



The Western Port Flyer

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Newsletter of the Westernport Model Aircraft Club.

Jan 2012

Message from the President

I hope everyone had a great xmas and new year, and please drive safely on our roads over the holiday period.

The committee is on track with the Hasting day festival , lots of prep for this and at the Feb meeting we need your support to help on the day , e.g.: main parade float, crowd control, ect. So please put your hands up to help thanks.

I have to say a very big thanks to Steven Gray for his organising of the BATTLE SEQUENCE, making the tanks, rockets, pillar boxes and pyrotechnics this will be a great part of our display thanks again Steve.


Please all be very careful if you have to go to the outfield to get your plane as there has been heaps of snake bites on the peninsula , I am trying to keep the outfield short but keep an eye out, if you are on your own flying it would be a good idea to keep your mobile phone in your pocket.

A note to all smokers please use the ashtrays

around the undercover area as when I was whipper sniping there I found heaps of butts on the ground, just be a little bit more considerate for the other members.

Thanks Wolfman for the tin on the front of the club rooms, great job.

Thanks Brian



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Airshow

~~Members are reminded that our annual airshow at Hastings Foreshore will be conducted on Saturday 25.2.12. If you are available to help out in any way.....be aware this year we have a float in the street parade, and a load of jobs that need to be filled, as well as possibly some flying... then put your hand up. (See below for details—Ed).~~

Indoor Flying

We are aiming for an initial start up date of Friday 2 of March at 7.00 pm going through to 9.00 pm. All members welcome. Test those skills in doors without the fear of smashing that treasured ornament from the mother-in-law. Whether your interest is in the micro heli's or planes....bring them both. Venue is Red Hill Consolidated, this event is at a cost to members, so bring your wallet \$5 - 10 depending on attendance and interest. The more turn up, the cheaper it gets.

Bunnings BBQ

The club will be raising funds by conducting a BBQ at Bunnings - Hastings on the 14th of March. Volunteers would be appreciated.....so if you can spare a few hours or less please let Stephen Gray know. Guaranteed at least once sausage per shift, good parking and easy access to your favourite Hardware store.

Club Meeting Brief, held at Crib Point Community House, Tue 10 Jan, 2012

Not much to report for the Jan meeting. Keith announced that the next comp would be musical planes (but the comp didn't end up happening due mainly to lack of flyers).

The WPMAC web site is due to be relocated, so will be unavailable for a short time in following week. (Its all done now - ed).

Plans for the westernport festival airshow are well underway. People will be required to fill various positions to make it all work.

We are also planning to participate in the parade down the main street - details below and people required for this too.

Dec 13th club meeting brief:

Tony Smith and Neil Black have both volunteered for the land purchase subcommittee. Any meeting for this will be held off until after the airshow, due to workload and commitments.

A reminder to anyone still holding a yellow key - please return them, to the Registrar - Stephen Gray.

Hastings Hobbies made discount racers available for club members to use in the pylon comp, and the a number of them purchased have not yet entered the comp.

Classifieds

Bandsaw for Sale. GMC Brand - still working well, with spare blade. Need to sell to make room for a bigger one !

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Come on guys (and girls) - bring your racers and get into the action. If you don't intend to use it for racing, please sell them to those that will, as Matt was having trouble getting more.

General note on the kitchen at the field - please keep it clean. If you use a cup or plate, please clean it. And DONT leave food in the fridge please.

A reminder that for new members wishing to join - you MUST get your membership form from the Registrar. Copied forms are not accepted.

Stephen Gray announced the plans for the indoor night - planned to be held at Red Hill Consolidated, on Fri March 2nd, from 7pm to 9pm. Cost approx \$5 to \$10 per pilot. Gold coin donation for spectators would be helpful to cover the hall hire costs. Pilots must wear soft soled shoes. We will aim for the first Fri of each month for the indoor, depending on the success of the first one. Helis and Planes will fly separately.

The committee is looking for bumper sticker ideas. If you can think of a suitable slogan, then [click here](#) and send in your suggestion.

Next meeting scheduled for Tue 14th Feb, at Crib Point Community House.



Tech Article

It has been reported, that even experienced aeromodellers have the occasional memory block, and so for the record, here is a couple of pointers that you can print out, and stick on the wall of your ~~shop~~ workshop.

How to attach a deans connector to a battery

There is an ancient storey of a modeller who once attached a plug to a battery instead of a socket. History is not quite decided yet what to think, but the WPMAC committee wanted to provide all our readers with a simple flowchart on the correct way to do it. Please refer to the last page of the newsletter for the flowchart.

How to build a new plane.

1. Follow the provided instructions.
2. Skip the bit where you have to put a hole in the cowl, for your glow plug driver.
3. Take the plane down to the club, and tell everyone about it.
4. Then try and start it.

Thanks - whoever it was that shared that valuable bit of info - I didn't get your name. - Ed.
And thanks to Hastings Hobbies for sponsoring this article.

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Airshow Planning

Sorry All. As the required permits from VMAA/CASA were not forthcoming, the Airshow and Parade have been cancelled for this year. The reason given was that the area proposed was not large enough for some of our aircraft.

