

The Western Port Flyer

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Newsletter of the Westernport Model Aircraft Club.

Oct 2011

Message from the President

Hi All

Well we had to postpone the scale day again due to the bad weather that was a good call Mr Newman, we are going to just keep moving it forward until we get weather so please all be patient. The weather is becoming better so it won't be long before we can have our scale day, so clean all those nice war birds.

The field is looking really good but please be careful when venturing off the field to get your planes in the grass as there could be some snakes around now with the good weather upon us.

As I mentioned at the last meeting my biggest pet hate is finding used rubber bands laying on the ground under the cover area, please if finished with them put them in the bin, it's not that hard thanks.

I rang Len Butcher the other day, the committee and Len are going through the Emergency and Risk Management Plan. for WPMAC. We will keep all members informed. The drive into the club is getting very dry so please could you all drive in slow to minimise the dust. The working bee is coming up in November we need whipper snippers, poison spray cans, and could someone bring a trailer so we can put some gravel in the pot holes in the drive. Just to let all members know B1 (Brian Watts) is ill at the moment. Brian we all wish you a speedy recovery.

It's good to see new faces down at the field and at the last meeting. Have a safe and fun fly as it is a great sport.

Thanks Brian Holmes.

Ed's word...

Hi All.

I'm still battling with OpenOffice to make the Newsletter. Its been crashing on me lately, and software updates dont work. So its taken a while to make any progress. Anyway, lots of people turned up for the scale day we didn't have the other weekend - We discussed this at the last committee meeting, and will endeavour to be a little more organised next time

In a previous meeting, Neil Black enquired what was being done to purchase land, a topic that founding members were keen to see actioned. The committee has decided to follow up this activity, and will create a small subcommittee of talented and knowledgeable people to pursue the idea. If you would be interested to assist, please let one of the committee members know. More details at the next club meeting.

There has been a suggestion at via the <u>Clubs Suggestion Scheme</u>, to create a crash register for recording all our diving attempts. The register will be available online, but some

paper forms will be available at the field for keen people. Note that you must have your crash recorded in the new register, for it to be eligible for the best crash award at the next AGM (we may vary this rule if it takes longer than expected to set up the new register). Thanks Jeff Hone for the suggestion. You are in the running for the best suggestion award this year.

See you at the **Working Bee - Sun Nov 13th**. Ed.

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Club Meeting Brief, held at Crib Point Community House, 11 Oct, 2011

Not so many ground breaking topics were discussed at the Oct meeting.

There was a proposal to rename the Alan Richie Memorial Scale Comp, to John Bentley's. This has been considered, but is not happening currently. Given that the J.B. scale day was postponed and until now has not been rescheduled, it is proposed that the Alan Richie day coming up will be the John Bentley Scale day, and the Alan Richie day would be postponed.

(Post meeting note. Now that the Rescheduled John Bentley day (Oct 16th) was crap weather, and was rescheduled to the following Sunday - where no one turned up in time to start the comp, it too has been rescheduled again. So the rescheduled rescheduled postponed John Bentley Scale comp is yet to be decided, and the rescheduled Alan Richie day is in the same boat plane.)

People are still leaving rubbish on the ground around the field. Please clean up after yourselves people. Especially rubber bands - pick them up and bin them please. Thanks.

Next meeting scheduled for Tue Nov 8th, at Crib Point Community House.



Around the traps by Stephen Gray

Part Three.

Project Mozzy - the De Havilland Mosquito Mark VI continues. The engine nacelles and retracts have now been completed, gradual cutting and sanding eventually allowed for enough clearance. Wheels go up, wheels go down.



I chose to fit an aftermarket moulding around the landing gear, and although not accurate in detail to the original the look is at least robust. Testing under load will occur - to be declassified at a later date.

The aircraft has now been assembled for Pilot training should hesthetic purposes only, Servo's have been Christmas 1943. TBC

installed, left wing ailerons and flaps are still to be permanently fitted.



Aircraft will later be dismantled for installation of internal wiring, as well as 40 amp ESC's. The engines are AXI2814/10 and the power supply is from a 5000mah 11.1v as recommended. Unfortunatley no Merlins available at the scale required. And most importantly the receiver will need to be attached.

Further project consideration may be for Bomb drop capability.

Pilot training should hopefully be underway by Christmas 1943. TBC

Rabbitleader - Out.





