

The Free Flighter Journal of the NSWFFS Inc May 2014



The Terry beater
Donna with her F1B

Minutes of General Meeting

21st March 2014

Meeting opened: 7.30pm President Terry Bond in the chair

Present

Roy Summersby, Barry Lee, Tahn Stowe, Michel Towell, Goran Milosaviljevic, Jim McFall, Geoff Mee, Jim Christie, John Corby, Phil Warren

Apologies

Matt Hannaford, Donna Grey

Guests

Ray Woods, Geoff Potter,

Minutes of previous meeting:

Minutes accepted as a true record: moved Michel Towel sec Jim McFall

Business arising:

Nil

Correspondence In:

VFFS newsletters February, & March

Correspondence Out:

The Free Flighter March

Treasurers Report:

Financial Summary

January-February

Credit	
Comm Bank int	.04
Registrations	135.00
Parking	92.80
SCC	140.00
Total	\$367.04
Debit	
Field DA	285.00
MAAA Affiliations	210.00
Tech 2U (web site)	165.00
Total	\$660.00

General Business:

Item 1. Terry gave a report on the MAAA rejection of the West Wyalong field application.

Tahn gave a report response of what happened re land committee and the negative approach to our proposal.

Item 2. Moved M Towel / Geoff Mee that Matt Hannaford and Donna Grey run an education program and Face Group page. Carried

Item 3. Proposal by Rebel club for purchase of gear from MAAA, moved that we support this and contribute up to \$1000

Meeting closed at 8.21 pm with a show, tell, talk and coffee.

Editorial June 2014

Hi Team, editorial again, but this time it is good, good really good news. We now have a 701 acre paddock. It is located in West Wyalong at 1390 Clear Ridge Road. Our field is now owned by the NSWFFS and is suitable for all F1 and other events. You will read more about this in this free flighter and it is so exciting to have a home at last. This has been donated by a very generous person who wishes to remain anonymous. Please bear in mind that this is not part of the money held in store for the purchase of fields by the MAAA. You may remember that the original field purchase on the same block of land with the full DA requested by the NSWFFS was denied by the MAAA.

We now hope that our membership will increase and include all free flighters from Australia. At the recent MAAA council conference I spoke with a number of state executives and they all said that all free flighters should affiliate through the NSWFFS.

Currently we are in the process of CASA approval and discussions with the local gliding club. We do not see any of these things being a problem and we will fly our state champs there on the June long weekend. Book your motels now.

I attended the MAAA council conference last week end and can clearly say that very little affected the free flight society except that fees remained the same. Insurance is still the main reason for joining the MAAA. A marketing consulting has been engaged to try to make the MAAA more communicative and accessible to the masses. A new web page is in construction and an on line magazine is being published. A survey has been launched via the internet and members have been requested to complete the survey. A significant amount of criticism has been levelled at the executive of the MAAA and the members of the land bureau.

A recent publication produced by MAS included a copy of the recommendations completed by the 'Review committee' which examined the purchase of land for the NSWFFS. The recommendations included a paragraph that stated 'The argument to spend funds on fanciful or grandiose visions, simply because they are there to be spent, is the act of an irresponsible organisation unfit to administer the interest of a large Australia wide membership base'. I challenged the writer of this paragraph but he could not remember writing it. Despite this, MAS published this scandalous piece of literature to all of their members. I do not believe that this engenders good relations between the associations. I also believe that the executive of the MAAA would have given MAS permission to publish this document.

Our field at Richmond is still blessing and we fly there courtesy of Charlie Saliba. It is a great field for scale, P30, the minis and our social events. It is a bit small for fly off for open and F1 events and especially open rubber. Jim Christie is our rubber 'GUN' and he is chaffing at the bit to give some of the young upstarts a lesson in the art of open rubber flyoff. West Wyalong on the June long weekend should be the best lesson Jim could give to his challengers. I am really looking forward to flying against Jim because he managed a cool 5th place in P30 behind the team Hannaford junior team last weekend. I must say that I dropped a second to miss the flyoff.

A special thanks to 'Whacko' for the Poppet plan but I am not sure that I should thank WC Roy for the Hurricane 69 kit. At least the money will go to a junior.

