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CAPTAIN'S REPORT

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Hello fellow fliers

On Saturday 14 May a Working Bee was held at the flying field, with a good roll-up of willing workers, complete with tools and supplies. Enthusiasm was not in short supply either, and a good many essential jobs were successfully completed, including mowing of the pattern strip. Your president arrived late, but was quickly put to work nevertheless. The weather was kind with a bright sunny day that had us in shirtsleeves before too long. A barbecue was then held for the participants.

Someone remarked that it was a long time since the last working bee was held. It is true that some jobs were probably a little overdue, but there were enough workers on the day to make it all go smoothly. I would like to thank everyone who came and helped. It's worth noting that in a club that has a strong club spirit, the work is shared around and no one person should have too much to do.

In the afternoon a Special General Meeting was held at the field to present the updated constitution to the membership. Our Secretary/Public Officer talked us through the changes and the meeting then voted unanimously to adopt the new constitution. For the benefit of those who did not attend the meeting, it should be pointed out that no changes have been made to the way the Club operates. All the changes were aimed at bringing the constitution into line with current legal and other requirements (e.g., taxation), as well as improving the way certain parts were written.

After the meeting there was still plenty of time for flying. All in all, a very good day.

On another front, our editor of Prop Torque has advised the Committee that she will stand down at the end of the current club year, ie., at the end of June. This means that the Committee will be looking for someone else to take on this role. If you would like to have a go, and you have access to the necessary hardware and computer skills to produce the club newsletter, please let any of the committee members know as soon as you can. On behalf of LMAC I would like to thank Debbie for her work in producing the newsletter during her time of editorship. It is not difficult work, but needs determination to see each issue out the door, so to speak.

Don't forget the forthcoming AGM, which I hope everyone will make a serious effort to attend. Details elsewhere in Prop Torque.

I look forward to seeing you all at the flying field.

Gerry





SECRETARY'S REPORT

MAY 05

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Hi Everyone,

It is that time again, another month has flown by and it is all but winter, by the time you read this report it will be right on us.

But we have had quite a few good days for flying our models (or *that other terrible thing crashing*). But at least it is not wet and cold, only dry and sometimes cold.

As you all get this Newsletter we will have had our special general meeting re the club constitution re-draft and that at least will have been set in place. Also we will have had our first working bee for quite a while to tidy up our clubhouse and surrounds.

At our last committee meeting we were informed that our newsletter Editor has decided to relinquish this task as from the publication of the June issue, we understand that pressures of work and other commitments has made this decision necessary. We do thank Debbie for her time and efforts in producing the club newsletter since April last year amid the other things that she has been called upon to perform, --- thanks *Debbie*. The Committee will investigate a replacement, and an appointment would normally be made at the first Committee meeting after the Annual General Meeting, which in this case will be June 13th.

I would remind all members of the Annual General Meeting which is to be held at the Clubhouse on Saturday June 11th at 1.30 PM. Regardless of what the weather is doing on that day. There will be a BBQ at 12 noon on that day so if it is raining come down for a nice hot lunch and a cuppa then the meeting. You may all be aware but in case it did slip by some of you, as mentioned last month we will not be having a canteen operating on the 2nd or last Saturdays of the three winter months of June, July, and August, that is except for AGM day, but Cafe Symmons will still be operating on Club and contest days as usual during this winter period.

Then of course you all be receiving your Subscription renewal forms next month. This will be in the week following our AGM, when we will set the new fees for the next 12months. These forms must be returned to the club Post Office Box or to me personally no later than 30th June for after that date we will all be uninsured and as such NOT permitted to fly until we have renewed. Could I ask that everyone tries to be prompt with this as most of you did last year it does make the admin side a whole lot easier if we can do all the paper work in the one hit instead of many goes at it. On the form you will see that we need to fill in some boxes with details necessary to keep our records correct, there will also be a box which indicates that if you do not wish to renew your membership this year, this too needs to be filled in. If this box is relevant to you, please fill it in and return it, so that we know what your position is, rather than just ignoring it and thinking that we know. If you are the holder of a club property key then this must be returned at the same time if you are no longer a financial member.



At the Committee meeting we discussed club members wing status and the ultimate desire to get all members to have a wing status other than none. Which checking our records we do have many who do not have a required wing status which is Bronze as the minimum required level. Then of course you go on to gold and then Instructor level, a decision to make an effort to rectify this situation was decided upon ASAP.

