:

Associate member: Any person who is a member of another model aero club and is insured according to SAAMBR requirements may be accepted as an Associate member. An Associate member will be entitled to all the privileges of an ordinary member except the right to hold office.

The motion was discussed and a put.

2nd by Grant Clarke

In favour: 31. Against: 2. Abstain: 2. Motion was carried.

Darren Robinson moved a motion to change the wording of the SAAMBR Constitution Paragraph 5 (1)(d) 'Life *member'* (definition of class of membership) as per the notification published in Airwaves:

From:

Life member

Any person so nominated by the Association in recognition of outstanding service rendered to the Association. Nomination for life membership must be made in writing and signed by three ordinary or life members. The Association, at an Annual General Meeting or a Special General Meeting may elect a life member provided that the notice of intention to move such a resolution shall have been given with the notice of the meeting. Life members shall be entitled to all the duties of an ordinary member of the Association during his or her active life

Minutes continued:

without payment of any further SAAMBR club subscriptions or Maintenance Levy's but are to be personably responsible for all other affiliation and/or insurance fees deemed necessary by the association.

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Life members shall be entitled to all the privileges and be subject to all the duties of an ordinary member of the Association during his or her active life without payment of any further SAAMBR club subscriptions read; 'fly' and Maintenance Levies. A life member will be personally responsible for all other affiliation and/or insurance fees deemed necessary by the association.

2nd by Barry Evans. In favour: 33. Against: 0. Abstain: 2. Motion was carried

Grant Clarke raised the purchase of the defibrillator approved at a previous meeting. The treasurer advised the purchase was to proceed after receipt of new membership fees to avoid drawing funds from the term deposit.

Graham Kennedy spoke re the pending airshow, to remind members of the display ay Morayfield shopping centre. There is a roster at the club for those who can man and provide models for the display.

Graham went on to speak about banners and signage required for the air show and submitted details to the meeting. **Dave Mont** advised of his concerns regarding the MAAA removing the club's affiliation in response to any decision the club may take in the future regarding their affiliation status. He advised that if all club members are not MAAA affiliated, the MAAA will revoke the club's MAAA/MAAAQ membership.

Club fees:

The Treasurer advised that the committee had recommended that membership fees remain unchanged for the coming membership year. There were no objections from the floor.

Rubber Matting

Peter Kraus spoke about rubber matting similar to that used at Wagga Wagga may be suitable Uhlmann Road field to permit the safe operation of jets.

Social visits:

Paul Dalton advised that he had planned for the next social gathering to be at Logan Field on 8th June.

Paul went on to advise the meeting that he had secured 12 x 1000 litre tanks to store water at Uhlmann Road filed.

Prop Safety:

Mark Brown advised the meeting of a recent number of incidents involving prop strikes at Tingalpa and reminded members to be vigilant when operating aircraft.

Membership cancellation:

A member addressed the meeting regarding the proposed termination of his membership. Andrew Holloway provided brief details of the reasons for the proposed termination before handing over to Bob Moore. Bob went on to explain an incident that had occurred involving himself and the member on 19 April 2014 at Sid Bray Field.

The meeting heard from 4 witnesses to the incident including:

Greg Petherick, Grant Clarke, Andrew Holloway and Darryl Thomas.

A secret ballot was then held from which the committee abstained from voting.

The members voted in favour of the cancellation of his membership by 28 votes to 2.

Flying during mowing operations:

Peter Kraus raised the issue of persons flying while mowing is being carried out at the field. The meeting was advised that if the person doing the mowing allows flying to take place that it is ok to fly.

Paul Dalton thanked Paul Murphy for his work as Working B Coordinator at Sid Bray Field.

Warbirds:

Dave Mont reminded the meeting that Bundy Warbirds was to be conducted over the June long weekend.

Meeting Closed: 8:30 pm

New Tables

Many thanks to **Ross Fraser** for building two new tables in the pits. Some of the black metal ones are becoming a bit second hand and these make great replacements.





IMPORTANT UPDATE Further information from AMAS

At a meeting earlier this year two executive members of AMAS addressed our members about their association and answered members' questions.

Some questions were not able to be answered.

On 14th May the President of AMAS, Ian Macgregor, met with the Associate Director of CASA, Dr Jonathan Aleck, in Sydney. Details of their meeting can be found in the AMAS Newsletter (Edition 2 of 2014) which should answer some of those questions. Scroll to page 3 of that Newsletter. Click here.

http://www.amas.org.au/hosted/org/67/docs/a7b5c62c/AMAS_02_2014.pdf

Since the Newsletter went online the Associate Director of CASA has provided a response and this must be read in conjunction with that Newsletter.

http://www.amas.org.au/wspNews.aspx

In the interest of fairness MAAQ & MAAA have also been invited to address the meeting but have not responded.

