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YARRA VALLEY AEROMODELLERS NEWSLETTER

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***Annual General Meeting 2019
notification.***

***The AGM of YVA Inc. will be
held***

Monday 29th July 2019

No flying the last Sunday of the month – Sunday 30th June

The next general meeting is Monday 24th June 2019

8:00pm – Red Earth Centre Mooroolbark

Newsletter will be online at:-

www.yarravalleyaeromodellers.com.au

Camperdown Easter 2019



YVA members, Keiron Hampson, Graham Jenner, Daniel Wheeler, Mario Schembri and myself, make an annual Easter pilgrimage to Camperdown, an hour west of Colac, to hurl gliders into the air some 400 feet above the ex volcanic Lake Bullen Merri. Fortunately being surrounded by trees, the caravan park is protected from the often-strong winds. Walking out the back of the campsite gives access to the most commonly used flying area “the Point”, view above picture. This is one of three sites available round the rim of the volcano.

- The Point, out the back of the Caravan park, for West to Southerly wind
- The Doctor’s, a private property, for Northerlies
- The Dairy farm for North East to South East winds

Both the Doctor’s and the dairy farm require permission to access and fly. This year we were able to fly from the dairy farm for the first time in about 6 years. As well as spectacular views, it is the most open for easy landings. This year we convinced Dennis Travassaros to come down he said he’s come for the day and stayed three. I have a feeling he’ll be back next year reading some of his Facebook posts...

I had my new RCRCM Sunbird to maiden this year while Daniel and Mario had bought Elf slope soarers produced in Queensland and collected while we were attending the Masters. They had purchased three, the third for Mario’s brother Chris. Mario had worked like a Trojan since returning from Queensland to have all three completed for Easter. The weather started warm but by Monday had cooled right down. In my excitement to get to Camperdown I forgot to pack jeans and a jacket but it wasn’t snowing so it wasn’t cold... On Saturday we were flying at the Doctor’s into a Northerly that varied in strength and lift for a while. Mario launched his Southern Sailplanes something-or-other just as the lift was abateing. Ten minutes later he was landing at the edge of the lake way down below and to the right of us. We selected the correct property, more by luck than judgement; it had landed in and with permission drove down to collect the wayward glider. Tracks leading down the steep slope guided us in a safe manner down to the ‘beach’.



Mario some 400 feet below his launch point up on the slyline by the trees. When there’s sink, they sink! We’re about 50 feet from the lake shoreline here.

Mario and Daniel's Elf gliders are around 1100gms and both agreed there may be opportunities to reduce the weight and therefore improve their performance. My Sunbird, same size as the Elf, had weighed in at 865gms and although set up with reduced throws flew magnificently. I deployed full flaps for landing which results it coming in at walking pace into a 20knot breeze. I got this approach a bit wrong on Monday and pulled the flaps up too quickly resulting in a nose dive into the ground from about five feet. Although no structural damage was done, I did break the starboard aileron horn that curtailed any further flying.



New to Camperdown this year was F3A pilot and fellow club member Dennis Travassaros who drove down initially for a day but stayed 3. He had a large F5J electric glider that one of the local Wedgetails eyed up while flying at the Doctor's. Dennis turned up the speedie and with a half Cuban presented the model at the Eagle head on. At this the Eagle turned tail and left. He also brought along his HobbyKing Nemesis that had been equipped with a go-pro with which he produced and posted some high speed video of his flying during the weekend. There were also another four or five flyers from other clubs who also partake in glider guiding as provide much valued experience and advice when some of us can't see the wood for the trees; my use of flaps being an example. Graham Jenner and Keiron Hampson rounded out the YVA presence. They have also made the journey for a number of years and this year did a little floatplane flying off the lake. Graham was heading off to a floatplane event the following weekend a little further up the road at Lake Bolac. This to is an annual event with camping taking place around the lake edge; note to self, build a floatplane!



