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**JULY 2023** 



Peter Jackson (Jacko)

Preparing his SE5a for flight

# MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING 26<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2023

# Meeting opened:

7.33 Dundas Sports Club Vice President Aaron Booth in the chair

# **Present:**

Roy Summersby, Gary Goodwin, Peter Scott, Gail Scott, John Pennells, Aaron Booth, Michael Towell, Reg Towell, Lyn Towell, Phil Warren, Bruce Hao, Ed Mahoney, Angela Mahoney, Lachlan Booth, Warren Leadbeatter (by phone), Natalie Beckett, Geoff Potter.

# **Apologies:**

Terry Bond, Gary Pope, Bruce Walker

#### **Guests:**

A Jenson (Dicko)

# Minutes of previous meeting:

Moved Gary Goodwin sec Michael Towell

# **Business Arising:**

Jungle Membership System, still ongoing?

Motion last meeting by Gary Goodwin sec Gary Pope

That we, the NSWFFS, open a new bank account. This will be an investment account and will require at least two signatures. A/C No 062-627 10392416

Account No 233610409062 is to have two signatures.

Account No 229300901281 is to have internet banking facilities. This account will be operated by the treasure Gary Goodwin and maintain funds of approximately \$5000.00. Done.

Aeromodellers at WW Library, suggest subscription from UK, this was discussed and agreed that we subscribe and issues go to the library. Both items have been. Done.

# **Correspondence out:**

Free Flighters 2, Friday notices,

# **Correspondence In:**

Vic Flypaper, Elec A/C, Rates.

# **Treasurers Report:**

1<sup>st</sup> March to 30<sup>th</sup> April 2023 was tabled by Gary Goodwin Moved, Geoff Potter sec Phil Warren, treasure report be accepted, carried

# **General Business:**

Scale weekend at Richmond 1st & 2nd July

State champs for Chuck and Catapult glider postponed from 12th March will be held on Sunday 2nd July 8.30-11.00am. Also, there is a BYO B-B Q. We will have the B-B-Q.

FEES, Moved Roy sec Warren that as MAAA haven't increased their fees (they are still at \$90) we should kept ours the same as last year, that is a total of \$120, these are now due as the year runs from 30th June. PLEASE NOTE. After June 30th if they are not paid you will not be insured.

It was suggested that we should push AFFS to get P30 and E36 rules ratified official.

Executive to discuss accommodation at West Wyalong.

Report by Terry and Roy on the MAAA conference. It appears that there is a miss interpretation to how the states vote. Aaron will chase this up. See full report for full details.

Membership system still on going after thousands of dollars being spent.

MAAA insurance now \$145k but we do have it.

Talk on CASA and field clearances not too big a problem.

# Meeting closed 8.45pm

President	Terry Bond	0417027579
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Scale Coordinator	Phil Warren	0405579904
FB Manager	Warren Leadbeatter	0408801539
Contest Org Richmond	Peter Scott	0434276265
Librarian	John Pennells	0243631834

#### **EDITORIAL JULY 2023**

Hi Team,

Hi Team, the scale weekend was a huge success despite the inability of the NZers to attend. There was an abundance of models but many did not fly. There was just not enough time. Phil's report tells it all and it is included in this magazine. We had fantastic weather with very reasonable temperatures, with no need for a shade. We are currently using a BBQ donated by Gary Goodwin and it suits just fine. Now stored at Michael and Natalie's place.

I don't have all the results for the other competitions on the Sunday but I did manage third in scramble and a first in catapult glider. I will try to organize all the results when available. A special thanks to Geoff Hungerford for scoring and CDing the chucky contest.

Some more political news; there has been some major dissatisfaction with the current MAAA executive due to poor decisions and alleged bullying conduct. A no confidence motion is in progress. It will be held on 24 July. Despite the request being made in accordance with the statement of rules the motion has been delayed by various tactics used by the executive and followers. We shall wait and see what happens but no matter what does occur the average modeler will more than likely not be properly apprised of the cause and outcome.