Just remember that free flighters keep it up longer. 'Live long and prosper.'

Terry Bond
President NSWFFS

Club Fees

Yes it's that time of the year again when your club secretary will be asking you for your annual fees. Whichever club you belong to, make sure you tell them that you want to register through the NSWFFS. Why, well some of your money will end up with the NSWFFS, we will need all funds to develop, and maintain our new and very own free flight field at West Wyalong. More details on the field in this newsletter.

It's time to renew membership with the
Model Aeronautical Association of Australia

The MAAA have a long and proud history. As the leading national aeromodelling organisation in Australia, we are committed to providing management support that will help our clubs deliver the highest levels of service, to new and existing members.

As an organisation itself, we recognise that membership renewal depends on the organisation itself, so the MAAA Executive have been working hard behind the scenes to see how we can improve.

This year you'll see a whole new look and feel from the MAAA. We'll soon launch a re-vamped website and a fantastic digital magazine. Our May edition of the magazine will give you sneak peek of what's to come.

To kick start this process. We have mailed to clubs today a membership renewal pack. In the pack there will be a letter to clubs. A member renewal flyer and a copy of an editorial appearing in the next edition of the RCM.

As a leading state body you can help the MAAA by:

Encouraging clubs to promote the benefits of MAAA membership
Reminding clubs to promote our member survey so that we can meet their expectations! We'll be happy to share these results with you.

With more than 300 clubs and thousands of members, the MAAA form a community. By standing united we'll create **one powerful voice**.

Please help us keep our skies safe and until next time, have a safe, fun flight!

Neil Tank
President
MAAA



LAND.

A Flying Field, to call our own.

After fifty years of talking and hoping it has finally happened. Yes we are now in the process of buying 701 acres in West Wyalong. This has come about by one very generous modeller who has taken over what the MAAA should have funded. It means that we modellers Australia wide, will have somewhere to fly, as long as we require it. The field is suitable for all disciplines and in time will be the envy of modeller's world wide.

The property is 1.9kms x 1.4kms, and is located at 1390 Clear Ridge Road West Wyalong. Clear Ridge Road runs off to the north from the main road near the Cameo and Country Roads motels. Once on Clear Ridge Road it is a 13kms drive on a sealed road (10min). The entrance is on the right and we will sign it. There is a homestead on the property about 1km in, this is an all weather dirt road. The house is in fair shape and could be rented to a model friendly person. The land can also be leased out for sheep farming, which will help with ongoing costs in maintaining the property. More details on this new and exciting field will no doubt be discussed at the coming meeting on Friday 30th.

We are going to hold the NSW state champs for F1 A, B & C at West Wyalong on the June long weekend 6, 7 & 8 June, please make a note of this and don't drive to Narrandera.

Just because it is an FAI competition it should not stop you from coming along and flying whatever you want. Drive time to West Wyalong from Sydney is about five and a half hours, (483kms) about an hour less than Narrandera.

Program for the competition is the same as last year.

Saturday F1B Sunday F1A & C this leaves Monday as a reserve day. Come along see the property for your self and have a fly, all welcome.



Mongolia

Mongolia for the first time this year is running what will be known as the Asian and Pacific Championships, for countries that cannot compete in the European Championships. The competitions will take place in the end of July. A few Australians have decided to go and see what Mongolia has to offer, Vin and Leigh Morgan Vic, Albert Fathers Qld, and Terry, Phil and Roy from NSW.

This will give the boys and girls some idea of what to expect next year as Mongolia will be hosting the World Championships. It will be interesting to read the reports when they return; it will give Mongolia some idea on running a large contest.

Scale Weekend

July 5th & 6th is our BIG scale rally. It is also the F4A Trans Tasman Challenge.

This is not to be missed, over the last few years we have had some super models putting in some great flights. We get started early on the Saturday and kick off with hot soup and roll to get you going on what should be a cold winter morning. Saturday evening is a super buffet dinner at the Hawkesbury Race club Motel. Sunday morning you can get the blood running by flying in the half hour scramble before carrying on with some more fun scale flying. Others might like to bring out a control line model; the sky's the limit as they say. The Bar- B- Q will be there on Sunday so bring something to cook for your Sunday lunch.

