

AFFS Champs 2004 - Narrandera: The Cauldron of Competition
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For all of those young people who know everything and the older ones who have forgotten everything, this competition is a qualifier for the Australian team to attend the World champs, a chance to retrieve the Rosebowl (from those bloody Kiwis), and the opportunity to get some world championship points to show the rest of the world that we can actually fly toy airplanes, (many of these we purchase from the Europeans)

Day 1. Karen and I went to the field early thinking a few quick trimming flights then back for a power sleep, a re-provision, then back to the field for the real thing. As usual it did not happen. Trim trim trim then a mad race to Narrandera for the goodies and then back to the field. There was a midday start with the usual warm up events and this gave the huge field of competitors a chance to meet and greet. No real results in this report just some partisan comments about some of the participants especially the 'Spastics' who try to fly at Richmond each Friday morning.

Karen managed 3rd in combined percentage on the day and me, the big 007 smashed all those blokes who had runners in the scramble.

Day 2. This was to be a big day. F1A, and competition for the Rosebowl-NZ Vs Aus over the three F1 disciplines. Unfortunately the kiwis could not field a full team. Only one F1B and no F1C flyers. The kiwis were smart enough to field a real good F1A team and sacrificed the rest. Unfortunately our F1A team fell in a hole and we lost the bloody Rosebowl again, damn!!! There was a big fly off in F1A and I cannot remember the placings but Kocharev, Hines and Mitchell did good.

P30 was hard fought and 5 or so managed to make the fly off. Tahn was one of these and for the first time in 20 years he made a fly off. Others would have been there but the conditions were so good the models had flown away. Hegarty ran out of models and took 2 days to find his model with tracker attached, Suzanne lost hers, I smashed the wing on my model when the receiver fell out of my pocket and crushed the wing. I think Percy did OK but the fly off the next day put paid to most ambitions. Vin did the win again, bugger!!! Nicholas got a mention here and had to be restrained from drinking the wine on the field at the presentation. Love your style Nick!

Having a senior moment about open rubber but it is the best I can do at short notice. Roy flew his big model and I think did well but where is his really big model?

Day 3. F1B and F1C. This was I thought, my big day. I had been practicing for a while but so had some others. Mentioned in dispatches is Percy Wright who maxed out in F1B after a 4-month (lifetime) career using below par second hand models. His practice and determination at Richmond have paid off. Peter Sikora, Percy, John Lewis and Lardy Horak and I made the 5-minute round and the fly off the next day, early.

A lot of other things were happening at the same time, Karen was also flying F1B so I was very busy helping. Karen also a beginner managed 8th. Jim Christie and Col Williamson were hard at it losing models faster that they could replenish and Jim's Fullerton Floater was seen disappearing over the horizon with my number 4 tracker installed as ballast never to be seen again. Ho hum! I think Brett Mitchell got into the fly off with his old man in vintage glider at this time as well---creamed his old man the next day too!

F1C was also under way only John Fletcher and The Beast managed the Max to fly the next day early. Roy and 'CallmeHenny' did not make the cut! Fletch got the win. Bill had an overrun and could not get his second model into the air quick

enough.

Day 4. Seven minute fly off for the F1B this day 7 am. All 5 flyers ready and willing! I wound and went, as did the others all within a minute or so. Me 1st, Peter 2nd, John 3rd, Percy 4th, Lardy 5th. Cloud 9 for bunch of blokes! Could not follow the whole shooting match at this stage but F1G was another story. No wind, only drift, suspect lift and massive sink put paid to most. Paul Rossiter, Jim Christie and, Col Williamson were in for the fly off. Col had to return to Sydney so was happy to collect 3rd, Jim had lost his model and had a flat battery in his car on the field but was eligible to fly the next day. Unfortunately Jim's battery gave out early the next morning and he could not make the fly off. Paul won by default. Hegarty was still out looking for his P30 with tracker and eventually found it 6km down the road, thus reinforcing the usefulness of the Morgan tracker system. Dave was not convinced. He was still not convinced when we found his Gollywock some week's later kms away near Windsor. His distaste for electronic devices is Luddite based.

Results

COMBINED % OPEN FRIDAY 9 APRIL

1st	Mikhail Kochkarev	F1A	100	100	100	300	177.2
2nd	Bill Pudney	F1B	100	100	100	300	145.6
3rd	Karen Kenmir	P30	100	100	100	300	141.7
4th	Rob Wallace	F1A	100	100	100	300	136.1
5th	George Car	O/R	100	100	100	300	135.6
6th	Terry Bond	F1G	100	100	100	300	131.7
7th	Phil Mitchell	F1H	100	100	100	300	130.8
8th	Brian Van Nest	F1A	100	100	100	300	121.1
9th	Dave Hegarty	V/R	100	100	100	300	90.0
10th	Stan Hinds	F1J	100	100	100	300	86.7
11th	Mike Thomas	F1A	100	100	100	300	42.8
12th	Roy Summersby	F1J	100	100	100	300	0
12th	Craig King	F1A	100	100	100	300	DNF
14th	Col Collyer	O/P	100	81	100	281	
15th	Peter Nash	F1J	84	100	83	267	
16th	Jeremy Woolley	F1A	100	100	36	236	
17th	Col Somers	F1G	93	41	94	228	
18th	Des Slattery	F1J	52	100	66	218	
19th	Ted Woolley	F1B	63	41	100	204	
19th	Col Williamson	P30	100	100	4	204	
21st	Graham Maynard	O/R	100	91	0	191	