RAAF Williamtown have been on touch with Warren Leadbetter and asked to do a static airshow and control line demonstration on 19 Nov 2023. The process of organization is in progress and the location may be near 'Fighter World' but confirmation is yet to follow. CLAS have been asked to organize the CASA & MAAA approvals for a control line mixed flying demonstration on the day.

The world champs in France are fast approaching and we have four members attending in various F1 disciplines. Gary Goodwin is going as team manager. Not sure of the exact dates but Roy departs 4 Aug and returns about 23 August. I hope they all do well and rate podium performance.

Our next important contest will be the mini max out to be held at West Wyalong 29-30 July. There is a separate program for this event so have a look at the back of this free flighter. In past years there has been a gradual drift and emphasis to F1 model competitions rather than share events across the board. Let's give this a try.

The work at our field at West Wyalong is a continuing work on progress and new ideas are welcome. At a meeting recently it was suggested that improvements be made to accommodation on the field and an investigation into extra accommodation. Gary Goodwin was asked to investigate the possibility of installing cabin accommodation on site to cater for families and wives visiting during competitions. Gary will give us a briefing on the meeting night.

WW is the only very large field in Australia capable of holding certain competitions due to its facilities, location, size and height clearance. West Wyalong is unique. We will continue to make it the best flying field in Australia.

At the AGM in September, I will not be standing for re-election.

Terry Bond
President NSWFFS

#### **GENERAL NEWS & INFORMATION**

# **Next Meeting 21<sup>st</sup> July**

This will be a general meeting held at the Dundas Sports Club starting at 7.30pm.

As normal some of us will have a meal there before the meeting, please feel free to join us.

# NSW & VIC State Champs A, B, C

Once again this was held on the AB field at West Wyalong. Most had arrived by midday Friday and test flying was going on until dusk. Saturday was the NSW comp and the prediction was for it to be the best day, and it was certainly was. The competition was run in rounds and maxes were soon on the scoreboard.

Sunday was Victorian's turn; the weather prediction was not good and really it went from bad to worse. The first four-minute round saw models going about two kms. The wind moved to a bad direction; the flight line was moved, but one was brave to fly. After my model passed over the trees on the second round, I called it quits. Much too close to going to France to risk a model. It was great to see Murry Wilson, a newcomer to F1C flying, take out the top spot in the NSW comp.

With Saturday being so good for flying, it was a very pleasant weekend. Twenty-three enjoyed a top meal and social night at the house.

# **NSW State Championships June 3rd**

F1A	Name						Total	Flyoff
1	Albert Fathers	240	158	144	180	180	902	
2	Ian Haigh	203	180	180	180	154	897	
3	Tahn Stowe	222	123	0	180	180	705	
4	Matt Hannaford	106	103	120	145	155	629	
5	Sam Kirby	73	135	100	115	80	503	
F1B	Name							
1	Terry Bond	240	180	180	180	180	960	330
2	Vin Morgan	240	180	180	180	180	960	320
3	Gary Goodwin	240	180	180	180	180	960	315
4	Craig Hemsworth	240	180	180	180	180	960	29
5	Bruce Hao	240	180	180	152	180	932	
6	Graham Maynard	140	12	0	0	0	152	

F1C	Name							
1	Murray Wilson	240	180	180	180	180	960	322
1	Roy Summersby	240	180	180	180	180	960	264
3	Gary Pope	240	24	180	146	180	770	
4	Tom Linwood	240					240	
5	Andrew Linwood	240					240	
							0	

# Victorian State Championships 4<sup>th</sup> June

F1A	Name						
1	Matthew Hannaford	240	0	180	167		587
2	Sam Kirby	124	75	180	0	53	432
3	Albert Fathers	240	180				420
3	lan Haigh	240	180				420
5	Tahn Stowe	154					154
F1B	Name						
1	Bruce Hao	240	180	180	113		713
2	Terry Bond	238	180	180	114		712
3	Vin Morgan	240	180	180	71		671
4	Gary Goodwin	240	180	115	120		655
5	Craig Hemsworth	240					240
5	Graham Maynard	240					240
F1C	Name						
1	Gary Pope	240	180				420
1	Roy Summersby	240	180				420
3	Murray Wilson	31	180				211

