



# The Geelong Flyer

NEWSLETTER August 2007

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Well the elections are over and I am back for another year as your President. Thank you for your support and confidence in carrying out the duties of this position.

The following still also hold their previous positions, namely Phil and Janice Pope , Brian Munns and Peter Sydenham. I welcome the new additions to the committee, Vice President - Felix Agius, Editor - Tony Cauchi and Safety Officers for each field.

We now have two safety officers, being regular attending members at each field respectfully. Mannerim field – Dave Barling and Dog Rocks field – Laurie Plowright.

Regarding the past email distribution of our newsletter, there has been the odd occasion where members have received multiple copies. Some of the problems come about were members change email addresses and the club addresses are thus out of date, to fix this as follows.

We now have our web site where the newsletter can be viewed and downloaded if need be.

So we will now send a reminder letter only with a direct link to the current newsletter on the web site. Normal snail mail will still remain at the performance of Australia Post.

As proposed by our sub committee who are looking after the Clubs fun weekend and Open Day on the weekend of the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> of November its is going to be a 2 day fun weekend.

Saturday fun flying day with invited visitors from other clubs and Sunday our main Open Display Day for the general public.

On the Saturday night the Ocean Grove Reserve Hall with two basket ball courts has been booked for 3 hours, it is a large area with high roof. The idea is for everybody to come along and have fun with indoor type models. These can be electric planes or helicopters, chuck gliders paper darts or what ever you may come with. Kmart had cheap helicopters at \$25 the other week, check what is around or build something for the occasion. You have a few months to get organised, a lot of work is being put in by the sub committee, we what all members to support the day and night events being arranged.

See you all at the meeting Tuesday 21 August and the BBQ at Dog Rocks field Saturday 25 August.

Safe flying,

Colin Gissing  
GMAA President

Next meeting, 21st August, 2007

Such a Deal!

You've renewed your R/C club membership. Congratulations. You got a bargain. And the reason it's such a bargain is because most of the services and facilities afforded to you are provided by the labor of club members, not dues. Take the newsletter, for example. Your dues paid for the paper, the printing and the postage but not the composition. That was done for free. Or consider the club tractor as another example. Your dues paid for the fuel to run it, but someone donated their time to drive it and maintain it. Or consider club meetings and contests. Your dues weren't used. They are someone's labor of love. Your dues only paid for the overhead of making all of these other free services available.

Imagine what would happen if these services were not free of charge. Imagine for a moment that the club were some sort of for-profit industry in which all labor was paid for at fair market rates. Suppose we hired a contest director, contracted for field maintenance, paid the board of directors, and subsidized meeting night programs. How much would dues be then?

Now let's consider this from a completely different angle. Suppose that you received from the club only that which you paid for. What would you get then?

The newsletter would consist of a couple of blank pages, but no one to mail them. There would be no meetings, no contests, no fun flies, no banquets. And you would receive no help building your plane or learning to fly it. You would, however, be the proud part owner of a dilapidated tractor and a field full of weeds. But not for long because there would be no one to file the paperwork to keep them.

So you see, there are services rendered, but none of your money is used to pay for them. Instead, you may pay for these services in whatever manner you choose and whenever you want.

Such a deal!

Here are some of sort of things that you can do...

If you've discovered a new tool, bring it to a meeting and tell us about it. If you've got a tough building problem, ask. We'll all learn from the ideas it will provoke. If you love to fly, help others to learn. If you love to build, bring your creation to a meeting. And if you just want to help out, lend your labor to the spring clean-up, paint the benches or help mow the grass.

We'll be grateful for the bargain.

Thanks Phil for this one.

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## 4 SALE

Pilatus Turbo Porter (electric power) motor and servos included \$150  
Tucano areobatic by Phoenix models O.S 52 in front ready to fly but with out Rx \$350  
phone 0407 346473 or 52224701 Geoff Simmbeck

## From the Editor

Hello Everyone, I will just say a quick hello and thanks to those who attended the AGM and voted for their new, (well some), committee. The committee members are all listed on the last page of your newsletter. Some of you may know I have done the editors job before and I will continue to try to improve the newsletter As best I can.

Regards Tony

**Next Meeting**

Meetings will be held on the third Tuesday of each month , the  
 Venue -  
 Geelong East Uniting Church  
 Cnr of Boundary Rd & Ormond Rd  
 East Geelong  
 8:00pm  
 Entry is via Boundary Rd, Church car park.

**Contributions Always Welcome**

DEADLINE FIRST MONDAY OF EACH MONTH  
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**Important**

**New Postal Address for all correspondence :**  
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**Don't forget the monthly BBQ on the  
 Saturday after each club Meeting  
 held at  
 alternating fields.**

**August BBQ will be held at  
 Dog Rocks  
 Gold coin donation**

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**EVENT CALENDER**



Aug	25-26	Pylon Racing	Cohuna
	26	AT6 Racing	Bendigo
Sep	1	FLOAT FLY	MANNERIM
	9	Scale Rally	Bacchus Marsh
	15-16	MAMMOTH SCALE	SHEPPARTON
	23	Pylon Racing	Werribee

*".....a toy plane is something you  
 wind up and it rolls along the floor.  
 A model aeroplane is something  
 totally different."*

*- Flight Of The Phoenix, 1965*

More events can be found on the VMAA Website. [www.vmaa.com.au](http://www.vmaa.com.au)