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Member Profile



Name: Julie Garro

Occupation: Animal Welfare (chook packer at

Inghams)

Age: 46 years young

Julie likes to paint – pictures that is, not walls. She also enjoys cooking, sewing, leadlighting and other crafty activities.

How did you get started in this hobby ? *My Dad introduced me to model aircraft.*

What would you say is your greatest achievement so far?

Raising three children.

Most memorable club moment?

I have several says Julie. My 1st solo flight, my bronze wings and my trophy – I'm really pleased with all of them.

Favourite model you've flown? Don't have one yet.. TBA

Do you recall how many aircraft you've lost?

Only a Classic says Julie. However, when

pressed for details, she admits crashing another plane in the pylon and yet another during an aborted takeoff.

Build from scratch or ARF, any preference?Only ARF..

What type of aircraft are you currently flying?

I have my pylon racing Classic, a Dragon Lady, and a Seagull 40.



Julie with her Dragon Lady

Your favourite Movie ? *Something about Mary.*

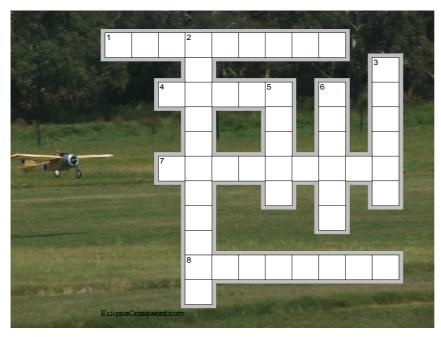
Words of wisdom you would impart to a beginner?

Be patient with yourself, and keep fingers away from props.

If you had the money, what would be your dream car and what would you be flying?

I'd be driving the latest Peter Brock Special, and would be flying a large scale PC-9.

Riddlers Crossword



Across

- 1. What did the YF-12A become
- 4. What timber was used to build the spruce goose ?
- 7. What is a whittle unit?
- 8. Who built the first full scale flying wing

Down

- 2. Identifying feature of the Spitty Mk XII
- 3. First man to fly faster than sound (surname)
- 5. WWII German test pilot (first name)
- 6. Favourite watering hole for Muroc Fliers.

Sponsor's Corner by Stephen Gray

On the 2nd of October Keith our Competition Director conducted our third Pylon Race for the year. Each pilot entered in this event will represent one of our sponsors over the period of the competition.

Sponsors - At the end of the year, during our AGM in August 2012, a trophy with sponsor identification will be awarded to the successful pilot.

We ask that if your organization is successful in winning this event that you may wish to make yourself or a representative of your organization available for the presentation.

We hope you follow these events with interest, and please visit the field at any time.

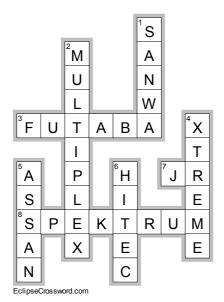
The Top five pilots and sponsors from Round 3 are listed in no specific order:

- M. Bourne Myers Electrical Services.
- A. Cox BTRE.
- R. Cawthra Addies Hobbies.
- R. Kerwin Middys Data & Electrical.
- N. Black Hastings Hobbies.





Riddlers Answers from last month





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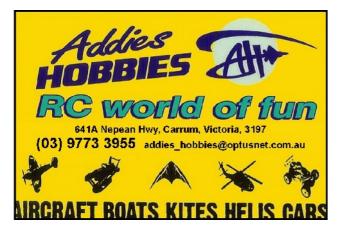
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WPMAC Events Calendar for 2011/2012

| Month | WPMAC Meeting | Keith's Pylon Race | Keith's Comp's | Working Ree's | Special Events | Scale Day's |
|-------|------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|------------------|----------------------|--|
| Nov | 8th | 6th | 13th | 13th | | 27th Scale & ARF John Bentley Memorial Trophy |
| Dec | ıgth | 4th | 18th | | | |
| Jan | 10th | īst | 15th | | | |
| Feb | 14th | 5th | 19th | | | |
| Mar | 13th | 4th | 18th | | | |
| April | 10th | ıst | 15th | | 14th Bunnings BBQ | |









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Newsletter Submissions

If you have anything of interest to share with other like minded modellers, please send me your stuff by the 2nd Tues of each month (ie - Club meeting dates). The best submission each year, is awarded a prize.

For this newsletter - thanks again to, Brian Holmes, Stephen Gray and the Riddler.