Kotuku Cup---Southern Cross Cup---AFFS Champs

Held 24th April to 1st May

These were well attended as we had four visitors from over the ditch (NZ) as well as two from North America, along with flyers from WA, Vic, Qld, and NSW. I haven't the full results at hand but I am sure there will be full reports, along with some great photos in the next issue of Free Flight Down Under. The last issue of FFDU was reported to be the very best, Malcolm Campbell is just getting better and better, it must be the best free flight publication anywhere in the world. If you don't subscribe to this, talk to Roy and he will arrange it for you.

Garry Odgers Albatros

Garry is taking this model to England for their Nationals

See it at Richmond at our scale weekend 5th/6th July



Our Narrandera Times, Matt Hannaford

Just like the local paper I would like to promote the recent competitions held post Easter at Narrandera.

It was our first time flying at Narrandera and

Donna's first time flying F1B,

3 world cup events held consecutively over 9 days

well away from work, can it get any better?

Yes it can!

The friends that we made, the times shared with each other, From America, Canada, New Zealand, and other interstate visitors.

We stayed in the local Caravan park where we relaxed after a long days flying, living in the tent and doing on the cheap! We missed out on a lot of 'Pub' relation's not being with the rest of the teams in town but made up when we could.

But you all missed out on meeting all of the travelers that come and go every day, I gave the couple that could set up there van without an argument a special award!

We stretched motors off the tow ball of the car some nights and spent time with the Pollock's that also resided there.

The Facebook friend's requests have been amazing with Donna setting up the NSW Free Flight Society Facebook page since we got back.

If you are on Facebook look it up!

Donna's First F1B comp was the 'Kotuku cup' with little tuition in the shed at night setting the timer and hooking up the lines and winding a motor or two, it was time. She was encouraged to come along so that she could trim the model for me! Turns out the model was just fine! And she finished 6th overall beating me (her teacher) and smashing Terry bond (The mentor) and didn't she give it to him over the next week!

Even the Kiwi's tuk the puss oit of hum!

She even made it into the local paper, photo courtesy of Malcom Campbell.

As the days rolled on with comp after comp... and getting very tired.

I did manage a 3rd in F1B, and 2nd in Combined vintage but the main event's still to come! Scramble and P30.... LOL

Donna held up scramble because of a 9min 44 sec flight to secure the P30 first place. I got 3rd And I got a 3rd in scramble behind Than Stowe and Phil Mitchell.

The best of it all was the presentation dinner at the Morundah Pub where a gourmet dinner with courtesy bus to and from Narrandera. Where I also negotiated with Craig King from N.Z some F1A models, Look out F1A flyers I'm coming to get you!

I would like to thank all the organisers for the 3 events, the timers and spotters that came to the field even when it wasn't there day to compete, especially our overseas competitors for travelling so far, you have all inspired me so much!

Here is some stats for you!

Distance travelled from Camden to Narrandera = 550 km

Distance travelled to and from the flying field over 9 days 900 km

Distance walked approx. 100 km

Number of F1B motors used. $2 \times 7 \times 3 = 42$

Living in the tent..... we saved \$750 compared to the motel.



Richmond 25/5/2014 By Matt Hannaford

Today was combined open, diesel duration and P30.

I will leave the results to those who know about combined open but I think the fly off between Jim Christie and Terry bond has been postponed for another date. I don't know the results for Diesel but as for P30 I can report this:

There was 7 competitors today, Team Hannaford up against the 'King Of Rubber' Jim Christie and the Designer of the Bond P30..... Donna and I put up our flights early as the kids were trying to eat their breakfast and remember how to put the models together and wind them... it's been a while for them. With busted motors everywhere the kids finally made some good flights, Terry dropped a round B000 H000, His excuse was he should have put more turns on, But still boasts he gets 3 comps out of one motor! Sam the Birthday Boy turning 10 dropped a round by setting his DT a bit short, very disappointed but took it well, and I'm sure that's a mistake we have all made!

So with the fly off to come. The wind was building and turned a bit cold just as we launched. Just what I wanted, it's hard knowing you might lose 4 models in a big thermal. No trackers and no DT set for our models. All 5 models were away in yet another spectacular display of P30 models.

