

The Free Flighter
Journal of the NSWFFS Inc
July 2022



Jim Christie
1929-2022

Minutes of General Meeting 20th May 2022

Meeting opened: 7.32 Dundas Sports Club Roy Summersby in the chair

Present: Roy Summersby, Michael Towell, Peter Scott, Gail Scott, John Pennells, Phil Warren. Wally Bollinger

Apologies:

Barry Lee, Terry Bond, Geoff Potter, Keith Murry, Aaron Booth, Gary Pope, Gary Goodwin

Guests:

Reg & Lyn Towell, R Jenson

Minutes of previous meeting:

Moved Peter Scott sec Michal Towell

Business Arising

Moved to general business.

Correspondence out:

Free Flighter, Friday notices,

Correspondence In

Two issues of Vic Flypapers, MAAA information on May Conference.

TREASURERS REPORT NSWFFS

1st March to 30th April 2022

Opening Balances

C.B.A – A/C No 229300901281	\$14,969.52
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C.B.A - A/C No 233610409062	\$79.10
Opening Total	\$15,048.62

C.B.A 1– Deposits	\$525.00
C.B.A 2– Deposits	0.00
C.B.A 1- Payments	\$2,978.44
C.B.A 2- Payments	\$0.00

Closing Balance C.B.A (1&2)	\$12,595.18
Balance as of 30/3/2022 C.B.A (1)	\$12,516.08
Balance as of 30/3/2022 CBA (2)	\$79.10
Closing Total Balance C.B.A. 1 & 2	\$12,595.18

Moved, Mike Towell sec John Pennells treasure report be accepted, carried

General Business:

Roy reported on the following.

Southern Cross Cup

Adrian Bryant presentation send off at West Wyalong.

MAAA conference. The membership system will change after this year. Fees have been set to remain the same. Results of a survey conducted (same result as the last survey). Secretary will be appointed soon (down to the last 5 from 30 applications). MAAA has been going for 75 years, MAAA will fund clubs for celebrations to the tune of \$5-10 for Bar-B- Q.

Roy moved that we give \$1000 to the Miles boys which have lost their father due to covid. This money would be controlled by Andrew Heath.

Seconded by Michael Towell. Carried

Roy outlined work which will be carried out at the AB field, this included a full-length step along the front veranda, Steel mesh to keep the sheep out from under the RC shade, and backyard surface to be investigated.

Notice was given on

State Championships NSW & Vic. AB field, F1A, B, C, O/P, O/R, 2 min max comp 11th-13th June

Scale Weekend Richmond 1st-3rd July

Scale Wings over West Wyalong 5th-6th November

Meeting closed 8.22pm

Meeting closed 8.09pm

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Editorial July 2022

Hi Team, you would already be aware of the flood situation in NSW and especially our flying field off Cornwallis Road. I feel for Charlie and Pauline, this is the third flood in 18 months and has seriously impacted their business. I tried to ring Charlie but his phone went to message bank.

In the last month or so we have lost three members of the MAAA. Jim Christie, Graham Fergusen and Dennis Percival. I am not sure if they were registered members of the free flight society but that does not matter. I knew them all and they were good people and good flyers. Two of these deaths were related to falls and subsequent infections. Many of us are in that age group that a fall can be life threatening. Be careful team and watch your step.

Our annual scale weekend was postponed due to bad weather. Phil Warren our scale rep puts a lot of effort into this event and it was a shame that the weather was against us. I am not sure about any future dates for the event but I will be sure to let you know. Phil recently received a call from Stan Mauger (New Zealander) a regular attendee saw the email and sent his commiserations. The NZers are keen to fly again in OZ but Covid, travel and weather are against us at the moment. Thanks for the effort Phil.

This is the 75th year anniversary of the establishment of the MAAA (Theoretically) There is some dispute about this as some can provide additional information that it is the 90th anniversary. 75th has been accepted and this year we will have a scale fly in for all disciplines at the AB field at West Wyalong. Dates 5-6 November 2022. A poster is included at the end of this magazine for your information.

The NSW dept of fair trading (not sure if that is an oxymoron) is proposing an update of the regulations for incorporated organisations including non-profit associations. I am the public officer for this association and sometimes I have difficulty understanding complex government amendments to the existing regulations. There appears to be no change to our situation but I will update as required.

