



P&DARCS

Pakenham and District Aircraft Radio Control Society



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REMEMBER THIS ?

Model Engine's Lancaster bursting through water on our main strip
July 2012, our Flying Field has improved out of sight since then

**Next Club meeting, Saturday 2nd September
At the Burley Field, 1-00pm start**

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EDITOR'S BIT

Our new President is Alan Foley, Alan has been a Club Member for many years, he considers our Flying Club to be the best in Aus', and he intends to work to keep it that way
Here he is, enjoying the recent sunny weather



Frank McPherson Editor

WHAT'S ON At P&DARCS 2017

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NOTICES

SCRATCH BUILT AND SCALE RALLY

Information from Ivan Chiselett

Following the success of the 2016 Scale Rally we are doing it again. We are expecting a bigger attendance this year as there was lots of positive feedback from those that attended. We have also started a small add campaign for public participation. Mark it in your diary now as it will be a great weekend with lots of great aircraft attending.

Why not get out one or more of your "hand built" scale models and come along and be part of the weekend. It does not have to be spectacular, just hand made from a kit or scratch. If you only have a project on the go, please bring it. The weekend is all about celebrating building models a sort of show and tell. If you do not have an aircraft that qualifies just come and have a look at the models that will be there. There is also a Diorama section which will be interesting to see as well. Please tell your friends about the weekend, we have a Public Display Permits so the public is OK to attend and enjoy looking at great models.

It is only \$5-00 per car. No additional registration fee, just the \$5-00 is all it costs. All profits go back to our great club. Please get behind the rally and come and enjoy the weekend and tell your friends about it.

See the club website www.pdarcs.com.au/scalerally for details and entry forms.

FROM PAUL SOMERVILLE

The Bay 13 crew and the Sunday flyers crew have been putting on a small scale sausage sizzle and deserts for a while now.

It seems others feel free to help themselves to the sausages and bread.

These two crews pay for the snags and deserts from their own pockets

It generally costs use about \$10 to \$15 to buy sausages, bread and desert.
The club does not fund these sausage sizzles.

The Saturday and Sunday crews do this to feed a select group of guys who themselves continually put there hands into their pockets to keep this going.

Other Members have been helping themselves to these snags and deserts, **it is fair that those members also contribute to the cost**



PRESIDENT

This is my first report as President and I would firstly like to thank Alan Coleman OAM for his excellent stewardship over the last year.

Alan has run an enthusiastic Committee who have achieved a great deal of work and improvements to our great club.

Fortunately, Alan has agreed to take on the Safety Officer role and will therefore remain on Committee.

Whilst most members come down for a fly, some of these club improvements go unnoticed.

It is accepted that the field is always mowed by our mower men, facilities kept in good order, machinery maintained, and website, cameras and weather station kept in working condition.

Of note over the past year, the club has had to undertake works to drill a **new bore** as the previous one had collapsed. A big thanks to Norm Morrish and Rob Till for supervising this project along with the re-furbishment and moving of the windmill.

Ivan and Co organized the printing and acquisition of the **model club signs** and erected them at Wenn and Cardinia Rd entrances.

Ivan and Peter Hill took on the issue of **re-locating our fuel tanks** once it was discovered that we were in breach of regulations by housing them inside the machinery shed. The concrete has been poured and once the wind and rain subside the tanks will be moved and enclosed.

The hazard strobe Avlite has been acquired and Paul Somerville is in the process of fabricating the structure to mount it on the machinery shed. Hopefully this will be operational very soon.

Leaning posts are underway to install as a trial for the pilot barrier on the main runway to help those older pilots who have requested this.

This and other work are all thanks to the members who volunteer their time and expertise in making our club the best in the country.

Now all we need is some great flying weather so we can all enjoy it.

Alan Foley President

WEBMASTER

No report for this Month

Daniel Jenkins Webmaster

SAFETY

No report for this Month

Alan Coleman Safety Officer

FIELD MANAGER

No report for this Month

Norm Morrish Field Manager

FACILITIES

No report for this Month

Paul Somerville Facilities

Free to a Good Home

Replacement Canon Printer cartridge pack
No 521, new
Wally Schuback 9700 6166

SECRETARY

General Meeting Held Saturday 6th August 2017

At Burley Field Cardinia.

