



P&DARCS

Pakenham and District Aircraft Radio Control Society



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Four of our keen junior aeromodellers, at the Scratch built and Scale Rally Sunday 10th November, Harrison and Balint having a flight during the lunchtime break, assisted by their two mates, Guy and Cameron

**Next Club Meeting, Saturday 7th December 2019
At Burley Field, 1pm start**

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EDITOR'S BIT

At the last working bee, Alan Coleman and myself teamed up to replace the wire screen door at the entrance to the Clubhouse

The weather was horrible, strong winds and pelting rain showers, we were o.k working under the veranda, other working bee volunteers were not so lucky

We removed the old wire screen door that was in a very poor state

The door jamb, (opening) was slightly smaller than the new door, so adjustment was made using a builder's chisel

We recessed the hinges, and, after trying to fit the door we discovered the hinges are flush, and don't need recessing, curses

Having fitted suitable hinge packing, the door closed o.k and looks good

The whole surround step, and main door were painted at a later date
Paint hides a multitude of sins



Frank McPherson Editor

WHAT'S ON At P&DARCS 2019

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NOTICES #1

Annual Twi-fly & Christmas Dinner



This year the annual Dinner & Twi-fly it will be on the 14th December, which is a Saturday. Everyone must book & pay a \$5 per head fee to cover the catering costs & ensure we have enough food on the night. On the day it will be bookings only, so please if you wish to attend, book in.

There are three ways to book:

- See Daniel at the November or December club meetings
- Print & cut out the booking slip below & send it to us
- Use the PayPal button below. Please note using PayPal incurs a 50c processing fee per attendee.

All bookings must be received by the 7th of December.



P&DARCS Christmas Dinner 2019	
Name:	
Address:	
No of tickets required:	
Amount enclosed (\$5 each):	
Mail to: P&DARCS Christmas Dinner P.O Box 131 MDC, Cranbourne 3977	

PAINTING HELP REQUIRED

You may have noticed the Clubhouse west wall has been pressure washed in preparation for repainting, we need a helper who can work at height, to apply a coats of paint to the wall.

Facing West, the wall gets a hard time from the afternoon sun, and it is a bit worse for wear, it was last painted in 2010. Please see Daniel if you can help.

NOTICES #2

VISIT TO THE PUFFING BILLY WORKSHOPS AND MUSEUM

Craig Fitzsimons & Don White has made arrangements for our Members to visit the Puffing Billy facilities in Belgrave. Craig works at Puffing Billy & has organized a behind the scenes tour for us.

When : 10.00 AM on 19th January. Booking will be essential. Details to follow.

Where : Meet at the Puffing Billy Railway Station Belgrave

Itinerary :

- A **behind the scenes tour** of the famous Puffing Billy Railway Workshops
- Viewing all the heavy machinery used to maintain our steam locomotive fleet, plus detailed inspection of a stripped-down NA loco
- There will be Locos in steam
- A short 10 minute drive to **Menzies Creek Museum**, then a grand tour of the rolling stock, plus narrow gauge steam Locomotives
- Our original 3a locomotive is on display, which is waiting for a rebuild one day, our oldest engine dating back to the early 1900s
- Lots of other International narrow gauge locomotives will be on display

BBQ lunch will be provided, the tour will finish mid' afternoon

Important, **STURDY ENCLOSED FOOTWEAR MUST BE WORN**



CLASSIC AND VINTAGE MODELS FLYING DAY

This event will be held at our Flying Field, on Sunday 2nd February 2020

The proposed events schedule will be:

- **Foam Glider mass launch**
- **Classic Aero flight**
- **Fun Fly**

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

What a great day we had last Sunday at the Scratch /Kit Built scale event.

I know the weather was trying to make things difficult for us but, hardy fellows that we are, air activities proceeded irrespective. Congratulations are due to Ivan, Andrew, and all those willing workers who helped out where required, and a special mention for the mower crew and all those who gave the field its magnificent dressing for the day.

This is the kind of team work which not only makes us able to present such high quality events, but also reinforces the great camaraderie for which we are so well known.

"Work in progress" models were very scarce, with only two or three to be seen, well done to those who brought them out, they help to reinforce the whole atmosphere of the day.

Our next big one will be the "Monty". Be sure you have your models ready and rearing to go. There's about three months for you to practice what ever it is you have planned.

May you and yours have an enjoyable and safe Christmas / New Year break,---Hope Santa brings you lots of goodies

All for now,

Bill Reynolds President

SECRETARY'S REPORT

**Minutes of the P&DARCS General Meeting Held Saturday
November 2nd
2019**

At Burley Field Cardinia.

Meeting to Open: 1:00 PM

Chair for this meeting: President Bill Reynolds

Members Present: 24

Apologies: Nil

Minutes of previous Meeting: Motion that the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted
Moved Mark Smith, Seconded Wally Schubach CARRIED

Business Arising from Previous Minutes;
Nil.

