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The next general meeting is to be held at the <u>Eastwood Street Leisure Centre in the Canteen</u>, on Wednesday March 28th commencing at <u>7.30PM</u> (Turn left after entry to the Complex, and the Canteen is on the left again). <u>Don't forget to bring a plate for supper.</u>

Agenda Items for the next meeting

- 1. Trawalla Estate Update
- 2. Strategic Plan Development and discussion
- 3. Field Maintenance

Points of interest from the last meeting

Extract of newsworthy items from the minutes of the last meeting. Note: Some events/activities may have concluded or been modified as circumstances change.

8. General Business

a) Trawalla Estate Update - No issues or matters to present.

b) Strategic Plan (SP) Development and discussion. A person who has experience in developing one would be preferred as the lead in its development. Ray Turner volunteered to take up the task. Meeting date set for 7th April 2018.

c) Field Maintenance –

• Questions asked regarding the Hazchem signage requirements, "Are signs required on the container and the gate?"; "Are MSDs etc. required to be available?" Nick volunteered to research the relevant regulations.

• Both of the containers need to be better ventilated to remove fumes.

- A leaking jerry can needs to be disposed of.
- Authority given to purchase a spout for the fuel jerry cans.

d) Burrumbeet Airstrip – No progress (awaiting a meeting with Paul Brumby).

4. Burrumbeet Airstrip

- 5. BAMI inter-club fly-in
- 6. Next year display or fly-in?

e) Display Day 2018

• Net loss of approximately \$184. It was deemed to be still worthwhile as exposure was very good, a surprisingly good number of the public attended, it was estimated at one point there was in excess of 40 cars in the public car park

• Discussion ensued whether the club should have another display next year or only have a "fly-in". This will require further discussion and await the outcome of the VMAA's review of the display procedure before a final decision will be made.

• Roger Carrigg received a telephone call late in the week from Norm Thompson of the VMAA saying an officer from CASA had contacted him stating they had no knowledge of the BRMFC display. This prompted changes to be made to our flyer and RCTrader notice.

• The roadside signs were insufficient in number to adequately direct people to the field. Their careful placement is needed to avoid any issues with VicRoads. A more detailed map in future will be placed on the flyers and any advertisements.

• The background music requires more planning for next year; it was ad hoc and the choice of tracks was poor (in some people's opinion).

• A suggestion was made to invite attending non-gold wing level pilots to fly after the formal display has completed.

• Compliments and thanks were expressed to the pilots who were brave enough to fly. These were "bomber" Nick K., "aerobatic" Alan C., "grooving" Graeme A., "Robust" Roger C. and Nathaniel's incredible quad copter flying.

• Letter of thanks to be sent to Craig Butterworth for the loan of the PA system.

• The canteen was well run, food excellent and tea hot – thanks go to the entire canteen "staff".

• There was great support from BAMI with many of their members attending and providing models for static display.

• A local resident and his wife attended and even loaned a large TV for the FPV quad copter flying.

• No obvious place for "gold coin donations" from the public was available which caused some confusion.

• The attending public's feedback should be sought next year with the aim to find out for example how they were made aware of the display, what they did and didn't like about the day.

• More club members need to be encouraged to fly at the display. If necessary assistance to prepare piloting skills and models to handle any presenting conditions can be given. With a view to help enable this, workshops may be held to train for the gaining of wings and for model set up.

9. Other Business

• Workshops – begin with an hour or two on a Sunday with the aim being to gain "Confident Solo flight skills". These may be held at the field monthly, with potential educators being Roger, Glenn, Murri, Nick, Peter and Max.

• The member survey was shown – comments were invited with some suggestions made on the content. The decision was made to distribute via email and it may be completed electronically or printed and manually filled in. Some forms and envelopes will be in the canteen building at the Trawalla field and once completed can be placed in the marked and sealed box just opposite the entry. This will enable privacy to be maintained for those members preferring this.

 \bullet VFSAA day in March – going ahead on 25^{th} March (as far as we know).

• Joint BRMFC/BAMI club day Sunday 8th April 2018 at the Trawalla field. BBQ lunch supplied by BRMFC. Hopefully with demonstrations of tug and winch launched gliders. (*Since rescheduled to Sunday 22nd April*).

• Bunnings sausage sizzle and information day both went well.

• MAAA notice regarding grant funding available was received, however we are not eligible next year for a grant as we received funding for the AED this year.