12th	Vera Lacey	AUS 5697	180	180	180	180	180	180	47	1127
13th	Henning Nyhegn	DEN 1901	180	176	180	180	180	180	47	1123
14th	Martin Williams	AUS 20702	162	151	167	180	180	180	77	1097
15th	Jeremy Woolley	AUS 39083	180	180	106	180	180	180	81	989
16th	Brett Mitchell(JR)	AUS 38150	89	149	20	135	180	180	180	933
17th	Moiria Vincent	NZL AM24	99	87	81	180	180	180	0	807
18th	Malcolm Campbell	AUS 52060	126	93	75	87	167	75	131	754
19th	Tahn Stowe	AUS 3184	168	180	166	0	0	0	0	514
20th	Lincoln Vincent	NZL AM18	31	59	103	0	0	0	0	193

OPEN RUBBER SATURDAY 10 APRIL

1st	Paul Rossiter	180	180	180	540	500
2nd	Peter Sikora	180	180	180	540	348
3rd	Dennis Parker	180	180	180	540	261
4th	Graham Maynard	180	180	180	540	234
5th	John Lewis	180	180	180	540	214
6th	Malcolm Campbell	180	180	180	540	199
7th	George Car	180	180	180	540	190
8th	Col Williamson	180	180	180	540	134
9th	Col Collyer	180	180	180	540	86
10th	Karen Kenmir	160	180	180	480	
11th	Sergio Montes	160	126	180	466	
12th	Col Somers	180	180	90	450	
13th	Ted Woolley	180	77	180	437	

OPEN POWER SATURDAY 10 APRIL

1st	Col Collyer	180	180	180	540	340
2nd	Peter Nash	180	180	180	540	282
3rd	Jon Fletcher	180	180	180	540	227
4th	Roy Summersby	180	180	158	518	
5th	Dennis Parker	180	180	110	470	
6th	Des Slattery	73		65	180	318

7th	Col Somers	87	180	0	267
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P30 SATURDAY 10 APRIL

1st	Vin Morgan	120	120	120	360	207
2nd	Paul Rossiter	120	120	120	360	205
3rd	Nicholas Kuilder	120	120	120	360	168
4th	Terry Bond	120	120	120	360	140
5th	Tahn Stowe	120	120	120	360	133
6th	Leigh Morgan	120	120	120	360	91
7th	Col Williamson	120	120	116	356	
8th	Roy Summersby	105	120	120	345	
9th	George Car	102	120	120	342	
10th	Karen Kenmir	120	120	28	268	
11th	Suzanne Hegarty	120	120	0	240	

F1B SUNDAY 11 APRIL

1st	Terry Bond (AUS)	180	180	180	180	180	180	180	1260	300	292	
2nd	Peter Sikora (AUS)	180	180	180	180	180	180	180	1260	300	247	
3rd	John Lewis (AUS)	180	180	180	180	180	180	180	1260	300		
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4th	Percy Wright (AUS)	180	180	180	180	180	180	180	1260	300	199	
5th	Ladi Horak (CAN)	180	180	180	180	180	180	180	1260	300	27	
6th	Leigh Morgan (AUS)	180	180	164	180	180	180	180	1244			
7th	Brian Van Nest (USA)	180	180	180	161	180	180	180	1241			
8th	Karen Kenmir (AUS)	180	173	180	165	180	177	180	1235			
9th	Richard Blackam (AUS)	180	180	180	180	150	180	180	1230			
10th	Paul Rossiter (AUS)	180	180	180	165	180	161	180	1226			
11th	David Lacy (AUS)	180	135	180	180	114	180	180	1149			
12th	Bill Pudney (AUS)	180	180	180	48	180	180	180	1128			
13th	Lincoln Vincent (NZL)				157	180	165	155	95	110	180	1042
14th	George Car (AUS)	124	120	180	145	180	0	0	749			
15th	Ted Woolley (AUS)	175	139	67	79	73	82	56	664			

F1C SUNDAY 11 APRIL

1st	Jon Fletcher (AUS)	180	180	180	180	180	180	180	1260	90
2nd 0	Bill East (AUS)	180	180	180	180	180	180	180	1260	
3rd	Roy Summersby (AUS)	162	180	180	175	180	180	180	1237	
4th	Peter Nash (AUS)	180	180	180	169	180	160	180	1229	
5th	Steve Rothwell (AUS)	180	176	180	178	89	180	166	1149	
6th	Stan Hinds (AUS)	180	163	180	37	180	180	180	1100	
7th	Henning Nyhegn (DEN)	0	0	0	157	180	149	161	547	

