



## NEWSLETTER – July, 2020

### Committee 2019/2020

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Note the meeting location.

The next committee meeting is to be held at the **Golden Plains Northern Community Centre (Haddon Hall), 396 Sago Hill Road Haddon**, on Wednesday July 22<sup>nd</sup> commencing at **7.00PM** (Take the door on the left after entry to the Complex). **Don't forget to bring a plate for supper.**

**Please note: General meetings are suspended until further notice due the COVID-19 pandemic.**

### Agenda Items for the next committee meeting

1. AGM date and details
2. New member application
3. Future monthly meeting location
4. New mower update
5. Other business

### Annual General Meeting

The AGM would have been held on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July had it not been for the COVID-19 restrictions.

The current committee, I understand, will continue on for the coming months until such time as the AGM can be held and new committee elected. A decision is on the agenda for the upcoming committee meeting.



### Membership Renewals

If you haven't renewed your subs for the 2020/21 year, can you please do so ASAP?

Secondly, if you don't intend re-joining please give the secretary the courtesy of a message to that effect.

The renewal form was included with the June 2020 newsletter and can also be found online at: [http://www.brmfc.org.au/Forms/MembPayment%202020\\_21.pdf](http://www.brmfc.org.au/Forms/MembPayment%202020_21.pdf)

Remember, you can't fly at any MAAA sanctioned field until your subs are paid.



### VMAA News

Information gathered from the Minutes of the VMAA Executive Committee Meeting held on the 9<sup>th</sup> July 2020 which might be of interest to members. Note: some situations may have changed since then.

Introduction: The President and Secretary welcomed everyone to the first virtual meeting via Zoom conference. The protocols for conferences were detailed so all parties were aware of how the discussions will take place and how to interact with the conference group. The Secretary mentioned the use of cameras, muting while not talking and how to react if anyone has a question or wishes to comment.

SFI Report:

20.1 Wing Status.

For June, 6 Bronze, 6 Silver and 2 Gold wings processed.

20.2 Wing Assessments: There was an issue of instructors advising the student that they would not receive their wings or certificate for three to four months because of processing delays. There are rarely any such processing delays; the SFI sends out wings and certificates within 24 hours on most occasions but often it has been noted that the instructor is

not sending in the assessment promptly. The SFI also rings each student to congratulate them on completing the test and achieving their wings. If there continues to be a delay by instructors sending in the assessment, the SFI will contact the instructor to determine the issue. Instructors are sent an email once the assessment is processed.

### 20.3 Instructor Notification:

143 requests received for a refresher course.  
32 Instructors that do not wish to continue.  
93 instructors completed a refresher course.  
43 instructors to complete a refresher course.

Additional courses to be organised as required. Each course will have a maximum of 20 students. Courses will start up once restrictions are reduced. Dates TBA.

20.5 Recertification MAAA Instructors – Recertification of MAAA Instructors to be completed by 30 June 2021. As from the 01/07/2021, those that have not completed their refresher course will have their certification revoked.

### 21. State Field Reports:

President noted that, as discussed previously, all state fields should provide a quarterly report and that this is to be an ongoing process. The report covers the operations and a financial snapshot of the host club and how they are progressing. The Secretary will issue requests to the host clubs of the State Fields. Reports for this quarter are already due so the clubs will be asked to provide these reports within two weeks.

23.3 New Club: Baw Baw Radio Modelers Association Gippsland Inc. The club is preparing a risk assessment and a map of the field detailing the areas of the field. Once received, the documents will be reviewed.



## Goin's on at the Field

### Container clean out

We effectively had an impromptu working bee on Sunday July 12<sup>th</sup> to clean out the southern container to make room to store the John Deere mower. The JD needs to make room in the northern container to accommodate the new mower which looks like being the Kubota 54".

It's amazing how much "stuff" we have accumulated over the years but it's a shame to throw out things that may be needed one day. Nevertheless we managed to have a cleanout and loaded what was considered rubbish onto the club trailer so it can be taken to the tip at our earliest convenience.

The support brackets were unscrewed from the signs we put out along the road when we have flying events so that they would stack easily. This allowed the trailer to go all the way back to the wall making room for the JD mower.

Alan brought out some webbing material to hang inside below the roof so that we could store the many lengths of

PVC stormwater pipe that were once used. That managed to free up a lot of floor space.

The next job is to construct a proper ramp for the mowers and generator that can be used on either container. The planks we currently use are too heavy to move about and not really very suitable. It needs to be 1.5m wide to give about 250mm on either side of the mower wheels and 1m long so the deck doesn't scrape the edge of the container. We are looking at aluminium checker plate with a timber frame support.



Glenn with Hugh's old Spitfire which he last flew at Bowes Road Ross Creek in the late 1990's. The OS BGX idles beautifully but tended to die at full throttle after a few seconds.

Glenn had Hugh's old Spitty out at the field again on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> July for another engine test run after getting hold of the correct plug, an OS #8 for the OS BGX engine. This time it ran much better but tended to die after a few seconds at full revs. Richening it seemed to have mixed results. It is a 35cc engine and it's possible the fuel lines are too small in diameter particularly when mixed with lengths of copper tube. Glenn is going to fit the larger diameter fuel tubing throughout before the next test. It idled perfectly with no sign of cutting out.

If anyone has had experience with the OS BGX 35cc engine; any advice would be much appreciated.



## Tips & Tricks

A few more interesting YouTube clips arrived on my phone and tablet over the last month which I thought may be of interest during this period of isolation.