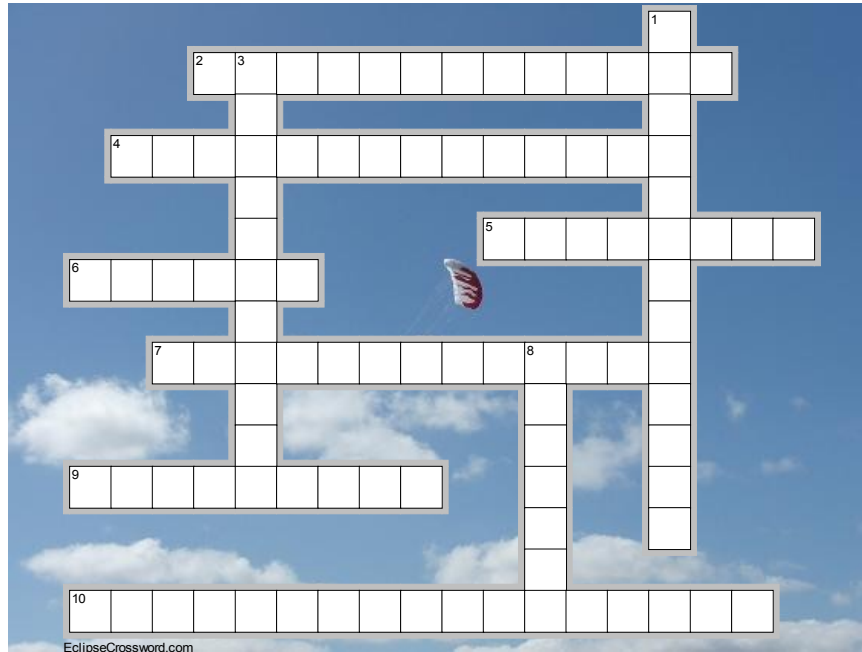
So we will endeavour to find a compromise for next year, either by enlarging the area on the foreshore, or finding another venue. If you have any suggestions - please forward them to the committee, or bring it up at the next meeting.

In lieu of the airshow, here are some pickys of what could have been an airshow.

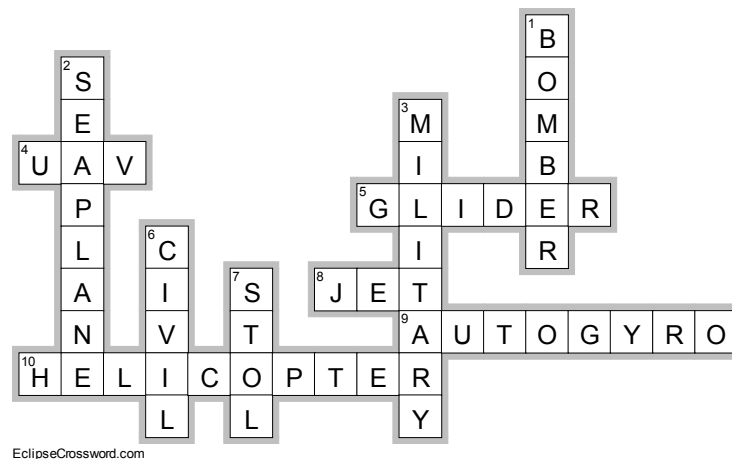



Riddlers Crossword

This month's crossword theme:
The 10 best tools an aeromodeller can have




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A Word From Our Sponsors

On the 4th of December Keith our Competition Director conducted our fifth Pylon Race for the year. Each pilot entered in this event will represent one of our sponsors over the period of the competition.

Overcast, drizzle and a cold wind was the order of the day or so it appeared. The heater was filled with wood and fired up, the kettle was boiled, a few pilots tested their aircraft and then came running for shelter and coffee as it rained. But things changed shortly. The rain stopped and the order was given to "Give it a go"

To state that events were exiting is an understatement, they were hilarious, first heat saw much ducking and weaving, and it could be argued that precision in turns and accuracy was a little to be desired, however the highlight came immediately after a turn when Bob Kerwin and Alistair Cox had a get together mid air, the result being that Alistair was locked on top of Bob's classic, for at least 1.5 to 2 sec, then separated with dead sticks, both were able to glide back to the strip with no carnage Bob did suffer some mechanical damage but in his usual display of confidence he was able to fix the problem and continue in the remaining heats.

A few of the starts were a little messy with aircraft having trouble getting of the ground, Ashley appeared to have intermittent servo issues that saw him looping the sky's instead of the field, and Michael Newman couldn't of gotten closer to the ground in some of his turns unless he was landing, much fun was had by all, so come on down even if you are not flying for the next event, Keith can always use the help in counting laps.

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 5 are listed in no specific order:

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Due to being a bit overstocked, I'm going to list these "NIB" engines on E-bay if anyone is interested before I list them, please call me.

1 X OS FT-120 Gemini II
 2 X OS FS-120SE
 1 X OS FS-91SII Pump
 1 X OS FS-90
 2 X OS FS-30S
 1 X OS FS-20
 1 X SAITO FA-65
 1 X SAITO FA-45
 2 X ENYA 46-4C
 1 X ENYA R120-4C
 1 X HP 120 Gold Cup Inline Twin (2S)
 1 X Ross 60 Horizontal Twin (2S)
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Thanks, Barry 0427314276.



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Events Calendar

WPMAC Events Calendar for 2012

Month	WPMAC Meeting	Keith's Pylon Race	Keith's Comp's	Working Bee's	Special Events	Seale Day's
Jan	10th	1st	15th			
Feb	14th	5th	19th		25th Western Port Festival	
Mar	13th	4th	18th		4th Tyabb Airshow	
April	10th	1st	15th		14th Bunnings BBQ	
May	8th	6th	13th			
June	12th	3rd	10th		30th MAAA Membership Expires	
July	10th	1st	8th			
August	14th	5th	12th		14th AGM Key Exchange	

Gallery



Arrrggghhh.
This looks like a job for SuperGlue

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