Our next meeting will be held at the Dundas Sports club on 15 July at 7.30pm. The usual is to arrive a bit early have a drink then food in the restaurant, then off to the conference room.

I will look forward to seeing you there.

Terry Bond
President NSWFFS

Vale 'Gentleman' Jim Christie

New South Wales Free Flight Society. (NSWFFS)

Nicknamed 'Gentleman Jim' had a very long love for the building and flying rubber powered model aircraft.

He was a continuous member of the NSWFFS for the last 38 plus years and flew at Richmond on most Fridays.

Gentleman Jim' he flew all the rubber classes, with his favorite being a class called Coupe d'hiver. This is an international class and is also known as F1G. Jim was very good at this class and was a very hard man to beat. His models initially looked a bit agricultural but on close inspection he used the latest technology in construction and his propeller design was very very efficient.

He was a mentor to any who asked, and he helped whenever he could. In days gone by he was the Treasurer then Vice President to the NSWFFS. He was a feared parking money collector; nobody refused Jim's collection technique.

I am not sure Jim ever did anything wrong but occasionally he would leave lengths of wire on the field after he left for the day. These were sought after gems which were presented to a red-faced Jim the following Friday and were referred to as Jim wires. This became a standard joke and a reward for any finder.

One of our members visited Jim just a few weeks before he passed on, and Jim donated some of his modeling gear to the NSWFFS to raise funds for our own flying field at West Wyalong.

We thank you and miss you Jim.

