

The Free Flighter  
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Bonsai and Model  
Presented to Joanne & Gayle

# Minutes of General Meeting 18 March 2022

Meeting opened: 7.35 Dundas Sports Club Vice President Aaron Booth in the chair.

Present: Roy Summersby, Michael Towell, Peter Scott, Gail Scott, Aaron Booth, Gary Goodwin, John Pennells, Phil Warren.

## Apologies:

Barry Lee, Bruce Walker, Terry Bond, Geoff Potter, Keith Murry

## Guests:

Reg & Lyn Towell

## Minutes of previous meeting:

Moved Peter Scott sec Michal Towell

## Business Arising

Roy outlined the work that has been done at West Wyalong. This was the completion of the RC shed.

## Correspondence out:

Free Flighter, Friday notices,

## Correspondence In

Two issues of Vic Flypapers, MAAA notification of May Conference.

## Treasurers Report:

This was brought up to date.

November / December 2021 was tabled

## TREASURERS REPORT NSWFFS

1<sup>st</sup> Jan 2022 to 28<sup>th</sup> Feb 2022

### Opening Balances

C.B.A – A/C No 229300901281	\$12,593.55
C.B.A - A/C No 233610409062	\$5,624.10
Opening Total	\$18,217.65

C.B.A 1– Deposits	\$7,771.85
C.B.A 2– Deposits	\$860.00
C.B.A 1- Payments	\$5,395.88
C.B.A 2- Payments	\$6,405.00

Closing Balance C.B.A (1&2)	\$15,048.62
Balance as of 28/2/2022 C.B.A (1)	\$4,765.50
Balance as of 28/2/2022 CBA (2)	\$79.10
Closing Total Balance C.B.A. 1 & 2	\$20,519.54

### General Business:

Roy advised of a farewell dinner for Adrian Bryant will be held on the 17<sup>th</sup> April on the AB field. This will be in conjunction with the AFFS. SAMs flyers will also be joining us. The

RC shed has been erected and we have bought sheep mesh to go around the shade area to keep the sheep out. This will be removable for flying.

Terry advised last meeting of an old pit near the shearing shed that needs to be filled in. This is yet to be done, Roy to arrange.

The weather boards on the walls around the sliding door will be replaced in the coming months. Still to happen.

We have some past Nat's badges for sale, some very rare, if you are interested ask Roy.

Gary Goodwin gave us a report on what funds have been made from the SAM engines that he has been importing and reselling.

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Meting closed 8.09pm

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### Editorial May 2022

Hi Team, I am still a bit out of the loop, but I have managed a couple of days on the paddock at Richmond. The paddock is still very wet, and the continuous wet weather does not help. I see that Charlie has had major road damage and has been removing soft soil and filling with road base. I went for a short walk up to his next series of paddocks and the road has collapsed where his large excavator has been driven to test the road capacity. Obviously more work to be done. Be careful when you go there respect the paddock.

A health warning: one of our members took a leech home with him two weeks ago from the paddock, beware, check your clothing and footwear.

MAAA memberships will be due on 1 July 2022. As of the MAAA Conference 14-15 May it was agreed that fee will remain unchanged for this year. If there has been any change in your details; address, email, phone number etc please advise our registrar, Barry Lee email; [barrylee@internode.on.net](mailto:barrylee@internode.on.net).

Our state championships in conjunction with the Victorian state champs will be held on the weekend 4-6 June. Events will include F1A, B and C plus open rubber, open power and a two-minute event. The two-minute event includes all classes that have two minute maximum. It is a great event and the last time held was won by a P30. The entry form is attached to this free flyer.

The dates for Wings over West Wyalong have been changed to 5-6 November so as not to clash with other events held in October. We have a clear weekend! All scale, near scale and close to scale modellers are invited for this super rally to fly and have fun. It is not a contest it is hoped that modellers will attend for the fun of flight and get together. Saturday night will be catered. We are currently working on additional publicity.

Our next meeting is at the Dundas Sports Club on 20 May. I have some appointments on that day late in the city and may not be there. We shall see.

President NSWFFS  
Terry Bond

## Next Meeting 20<sup>th</sup> May

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

## The Adrian Bryant Send Off

This was planned for the 17<sup>th</sup> April at the completion of the AFFS champs. In attendance was Joanne and Gayle Bryant, two of Adrian's daughters. Joanne had brought some of Adrian's ashes for us to spread on the field along with his walking stick which I will mount over the fireplace with his hall of fame plaque. I had written out a program for the evening and it all fell into place very nicely. After we had the crowd gathered in front of the house, they charged their glasses with champagne or wine of choice. With this done, Mike Pettigrew (president of AFFS) gave a remembrance speech along with a presentation of a Bonsai plant and a ½ size model of Adrian's first published plan "The Golden Boomerang". The model was the brain

wave of Michal Towell, and both Joanne and Gayle were delighted with it. The model even has a half size ED Comp Special made by Geoff Potter. Following this was the spreading of the ashes from a very old, old timer model flown by Peter Scott who had specially prepared the model. The ashes were dropped in the field across the road in front of the house during the one-minute silence for Adrian.

