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Brian Johnston's Heinkel HE-219 returns to Shepparton Mammoth.
A beautifully built and interesting aircraft. Photos by Keith Quigg

Next Meeting -

The Next General Meeting is on Monday 24th September 2018
8.00 PM Venue - Red Earth Centre in Mooroolbark.

Newsletter now on our website at:- www.yarravalleyaeromodellers.com.au



Welcome all to our August/September newsletter for 2018.

Well as we know, our AGM has been held and we have a full committee now. I would like to welcome in Daniel Wheeler as our Vice President, Welcome back and thank you for staying on Bill Wheeler as our Secretary and Public officer, welcome Daniel Goudge as our Treasurer and Steve Dengate as our Registrar and without forgetting our Editor/ Webmaster Tim De Haan which my Job would be absolutely impossible to succeed in without and welcome back Gregory Maggs as an ordinary committee member. Having said all that I would now like to send out a special thank you to Jon Goudge for all his help in the past including taking on the role as treasurer for last year and still helping out as an ordinary committee member which includes coaching and training Daniel Goudge in his new role as Treasurer.

I hope we are all keen to get out to the field to test fly our brand new models or refurbished models which we worked on over the winter. I wish to remind all our members of our noise sensitive issues. We need to ensure our models are correctly muffled and or correctly propped to keep noise to a minimum. If you are unsure on how to do this, please ask some of our more experienced members who I'm sure are only too happy to help with advice. I must also remind members that one of our club rules is that there will be no starting of IC engines before 9am or after 6pm. If any member at the field is approached by our neighbour with a complaint about our flying activities that they remind Mathew that he needs to contact the President immediately and that the contact details are on our web page.

I'm sure all our members are aware now that we must always sign in and out when we use the field. This is a new club rule at the request of our Land Lords and I'm happy to report that I have noticed our members are doing this.

We have a huge raffle prize up for grabs for this month's meeting which should help entice you to get out in the cold and attend our Club meeting Monday 24th September 2018. We will be raffling this



great 1450mm Dynam Primo model prize amongst other prizes, and it could be yours! Tickets are one for \$5.00 or three for \$10.00. So please come along and enjoy our club meetings and have a say with what's happening in our club.

We have now sorted through our waiting list and approved new members to join. We have replaced the locks on the front gate and clubroom as the ones we had were not very secure anymore.

I apologise for this Presidents report being so short but at the moment I am pressed for time due to work commitments, but I look forward to seeing you all on Monday 24th September.

Here's to happy flying and safe landings.

Your President,

Tony Martinico

Tiger Moth over YVA

Daniel Goudge

As many of you may have seen on facebook, I was fortunate enough to be given the opportunity of choosing an adrenaline thrill seeking adventure for my 18th birthday last year. My awesome sister bought me two \$100 gift vouchers to choose any heart pumping activity that I could handle. The catch was I had a year to decide out of hundreds of possibilities. As time went by I still hadn't picked anything or even looked up the website and I never had it set as a major priority. It wasn't until a month ago my sister asked if I'd booked anything in and she said I'd better get on to it before the vouchers expired.

At this point I had limited time to make a decision and I summed it up between helicopter scenic flights, aerobatics, vintage scenic flights or parachuting. Now parachuting was a hell of a lot more expensive and helicopter just didn't really appeal. So I sougited through the different flights and came upon vintage airways in Lilydale for a 20 minute scenic tiger moth flight. I had a total of \$200 and had to add an extra \$10 on top. So after booking for Saturday the 8th of September and depositing my money I was ready for lift off.

The day off the 8th crept up rather fast and my nerves slowly disappeared. I made my way down to Lilydale airport for a 12:00pm start. I don't think I could have picked a better day for, blue sky's with minimal cloud as far as the eye could see, fairly mild but not cold, although that wouldn't matter in an open cockpit. After a good 25-30 minute wait, I was given my leather jacket and original spec helmet with old fashioned goggles. Then we headed out onto the fresh cut grass to go over the pre-flight safety info about the aircraft.

Fortunately I decided to take my new GoPro camera on the gimbal stick to acquire some still shots and great videos. After the briefing I climbed into the aircraft and buckled in ready for take off. Within minutes we were racing down runway 2 and within 20m we were up.

After takeoff we headed over the Yering and proceeded in the direction of the club. At this point we were at roughly 1200 ft and flying at a steady



pace. Had a great opportunity to see the club from this altitude and it looked fantastic, maintained very well. After the club we headed towards Healesville and did some stall turns, after we slowly followed the train track round and pulled over the top of domain Chandon and the cider brewery. Finally we headed back into the circuit and executed a very good landing.

I managed to get some great photos and had a ball. Would recommend this too anyone who has some spare time or has an urge to take a joy flight. Overall the time spent was well worth the price.