Reports

President:

President welcomed Craig Fitzsimons to the committee. He presented Daniel Jenkins with the "Drowned Rat" award for his effort in high pressure water cleaning of the club room wall.

Secretary:

Reminder that next Sunday the Scratch Built Rally is on. There is also a working bee on Sat to prepare the field for the Rally.
Secretary thanked the sponsors for the Rally; Hobbyman ; TTT Insurance ; Balsa Central and My Tool Store and asked members to support these businesses

Treasurer:

The Treasurer updated the members of the club of the club's financial state.

Treasurer moved his report be accepted. Seconded Peter Harrison CARRIED

Registrar:

Prospective members announce;

Michael Kwan, Burwood- Probationary Member

Guy Mehegan, Endeavour Hills - Junior Member

Christopher Morrow, Cranbourne - Probationary Member

Facilities Manager:

Paul reported that he had built a cradle to hold the generator on the water cart. Also a shelf for the washing machine has been installed.

Field Manager:

Norm advised that the trailing deck on the Fergy will be used to cut the grass around the edges of the runways. He also advised that Craig is to assist him on the Field Managers job.

Safety Officer:

Alan advised that he was currently working through a revision of the Club Rules and the MAAA Insurance. He was still trying to get a copy of the MAAA policy. It was noted that the Club is instituting a system to ensure that all models requiring permits have them. This will be the form of a register book kept in the club rooms. He also noted that he had received a Fire Safety article from the MAAA President which was passed onto the editor for publication.

Webmaster:

The club site has experienced a serious attack but they attackers did not succeed.

Social:

X-Mass party has been set and those that wish to attend must make payment .

Tentatively working on an excursion to the Puffing Billy workshops.

Club Captain:

Presentation to Members re the rules for the VMAA being alter which will require some funds for acquiring some new models. The members were in support of the committee using the required funds.

General Business

11.1 Car Parking at Hay Shed. There is to be no parking east of the eastern end of the Hayshed and along side of the Club house. These areas are for access from car park to the pits.

11.2 New Public Address System for Club.

Peter Harris made a presentation as to the Committee's proposal for the purchase of a new Public Address system for the Club for about \$1700.

It was moved by Peter Harris The Club purchase a new public address system as recommended by the Committee. Seconded David Glossop CARRIED ACTION; Committee to organize.

Meeting Closed 1:58 pm

Next Club meeting Saturday 7th December 2019 at 1PM

Ivan Chiselett , Secretary

REGISTRAR

Registrars Report – November 2019

New Member Applications

New members this month

Cameron Sexton, Frankston Heights Junior Member
Gavan Sexton, Frankston Heights Probationary Member

Any objections to this member application may be raised by sending in an official objection in writing to the Secretary. Note that only FULL members have the right to raise an objection.

AWARDS

Congratulations to the following Members on their awards.

Adam Barker – Gold Wings (power)

Simon Ventevogal – Gold Wings (power)

Membership Status

	Paid 2019-20	Unpaid	New 19-20
Associate	19	0	0
Full	100	5	0
Honorary	2	0	2
Junior	4	0	1
Life	3	0	0
Pensioner	22	3	0
Probationary	8	0	5
Prospective	3	0	2
Student	0	0	0
Spouse	0	0	0
Total Paid	161	8	10

Rob Till Registrar

Scratch and Kit Built Scale Rally Day November 10th

Report by Ivan Chiselett

The weather Gods were not interested in helping the cause this year. The weather leading up to the event was to say the least, rubbish. Fortunately, the day before the rally the rain held off so that the band of helpers were able to set up the field ready for the event. The field looked fantastic and a big thanks to Norm Morrish and his team for getting the field looking so great.

Sunday dawned with a "not too good forecast" but actually it was not too bad, certainly flyable and fortunately no rain. The early era bi and tri planes certainly led the pack with flying beating the mono planes into the air.

There were certainly some very interesting aircraft in attendance. Dave Chivers had his very large almost finished Caribou, very impressive and apparently it will be ready for the Monty Tyrrell in March. Dave Law was flying a fantastic Gloster Gladiator built by recently departed master modeller Norm Butler. Norm's son also had another of his models, a 1/4 scale Wildcat. It was great to see these models out flying even after Norm's passing.

A big thank you to my team of helpers that man the gate and flight line and also prepared the field for the day. Without their help we would be unable to run these types of days at our field. We also christened our new PA system and from all accounts it worked very well and was a lot clearer for those here.

Thanks to Alan and Daniel for their efforts in getting the system set up.

It was great to see the Hobbyman "shop" displaying lots of great modelling gear. It certainly adds to the atmosphere of the day with trade displays.

The wash up was of the event was;

25 registered pilots 35 planes.

Best Model – Gladiator (118" Wing span) – David Law pilot - David received the Bosch Radom Sander donated by **My Tool Store**

President's Award – Wildcat (1/4 scale 112" Wing Span) – Alex Butler Pilot – Alex received a \$50 voucher from **The Hobbyman**.