10. Meeting closed at 9.16pm – Next meeting 28th March.



Sad News



As you have probably already heard, Paul Ruddle sadly passed away on Thursday 15th March in hospital after battling diabetes for quite some time, aged 64.

Paul will be sadly missed at the field for his intelligent conversation and dry witty banter. There was hardly a subject that Paul could not give an opinion on.

Paul was a member of BRMFC back in the 1990's at Ross Creek. I understand he travelled interstate in the mid 90's and came back to Victoria some time later. After we moved to Trawalla he re-joined BRMFC again given that he was living close by in Beaufort. His interest lay mostly with electric models and he was always coming out to the field with some new gadget that he'd found on the internet. Paul also came down to the Hamilton & Warrnambool fun flies a few times so members of those clubs may remember him.

On behalf of the members we extend our condolences to Paul's family, particularly his son Sam and daughter Donna whom we have had contact with.

On Sunday morning (25th March) Sam and Donna came out to the flying field and had a good chat with many of the members who knew their father. It was good to make contact with them and talk about our time with Paul.

Paul's funeral is to be held at **2PM** on Wednesday **28th March** at **Peter Tobin Funeral parlour** in Doveton Street North.



BRMFC Web Site

The club web site has been displaying the CFA fire ban status RSS feed on the <u>home</u> and <u>weather</u> pages from 16th November to 15th April since 4th November 2010. (Outside those dates it's unnecessary to display it.)

All of a sudden I noticed an error on or around 12th March so had a look to see what had gone wrong. It turned out the CFA web site now uses SSL/TLS protocol for the feed (https instead of http) and this stopped our site from displaying the feed.

Another thing, if displaying the club web site on a mobile device the <u>Weatherzone</u> feed may not display which includes the small temperature & wind velocity panel on the upper left side of every page. On Android, under options you need to select *Request desktop site*. Presumably iPhone is similar.



New Member



Alan Crisp joined the club in late January after moving to Ballarat. He is currently a member of the Lilydale club.

Alan's flying expertise came to the fore on our display day when we were confronted with a strong south easterly wind.

Alan has been kind

enough to provide us with an insight into his aeromodelling background:

I have been flying for a little over 5 years now, starting out when a good friend of mine introduced me to micro helicopters. I soon got bored so I bought my first foamy, a short wing cub. After a lot of bif, bash and CRASH, I soon got the hang of it and I was hooked. As my planes got bigger and faster the local footy oval became much too small, so Tony and myself joined Lilydale aero (LDMFA) in 2014.

About ½ of my planes are scratch built Depron foam, and the other half ARF kits, which have all been modified to some extent, as you do.(more POWER....) Joining an aero club was the best thing I could have done, learning from likeminded people and passing on my knowledge to those who ask.



VMAA News

Information gathered from the Minutes of the VMAA Executive Committee Meeting held on the 8th Feb 2018 which might be of interest to members.

GMAA Loan application

Murray Ellis (President GMAA Geelong Miniature Aircraft Association) spoke at length re the setting up of the new field *(ed. have to find out location)* following the closure after many years of the (Geelong) Dog Rocks field. While there has been some loss of members the club remains strong and the road to the field has now been completed with the erection of a clubhouse about to start.

The club has committed some \$30k towards the project but is asking the VMAA for a loan to help complete the works. VMAA vice president Jon Goudge explained to Murray that the VMAA would like to help and that we would discuss a loan for some specific items to help with the capital works project as explained by Murray with supporting documentation. Loan was agreed in principal but with the absence of both the VMAA president and treasurer it was decided to defer until they were consulted as well.

State Field Reports

Northern Flying Group

Many start up poles have been replaced. The IMAC SIG event was well attended and the event was a success with the flying and also the fundraising side for the club, thanks to all. New Fencing has been completed and another SIG-F1 Racing will hold an event in March (*this might be May*) with a night fly and BBQ. VMAA will sponsor trophies for the event up to \$110.

Bairnsdale

Extra works at the State field are progressing quite well. The last half of 2017 has been difficult as there was very little rainfall leaving the surrounds in poor condition however the regulars have been keeping our airstrip in beautiful condition throughout, by regular application of bore water. There has been quite a lot done to improve the drainage around the pits to ensure the field is useable immediately after wet days. Hasn't really been tested yet.