Plain Love

"STOP IT DAVE !... that tickles !!. ..OOoooh yeah.....down a bit....bit more....over a to the left. That's it ! AAaaaaaggghhh.....that's Sooooo good ! I love it when you play with my muffler. "



Basic Flying Rules:

- 1. Try to stay in the middle of the air.
 - 2. Do not go near the edges of it.
- 3. The edges of the air can be recognized by the appearance of ground, buildings, sea, trees and interstellar space. It is much more difficult to fly there.

Airshow - Sunday 14 September

Sunday 14th September is our next Charity Airshow at the Sid Bray Field. Graham Kennedy has secured space at Morayfield shopping centre to display aircraft and requires members to supply planes and to assist in attending the booth.

He has left folders on the table in the clubhouse for you to put your name down when you are able to help out . This is a great opportunity to display our club and to answer questions from the public.

At the end of each day your plane will be put away under lock and key and will be secure.

Security staff patrol the centre at night.
Please consider supplying both your time and plane.

Your commitment is greatly appreciated.



Jim Gibson Field

Bill D'Arby has supplied these aerial photos of the field in Uhlmann Road. One shows the posts shade cloth as a result of **Tatt's** working bee and the other looking north to the mouth of the Caboolture River and Beachmere. The land up to the river is all part of the club's flying field. They were taken by a Mobius HD wide angle camera mounted on a Bixler2 (not another Bixler!) On the right are the two water tanks supplied recently by



Paul Dalton. Now we have water at the field to wash our hands, top up the toilets, make poison to spray the weeds etc. We also need to have a working bee in the next three or four weeks to get the fence repaired, spray the fence lines, spread some topsoil over the cracks and rough spots ,etc and look at planning the official opening with the council sometime in the near future.





Working Bee Co-ordinator Required for Sid Bray Field Paul Murphy has resigned from this position and someone is needed to volunteer to take over. He has resigned for personal reasons and hopes a younger man can step up to the plate. Please give this some serious consideration as it's not a difficult task and regular maintenance is required to keep the field presentable and in tip top flying condition.



Social Fun Fly Trip to L.A.R.C.S. 8th June 2014 by Paul Dalton

Welcome to another report for the Social Fun Fly Trips. This month I was off to Loganholme Aeromodellers Radio Control Society, or L.A.R.C.S.. The club is situated at the old Council Turf farm at Loganholme and has the Logan River form one of borders and both a 3 heliport Helicopter field and a twin control line field forming another. I was informed by a founding member that the Club has been established for 35 years.

When I arrived I introduced myself to Jilles (Secretary) who explained the rules for the club so I signed in and Jilles became my sponsor for the day. I spent a bit of time talking to the regular fliers about all things aero and areas for improvement in and around our sport. Fortunately for me I was able to meet the President, Jim, and discuss the concept of the Social Fun Fly Trips first hand. Time was getting on so enough chatter, time to fly.

There was a bit of wind around that would fluctuate not only in strength, but also direction, making take offs and approaches unpredictable especially at a new airfield. I flew the Cub first to settle the nerves and it didn't take long before we had 5 aircraft up taking advantage of cloud speckled skies. One difference between L.A.R.C.S and SAAMBR is at L.A.R.C.S they have a 400ft ceiling for IC aircraft and 1000ft for electric and gliders. The restriction for the IC aircraft is due to the noise carrying over the river. The club has experienced some opposition from the usual locals that most clubs deal with, but with the support of their local council the club seems to be staying one step ahead of the complaints. Sound familiar?



I saw some great ideas in the pits, from plane racks, to individual concrete pads with built in aircraft restraints. Set up in the bay beside me was a fella with a very well presented gas turbine t-38 I think. Unfortunately a flame out during a low pass would be enough to end his day on a very low note. I have placed some footage on the SAAMBR **Facebook** page. The wind increased to a point where there were only

three of us, so we called it quits for the flying.

I would like to say thank you to the members at L.A.R.C.S for making me feel welcome and for allowing me to enjoy the wonderful facilities that their club provides.

The next Social Fun Fly Trip is on 20thJuly to Lockyer Valley Model Aero Club. I am awaiting confirmation so if you would like to come along just give me a ring and we can sort it.

Cheers

Paul Dalton 0417 769 226.