Meeting Opened: 1300 Hrs

Members Present: 29

Apologies: I Chiselett, A Smallridge, F McPherson, B Law, P Harrison, N Morrish

Visitors: Nil

Minutes of previous Meeting: Motion that the minutes of meeting of the previous be accepted Moved P Sommerville, Seconded D Jenkins. Carried

Business Arising: Nil

Reports:

President: Will give his report at the AGM

Secretary:

In

- Letters to Moorabbin Flying Services and RVAC re low flying of their Aircraft over our field.
- Email to MAAA re progress of Grant
- Letter to S. Green Declining to run racing event next year at P&DARCS

Out

- MAAA Response advising that we missed out on the grant this year
- Response letter from RVAC advising they will speak to their pilots re the dangers of over flying our field

Treasurer:

- The Treasurer provided report on finances. So far, we almost have enough renewals to cover our finance budget. He is confident that we will receive enough renewals to meet our budget requirements. The Registrar will also be sending out reminders to the stragglers soon so hopefully there will be a response to that.

Registrar:

The registrar presented Silver wings to Glenn Duvalois, Peter Anderson and Mike Rathbone.

Editor

- Absent.

Social

- Moorabbin Museum Tour on the 9th July 11am went well, 20 members attended. He thanked B Reynolds for organising the lunchtime BBQ.
- Next outing planned to be a Point Cook RAAF Museum.

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General Business

- Nil

Meeting Closed 1320 hrs

NEXT CLUB MEETING: Saturday 2nd September 2017 at Burly field Cardinia.

David Walsh Secretary

REGISTRAR

New Member Application

No new Member applications this Month

Membership Renewals

Thank you to all those who have renewed. Non-financial members have been notified by mail.

Inductions/Orientation

This is an important process as it ensures that new members are aware of how the Club operates and is intended to save future problems for both the new member and the Club. Club badges and keys will not be issued to new members until they have attended an induction.

Changes to your contact information

Please remember to keep me up to date with changes for contact details, especially **email** changes as this is our preferred method of keeping in touch with you.

Membership status

These figures only include forms received by the Registrar

	Paid 2017/18	Unpaid	Last Year
Full	87	11	96
Associate	7	7	10
Junior	2	1	3
Life	3		3
Pensioner	25	1	26
Probationary	5		13
Prospective	4		
Student	0		
Spouse	1		1
Honorary			2
Total	134	20*	154

* includes 7 resigned

Rob Till Registrar

Annual General Meeting of Pakenham and District Aircraft Radio Control Society Inc.

Date: August 6th 2017

Location: Burley Field Wenn Road, Cardinia

Attendance : Full Members 25, Probationary Members 4

Meeting opened: 1300 hours by outgoing President A Coleman

Apologies: Ivan Chiselett, Andrew Smallridge, F McPherson, B. Law, P Harrison , N. Morrish.

Secretary

- The minutes of the 2016 AGM were published in the club newsletter.

Motion :

The 2016 AGM minutes be accepted moved D. White seconded D Jenkins - Carried

Treasurer:

- Treasurer issued a financial report to the members and provided a comprehensive explanation of the figures presented.

Motion

The Treasurers report be accepted: Moved F Webb, seconded F Dibble - Carried

Motion

That F Connelly be appointed for next 12months to Audit all club accounts

Elections:

The President A. Coleman thanked all members and committee for their support over the last 12months. He ran through a list of achievements of the committee for the year and commented how pleased he was to have worked with a committee of "Doers"

The President A Coleman then declared all positions vacant and invited D Glossop to chair the meeting.

David Thanked the outgoing President and committee. He then asked the secretary to confirm that there were the required number of full members present to form a Quorum. The Secretary confirmed that there were. Nominations for committee positions were called and were filled as below:

Position	Nominee	Nominated By	Seconded by
President	A.Foley	A Coleman	D Jenkins
Vice President	A. Smallridge	D Jenkins	D Walsh
Secretary	D. Walsh	M Norton	D White
Treasurer	P Harris	D Walsh	B Reynolds
Registrar	R.Till	D White	A Coleman
Editor	F. McPherson	A Foley	M Smith
Facilities Manager	P. Somerville	D Walsh	P Harris
Web-Master	D. Jenkins	A Foley	F Webb
Building Officer	No Nominations	-	-
Social Officer	D. White	A Coleman	P Harris
Contest Director	No Nominations	-	-
Field Officer	N. Morrish	M Norton	R Till
Club Captain	P. Harris	D Walsh	F Connelly
Safety Officer	A. Coleman	A Foley	D Jenkins
Ordinary Member	I Chiselett	P Harris	M Smith
Ordinary Member	Vacant		

David congratulated the new committee and the incoming president officially closed the AGM .