New works are to lay grass matting EX Bairnsdale Tennis courts, a very nice donation delivered on site. We will be using this mat for taxiways and also on some of the pits.

Work is planned before our Labour Day Scale event.

BADMAC members are giving the field a good workout with attendances of 20 to 30 on the two biggest days Wednesday and Sunday, however the beautiful facility is being to some extent wasted as there are no SIG or other events planned for this year at the present.

Last year, due largely to the number of members who committed themselves to work on Bunnings Sausage sizzles we were able to purchase a new and better quality Husqvarna Mower to make it easier for our Airport Manager to keep the Airstrip in pristine condition.

The next expense which we are saving toward but is probably beyond our resources is that we need to top off the gravel area as that received only a very thin coating initially, with grader the works will probably cost about \$10k.

Echuca

Country Visit and opening on the 5th and 6th of May Fun fly as advertised. Field in great condition and new buildings in great shape.

Mt Wallace

New runway earth works have not yet been started due to site availability. They are due to commence soon. A temporary runway is in use with no problems. Membership in the club (BMMAA) is growing steadily with a further 2 new members last month.

Earthworks are due to commence end of February and Runway sow about early April.

Currently getting power connected in readiness for the watering required when the runway is sown, bore and pump are already completed. Funding is being discussed and will be formalized at the March meeting.

Quotes for toilet block and clubhouse are being sought and will be tabled at a later date.



New Models seen at field

Whilst Jeff's Sopwith Camel has been at the field on a few occasions this was the time it had a successful maiden flight. On previous attempts Jeff had problems with lack of power, tail heaviness and undercarriage too far back. This time those show stoppers had been overcome and Graeme was able to get the Camel off the ground safely and climb away where he could trim it out. It appeared once it was trimmed he had it under reasonable control. It flew around for a few circuits by then Graeme had calmed down enough to think about a landing.



Graeme & Jeff had been at this moment on several previous occasions hopefully this time it would be a success.



After a relatively straight take-off run the camel departed company with terra firma.



It looked quite good as it peeled off to the left. Graeme was able to get plenty of height so he could trim it out. Certainly no lack of power from the ASP 91 FS.



The power wires in the background are hundreds of metres away although they appear close in the photo.



On final approach and into wind – I guess it would have been 20-25km/h.



Over the strip and all looking good !!!



And down with a couple of bounces but all in all a good flight and well done.



Goin's on at the Field

Member Survey

The club is currently conducting a member survey to gauge the opinions of members on what they want and expect from their club and where we should be heading in the future.

The survey form has been distributed via email and it may be completed electronically or printed and manually filled in. Some forms and envelopes will be in the canteen building at the Trawalla field and once completed can be placed in the marked and sealed box just opposite the entry. This will enable privacy to be maintained for those members preferring this.

Provide the engine running reliably enough for a flight.



Barry Townsend's Nemesis powered by a 35cc petrol engine. I think he said the 35cc engine size is a racing class.



Tips & Tricks

Any ideas or thoughts please pass on for inclusion.



Events

Bunnings Promo Day – Saturday 10th February

A couple of weeks before our recent display day, we held a promotion at Bunnings to help get the word around and also generate general interest in aeromodelling. We were there on Saturday 10th February from 10AM to 2PM. Bunnings set up 3 tables for us and we were able to sit models up on the stock pallets behind us to help our visibility. We had models such as small electric, trainer types and scale models as well as video of models flying.

As it turned out the Ballarat Woodworkers Guild were also in attendance which added to the overall effectiveness. Bunnings staff mentioned our displays several times over the PA system suggesting customers come and have a look at what we do.

I took a few shots but generally when nobody was at our stand – you have to be a bit discreet taking photos in the store as some people will not like it and I guess that is their right to privacy.

Whilst there we also managed to sell a few books of our display day raffle tickets to help kick the raffle along.

If you think back we used to do something similar at Stockland Wendouree (Wendouree Village) but it seems the DIY customer base is more in tune with what we do than the general shoppers at a traditional shopping centre.

Several members volunteered their time so many thanks to Ricky, Nick, Fred, Murri and Graeme. I hope I haven't forgotten anyone!!!



Looks like Graeme & Nick doing something with the raffle tickets.



Fred was liaising well with the shoppers as they went past.