I only had eyes on my model it climbed perfectly, crossing with several models that look all exactly the same, you could throw a blanket over them, and as they landed you couldn't pick a winner! Until Josh started to fly himself down the pad-dock with arms out stretched like his was a plane! Circled himself around us all. Really funny!

The results for the fly off the closest I have ever seen.

Josh Hannaford 144 sec.

Matt Hannaford 138 sec

Tim Hannaford 137 sec

Donna Gray 136 sec

Jim Christie 135 sec

Terry Bond just 1 sec short of a max

Sam Hannaford dropped 9 seconds

So come on and join the fun that is P30! Today we were just racing for Pink Slips not sheep stations. If you want to build a real model? Build a P30!

All photos in this mag were taken by Malcolm Campbell.

See them all from the April comps on his web site.

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/motor-racing-photography/sets/72157644538636054/>



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We know that members want to be heard and we are finding new ways to listen. You'll soon see a revamped website, great digital magazine and be asked to take part in membership surveys, so we can meet your expectations!

We want to hear our members' views, because their passion and pride in our sport will affect the future of aero-modelling across the country.

To support our members, **The MAAA looks after all of your insurance needs**; we take care of the paperwork so you can spend more time in the air. However, we provide more than insurance for your peace of mind! Read on to see some of the great benefits of MAAA membership!

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WE'LL SOON LAUNCH A REVAMPED WEBSITE AND A FANTASTIC DIGITAL MAGAZINE.

Protection and peace of mind. We take care of all of your insurance needs, so you can spend more time in the air! We'll work to see that insurance claims are processed in a timely manner and minimise the paperwork for you.

Stormy weather. The MAAA helps your club handle some tough issues. From safety and risk management, to accidents or incidents, event management and liaising with your local community and council on a range of issues including urban encroachment and noise; our leading experts provide advice and advocacy to support you. We can even negotiate with CASA to accommodate your flying needs.

Safe skies. If you are a member, or club, with safety concerns the MAAA is the only national body in Australia that is recognised by CASA as a model aviation Recreational Aviation Administrative Organisation. Our task and mission is in helping to make model aeroplane flying safer for everyone to enjoy! Because we are leading experts The MAAA also bring your club the freedom to carry out public displays, night flying (and more) without having to apply to CASA for permits, which involve costs.

One powerful voice. Join the MAAA to become part of one powerful voice. With more than 300 clubs and thousands of members we rely on your flying experience to help us innovate, lead and protect the future of our sport. We

are a community and by standing united we form one powerful voice.

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IF YOU ARE A MEMBER, OR CLUB, WITH SAFETY CONCERNS THE MAAA IS THE ONLY NATIONAL BODY IN AUSTRALIA THAT IS RECOGNISED BY CASA AS A MODEL AVIATION RECREATIONAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANISATION. THAT MEANS WE ARE TASKED WITH REPORTING ON SAFETY MATTERS. BECAUSE OF THIS WE BRING YOUR CLUB THE FREEDOM TO CARRY OUT PUBLIC DISPLAYS OR NIGHT FLYING WITHOUT HAVING TO APPLY TO CASA FOR PERMITS, WHICH INVOLVE COSTS. WE CAN ALSO SUBMIT RECOMMENDATIONS ON CHANGES TO REGULATION WHEN SAFETY ISSUES ARISE TO HELP MAKE MODEL AEROPLANE FLYING SAFER FOR EVERYONE TO ENJOY.

Tell us what you think!

TELL US WHAT YOU THINK! TAKE THE MAAA MEMBERSHIP SURVEY AT <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/maaa> FOR YOUR CHANCE TO WIN ONE OF FIVE \$50 VOUCHERS



Terms & conditions. The survey competition starts on Thursday 8 May 2014 and ends on Friday 27 June 2014. Only open to Australian residents aged 18 years and over. Limit to one entry for each person. The total prize value is AUD\$250 (five x \$50 vouchers for a retailer of the winners' choice). To be eligible you must complete a valid survey. The competition is a game of skill. The five best answers to the survey question "in 25 words or less, describe how the MAAA can lead and grow the aero-modelling sport into the future." will each win one \$50 voucher. Entries will be judged on Monday 30 June 2014. Winners will be notified in writing on Wednesday 2 July 2014. Entrants must enter the competition via <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/maaa>. The Promoter is the MAAA. Tel: (07) 3207 9067 (16 Illidge Road, Victoria Point Qld 4165).