# Scale Weekend 1<sup>st</sup> July

What a fabulous three days, those that were there on the Friday also enjoyed a perfect day for trimming their prize models. Phil Warren has a report in this issue along with photos by Angie Mahoney, Peter Scott, Nat Becket and Terry Bond, many thanks. They add so much to our magazine. It seemed like there was one or more models in the sky the whole day, one had to wait your turn to put in an official flight. I myself made twenty official flights with the five models I had taken. While attendance wasn't bad (about fifteen cars each day) it would have been nice to have had a few more of our members there. Most of our big days are programed twelve months in advance, so apart from death there shouldn't be any excuse for not supporting what is our biggest day at Richmond.



# Scramble 2<sup>nd</sup> July

Conditions for the scramble held on the 2nd July was the best for quite some time, in fact if it had been a one-hour scramble instead of ½ hour, there would have been a good chance Terry would have lost his record. Andrew Heath, the winner made a score of 1518 seconds. There were nine starters, no midair collisions which disappointed the gallery.

Andrew Heath 1518, Mike Towell 1357, Terry Bond 1148, Tahn Stowe 1060, Albert Bojec 936, Peter Scott 856, Peter Norrie 240, Lindsey 187, Michael F 28



# **John Corby**

Along with Steve Rothwell and Geoff Potter I had the chance to visit the Historical Vintage Aircraft Museum at Albion Park. This to me was a real eye opener. The variety of aircraft and the whole place was quite amazing. Now you are wondering what this has to do under the John Corby heading. On show is Johns Corby Starlet, still in original colors and markings.



John is also in their hall of fame, alongside all the other greats of Australian aviation. On a sadder note, John has had to stop driving so we won't be seeing as much of him on the flying field. John has given me some of his models to sell and or pass on to those that would like to use them. I will take them out to Richmond as soon as possible. One or two models I will give to Rob Walker for his museum in Tamora.



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# Working Bee at West Wyalong AB Field

We need to have a working bee at West Wyalong. Mainly painting, I have made a tentative date for the weekend 22nd to the 24th September, by then the weather will be warm enough for the paint to dry. Don't be shy, everyone is welcome, there is a job for all. This of course will happen along with a little flying.



# New stock in the shop

Jet A \$2.00 liter your container

Either \$30 liter in your container

Wingbag kits. MK 2 \$50, (only one left) a few changes have been made from the Mk1 which includes a positive fin fixing, engine mount has blind nuts and bolts installed ready for the Cox. These are a great fun toy; I think there are seven windbags completed at this stage. Props we have a big stock of 7X4 Taipan props only \$2.00 each

Timers. There is a verity of timers new and second hand, mainly for light weight rubber.

Still have plenty of rubber both new and made-up motorsStill have plenty of rubber both new and made-up motors

# Trans Tasman Scale Rally

# Richmond 30<sup>th</sup> June 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> July

A wonderful weekend of weather welcomed the contestants. A chilly start warming up to 19 or 20 degrees and almost nil wind. We welcomed two new judges for Friday's static side of competition, Ed Mahoney and Aaron Booth. They both did an excellent job and Ed brought us into the digital age by converting the judging forms to his computer with instant scores, saving use of calculators for k factor etc. Friday was also trimming time to get models ready for Saturday's flying judging.

21 models graced the field on Saturday. Rubber scale and F4A were down on entries with only 4 models in each category. Kit scale had 13 entries. Flying judges Walter Bolliger and Reg Towell were kept busy all day. I think only 2 models needed some repairs when flying finished, they were Terry Bonds Gee Bee and Maris Dislers beautiful Eastbourne Monoplane. A lot of flyers would have had higher placings if they had all documentation with them, it is important. A lot of kit scale did not supply plans, but they still had fun flying in the great conditions. Results are as follows.