From the members of the NSWFFS

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Flying high

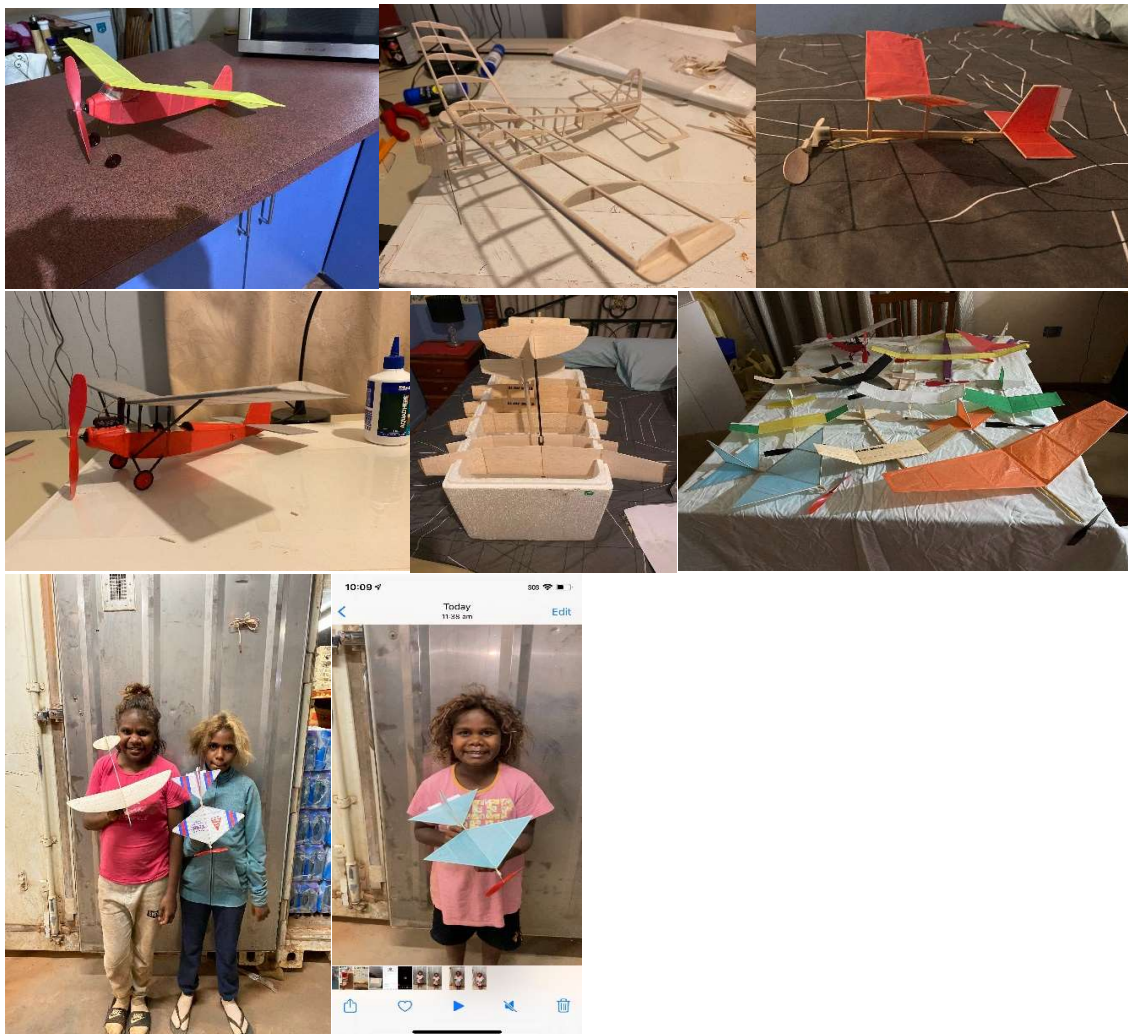


Uki aeromodelier Adrian Bryant with the model he used to gain a place on the Australian team to compete in the World Model Aircraft Championship.

The championships will be held in Argentina in May 1989.

Adrian has flown in national championships in England, Europe and America, and has flown for Australia in two previous world championships, Finland in 1951 and Sweden in 1952.

Hi Roy My name is Ray Harvey and I thought I would tell you and the members what can be done when living in remote WA ,I have been involved in modelling for about 50 years including a few years off with life getting in the way of modelling, I have flown lots of radio control, control-line and free flight starting off in Tamworth NSW and then Lismore NSW and after selling our house and travelling in a caravan for a few years started managing remote aboriginal community stores with my wife and the last 12 months being at Noonkanbah WA, as I could only get supplies by mail I contacted Terry Bond later did a building class at the last school we were at with supplies donated by Terry and the nswffs , I purchased some glider kits off Len Surtees and managed to get some balsa wood of reasonable quality from Broome Bunnings , I built some rubber powered stuff as well ,this for me was a very relaxing time spent at a desk at night for me ,I have had to move to Brisbane because of my wife's medical treatment but hopefully will get time to do some free flight and control-line flying soon





**75
YEARS**

SCALE OVER WEST WYALONG

ADRIAN BRYANT FIELD
1290 CLEAR RIDGE RD WEST WYALONG



- All types of scale models welcome (RC, CL and FF).
- If it looks sort of scale come fly it (including foam and profile models).
- If you own a pulao (or it's a must to bring it).
- Big function organised for the Saturday Night.
- Camping available on site \$10 per night.
- Contact Roy for catering and to secure your spot.

A field will be allocated for those wanting to fly non-scale Free Flight.

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**5th & 6th
NOVEMBER
2022**











Shop Goods at 7/6/22

Fuels

Ether per liter \$25 members \$30 non members

Nitro \$35 per Liter

Jet A \$10 per Liter

Klotz oil \$20 liter

Cool Power Oil \$10 per liter \$40 per Gal

suit 2 cyl glo or petrol engines (only 1 gal left)

Castor Oil (Castrol M) \$20

Coverings

Tissue some left \$1 per sheet

Clear Mylar (Morgan) \$10 roll

Silver Mylar \$10 roll

Mica film, silver, white, red \$10 roll

Solagard white

Rubber

1/8 Oct 2020 Bulk 450g \$60, 225g \$30, 100g \$15

1/16 1lb box \$50 1/8 1lb box \$50 3/16 1lb box \$50 only one box of each

We have some new black ¼ perfect for Catapult gliders will sell by the meter @ 40cents

Tools

Knife blades NO 11

Drill set, small 10 \$10

Set saw blades (6) \$10

Small chucks \$8

Pliers \$6

Pocket Scale 200g/o.01g \$15 (3 only)

Other stuff

Wheels too many types and sizes to mention ask

Tygon \$3 per 300mm

Top Flite 7x4 wood props \$3.50 ea

P30 props + other small rubber props

Plastic engine cowls/ engine blanks \$2.50

Big range of small rubber parts, prop shafts, bearings, washers etc.