After a little more wine, it was time for the presentation of the AFFS the SCC medals and the SAM's trophies. With this over it was then time for dinner. Once again this was supplied by our resident farmer Chris Bush and his wife Jenna. The meal was superb with plenty to go around. We had 60 booked in to eat but with a few drop outs we ended up feeding 55.

Once again, the house and setting provided the perfect venue.

## Gayle put this on face book

Just wanted to thank the community for organising our father, Adrian Bryant's memorial at West Wyalong recently. Joanne and I (two of his daughters) along with his grandson Conrad and his partner, Tilly, attended and were so touched by the kind words and stories about him that were shared with us. It was a special moment to have his ashes scattered by plane - and the initial crash landing on take-off - added a nice and light touch, which Dad would have appreciated.

We were also overcome by the presentation to us of the incredible bonsai (still alive!) and the replica of the Golden Boomerang that Dad designed in the 1950s. Michael Towell - thank you so much for making it. It was such a generous gift.

Thanks again to all who were there and looking forward to catching up with you all again.

Gayle .

## Vale John Miles

It is with great sadness that I learned of the unexpected passing of John Miles in late March this year. John was a long time aeromodeller that began building and flying model aircraft of all types under the guidance of his father whilst growing up in England.

John later moved to Australia where he continued with his passion for all forms of aeromodelling which he in turn nurtured in his three sons, Chilton, Ashton and Jensen. They travelled to many events throughout NSW and competed at the inaugural Nats at West Wyalong.

John was also an accomplished full sized aircraft pilot having flown multiple types including Tiger Moth, Chipmunk and Pawnee just to mention a few.

He had a great understanding of aircraft history and vast general knowledge of aviation which was apparent whenever you spoke with John. He was a modest, kind and caring man that will be sorely missed by his children and the aeromodelling community in general.

Rest in Peace John.

Andrew Heath

The three boys have been left to fend for themselves, I know they will survive but life is going to be very tough for them over the next few years. They are great boys and I think we should help them in any way we can. Andrew has said that, if someone wishes to donate, ask them to contact him (Andrew) on 0414946033, he will provide Chilton's banking details for an EFT payment. I will have more to say on this at the meeting.

Roy.

## Donations

During Mike Pettigrew's speech at Adrian's send off. Mike made mention of the work and improvements that have been done over the time we have had the property. With the exception of the re sheeting of the roof which was financed by cash donations, the main funds have come from goods that have been donated for sale solely for the purpose of improving the property. The dollars would now be in the tens of thousands. I am going to try and list the main donors, if I have missed you, I am truly sorry, I know I should have kept a record but that's not my style, I am not a book keeper.

The main donors have been

Adrian Bryant, Aaron Booth, Ted Burfin, Nick Brooks, Jim Christi, John Corby, Kevin Davis,

Stan Hinds, Jim Mc Fall, John Marshal, Merv Morgan, Robert Ockerden, Dave Owen, Geoff Potter, Paul Rossiter, Peter Scott, Ted Wooley.

Now you are going to ask me who some of these people are, as you haven't heard of them, well guess what, nor have I, but they have heard of us and they like what we have been doing so they are helping us out by donating their unwanted or goods.

## Work at the AB Field

Not much has been done since the last newsletter but a few of us managed to get down there a few weeks before the AFFS champs and get the place in order. The free flight flying areas were slashed and the RC strips were mowed. Having the FF flying sites slashed and tracks to them is a huge improvement. We have four main areas where we are likely to fly from. More work was done in the library which is now looking very good. The mounting of the radial engine took place in front of the camp kitchen. It looks impressive and is a talking point for the campers, maybe be we should have a sign on it saying what it is?

## State Championships for F1 A, B, C, Open Power, Open Rubber & 2 Minute Event

11<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> June. See entry form in this newsletter

## Scale Weekend 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> July

This is always a great weekend at Richmond. Sadly, we won't have the New Zealanders with us, they are still worried about covid and flights. We will have more information on this at the meeting

## MAAA News

The annual conference will be held in Sydney on the 14-15<sup>th</sup> May. We will have any news from this at the meeting.

## Cowra Oily Hand

This was held on the weekend 2<sup>nd</sup>- 4<sup>th</sup> April. I was not in attendance and haven't had a report but I have been told it was a great weekend.