Daniel Goudge



Military Pageant at Old Warden England David Anderson

When in England early July I went and saw the Military Pageant at Old Warden. There was a mixture of aircraft dating from before WW1 through the intervening years to WW2. I saw such aircraft as Avro Triplane IV, Bristol Boxkite, Deperdussin, Blackburn Monoplane, Bristol M1C, Bristol Scout, Sopwith Triplane, Sopwith Camel, Sopwith Dove, Tiger Moth, Bristol F2B Fighter, Avro 504K, Hawker Demon, Westland Lysander and Supermarine Spitfire.



Most of these aircraft were flown on the day apart from the early Edwardian pre WW1 aircraft, due to the wind conditions. Unlike previous visits to the U.K., the sky was blue and temperatures were in the high 20's!

Thanks David for the great photo's below, enjoy.





Shepparton Mammoth Scale

Tim De Haan

For the last seven years I have been going to see and then later fly at the Shepparton Mammoth and this year I flew 3 planes, Ercoupe, Stampe and Waco with Alan Devlin there as caller and helper. I must say after seeing the decline over the last few years I was pleasantly surprised at the condition of the field and infrastructure and it definitely is making a comeback.



The condition of the pits, strip and outfield was superb and the event was run extremely professional by the club members keeping the 71 pilots and 90+ planes under control with a good system in place.



Unlike previous years there were plenty of portable toilets and even a hot shower which I did use and worked well providing continuous hot water.



I camped at the field Friday and Saturday night and survived the 0 degree on Saturday sleeping in my trailer with sleeping bag and several blankets keeping me warm. My neighbour's red range rover shows the heavy frost we had. Several people had been camped out all week having a feast of beautiful days to fly and relax in the rays of the sunny Shepparton sky. I had a flight of my Waco on Friday and also brought my flying wing for some foam fun as well. Friday also brought about a bitter sweet moment for two fellow flyers.



A beautiful Carf P47 razor back running a large Moki 5 cyl radial went in hard into a nearby paddock which appeared at this stage to be a radio failure of some sort and was totalled, devastating I am sure to those involved. Also on Friday a large aerobatic Jet (not scale) had a turbine flame out and it was looking like a paddock landing possibly into a fence but amazingly did a gear up landing hitting the edge of the local road and rising up onto the middle of the road coming to a stop on the centre line with only a few scratches underneath. That's RC aeromodelling for you.

Saturday morning the forecast was not good with strong wind gust ahead of several small fronts that passed through. Some brave pilots put on an aerial display for the few spectators that braved the conditions and it was also a chance for me to catch up with other flyers and friends attending the event. Many pilots still put there models out for display which was difficult in the strong winds and showers but showed that they wanted the public to see what we do and make sure the Shepparton club had a successful event.



Sunday morning I woke to a heavy frost and clear blue windless skies. Sitting in the sun that morning sipping on a cup of tea assured me that going to these types of events is well worth the effort and cost to get to

them, sharing the experience with fellow aero modellers is a bonus. Within a short time the pits were buzzing with people and planes. There were lots of unique aircraft such as the Heinkel He-



219 which added to the atmosphere and also the F4 scale team Australia being prominent in the pits with their team trophy and planes had a great display.

Both days saw also a lot of local media doing interviews with pilots throughout the pits. Both RC magazines (RCM news



and Flatout RC) were also present taking photos and talking to pilots and the public about the event which also added to the atmosphere of the day.

All in all it was a fantastic weekend and Valley Radio Flyers should be assured that their efforts were not in vain or went unnoticed as they have put on a great event.

Hopefully next year there will be more sponsors willing to come on board after this year's success. Also a shout out to SC models who had a small stall for us to peruse and made the effort to be there.



Congratulations to Noel Findlay for winning pilot's choice for his World Championship F4C model De Havilland Fox Moth which is well deserved. The Victorian Flying Scale Aircraft Association also donated a dozen mugs towards the pilots draw as well as the local hobby shop adding to the prize pool.

There was also a 92" ASM invader arf for a pre-entry prize donated by a club member.

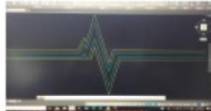


Thanks to Alan Devlin for his help over the weekend and hopefully next year we will see some more YVA pilots attend the Shepparton Mammoth.



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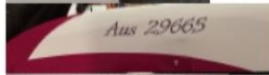
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Get Your Wings

If you are interested in doing your silver or gold wings please speak to David Nichols or Jon Goudge and they will be more than happy to assist you or put you in contact with a relevant instructor. There are several instructors in the club so finding one that will be available to run through the requirements should not be too hard. There are also wings for gliders and helicopter.



Dates to note!

Check VMAA website for more details.