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	Proposed location
Confirmed date Confirmed location	r roposed location
Sunday 20 July Lockyer Valley	
Saturday 16 August	Cominya
Sunday 28 September TARMAC	
Sunday 26 October	Sunshine Coast
Sunday 16 November	Tingalpa
	TMAC







Dedicated Modeller

Bob Luxton is one of the few aeromodellers who loves a challenge and has the patience of a crocodile and natural ability to build a plane from scratch.

Gone are the days when that's all one did if you wanted a plane. You bought the plans and cut out every piece of balsa by hand, threw it all together with Tarzan's Grip or something similar.

Tissue paper and dope has given way to more modern covering that provides strength and colour.

Some of our older members know this only too well, and these days it's buy today and fly today.

This is Bob's latest creation made from plans bought from the internet. He did a great job building it and it looks great, just like his beautiful P38.

You can see the video of it's maiden flight on the **SAAMBR Facebook** page.







Graham Ross graham@tag-model-spinners.com



"Robots In Flight" Channel 10 Sat 21 June With Col from Meuller College. By Dick Hall

TV Guide description: "Five Teams as they try to be the first ever team to fly a UAV into a search area, locate a lost bushwalker, drop a bottle of life saving water and return to the aerodrome."

My apologies Col if my recollection is not 100% but this is what I remembered from watching the programme.

Of the 70 teams who entered from all over the world only five made the final in Kingaroy in 2013.

The task was to find **Outback Joe**, a flouro -clothed mannequin lying injured in a field 10km from the airport, to fly autonomously, locate him, report the co-ordinates back to base and drop a bottle of water within 100m then safely return to the airport.

Aircraft of all types and sizes ranging from Cols Pilatus Porter to a glider and high wing trainer were flown. Power was by both IC and electric with sufficient fuel /power to last the required time.

Teams first underwent a two week basic training course in the classroom to obtain a licence to operate a UAV and demonstrate competence before obtaining an operators' certificate. Operators had to write a programme and go through simulator training.

The idea being that in the future a UAV (or the civilian term RPAS ... Remote Pilot Aircraft System) could be sent into a search area before deploying a helicopter or ground rescue team thereby reducing cost and time in order to identify the location of the target.

Teams had to build their aircraft, install software and computer equipment including onboard camera and to fly autonomously. Payload was expected to be in the 20-30kg region and have suitable endurance.

All aircraft appeared to be quite heavy due to the equipment installed and seemed to struggle on takeoff.

Unfortunately Col and his team came unstuck by the 'Kingaroy Triangle' and did a nicely choreographed slow motion waltz into the deck. He had achieved around eight and a half hours autonomous flying time before entering the competition and had done countless take offs and landings from the Sid Bray field.

Several other aircraft crashed and none of the five completed the competition. The Canberra Team flew half the course successfully, located Joe, sent back the co-ordinates but began losing power and lost their water bottle. They returned to base to get another one but the loss of speed was due to something tangled in the prop and had to call it a day.

Congratulations to Col and his team for being in the finals.

Oh well... there's always next year!!

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Events Calendar 2014

June

28 SAAMBR night fly 6pm

July

12 SAAMBR committee BBQ & Night Fly

13 Southern Cross Warbirds at Logan (LARCS)

20 Lockyer Valley Fun Fly with Paul Dalton

26,27 Southern Cross Warbirds at Coolum

August

2-3 Southern Cross Warbirds at Coolum (Suncoast)

16 Cominya Funfly with Paul Dalton

Sept

14 Saambr Airshow—volunteers needed.

26-28 Ron de Chastel Memorial Pylon event Coolum

28 TARMAC Funfly with Paul Dalton

Oct

18-19 Southern Cross Warbirds Maryborough26 Sunshine Coast Funfly with Paul Dalton

Nov

2 Electric Day at Suncoast

16 Tingalpa Funfly with Paul Dalton

Flying High Is Just Plane Fun Bribie Island News Friday 20 June.

"Russell Ramsay has been flying high for most of his life. He mucked around with toy planes as a child, gained a pilots licence and flew the real thing for a few years before taking up remote control airplanes seriously two years ago.

They might only be for recreational use, but the planes the Bongaree resident flys are serious business. He's just completed a monster aerobatic plane, the Zivko

Edge 540 with a 60cc engine and 2.2 metre wingspan. The 55 year old flys weekly with the Sports Aeromodellers Association of Moreton Bay......" read the full article here.

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No Chairs

Please do not take chairs into the flying area. Someone recently left one there and one of our members stepped backwards and sustained serious head injuries. Fortunately he didn't require hospitalization and received treatment at the field.



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