## Wings Over West Wyalong BIG SCALE WEEKEND

### Note change of date it is now the 5-6<sup>th</sup> November

The theme is for it to be a scale weekend, that is we want any scale or scale looking model. All types of models are most welcome. The date, now is the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> of November, this is so it doesn't clash with other events that are on with the October date.

We want as many scale models that we can get there, Radio, Free Flight and Control Line.

Park flyers, whatever, if it looks like some sort of scale we want it.

No competition, it will be a Rally. Please spread the word, there are all sorts of models out there and we would like to see them fly or at least be able to look at them.

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# SCRAMBLE REPORT

## 16<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2022

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### Bryant Field West Wyalong

After a warm day in the mid 20's our contestants lined up for our feature event Saturday afternoon.

Organised by the great Tahn Stowe was an action packed hour of smiles, tears, drama and chaos to be had by all. We had all the classic symptoms of the perfect scramble, Engine troubles, Mid-air's, write-off's and perfect weather.

Some issues encountered were defeated early on and those people pressed on to a healthy result, while for some the issues persisted and were getting harder to shake.

To complement the perfect scramble we had a full side line of spectators cheering on our competitors till the end and witnessing all the ups and downs.

I'd like to personally thank Len Surtees who was our CD for the event. He did his utmost to keep us all on our toes and upheld the rules to the highest standards throughout the hour.

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**Aaron Booth**  
NSWFFS VP

#### SCORE BOARD

AARON BOOTH	2013
IAN HAIGH	1725
WARREN LEADBEATTER	1187
TAHN STOWE	1111
STEPHEN BOJEC	1007
MICHAEL TOWELL	DNF



ABOVE: Our competitors ready to start.



Warren Leadbeatter commanding a majestic launch of a Midwest Sniffer.

# AB Field West Wyalong

June 11 to 13 2022

## NSW and Victorian State Championships for F1A, F1B, F1C

Also

Open Rubber, Open Power and 2-Minute Event

### Entry Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

FAI personal ID number \_\_\_\_\_

Entry Fee: \$20 for NSW, \$20 for Vic (for any number of events)

Accommodation. If you have booked at the farmhouse add \$15 for each night (minimum 3 nights)  
If camping, add \$10 per person per night.

All payments can be made to NSWFFS Inc. BSB 062 293, A/C 0090 1281

Put your name as the reference.

Email entries to: [vinmorgan2@gmail.com](mailto:vinmorgan2@gmail.com) and [roydi132@optusnet.com.au](mailto:roydi132@optusnet.com.au)

or post to: Roy Summersby, 132 The Esplanade, Umina Beach, 2257

### Program

Saturday June 11 NSW F1A, F1B, F1C. 5 x 1-hour rounds starting 08:00

Sunday June 12 Vic F1A, F1B, F1C. 5 x 1-hour rounds starting 08:00

Monday June 13 NSWFFS Open Rubber, Open Power, 2-minute event  
3 flights 08:00 to 13:00. Flyoffs 16:00

Monday is also a reserve day in case of non-completion of Saturday and Sunday programs.

The 2-minute event is a three-flight contest for classes that have a 2-minute maximum.

Includes: E-36, P-30, F1G, F1H, F1J, Oz Diesel

# Shop Goods at 5/4/22

## Fuels

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

Nitro \$35 per Liter

IPN \$45 per 100 mil this is the stuff that makes diesels GO

when this is gone there will be no more, it is not made anymore.

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 big range \$1 per sheet

Clear Mylar (Morgan) \$10 roll

Silver Mylar \$10 roll

Mica film, silver, white, red

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

## 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 \*

Date	Event	Venue	Time	C/D	
Dec 28 Jan 4	1 <sup>st</sup> West Wyalong National's See Nat's program	W. Wyalong AB Field		See Nats 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	
Mar 18	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 <sup>th</sup> Combined Vintage, E36, 16 <sup>th</sup> Combined Mini & P30. 17 <sup>th</sup> 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 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Flying. Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> 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	

West Wyalong Working Bee:





**NSW FREE FLIGHT SOCIETY**

# **SCALE RALLY**

**RICHMOND JULY 1st 2nd and 3rd**

Friday 1st. Static judging and practice

Saturday 2nd. Static judging and flying

Judging for F4A, IC and electric.

Kit scale and Reg Jude Trophy for rubber scale.

Sunday 3rd. 30 minute Scramble, fun fly and BBQ, bring your own meat

Flying will start at 8.00 am on all days

I need static and flying judges for the weekend.

Please contact Phil on 0405579904  
or [philkarenw@gmail.com](mailto:philkarenw@gmail.com)

That's your lot till next time.