Bunnings Sausage Sizzle – Friday 16th February



We had another JUNNINGS

quite successful fundraiser running the sausage sizzle at Bunnings Ballarat

on Friday 16th February. As to be expected trade is nothing like a Saturday or Sunday but still well

worth doing. We made \$910 profit which is not to be sneezed at. A Saturday would double that figure but Saturdays are hard to get as there is such a demand amongst the local community groups.

Interestingly, Bunnings Warehouse lodged the planning application a little while ago for a new 17,000 square metre premises on the corner of the Glenelg Highway and Cherry Flat Road. This is great for Ballarat and no doubt there'll be sausage sizzles as well. (Must be going ahead because this estimating web site EstimateOne says tenders closed on February 19th.)



Glenn and Graeme were on the early shift.



Jeff was cook number two. Not sure what Murri is doing !!!



Whilst it seems quite, I've taken photos during a lull in business - customers might not like photos taken.



Graeme and Peter having a well-earned break. You're on your feet all the time and it does get tiring. Is that a gesture of some kind from Graeme?

ABC Radio interview – Wednesday 21st February

During the lead up to our display day Gavin McGrath a presenter on ABC radio saw one of our roadside banners. He pulled up to get some details, found our club web site and contacted Graeme Allen on Monday 19th February to ask if he would like to do a live interview at 10AM on Wednesday 21st February.

The details were confirmed the following day and Graeme asked me if I would like to go along as well. Opportunity to be a radio star!!! So I agreed. We rocked up to the Dawson Street studio around 9:30AM with a couple of models for discussion and photographic purposes. It was interesting trying to wrestle with a couple of models in their cramped studio but we managed. Just before 10AM we were invited into the studio and sat down with microphone and headsets. Gavin asked us a few questions about what we do, where we fly and what the display was about. It was a good opportunity to get some free publicity and get aeromodelling out there in the public eye (or ear in this case).

Those that heard the interview said we came over okay.

Display Day – Sunday 25th February

BRMFC held its display day on Sunday 25th February under extremely challenging conditions. A few days before the event we were also confronted with a contentious issue with our display permit. It seems CASA had taken exception to the word "display" when someone saw it promoted online. Then the gods were unkind to us with the weather. Although it was dry, the wind from the south east was very strong, over 40km/h and gusting up around 50km/h at times according to BoM.

With the blustery conditions only a few members flew, however we managed to have models in the air for most of the gazetted display time. Nick flew his Edge, Graeme flew his low wing sport model, Alan Crisp (new member) had his electric ducted fan jet up and I the trusty old Shoestring. It was just too strong for biplanes and other light weight models.

BAMI, our sister club in Ballarat turned up in numbers to support our event, many thanks to those who attended.

We had a much better spectator turn out this year compared to last year no doubt helped by our concerted efforts promoting the event via roadside banners, flyers, radio interview, Bunnings promo day, raffle and word of mouth. The car park was quite full when I looked at various times. The canteen was kept busy serving hot food and drinks so many thanks to the ladies in the canteen and Glenn & Jeff on the BBQ.

Nick did a couple of lolly drops using a hopper that he had built and experimented with sometime before the event. It worked extremely well.



Nick had rigged up a lolly hopper which he mounted underneath his Edge. This proved to be very successful enabling us to have a lolly drop for the kids.



The Edge on take-off with a "belly" full of lollies to drop.



The kids were escorted out on to the runway while Nick's Edge was circling around waiting for them to be in place for the drop.



The drop was smack bang in the middle of the strip. It was quite difficult to judge when to release given the drift caused by the strong wind.

Nathaniel Kuchel from Ararat flew his FPV racing drone around a course set up along the east/west runway and entertained the crowd with his high speed precision flying. We first saw Nathaniel at Ararat's Fun Fly late last year and invited him to our event. Many thanks to Nathaniel for his contribution to our event.



Graeme standing is talking to Nathaniel and his father just prior to his flight demo. The drone is on the ground in front.



It is hard to capture the realism here, but Nathaniel is flying the drone (upper left) through the white banners using goggles which he sees the view from the drone's on-board camera.



Another view of the entire course. The drone flies the course extremely fast.

Given the windy conditions we effectively pulled the pin on the event a bit earlier than planned by drawing the raffle and making presentations around 2:40PM. Nick was awarded Pilot's Choice for his dedicated flying contributions all day long.



The car park was quite full at times, this was around midday.