Lite weight pilots \$2.50

1220 tracker battery's card of 5 \$5

Russian glow drivers \$35

Assorted carbon strip & tube

Kevlar D box shells (F1A & F1B)

Kevlar F1G front fuse with tapered end \$25

Engine mounts & Wheels big range priced to sell

10mm sq engine bearer 300mm \$6

* NSWFFS Contest & Fixture Calendar 2022

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Date	Event	Venue	Time	C/D
Dec 28	1 st West Wyalong National's	W. Wyalong		See Nats
Jan 4	See Nat's program	AB Field		Programs
Jan 14	General Meeting	Dundas Sport	7:30pm	
Jan 16	Combined%, ½ hr Walking Scramble	Richmond		Roy Summersby
Feb 6	Combined F1 G, H, J, P30 + Scale Fun Fly	Richmond	7:00am – 1:00pm	Peter Scott
Feb 20	State Champs P30 + Comb Vintage	Richmond	7.00 – 1.00pm	Gary Pope
Mar 6	State Champs Scramble + Combined %,&Control Line flying, BBQ Lunch	Richmond BYO Food	7.00am-1.00pm	Michael Towel
Mar18	General Meeting	Dundas Sport	7.30 pm	
Apr 2-4	Cowra Oily Hand Weekend	Cowra		
Apr 10-13	AFFS Champs See FFDU Program S C Cup for F1A, B, C	Narrandera	See FFDU	
Apr 15-17	AFFS continued 15 th Combined Vintage, E36, 16th Combined Mini & P30. 17 th Combined % & HLG/CLG/TLG See FFDU Program Evening Presentation Dinner	W Wyalong Farm House	8.00am-1.00pm See FFDU 6.00 PM	
May 8	E36 + Combined Vintage	Richmond		Aaron Booth
May 20	General Meeting	Dundas Sport	7.30pm	
June 4-6	NSW State Champs F1A, B, C, O/Power, O / Rubber + Victorian States Champs for A, B, C	W. Wyalong A B Field	8.00am-1.00pm	
June 19	Bowden comp+ Scale Practice + E36	Richmond	7.00am-1.00pm	Roy Summersby

July 1-2-3	Scale Rally.+ Trans Tasman Scale Judging Fri 1 st 2nd & 3 rd Flying. Sun 3 rd ½ Hour scramble, Fun Fly C/L flying & BBQ Lunch	Richmond Sunday BYO Food	7.00am till dark Trans Tasman	Phil Warren
July 15	General Meeting	Dundas Sport	7.30 pm	
July 24	State Champs F1G,H,J (Combined)	Richmond	7.00am- 1.00pm	Bruce Hao
Aug 14	Scale Rally, P 30, Combined Vintage	Richmond	7:00am – 1:00pm	R. Summersby
Aug 26-28	Cowra Oily Hand Weekend	Cowra		
Sep 11	½ Hour Walking Scramble + Fun Fly B-B-Q Lunch	Richmond BYO Food	7:00am – 1:00pm	John Corby
Sep 16	Annual General Meeting	Dundas Sport	7:30 pm	
Sep 25	Combined % 5 flights	Richmond	7.00am - 1.00pm	Peter Scott
Oct 2	Combined % Multiple Entries	Richmond	7:00am – 1:00pm	Gary Goodwin
Nov 4-5-6	Wings Over West Wyalong. All Disciplines Scale Rally. Plus General Flying of all types of models	W. Wyalong A.B.Field	7.00am-Till Dark	Plenty of Room for ALL
Nov 13	Scale Rally +Fun Fly	Richmond	7:00am – 1:00pm	Peter Jackson
Nov 18	General meeting	Dundas Sport	7.30 pm	
Nov 25	Friday Xmas Party	Richmond	7.00am – 1.00pm	Terry & Lyn
Dec 4	½ Hour Scramble. Combined Vintage with SAMS & Fun Fly.	Richmond BBQ Xmas	7:00am – 1:00pm Lunch BYO	Aaron Booth FOOD

Notes All scrambles start at 8.00am



Good memories here Roy! AFFS 2012.
In just over another year you would be World Champ!
Cheers
Malcolm



Hello vintage modellers. Can anybody tell me what the name of this model is. The wing does not look like the right fit because it should have a flat centre section where it slides through the wing attachment section. Built by Max Starick many years ago.
Regards 007

Right, That's your lot for this month.

"Build wings by all means but make sure you add floats"

