

# The Western Port Flyer

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WPMAC Newsletter Nov 2010

### Message from the President

Hi to all members

Just a warning on the weather as it is heating up. I have bought some sun screen and put it in the kitchen so please use it. I have noticed that a lot of people are not wearing hats when out in the pilot's box please for your protection wear one please.

A big thanks to Shane for finishing the pot belly stove and also to him and Richard for starting on the install of the generator in the container. Thanks also for the guys who turned up for the working bee.

A couple of weeks ago it was bought to my attention that the communication in the pilots box was poor. You must indicate to others your intentions - it just makes it better for all. Also if anyone is having trouble when flying don't feel bad asking for help as there are heaps of people to help you. It's better to ask than to lose a plane.

I have to thank Riley for letting me fly his Trojan. (hmmmm - Ed)

Remember our last meeting for the year is on the  $15^{th}$  so make the effort to turn up and bring some nibbles. I wish everyone a happy Xmas and happy new year.

Thanks Brian

#### Message from Ed.

Hi All

So here we are again at the end of another year. The sun's getting warmer and our unpredictable weather is as predictable as ever.

We have seen some great flying lately, from some full on combat, to Graeme's expedition to Jack's beach and beyond (which isn't actually visible from the club - but nice flying anyway).

We have a few new members with us, some more improvements to the field, and some more funding for some of those nice to have extras, thanks to Stephen Gray.

The wpmac.com.au web site is getting a little more attention, and will now be showing our sponsors ads. Please use them as your suppliers to show our appreciation. I would also like to get a 'Crash Corner' going on the web site, so bring on the photos please.

A big thanks to everyone who has made newsletter contributions during the year - its great to get your input. And more is always welcome. (hint hint)

So anyway, best wishes to everyone for Christmas and a safe new year.

Hardy (Ed)

#### **Club Meeting Brief**, held at Bittern fire station, Tue 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2010

Bree and Jason from Harcourts payed us a visit again to answer any questions and clarify the referrals procedure. If you know someone about to sell a house, please complete the form and recommend that the sale be listed with Harcourts, Hastings. The form can be given either directly to Harcourts, to the seller, or to one of the WPMAC committee members.

The Marrand Engineering proposal for sponsorship of the Hastings day fesival airshow was made, but no feedback received yet. Well done to Stephen and Brian. It reportedly was well received.

Engraving for the trophies handed out recently has been organised. Please drop them into Hastings Hobbies, or to Brian's house. (contact details at the end - Ed.)

A Working bee is planned for Nov 28th to finish the concrete pad laying. As usual, free lunch will be provided for all the workers.

GT Models has been invited to show some of their new models at the next club meeting, due to be held Tue Dec 14th at Bittern Fire Station.

Matt brought in some new gear available through Hastings Hobbies. Among the items were a new OS 65 (??), A DX8 radio with telemetry (flight data signals returned to the controller), some very classy spinners from Pheonix, and

Hinge glue (not for CA hinges).

**Events Calendar** 





Pheonix's new spinner.

Rob Meredith also brought in his Cub he is selling - refer below.

At the next meeting, we will finalise a date for our annual Christmas family day. Aiming for Feb 2011, with some night flying, catering and more.

Last but not least, Keith managed to pull off about 5 winners in the raffle.

tba. WPMAC Christmas family day

19/20 Feb WPMAC-Marrand Eng Airshow at Westerport Festival

9 Mar WPMACs 21st Birthday - Champas for all.



Spektrum's new dx8 radio with telemetry.

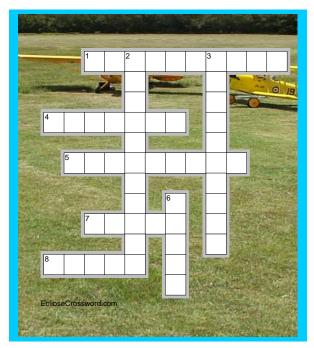
#### **Riddlers Crossword**

#### Across

- 1. We must put our rubbish in this.
- Should use these on all control links (hey Riddler - sounds like last months word).
- 5. We have just purchased this for some power
- 7. He will soon visit all who have been good.
- 8. These little buggers are a big pest down the field.

#### **Down**

- 2. All flyers should aim to earn these.
- 3. Hardy loves this sophosticated machine.
- 6. These planes are very nibble and aggile.



Solution will be published in next months newsletter.

#### Flying Philosophy 101.

#### Why Helicopter Pilots Are Different.

The thing is, helicopters are different from planes.

An airplane by its nature wants to fly, and if not interfered with too strongly by unusual events or by a deliberately incompetent pilot, it will fly.

A helicopter does not want to fly.

It is maintained in the air by a variety of forces and controls working in opposition to each other, and if there is any disturbance in this delicate balance, the helicopter stops flying - immediately and disastrously.

There is no such thing as a gliding helicopter.

This is why being a helicopter pilot is so different from being an airplane pilot, and why in generality, airplane pilots are open, clear eyed buoyant extroverts and helicopter pilots are brooding introspective anticipators of trouble.

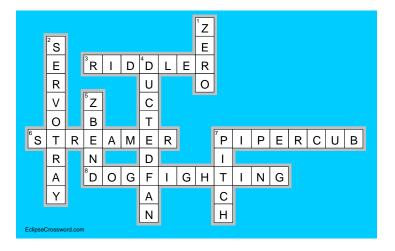
They know if something bad has not happened, it is about to.

- Harry Reasoner, Feb 16, 1971

## Answers

Here is last month's solution to the riddlers crossword.





# Gallery







One nice piece of work in front of another. Great pads guys.



Corflute to the rescue. Recognise this Stephen?



Well Graeme - caught any fish yet?



It lived to die another day (twice) - Thanks Alistair.

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#### **Newsletter Submissions**

Articles by members for publication are welcome and encouraged. Please contribute something so that others can benefit from your experiences. It is preferred that they be submitted electronically (via email) to editor@wpmac.com.au., but as it would be real nice to get some input from members who haven't done so, I will take anything - even your screwed up photos or whatever. Remember, this is YOUR newsletter - please contribute to help make it a better publication!

Thanks to Brian Holmes and the Riddler for contributions to this months newsletter.

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