The raffle, *Wheelbarrow full of non-perishable food & good cheer* was then drawn and won by D. Bayly from Cardigan with ticket No. 0162. The winner was not present at the draw and arrangements were made for Max & Glenn to deliver the prize later in the day on their way home.

The club would like to thank all who supported the raffle and our flying display.



President Fred Eggleston mc'd the presentations. Nick is walking back with the Pilot's Choice award.



Karen Goodwin is drawing the raffle which was won by D. Bayly from Cardigan with ticket 0162.

Let's hope we have better weather next year.

Warrnambool Fun Fly –17th/18th March

Several of our members made the annual trip down to Warrnambool for their annual fun fly event. Peter & Lyn Weston, Murri Anstis and Ricky Gerada who camped at the field went down on the Friday and were treated to great flying conditions. Unfortunately that didn't last for the weekend. Saturday morning was reasonable but the wind picked up from around midday onwards as it was forecast to do. It was also forecast to be one of the worst fire risk weekends for some time and they weren't wrong as we all know.



Wayne made the statement to his wife Karen before the weekend that seeing as he had his planes all sorted out he was going to "Own the sky" (With the strong wind I don't think anyone else wanted the sky.) Wayne's Westland Wyvern is on landing approach around 1PM after the wind had started to get quite strong.

There wasn't much flying in the afternoon as the wind got up so those staying in town (Graeme & Dianne, Wayne & Karen and Glenn & I) headed in to get our accommodation sorted leaving the trailers and models at the field.



Given that the weather was awful from midday Saturday onwards they decided to do some of the give-aways early Saturday afternoon. Some got hats & Wayne a coat.

Murri, Ricky, Peter & Lyn came into town for tea where we had booked a table at Macey's Bistro. (A great place for a meal at very reasonable prices.) Ted Burke rang around 4:45PM and decided he would come down from Beaufort. Glenn & I had a large unit with plenty of room so he stayed the night with us meeting up at Macey's for tea.

Back at the motel around 11:15PM Murri rang me from the field and said the wind had really picked up and had blown the trailers around. And to make matters worse there was a glow in the night sky to the north of the field where fires had started.

I had to wake Graeme & Wayne to tell them what had happened. We then decided to head out to the field and pick up the trailers & models. Just as well Ted came because I'd had a few wines and couldn't drive, so Ted stepped in the driver's seat. The Warrnambool guys were there and as a precaution because of the fire threat the field was vacated. Ricky came back to our room, Murri and Peter & Lyn went to the Koroit show ground. What a night, by the time we got back to the motel with the trailers it was well after 1AM.

We headed out to the field on Sunday morning but there wasn't much happening. They drew the raffles and we were all on the road home by 11AM.

It was bad luck for the Warrnambool club but given the severity of the weather and fires over the weekend that all paled into insignificance.

Hopefully better times next year.

VFSAA Scale Comp – Sunday 25th March

The scale comp scheduled to be held at our field on Sunday 25th March was cancelled the day before due to BoM forecast: windy with showers.

As it turned out here was no rain but it was pretty windy, some flying went on but it wasn't conducive to a comp.



Coming Events

RCGA Thermal Gliding State Championships

By Kevin Howard.

The Radio Control Gliding Association will be holding the State Championships – Thermal Gliding at BAMI's Brewster Field on Sunday the **15th April**, competition starts around 10am, BAMI Cafe de Paddock will be open for lunch, please take this email as an open invitation for your club members to pay a visit on this day.

The RCGA Website can be found at <u>www.rcga.org.au</u>, you will enjoy having a look and see what their organisation is involved in the glider world. Looking forward to the social flying day at Trawalla on Sunday the 22nd April.

BRMFC & BAMI social day at Trawalla – April 22nd

After our successful get together on the occasion of the *Fly for Gra* day held late last year it was decided to hold another event. After searching the calendar our two clubs settled on Sunday April 22^{nd} . So put that date in your calendar and come along for a great day of camaraderie.

Indoor Flying at Haddon Hall – 2018

Several of our members have been attending the indoor flying at the Haddon Hall organized by the Ballarat Aero Modellers Club, which started for 2018 on Wednesday February 7th. Attendances have been pretty good with March 7th seeing one of the largest turn-outs to date, unfortunately I didn't manage a group photo that night.



Wednesday night March 21st



Wednesday night February 21st

The event is held on the **first** and **third** Wednesday of the month between 7.00 & 9.30PM. We just assume it is on until such time as BAMI decide to have a breather.