I would like to remind members of our club stickers, sheets of 4 for \$1.00 and cloth club badges \$10.00 each, I am holding a quantity of both these items at the moment.

Well that's about wraps it up for me for now, DO remember the AGM Sat 11th June 1.30 PM in the clubhouse WET or FINE.

I leave a little thought with you (we only get out of life what we are prepared to put into it)

Happy Landings All
Geoff.

Greg Robertson
electric wing designed
and built around 8
years ago, powered by
an ND 10 motor with
eight cells .



↑
Daniel Walters holding
Cliff Walters' Mam'sellé
82"e prior to its' maiden
flight on 8th May 2005
Powered by a Geard ND
10



↑
Richard Cooper's
Lazy Bee Built by
Merv Cameron around
10 years ago. Speed
600 powered





CONTEST DIRECTORS REPORT MAY 05

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Hello Everyone

Well it's getting close to the end of this contest calendar year and the AGM is just around the corner. There is no contest to report on for this month just a few reminders for upcoming Pattern Championship. Round four of LMAC Pattern is being held this weekend Saturday May 21st at our field. The next competition is the APA Pattern Championship being held at our field on Saturday & Sunday June 18th & 19th with Friday the 17th June set down as a Practice day. There will be a number of Flyers from the mainland coming over for the event as well our local contingent from Tasmania. We are hoping to see at least 25 competitors compete over the two days, some of which are the best Pattern Flyers in Australia. I must admit this will be a real eye opener for myself and many of our State Pattern Flyers, the top class flyer will be good to watch.

The challenge for many of us will be flying two flight lines. This being two aircraft in the air at the same time crossing paths many times during each others Pattern procedure. The two flight lines with two sets of judges being spaced 50metres apart with two separate centre lines. I would encourage everyone to come and have a look at this major competition which is being billed the best major event our club has held for some time.

The two day competition will be held at our field at Symmons Plains with Henry Hutchinson the APA Contest Director running the event with the help of myself and Garry Anderson. I would ask if you are willing to lend a hand please come out and help as the canteen will be in need of assist as well as many other small tasks.

The Symmons Plains field will be closed to all General Flying on all three days Friday to Sunday 17th to 19th June.

As we are getting close to the June event I would like to hear from club members of all clubs in Tasmania to contact myself and let me know if you will be competing in the APA Championship. If anyone has any questions don't hesitate to contact me on my mobile 0408969360 or 63841048. Look forward to catching up with you all at the field.

Andrew CD.



FOR SALE

Low wing sportster model fitted with an OS 61 Four Stroke motor \$200.00

Contact Max Wiggins on Mobile 0408359717



DATE	EVENT	CLUB	SITE	TIME
Sat May 21 st	Pattern Day (4)	LMAC	Symmons Plains	9.30am
Sat June 4 th	Pattern Day	NWAM	Highclere	9.30am
Sat/Sun June 18 th & 19 th	APA Pattern Championship Practice Day Friday June 17 th	LMAC	Symmons Plains	9.00am
Sat July 9 th	Free Flight Old Timer (1)	LMAC	Symmons Plains	9:30 am
Sat July 23 rd	Scale Day (1)	LMAC	Symmons Plains	9:30 am
Sat August 20 th	Free Flight Old Timer (2)	LMAC	Symmons Plains	9:30 am

Team trials for places in the 2006 World F4C Championships to be held in Sweden, Will be held at the valley radio flyers field in Shepparton on Monday 19th September 2005. Any person interested in participating at the trials should promptly contact Anthony Mott on 03 9842 8406 or John Lamont 03 9848 2339

**“Club Day” is the first Saturday in each month.
“Café Symmons” will operate each Contest Day and Club Day**

Contests to be on the day specified. If weather is not suitable, then the next day, Sunday. If that too is not suitable then the event is cancelled and we move to the next contest scheduled.



Photos and captions supplied by our President Gerry from our recent working bee at LMAC Club Rooms



**Andrew: I suppose we should throw this out, too.
Alice: Yes, but let me clean it first**



Dave Jacobs and his new Auster AOP9 scale model built from an Airsail kit.



Paving repairs carried out under the careful supervision of the Editor