24 th Sept	YVA club meeting	Red Earth Centre, Mooroolbark
7 th Oct	Twins and More	Northern Flying Group, Darraweit Guim
28 th Oct	Foamy fly in	Mitchel Fixed Wing Club, Seymour
29 th Oct	YVA club meeting	Red Earth Centre, Mooroolbark
11 th Nov	Scratch/Kit build day	P&DARCS, Pakenham
24 th Nov	Proposed Hayden Hampson/Frank Curzon	YVA field
26 th Nov	YVA club meeting	Red Earth Centre, Mooroolbark

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ENTRY FORMS AND PAYMENT DETAILS

AVAILABLE ON THE CLUB WEBSITE AT waggamac.org.au FROM MAY 30 2018.

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Northern Flying Group's Annual Twins & More

Sunday 7th October 2018

Held annually at the State Flying Field, Quayles Road,
Darrawiet Guim Melways Reference 425 G3

Visit www.nfg.org.au for a detailed map and registration form.

All pre-entered registrations will receive one bonus entry into the prize draw at the end of the day.

Entry is open to all MAAA registered Pilots that have a plane with two or more engines or two main wings (bi-planes).

Non flying visitors are most welcome to come and enjoy the day

Food and drink will be available during the event.

Great prizes on a fly per ticket lucky draw system.

A trophy for the most unusual multi-engine aircraft.

\$10 Entry Fee for all Competitors – bring as many planes as you like.

Pilots briefing and registration 9.30am

Flying from 10am

Contact: Mark Sills – 0419 338 847

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happening if your interested***



P&DARCS

Pakenham and District Aircraft Radio Control Society



Scratch / Kit Built Scale Rally

November 11th 2018

Field Location; Wenn Rd. Cardinia, (50K East of Melbourne) Vic



Excellent trophies

P&DARCS have excellent facilities including long and wide grass runways and several 12 and 240volt electric charging stations.

Onsite non-powered camping is available.

On line entry will be available in October at www.pdarcs.com.au/scalerally

All Types of Scale Model Aircraft Welcome

- Large models will have solo flying spots if requested.
- Prizes for; Public Choice, President's Encouragement Award.
- Bring along your model or come and/or admire some great aircraft.
- No documentation required – just fly and have fun.
- All sizes of scale aircraft most welcome.
- Models under construction are most welcome
- See web site, www.pdarcs.com.au/scalerally, for more information and entry forms.
- Spectators are most welcome, tell your friends to come.
- Catering is available at the field.

\$5 per car entry fee for pilots and spectators

The Club has recently undertaken major runways improvement works and all runways are now in great condition.

If you have any articles, information adverts you would like to publish in newsletter and share with others please forward to:

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Next newsletter due late November



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Down at the Field

Many of you would be aware that we had the cattle get out and do the Hokey Pokey on the strip leaving it looking like Swiss cheese. Many thanks to those who helped filling in the foot holes, a great team effort. Thanks to Graham Jenner for photo's posted on our facebook page.



Right: In Graham's words 10,000 holes filled.



Left: New sign in book working well, please ensure you use it on arriving and leaving field.

Below: Damien Mould often flies large scale models but this one is very big. Actually it is a full size he flew in for an inpromtute visit and appears to have great STOL ability. If you are a new member to YVA then check out our facebook page for some video. Search for Yarra Valley Aeromodellers and ask to be added to the group.



Left: Thanks to Bill Wheeler who shot this photo of a rarley photographed bearded broad brimed hat wearing aeromodeller. Usaually avoiding the lime light this aremodeller surprized all by posing with a model and transmitter clearly visable by all. Thanks to Steve Smith for being a great sport and posing for the camera.

Next Club Meeting

Monday 24th September

***Buy, Swap, Sell so if you have any items you would like to move on to someone else, bring them along.**

***Show and tell items always welcome.**

*** Raffle \$5 for one ticket or \$10 for three. 1450mm Dynam Primo model**





House Keeping

Ensure every person attending the club field signs in and out of the register book.

Remember the last person to leave the field has to check that the club room is locked and secure. Lock the front gate on departure.




Clean up after yourself if you use the club room facilities and ensure the gas bottle is turned off after use.

Victorian Association of Radio Model Soaring



VARMS 50th Birthday Public Open Day
Radio Controlled Model Aircraft Flying Display
Sunday 30th September 2018 • 10AM- 4PM
Knox Regional Sports Park, George St. Wantirna South (Enter from High St Road)

- Large scale glider aerotow
- World Championship high performance thermal glider
- Mass foamy glider launch
- High powered electric launch glider
- Amazing Combat
- Large scale aircraft
- Aerobatics
- Helicopters
- Drones



Food and drinks available • Ample car parking - free entry

Meeting Minutes and Club Information

The meeting minute and other important club only information will now be available through the website and not published in the newsletter. There is a new tab on the website “MEMBERS AREA” which is password protected and can be accessed simply by clicking on the Members area tab, type the current gate access pin number listed on your current membership card giving you access. To log out simply hit the logout button. A hard copy of the minutes will also be available at the club meetings or on request.