VINTAGE GLIDER SUNDAY 11 APRIL

1st	Brett Mitchell	1954 Nebula	180	180	180	540	343
2nd	Col Collyer	1952 Mantis	180	180	180	540	248
3rd	Phil Mitchell	1954 Nebula	180	180	180	540	238
4th	Vin Morgan	1953 Seraph	180	177	180	537	
5th	Des Slattery	1950 Odenmans'	177	180	166	523	
6th	Malcolm Campbell	1953 Seraph	104	180	180	464	
7th	Tahn Stowe	1944 Stormwind	62	68	73	203	

VINTAGE RUBBER SUNDAY 11 APRIL

1st	Col Collyer	1948 Lamb High Climber	180	180	180	540
2nd	Col Williamson	1937 Lanzo	180	180	143	503
3rd	Dennis Parker	1940 Lanzo Stik	180	180	112	472
4th 360	Jim Christie	1941 Gollywock	180	180		0
5th 339	Nicholas Kuilder	1950 Senator	113	78	148	
6th 185	George Car	1941 Lamb Climber	185	0	0	
7th 17	Col Somers	1950 Pogo Stick	17	0	0	

VINTAGE POWER SUNDAY 11 APRIL

1st 479	Peter Lloyd	1954 Zoot Suit	155	144	180
2nd 395	Col Somers	1953 Stomper	122	93	180
3rd 339	Col Collyer	1953 Stomper	81	78	180
4th 153	Dennis Parker	1953 Stomper	39	75	39
5th 0	Des Slattery 0 70	??			70

OZ DIESEL SUNDAY 11 APRIL

1st	Roy Summersby	120	120	87	120	120	567	
2nd	Des Slattery	120		92	120	120	113	565
3rd	Malcolm Campbell	98		69	120	95	86	468
4th	Steve Rothwell	120		13		0	0	0 133
5th	Col Somers	78		28		0	0	0 106
6th	George Car	69		5		0	0	0 74
7th	Graham Maynard	44		0	0	0	0	44

F1H MONDAY 12 APRIL

1st	Phil Mitchell	120	120	120	120	120	600	198
2nd	Brian Van Nest	120	120	120	120	120	600	180
3rd	Mikhail Kochkarev	120	120	120	120	120	600	0
4th	Mike Thomas	109	120	120	120	120	589	
5th	Jeremy Woolley	120	71	120	120	120	551	
6th	Des Slattery		73	93	120	120	43	449
7th	Malcolm Campbell	48	120	120	41	54	383	
8th	Moirra Vincent	105	37	59	120	59	380	
9th	George Car		69	38	74	0	74	255

F1G MONDAY 12 APRIL

1st 144	Paul Rossiter	120	120	120	120	120	600
2nd DNF	Jim Christie	120	120	120	120	120	600

2nd	Col Williamson			120	120	120	120	120	600	DNF
4th	Malcolm Campbell	120	117	120	120	120	597			
5th	Sergio Montes				59	119	115	120	115	528
6th	John Lewis				120	104	77	120	105	526
7th	Terry Bond				97	120	89	120	72	498

F1J MONDAY 12 APRIL

1st	Roy Summersby	120	120	120	120	120	600	??		
2nd	Stan Hinds		120	120	120	120	120	600	??	
3rd	Des Slattery	20		79	120	120	63	339		
4th	Col Somers	52		7	71	50	80	260		

HLG MONDAY 12 APRIL

1st 332	Craig King		60		50	42	60	60	60	
2nd	Len Surtees	41		40	60	60	60	33	294	
3rd 163	Lee Hines	43		42	27	60	32	60		
4th	Brett Mitchell	59		09	13	15	22	51	132	
5th	Phil Mitchell	38		60	33	27	27	26	131	
6th	Tahn Stowe	27		40	36	23	21	02	103	
7th	Martin Williams	18		19	26	19	06	17	64	
8th 36	Peter Lloyd	20		16	0	0	0	0	0	

CLG MONDAY 12 APRIL

1st 348	Lee Hines		60		48	60	60	60	60	
2nd	Tahn Stowe	42		15	31	60	60	60	268	
3rd	Roy Summersby	60		60	56	60	0	0	236	
4th	Dave Hegarty	53		60	60	09	11	38	173	
5th	Kathy Rossiter	60		38	60	29	40	31	160	
6th	Len Surtees		60		27	39	02	36	60	159
7th	Nicholas Kuilder	60		44	35	41	39	34	145	

8th	Phil Mitchell	34	46	30	24	60	25	140
9th	Leigh Morgan	40	27	52	47	17	22	139
10th	Suzanne Hegarty	35	07	37	03	0	0	79
11th	Mike Thomas	22	20	18	20	18	32	74

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