#### F4A

Name	Model	Static	Flying	Total
1 <sup>st</sup> Maris Dislers	Luton Minor	Static 948.8	Flying 611.2	Total 1560
2 <sup>nd</sup> Roy Summersby	ABC Robin	887.7	556	1443.7
Roy Summersby	Lavochkin la15	477	480	957
Maris Dislers	Eastbourne Monoplane	956.3	0	956.3
Reg Jude Trophy for Rubber				
1 <sup>st</sup> Phil Warren	Peyret Taupin	Static 930.9	Flying 613.7	Total 1544.6
Phil Warren	Bellanca Aircruiser	945.6	441	1386.6
Phil Warren	Payen PA22	932.4	447.6	1380
2 <sup>nd</sup> Roy Summersby	Focke Wulf FW152	881	465	1346

# **Kit Scale**

1 <sup>st</sup> Phil Warren	Taylor Cub	Static 98	Flying 55	Total 153
2 <sup>nd</sup> Maris Dislers	Cessna Bird Dog	100	45	145
3 <sup>rd</sup> Peter Norrie	Rearwin Speedster	90	53.5	143.5
Phil Warren	Fokker D VII	92	42	134
Aaron Booth	Tiger Moth	85	41	126
Roy Summersby	SE5A	90	35	125
Terry Bond	P38	60	41	101
Roy Summersby	Westland Widgeon	85	14	99
Terry Bond	Jodel	46	51	97
Keith Murray	Taylorcraft	46	48.5	94.5
Maris Dislers	Thomas Morse	52		52
Stephen Bojec	Neuport 27		41	41
Terry Bond	Gee Bee	36		36

The New Zealanders sent us a message wishing the usual great weather and wonderful flights over the weekend and are resolving to be at Richmond in 2024. In the meantime, get some scale models built for next year particularly F4A and rubber and don't forget documentation.

# Phil Warren



Maris Dislers' Luton Minor



Roy's AC Robin



Phil Warren's Taylor Cub



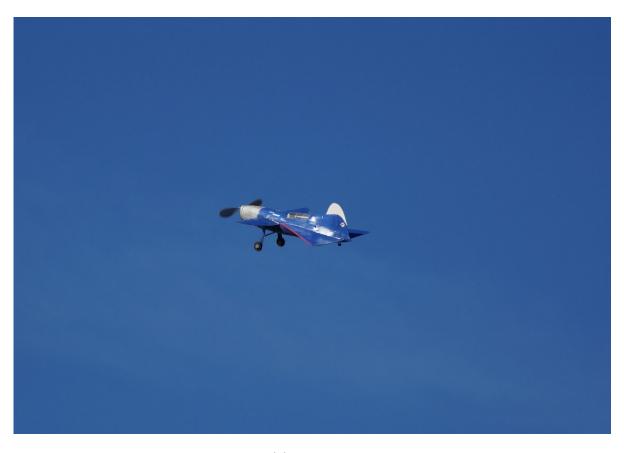
Peter Norrie's Rearwin Speeder



Roy's Lavochkin la15



Roy's Focke Wolfe FW152



Phils Payen PA22



Phil's Fokker DVII



Keith Murray's Taylorcraft

# HLG/TLG and CLG State Champs 2<sup>nd</sup> July

# CLG

There were tricky conditions with very little drift and the lift was between buoyant and neutral. Natalie had the first official flight of the morning with a max, but with very consistent flights to make anyone envious put in a few high 40's to finish in 2nd place. Bondy wandered out and managed to secure what little lift was available and grabbed a couple of maxes to win the event.

#### **HLG/TLG**

Michael managed a couple of maxes in the tricky conditions to secure a win. Lindsay put some consistent flights in for 2nd place and Natalie with her first time flying TLG completed the podium in 3rd.