RICHMOND SCALE RALLY

JULY 5TH & 6TH 2014

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Prizes for the People's Choice, Next Time and Spectacular Arrival.

Also includes a Power Scramble on Sunday Morning (8.00 am).

BBQ lunch and Control Line Fun Fly (Sunday)

Hot soup and bread rolls available on the field.

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Contest & Fixture Calendar 2014 Draft No 5

Date	Event	Venue	Time	C/D
June 7-8	NSW State Champs F1A,B,C	Narrandera	8.00am - 3.00pm	Jim Christie
June 15	Combined Vintage, HLG/CG, P30	Richmond	7:00am – 1:00pm	Gary Pope
June 22	Russell Forth Scramble	Illawarra		
July 5-6	Scale Rally Weekend. Sun 6th ½ Hour scramble, Fun Fly C/L fly- ing & BBQ Lunch	Richmond	7.00am	Tahn Stowe Roy Summersby
July 18	General Meeting	Harris Park		
July 20	Combined %	Richmond	7:00am – 1:00pm	Jim Christie
Aug 10	Combined %, Multiple Entries.		7.00am - 1.00pm	
Aug 24	Scale Rally, P 30, Combined Vintage	Richmond	7:00am – 1:00pm	Tahn Stowe
Sep 7	½ Hour Scramble + Tomboy Mass Launch. Fuller Day, Stomper Dixielander, Zoot Suit. B-B-Q Lunch	Richmond	7:00am – 1:00pm	Chris Dudley
Sep 19	Annual General Meeting	Harris Park	7:30 pm	
Sep 28	State Champs F1G,H,J Combined	Richmond	7.00am - 1.00pm	Jim Chrisite
Oct 12	Diesel Duration, P30, HLG/CG	Richmond		Tahn Stowe
Oct 26	State Champs Combined Vintage, ½ Hour Scramble, BBQ Lunch	Richmond	7:00am – 1:00pm	Gary Pope
Nov 9	Combined % Multiple entries	Richmond	7.00am - 1.00pm	Roy Summersby
Nov 16	Mills Trophy Scramble	Illawarra		
Nov 21	General Meeting	Harris Park	7:30 pm	
Nov 30	F1G, H J,(Combined)	Richmond	7:00am – 1:00pm	Gary Pope
Dec 14	½ Hour Scramble, Combined Vintage with SAMS + Fun Fly. BBQ Xmas Lunch	Richmond	7:00am – 1:00pm	Terry Bond
Note	All scrambles start as close to	8.00 am as	possible	

NSWFFS SHOP GOODS

AT THIS TIME WE HAVE THE FOLLOW-
ING

Contact Roy if you need any of these items.

He will bring to the flying field or the meet-
ing.

Esaki light tissue	\$2.00
1/4 " Rubber 1 Box only	\$44.00
0.002 Carbon fibre	\$26.00
Clear Mylar 10 meters	\$10.00
Aluminised Mylar / meter	\$1.00
5m Telescopic streamer pole	\$30.00
Rubber Lube 100ml	\$4.00
Ether 1 litre (you supply container)	\$23.00
Nitro 1 Litre	\$22.50
Castor Oil 1 Litre	\$10.00

91/2" Peck polymer P30 props	\$6.00
3/64 prop shafts	.65
3/64 Nylon bearings	.65
Teflon washers 1/8 X 0.032" hole	.45
Brass washers 1/8 X 0.050" hole	.45
P30 front end kit	\$7.20
Dyna Grip Contact glue 50ml	\$2.00
F1J Timers, suit most power models	\$75.00
These timers have been checked and modified by Jon Fletcher to eliminate skewing of spring	
Texas fuel cut offs (glo or diesel)	\$20.00
Pilots very lite	\$5.00
Wheels very lite	\$5.00
Rock Maple bearers 3 sizes / 300long	\$4.50