Kevin Howard is the organizer and contact person if you require further details. Cost is \$5 per flyer per night to cover the cost of hiring the hall. Even if you haven't got a model come along for a look to see what goes on. (Only flyers are asked to cough up the five bucks.)



Hi everyone,

Just letting you know that the GMFC will be conducting our next weekend flying over the Easter break. We are intending at this stage to fly Sat, Sun and Monday. We will also be organising something for dinner on at least one of the nights more than likely it will be on the Saturday night.

We were contacted recently to see if we were interested in hosting a drone racing event when negotiations broke down to hold the event at a different venue in town. As a result of talks with the local drone racing guys we have decided that we would love to help them out so as a result the GMFC will be hosting the Inaugural Ararat Drone racing event on Saturday the 14th April. This is something very different for us and not something that many of us know much about so it will be a learning experience for all of us. If you have never seen racing drones before do yourself a favour and come along and have a look as they are extremely quick and very exciting to watch. If anyone would be able to run the barby on the day we would certainly appreciate it as we intend to supply lunch on the day. It is expected that between 20 to 30 competitors will be racing so along with their crews it should be a pretty busy day and a great opportunity for our club. Hope to see as many as possible at our upcoming events.

Cheers Dave Lovell.



For Sale

We have a ¼ scale **Stinson Voyager 108** Kit by Realistic Models for sale which is part of the estate of the late Graham Waterhouse.

Wing span: 101.6"

Length: 75.5" or 77.7" depending on the model variant built. Weight: 18 - 20 pounds.

Engine: 35 – 40cc petrol required.



Picture on one end of the box.



As you can see the parts are still wrapped and sealed. There's lots of hardware and the cowl is extremely strong.

The kit contains an extensive amount of hardware and a sturdy fibreglass cowl.

It's untouched with all the parts still packaged and unopened.

This is without a doubt, a quality kit, albeit quite old now.

(A courier date on the box indicates it would have been manufactured around 1998.)

The promo booklet inside the box has been PDF'd which I can send if you are interested.

At the time, going by the promo booklet it would have sold for around \$1k.

So asking price is **\$500** which I think is good value for the right person. However realistic offers will be considered, I'm simply trying to get a fair price for June.

If anyone is interested or would like more info please let me know ASAP via the editor contact details at the top of page 1.

There is a comprehensive construction manual which I can also PDF if required.

s well as this kit, there's still a few engines remaining plus servos, scale pilots, wheels, fuel tanks, over 300 tins of Humbrol paint and all sorts of general modelling hardware. If you are in need of anything don't hesitate to ask me what's available.



Event Calendar

Mar 17 th /18 th	Warrnambool Annual Fun Fly – WMAC			
Mar 25 th (Sun.)	VFSAA Scale Comp – Trawalla, BRMFC			
Apr 4 th (Wed.)	Indoor Flying at Haddon Hall 7 - 9:30PM – BAMI			
Apr 8 th 2018	Monty Tyrell Scale Rally – P&DARCS			
Apr 15 th 2018	RCGA Thermal Gliding State			
	Championships at BAMI Brewster Field			
Apr 18 th (Wed.)	Indoor Flying at Haddon Hall 7 - 9:30PM – BAMI			
Apr 21 st /22 nd	2018 VMAA Trophy Weekend			
Apr 22 nd	BRMFC & BAMI social day at Trawalla.			
Apr 22 nd	Annual Display Day Keilor – K&DMAS			
Apr 23 rd - 30 th	70 th National Model Aircraft Championships			
	West Wyalong NSW.			
May 2 nd (Wed.)	Indoor Flying at Haddon Hall 7 - 9:30PM – BAMI			
May 4 th -6 th	Autumn Scale Rally Albury – TCMCA			
May 5 th /6 th	F1 National Air Races – Darraweit Guim			
May 5 th /6 th	Echuca Moama Fun Fly – Echuca			
May 5 th /6 th	Mildura Fun Fly – Mildura			
May 16 th (Wed.)	Indoor Flying at Haddon Hall 7 - 9:30PM – BAMI			
Sep 16 th (Sun.)	VFSAA Scale Comp – Trawalla, BRMFC			

See the <u>VMAA Calendar</u> for all Victorian events.

See the MAAA Wingspan magazine for a national update.

That's all for now. Good flying. G.W & R.C.