CLG		HLG/TLG	
Terry Bond	172	Michael Towell	167
Natalie Beckett	155	Lindsay Muffett	84
Michael Towell	141	Natalie Beckett	64
Lindsay Muffett	133	Geoff Hungerford	10
Albert Bojec jnr	105		
Tahn Stowe	78		
Geoff Hungerford	77		
Report by Michael Tov	vell		





# New South Wales Free Flight Society Inc. 2023 Membership Form

Applicant Details	
Last Name First Name Date of Birth Gender	MAAA No: Phone No: Email address:  Male Female If Junior, Name Other Member registered with:
Address	
Unit/ Lot No: Street No: Street: Town/City: State: Post Code: Country:	Payment Details  Full year Senior (\$120)  Full year Junior with Senior (Free)  Friend Of West Wyalong (\$30)  Full year Junior without Senior (\$45)  BSB: 062293  Reference: (Surname) Fees 2023  Account No: 00901281
Membership Details	
Type of Membership: Club: Club Position: State Body Position:	Instructor: Wings Status: Large Model Inspector:

Cash and Cheque payments can also be made, Please arrange this with the Treasurer if these options are to be used at: <a href="mailto:newlook3@gmail.com">newlook3@gmail.com</a>

Once complete, email the completed form or Forms (if Senior and Junior) to Sam Kirby for registration.

nswff.registrar@gmail.com

# Cowra MAC Presents Oily Hand Diesel Day Sat 26<sup>th</sup> & Sun 27<sup>th</sup> August 20223

#### Health and Safety

Please make sure your models are set up to fly reliably and be aware of other modelers and their property when launching, flying and landing.

Regarding Covid – it is still around so do a RAT test if you are crook. In any case don't go infecting other people with the flu or some other lurgy.

#### Registration

# Go to the clubhouse on arriving at the field and register before flying.

Registration is \$30 for the weekend and your name goes in the pilot's draw.

MAAA cards will be checked. The card can be printed or as a download on phones and other devices.

If you haven't got your new card, you will need last year's card and a receipt/note from your club secretary with their mobile number on it stating that your fees have been paid.

#### Visitors

Are welcome, but it would be appreciated that you make yourself known at the registration table and contribute \$15 toward running the event. Visitors are not allowed on the flying fields, they are restricted to the carpark and clubhouse compound for safety and insurance purposes. Only registered participants, whose MAAA numbers are recorded, have access to the flying areas.

If you don't intend flying but want to be on the flying sites you can register by showing your MAAA card, signing the Pilots Briefing Certification and paying the \$30 entry fee.

#### Pilot's Draw

All registered participants are automatically entered in the pilots draw.

For 2023 it is this neat little, new in box, P.A.L reproduction of the K&B Infant .020cc



This engine is no longer in production so here is a chance to nab one.

### Events

- Concourse display and judging for model of the meet
- The David Owen Memorial Scramble
- Plank racing. Both Cowra Plank and Super Plank
- Event rules and info can be downloaded from the Cowra MAC website

https://cowramac.com/?page\_id=981& preview=true







# NSWFFS INAUGURAL WEST WYALONG

# MIDWINTER MINI MAXOUT

Host: NSWFFS

Date: Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> July 2023 & Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2023 Venue: NSWFFS, Free Flight Field, West Wyalong

Time: 0800 to 1400

Entry Fee: \$20 per class flown. Payable on arrival

**Program**: All classes flown each day, no rounds, 5 flights per class each day with running score sheet over the two days. (Hence Mini Maxout)

CD: Shayne McDonald

Contact: email (shayne7@live.com.au) mobile 0428805724

Registration: via email, text message, or phone call, to above details.