Raffle Winner of the Corsair ARF donated by **The Hobbyman** was David Walsh (lucky dude) Helpers lucky draw winner was Daniel Jenkins.

All modellers registered received a balsa wood pack compliments of **Balsa Central**
I would like to thank our great Sponsors;

The Hobbyman ;
TTT Insurance ;
& My Tool Store

And also the **ladies from the Cardinia School for catering for the event.**

Please support these businesses as they support us.

Let's hope that the weather gods are kinder to us next year and that we get lots more modellers attending.

Don't forget the Monty Tyrrell Scale Rally at the field on Sunday March 22 2020. Again we have a Display Permit for this event and thus please put the word out among friends and neighbours inviting them to attend as this events generally has lots of great models due to it being open to all classes of scale aircraft including ARF's.

Photos from the day on the following pages

Scratch and Kit Built Scale Rally Day

November 10th

Some photos from the Event



Harrison Ritter's Cub



Dave' Law's 1/4 scale Gloster Gladiator



Brian Evans neat model



Alex Butler 1/4 scale Wildcat



Brian Green's Spitfire, pilot Steven Green



Pilot briefing by Daniel Jenkins



Presentation of prizes under way



Hobby Man display tent in the background, busy hay shed activities assembling models

Melbourne Cup Day Scale Aerotow at P&DARCS

Tuesday 5th November



Some of the models lined up



Pilots briefing



Balint setting up Harrison's Tow model



Some gliders waiting for launch



Full throttle and starting the take – off run

Some Aerobatic news from Norm Morrish



Dave Gibbs nice scratch built F3A model
Just prior to a successful maiden flight



Glenn Orchard preparing his Imac machine
for flight, Christina Banko in the background
reliving her childhood



Glenn Orchard's charred model, Norm M took
charge of it to do a rebuild



Fiberglass repair under way



Norm bought the wreck off Glenno, Glen Cosser made a mould off
Norm's good Bipe and Simon Ventvogel made the fibreglass pieces
required so that Norm could repair it, and use it as a good practice
model

P&DARCS CALENDAR FOR 2019-2020

December 2019

07 (Sat) 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm [Club Meeting](#)

08 (Sun) [VPA Pattern](#) Field Open: **No**

14 (Sat) [P&DARCS Christmas Dinner & Twi-Fly](#)

January 2020

19 (Sun) 10:00 am - 2:00 pm [Puffing Billy Workshop Tour](#)

23 (Thu) 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm [Committee Meeting](#)

February

01 (Sat) 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm [Club Meeting](#)

02 (Sun) [Classic & Vintage Day](#) Field Open: **Partial**

20 (Thu) 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm [Committee Meeting](#)

29 (Sat) 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm [Hobbyman STOL Competition](#) Field Open: **Partial**

29 (Sat) [Twi-Fly](#)

March

07 (Sat) 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm [Club Meeting](#)

19 (Thu) 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm [Committee Meeting](#)

21 (Sat) 9:00 am - 3:00 pm [Mini Working Bee for Monty Tyrrell](#) Field Open: **No**

22 (Sun) [Monty Tyrrell Scale Rally 2020](#) Field Open: **No**

April

04 (Sat) 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm [Club Meeting](#)

18 (Sat) - 19 (Sun) [VMAA Trophy](#) Field Open: **No**

23 (Thu) 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm [Committee Meeting](#)

25 (Sat) [Twi-Fly](#)

25 (Sat) 11:00 am - 11:30 am [Anzac Day Ceremony](#) Field Open: **No**

May

02 (Sat) 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm [Club Meeting](#)

21 (Thu) 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm [Committee Meeting](#)

June

06 (Sat) 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm [Club Meeting](#)

18 (Thu) 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm [Committee Meeting](#)

July

04 (Sat) 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm [Club Meeting](#)

23 (Thu) 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm [Committee Meeting](#)

August

01 (Sat) 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm [P&DARCS AGM](#)

20 (Thu) 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm [Committee Meeting](#)

September

05 (Sat) 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm [Club Meeting](#)

17 (Thu) 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm [Committee Meeting](#)

October

03 (Sat) 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm [Club Meeting & Coop AGM](#)

22 (Thu) 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm [Committee Meeting](#)

24 (Sat) [Spring Clean & Working Bee](#) Field Open: **No**

31 (Sat) - 01 (Sun) [Twi-Fly](#)

November

03 (Tue) [Melbourne Cup Aero Tow](#) Field Open: **Partial**

07 (Sat) 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm [Club Meeting](#)

07 (Sat) 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm [Mini Working Bee for Rally](#) Field Open: **No**

08 (Sun) [P&DARCS Scratch / Kit Built Scale Rally](#) Field Open: **No**

19 (Thu) 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm [Committee Meeting](#)

December

05 (Sat) 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm [Club Meeting](#)

06 (Sun) [VPA Pattern](#) Field Open: **No**

12 (Sat) [P&DARCS Christmas Dinner & Twi-Fly](#)



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