Meeting closed : 1350 hrs

Update from the Co-op

Despite the rumors, the Co-op have not been drilling for oil, nor has there been any trace of gas to solve the eastern states gas supply problem. That would have provided a useful source of income.

6 months ago the bore, supplying the water for the tenant farmers stock, collapsed. The metal lining to the bore failed however it was more than 50 years old and pre-dated our ownership of the field.

A new bore was drilled about 3 meters from the original however it dried up after a few months. This was quite unexpected, and as the drilling contractor had chosen the spot, he offered to drill another (2nd) bore at no cost to us. We used a local water diviner to help us chose a new location and also had input from the local water board.

Down went the drill in the Western paddock about 60meters from the dam. This time the drill hit rock and the driller was not prepared to go any further as there was little chance of finding water in sediment suitable for pumping. So we started the search again!

The location for the 3rd bore was in the far NW corner of the Western paddock, by the gate onto Fowler Road. SUCCESS!!!! We have a supply producing 1.5 L/sec which is sufficient to feed the stock.

In early September the windmill will be relocated, and about 250m of poly pipe will be trenched across the paddock to the dam and tank. The Co-op will have to pay for the windmill / pipe work. As for the drilling, we have agreed with the driller that the Coop will pay for the lining of the new bore and contribute to the fuel cost, likely to be much less than the \$12,400 it cost for the first new bore.

We are looking forward to another 50 + years of uninterrupted supply – after which it will be some else's problem.

Rob Till

Secretary/Treasurer Darcfields Coop



A typical water drilling rig

Notice of Annual General Meeting Darcsfield Co-operative Limited

The Annual General Meeting of the Society will be held at the **Club Field** at **1pm on Sunday 1 October 2017**.

Ordinary business of the meeting will be:

1. To confirm the minutes of the last AGM
2. To receive from the Board, Auditor or any officer of the Society reports upon the transactions of the Co-operative during the financial year including balance sheet, trading account, profit and loss account, statement of cash flows, and the state of affairs at the end of the financial year.
3. To elect and confirm the remuneration (if any) of the Directors. Mr A Smallridge and Mr D Walsh are retiring as directors and offer themselves for re-election.

Nominations for election as Director to fill these vacancies are to be submitted to the Secretary in writing on the form available at www.pdarcs.com.au/nomination. Forms to be submitted at least 21 days prior to the meeting. (*Rule 41 (3)*) No nominations will be accepted from the floor at the meeting.

4. To appoint an Auditor
5. To transact any special business of which notice has been given to members in accordance with the rules.

The rules provide that any member having a resolution to submit to a general meeting "*shall give written notice thereof to the Society not less than twenty-one days prior to the date of the meeting*". Any such notice must be sent to:

The Secretary
Darcsfield Co-operative Limited
58 Baker Road
HARKAWAY VIC 3806

BUILDING A “ HOPIT “ MODEL

Article by Ian (Thommo) Thompson

The Hoppit – from the scrap box

A Control Line design Glo, to RC electric

Article by Ian (Thommo) Thompson

I haven't been going to the club for some time and when I do it's usually a social call as I can't stand for too long because of a couple of operations that I have had. Warmer weather will see a different story as I am mending slowly. So what do you do if you can't fly? you build of course, and I have been building a fair bit.

I have been building an 83" Catalina with scale working undercarriage and most of the bells and whistles for some time now (future article) and before I burnt myself out I needed a rest from that model but I still wanted to keep building. Darryl Cope sent me a newsletter, "Sticks and Tissue" which embraces vintage model aircraft and in it I saw a small plan for the Hoppit. It was an unusual looking aircraft and was designed by a 17 year old young man named Eric Higlett back in the 1950's who went on to be an Aeronautical Engineer. It's small with a wingspan of only 36" and short coupled and it was a control line model !!! I had a Sig Wonder some time ago so size and coupling shouldn't be a problem – I hope.

I decided to build it but convert it to electric and radio control. Everything was a snug fit but it did fit. I also decided because of it's size I would build it from the scrap box and except from buying a motor to suit it would cost me nothing.

