

GMAA Newsletter



June 2010



Seen here in all it's glory, the 120 inch wing span Lancaster at the recent O.S. Engines day held at the P&DARCS field.

It is a truly a magnificent sight.

Next meeting, 15th June, 2010



Message From The President

Hi to all members.

The Glider Tug event at Dog Rocks was an interesting day and while only a few of the guests turned up because of it being Mother's day, there was still a good and interesting display with clear fine conditions. I had one successful flight before my second turned to disaster when the line became jammed in the release mechanism and before realising it the tug dragged my model down, breaking the wing. My model fell to the ground from about 1000 feet like the dove in the Blond beer ad. Fortunately it is repairable, still that's aero modelling.

On a more serious note, one of the Dog Rocks members, Peter Brown, accidentally forgot to pick up his Tx from the pound on the 1st May.

The Tx has gone missing and he can only assume that someone has assumed the ownership of it whether mistakenly or deliberately is yet to be established.

He left the Tx on the shelf with his key tag on the stick. The key tag was found in the pound but not the Rx

Considering there are only members who should be in the vicinity of the pound and the field is locked up each time not in use then it could be assumed that a member has the radio.

I hope that if it is a member has the radio and knows he has it then he considers the consequences of having it.

If the radio was accidentally picked up then I ask all members to check their Tx's as Peter had his name dyno'd on it.

Just a reminder that the end of the Club year is approaching and it is time to think of electing a new committee. If you want to put your hand up or vote for a member to be on the committee then you will need to attend the AGM on 20th July as proxy voting is not provided for in the Incorporated Associations Act to elect committee members.

Cheers and Safe flying
Colin Robertson
GMAA President

Don't forget the next meeting on June 15th and don't forget the monthly BBQ at both fields on the Saturday following the general meeting .

Hope to see you there

Events Calendar

Events can be found on the VMAA Website.
www.vmaa.com.au

Club Fees due 30th June 2010.

**Club Annual General Meeting 20th July.
Committee elections.**

From the Editor

June already.

Welcome to winter, yet even amongst the cold days, we still get some really nice flying days.

Yet winter brings other opportunities, to get some serious build time in "The Shed", for those of us who still love to build.

Kit building, or even scratch building seems to be a dying phase, where nearly every modeller is "building something". These days it's more like "what have you bought". This seems to be attributed to many things, but the main reasons I see are wide and varied.

Firstly, the Laser cutting quality of an ARF these days is excellent. No matter what tools you have, you can't go past the accuracy and quality of the Laser cutting in an ARF.

Secondly, the cost of an ARF against building a kit, or indeed, scratch building, often makes the actual process of building a kit questionable. That said, who needs to justify it, as building gives so much enjoyment and satisfaction.

Thirdly, Time, Time, Time. I think in this day and age, there are so many distractions, other activities we are all involved in, takes away the hours (and the HUGE enjoyment) required to build a model.

Last but not least, I believe our use

of computers and the Internet, such a great tool on our day and age, but also a GREAT time waster. How many times have "just checked or email", which turns into 2-3 hours "surfing" the Internet, when more long term enjoyment would have been had if we had spent it with our models, either building, planning, maintenance etc.

I know I have been guilty of that in the past, and have made a conscious effort in recent times to spend the spare time in my Hobby Hangar, rather than staring at a computer screen. The results are amazing. I may just get that P47 built yet!!!

O.S Engines Day.

On Sunday the 23rd May, a number of the Mannerim Flying group went down to the O.S. Engines day, at the P&DARCS club, in Cardinia.

What a great day. Weather was fantastic, a bit cold, but really nice flying conditions.

The highlight would have to have been the display put on by the Model Engine boys, they had a 120 inch Lancaster, running 4 O.S 54 Alpha's, accompanied by a 120 inch B17, and a 82 inch TigerCat. Some of the low passes were, well really low.

See some of the pictures Roger Northham took on the day, and enjoy.

CLUB FEES

June brings with it the time of club fees renewal.

All members please ensure you have paid your fees before the end of the financial year. If you aren't financial by 1st July, you are not covered by insurance, and not permitted to fly under any circumstances.