# NSWFFS CONTEST & FIXTURE CALENDAR 2023

Date	Event	Venue	Time	Contact
Dec 28- 4th Jan	New year get together. Fun flying any model.	W. Wyalong		
		AB Field		
Jan 15	Combined%, ½ hr Walking Scramble	Richmond		R. Summersby
Jan 20	General Meeting	Dundas Sport	7:30pm	
Feb 5	Combined F1 G, H, J, P30 + Scale Fun Fly	Richmond	7:00am – 1:00pm	Peter Scott
Feb 19	State Champs P30 & E36.	Richmond	7.00 – 1.00pm	Gary Pope
	+ Combined Vintage.			
Mar 12	State Champs Scramble & HLG/ CLG. + Combined %,	Richmond	7.00am-1.00pm	Michael Towell
	Control Line & BBQ Lunch.	BYO Food		
Mar17	General Meeting	Dundas Sport	7.30 pm	
Apr 16-20	AFFS Champs See FFDU Program	Narrandera	See FFDU	AFFS
	Southern Cross Cup for F1A, B, C			Committee
Apr 21-23	AFFS continued at WW 21st Combined Vintage, E36,	West Wyalong	8.00am-1.00pm	
	22nd F1 G, H, J, P30 & indoor. 23rd Combined % &		See FFDU	AFFS
	HLG/CLG/TLG See FFDU Program			Committee
	Evening Presentation Dinner	Farm House	6.00 PM	
Apr 22	Ivor F & Russ Hammond Trophy Scramble	W Wylong	4:00pm – 5:00pm	Aaron Booth &
	1 HR Scramble to MAAA Rules.			T Stowe.
May 7	E36 + Combined Vintage	Richmond		Aaron Booth
May 19	General Meeting	Dundas Sport	7.30pm	
June 3-5	NSW State Champs F1A, B, C, O/Power, O / Rubber +	West Wyalong	8.00am-1.00pm	See separate
	Victorian States Champs for A, B, C	A B Field		program
June 18	State Champs F1G, H, J + E36	Richmond	7.00am-1.00pm	R. Summersby
June 30 <sup>th</sup>	Scale Rally, + Trans Tasman, Scale Judging Fri 30th 1st	Richmond	7.00am till dark	Phil Warren
Flying 1st	&2nd Flying. Sun 2 <sup>rd</sup> ½ Hour scramble, Fun Fly C/L	Sunday BYO	Trans Tasman	
& 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	flying & BBQ Lunch	Food & Drink	7.00	
July 21	General Meeting	Dundas Sport	7.30 pm	Oleanna
July 29-30	Midwinter Mini Maxout	West Wyalong	8.00am- 2.00pm	Shayne
A 12	2 Min Max Models (See separate program)	AB Field	7.00 4.00	McDonald
Aug 13	Scale Rally, P 30, Combined Vintage	Richmond	7:00 – 1.00pm	R. Summersby
Aug 25-27	Cowra Oily Hand Weekend	Cowra		
Sep 10	1/2 Hour Walking Scramble + Fun Fly & B-B-Q Lunch	Richmond	7:00am – 1:00pm	John Corby
		BYO Food		
Sep 15	Annual General Meeting	Dundas Sport	7:30 pm	
Sep 24	Combined % 5 flights + E36	Richmond	7.00am - 1.00	Peter Scott
Oct 8	Combined % Multiple Entries	Richmond	7:00am - 1:00	Gary Goodwin
Oct 27-29	Wings Over West Wyalong.	West Wyalong	7.00am - Till Dark	Plenty of Room
	All Disciplines Scale Rally.	A.B. Field		for ALL
	Plus General Flying of all types of models			
Nov 12	Scale Rally +Fun Fly	Richmond	7:00am - 1:00pm	Peter Jackson
Nov 17	General meeting	Dundas Sport	7.30 pm	
Nov 24	Friday Xmas Party	Richmond	7.00am - 1.00pm	Terry & Lyn
Dec 3	1/2 Hour Xmas Scramble. Combined Vintage with SAMS & Fun Fly. BBQX Munch BYO Food.	Richmond	7:00am - 1:00pm	Aaron Booth

\*\*\* Note: All scrambles start at 8.00am \*\*\*