Watch "**Full Afterburner Compilation - F18 Hornet & F111, Williamtown Airshow 2010**" on YouTube <https://youtu.be/WIS7GOpELts>

Watch "**The Most Underrated British Plane of WW2?**" on YouTube <https://youtu.be/YFDOGwptxOg>

Watch "**Antonov An-225 Mriya: The Heaviest Aircraft Ever Built**" on YouTube <https://youtu.be/hsh2GSHM2TA>

Watch "Lockheed Vega - Fuselage Restoration" on YouTube [https://youtu.be/dYV\\_MDaF4Sg](https://youtu.be/dYV_MDaF4Sg)

Watch "Lockheed Vega - Fuselage Restoration - Diaphragm / Bulkhead Construction" on YouTube [https://youtu.be/Hq\\_gO3Kb8M0](https://youtu.be/Hq_gO3Kb8M0)

Watch "GIANT RC CONCORDE MAIDEN FLIGHT - ONBOARD FOOTAGE" on YouTube <https://youtu.be/YMMRP90lyIU>

Watch "De Havilland Comet Jetliner Story by WTTW Chicago" on YouTube <https://youtu.be/Z9pmYrvz6YU>

Watch "Plane Tries To Land In A Storm" on YouTube <https://youtu.be/ibexMhunIPU>

Watch "Viscount - Part Three - The Last Passenger Service" on YouTube <https://youtu.be/vcZrC8pyD0I>

Watch "Vickers Viscount. The first turboprop airliner .in the World" on YouTube [https://youtu.be/z\\_6BBGT5Rkc](https://youtu.be/z_6BBGT5Rkc)

Watch "Inside the World's Largest Airtanker 747-400 SuperTanker!" on YouTube <https://youtu.be/D-pC7XYHV7s>

Watch "Maiden Mibo A10" on YouTube <https://youtu.be/d4VeUA4WUDQ>

Watch "Inside RC Jet Workshop - Mibojets (Part 2 A-10 Main Wing Demolding)" on YouTube [https://youtu.be/CN5wLI7\\_ykQ](https://youtu.be/CN5wLI7_ykQ)

Watch "Inside RC Jet Workshop - Mibojets Part 3 (A-10 "Grande" Full Kit Assembly)" on YouTube <https://youtu.be/n5WpmdqyW0E>

Watch "Why America's Enemies Feared the P-47 & Still Fear the A-10" on YouTube <https://youtu.be/bYssexVvggA>



## Events

### Indoor flying at Haddon Hall – July 15<sup>th</sup>

The first indoor event for the year was held on Wednesday evening July 15<sup>th</sup>. It's been postponed since the start of the year for two reasons, firstly the wooden flooring in the hall was replaced and took much longer than anticipated and secondly due to the COVID-19 restrictions.

We now operate from the adjacent room and go into the hall to fly which is better because it makes a larger area. You also have to have a second pair of soft shoes/slippers that haven't been worn outside to walk on the new flooring which is mainly used for indoor ball sports.

The other benefit that BAMI/BRMFC enjoy is the use of the hall on every Wednesday night which means we can have club meetings there as well. At the moment just committee meetings due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Here's a few happy snaps of the event held on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July. There was a pretty good rollup with 12 modellers signed in. A sign-in register is being maintained along with hand sanitizer provided at the entry.



Kevin & Graeme swapping a few stories with a good 1.5m between them.



Note the shiny new floor. Alan's bipe doing some aerobatics.





Max having a go with his quadcopter.



Murri doing some tuning on the Sopwith or SE5A with daughter Sianna looking on.



### Event Calendar

Note: Most if not all events have been cancelled/suspended or probably will be due the COVID-19 pandemic. I have left the calendar as is to show the events that were scheduled.

- July 15<sup>th</sup> (Wed) Indoor Flying at Haddon Hall 7 - 9:30PM – BAMI
- July 22<sup>nd</sup> BRMFC Committee Meeting Haddon Hall**
- August 5<sup>th</sup> (Wed) Indoor Flying at Haddon Hall 7 - 9:30PM – BAMI
- August 19<sup>th</sup> (Wed) Indoor Flying at Haddon Hall 7 - 9:30PM – BAMI
- Sep 2<sup>nd</sup> (Wed) Indoor Flying at Haddon Hall 7 - 9:30PM – BAMI
- Sep 16<sup>th</sup> (Wed) Indoor Flying at Haddon Hall 7 - 9:30PM – BAMI
- Sep 19<sup>th</sup>/20<sup>th</sup> Shepparton Mammoth Scale Fly In – VRF
- Oct 7<sup>th</sup> (Wed) Indoor Flying at Haddon Hall 7 - 9:30PM – BAMI
- Oct 21<sup>st</sup> (Wed) Indoor Flying at Haddon Hall 7 - 9:30PM – BAMI
- October 18<sup>th</sup> (Sun) Len Astbury Fun Fly – Trawalla, BRMFC**
- Nov 28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup> Fun Fly & Swap Meet – HMAC, Hamilton

See the [VMAA Calendar](#) for all Victorian events.

That’s all for now. Happy landings.  
Roger.



The “pit” area in the adjacent room. Tables etc. aren’t allowed on the new floor which I understand cost in the vicinity of \$450k.



Another shot of the “pit” area with Murri’s son Larry posing for the camera. This is the area where we can now hold club meetings. For most members it won’t be much or any further to go than to the Eastwood Leisure Centre.