Fees can be paid to the Registrar, or to the secretary who will issue an interim receipt. If you send your payment in by cheque, it is your responsibility to ensure you have a receipt BEFORE you fly, after the 30th of June. Do not just assume that you are financial if you have posted off your renewal on the 30th of June, as the registrar will not have received your payment and issued a receipt.

I have attached an updated membership form.

Please see the GMAA web site for updated GMAA club rules.

As always, if you have any newsletter items, please send them to

editor@gmaa.org.au .

Bruce Thompson



O.S Engines Day



The Lancaster up close.



Bombs Away



It really is that big.



B17 up close.



Whoops



Lookout



Phew, made it!!!!



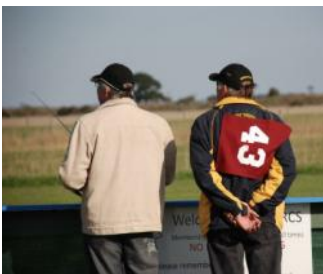
O.S Inline 4 cylinder 4stroke



Some of our "Crew"



80 inch PC9's powered by O.S 2000 4 stroke's.



Colin's "Tilted"



Tigercat



Munnis's "Observing"





Geelong Miniature Aircraft Association (Inc)

Membership application form 2010-2011

Please complete this form and return to:

Attention GMAA Registrar:

Box 5226, North Geelong, 3215

Renewal New Membership Date ___/___/___ MAAA No _____
 Surname _____ Given names _____
 Address _____ Suburb _____ Postcode _____
 Phone _____ Date of Birth ___/___/___ Pension No _____
 Email Address _____

Associate Member Name of other club membership _____

Please advise by circling what awards you hold, Bronze Wings Gold Wings VMAA Instr. MAAA Instr.

Please read all notes carefully

- All new memberships applications, and lapsed memberships renewed after July 31 must include a joining fee.
- All flying members MUST COMPLETE AND SIGN an application form.
- Family membership consists of spouses, parents or guardians plus any number of dependants under 18 years of age who live at the same address as the above senior member. Check with registrar if you are unsure.
- Family membership fees as follows:- GMAA Senior FEE, plus VMAA fee multiplied by number of members.
- Two pensioners in family, family rate applies.
- Juniors to be under 18 years of age at 1st July this year.
- Associate members must be currently registered by VMAA/MAAA.
- **Important; Insurance expires as from 30th June unless renewal has been received on or prior to 30th June.**
- **Half year fees ONLY apply from 1st January to 30th June. FULL joining fee applies for half yearly new membership.**

Membership	Fee	Tick Required Membership	Sub Total
Senior	\$190		
Pensioner	\$170		
Junior	\$62		
Family GMAA Fee Plus VMAA Fee by Number of Seniors Juniors	\$82		
	\$108		
	\$62		
Associate	\$82		
Joining Fee (Sen & Pens)	\$25		
Total Fees Due			

Half Year membership. Divide Fee by 1/2.

Full joining fee applies regardless of when joining.

Half year membership applies from 1st January to 30th June only.

Note: Half yearly Fees only apply to new members, or to past embers that have not been a member for more than 12 months.

Declaration: All members are required to complete and sign the declaration. New member applicants must complete and sign the declaration below and obtain signatures from a Proposer and Seconder who are current members of the GMAA (Inc).

I (name) _____

am renewing applying for membership to the GMAA(Inc).

As a member, I agree to be bound by the rules of the Association in force during my membership.

Signature of applicant _____

I (name) _____
 being a member of the of the GMAA nominate the above applicant who is personally known to me for membership to the GMAA.

Date ___/___/___

Signature of Proposer

I (name) _____
 being a member of the of the GMAA second the nomination of the above applicant who is personally known to me for membership to the GMAA.

Date ___/___/___

Signature of Seconder

Next Meeting

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

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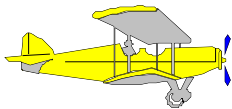
**Don't forget the monthly
BBQ on the
Saturday after each club
Meeting held at Both fields.**

RAIN , HAIL OR SHINE

Newsletter Contributions Always Welcome

DEADLINE FIRST MONDAY OF EACH MONTH
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Our Flying Fields