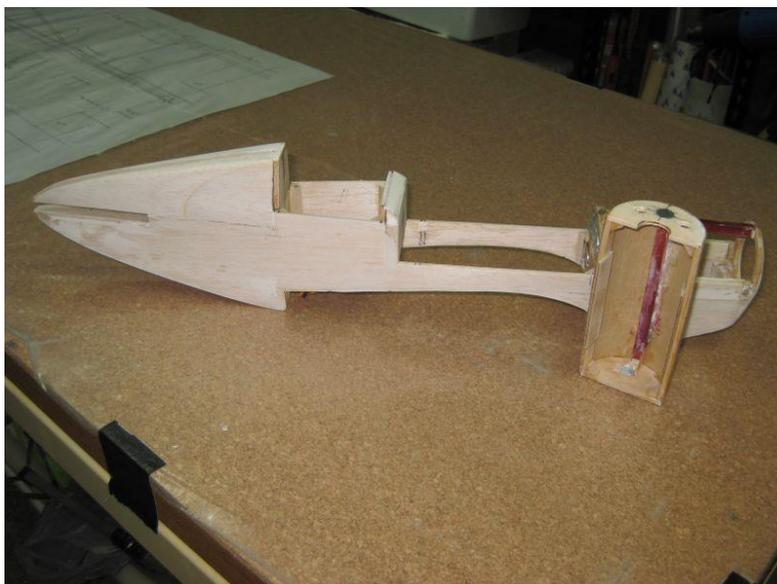
I had a set of rough ribs from years ago (I don't know where from) that were close to the symmetrical airfoil and the rest was just a few sticks and blocks and bits of sheet.

I had some Solartex left (two colours) from a previous model and a bit of fun up front with some burnished litho plate, the curved hatch is held in place with magnets.

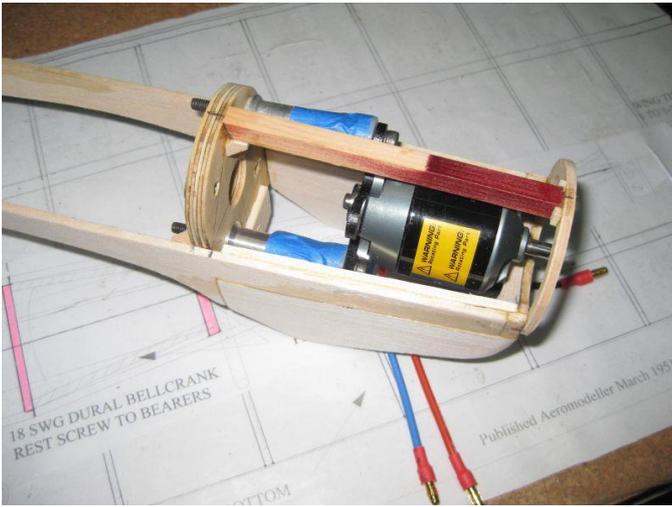
It's just three channel and like the Wonder no rudder control. As yet unflown and the photos tell the rest.

My next project ?

Thommo



Hoppit basic fuselage



Motor mounted +



Well advanced



Gives an idea of size



Finished Hopit

AT OUR FLYING FIELD

Some photos of people and models

Photos, Frank McPherson



A busy Western flying area



Another Western view



David Chivers new A10 Warthog



Andrew Mysliborski's Wako Gyro, piloted by Alan Foley



Our Earnest, concentrating earnestly



Wakogyro climbing away

P&DARCS CALENDAR FOR 2017

September

- 02 (Sat) 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm [Club Meeting](#)
- 28 (Thu) 7:30 pm - 10:30 pm [Committee Meeting](#)

October

- 01 (Sun) 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm [Club Meeting & Coop AGM](#)
- 19 (Thu) 7:30 pm - 10:30 pm [Committee Meeting](#)
- 28 (Sat) [Twi-Fly](#)
- 28 (Sat) [Spring Cleaning Working Bee](#)

November

- 04 (Sat) 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm [Club Meeting](#)
- 07 (Tue) [Melbourne Cup Aero Tow](#) Field Open: **Partial**
- 11 (Sat) - 12 (Sun) [P&DARCS Scratch / Kit Built Scale Rally](#) Field Open: **No**
- 23 (Thu) 7:30 pm - 10:30 pm [Committee Meeting](#)

December

- 02 (Sat) 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm [Club Meeting](#)
- 03 (Sun) [VPA Pattern](#) Field Open: **No**
- 09 (Sat) [P&DARCS Christmas Dinner](#)

March 2018

- 09 (Fri) - 12 (Mon) [APA World Cup \(Provisional\)](#) Field Open: **No**

April 2018

- 08 (Sun) [Monty Tyrrell Scale Rally 2018](#) Field Open: **No**
- 21 (Sat) - 22 (Sun) [VMAA Trophy](#) Field Open: **No**

P&DARCS Calendar can now be viewed online at www.pdarcs.com.au/calendar



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