It had cooled down by Monday but not everyone had packed their long trousers or a jacket...

Graham Jenner gets in a spot of fishing while keeping a watch for Eagles.

Dennis Travassaros, giving it the twirl and hurl, had a ball gliding and videoing; could be back next year too!



There is talk of glider expeditions throughout the winter months to places along the South coast e.g. Phillip Island and Flinders. Dates are yet to be determined but if you have a glider and are keen to join us, email me.

Insurance question re giving the grandkids a go

I was asked to follow up on a question about bringing Grandchildren along for a fly and their standing re insurance in the event of an accident. Below are the questions I asked Joe Finnochiaro with his responses in red.

Only of our members asked me the following last Saturday.

He has a grandson, about 6 years old, who's showing interest in RC models. He would like to bring him out for a fly but...

1. Is he covered by our insurance?

Yes, all ages

2. If he had an accident and caused damage to property, car or something in the pits is he covered?

Personal accident from age of 2

3. Is he restricted to the 3 visit rule?

Yes, If he continues to fly after his 3 or 4 visits, then you would expect for the junior to join the club like any other visitor. This is up to the club to administer.

So there you are, if your grandkids are showing some interest, they're covered by the MAAA insurance for three visits.

Fee renewal time

It's that time of year again where we renew our subs and think about the upcoming AGM and which Committee position to stand for. I have received a email from our VMAA secretary that MAAA fees are to rise this year \$30 for Seniors and \$15 for Juniors. Further at this point we should not process any fees to the VMAA so hold off paying a minute.



Yarra Valley Aeromodellers

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP / RENEWAL FOR THE PERIOD **JULY 1st 2019 TO JUNE 30th 2020**

Only one applicant per form

(Multiple Applications will NOT be Considered)

Name: (Given) _____ (Surname) _____
Please print clearly and give names in full – avoid nicknames or abbreviated names

Date of Birth: ____/____/____ (VMAA Requirement)

Address: (Street) _____ (Suburb) _____ (Postcode) _____

Phone No: Home _____ Work _____ Email _____

Current FAI License Number: AUS _____

New Member joining fee	\$100.00
Y.V.A Senior	\$80.00
Y.V.A Pensioner	\$60.00
Y.V.A Juniors (up to 18 years at start of membership year 30 th June)	\$30.00
Y.V.A Family (one adult plus dependent juniors)	\$100.00
MAAA/VMAA Fee Adult/Pensioner	\$144.00
MAAA/VMAA Fee Junior (applicant's date of birth ____ / ____ / ____)	\$72.00

Total payable \$ _____

If you have Registration and Insurance through another club, please indicate the club name and your membership expiry date below. You must also provide a photocopy of your club receipt showing payment of current MAAA/VMAA fees.

Club _____ **Exp Date** ____ / ____ / 20____

DECLARATION

I agree, upon acceptance of this application, to be bound by the rules and constitution of Yarra Valley Aeromodellers Inc. Also, I recognise that acceptance of this application is not automatic and may be subjected to conditions at the time of application.

- All flying 9am to 6pm and Sunset for electrics only during daylight savings.
- No flying on the last Sunday of the month. (The club will host any competition on either a Saturday or Sunday depending on weather conditions. This will be a maximum of 4 events throughout the year).
- No Flying Good Friday, Easter Sunday or Boxing day.

Signed _____ **Date** ____ / ____ / 20____

(Applicant) All applications must be signed.

Signed _____ **Date** ____ / ____ / 20____

(Nominating Member (For New Members ONLY))

Renewal fees for 2019/2020 are due and payable by the 30th of June 2019. This form must be returned with payment before 30th of June 2019 to maintain your current insurance status. Please note, failure to pay by this date retracts your permission to fly at the Yarra Valley Aeromodellers field.

Payment Cheques and money orders should be made payable to YVA Inc and forwarded, together with this form to:

The Treasurer
YVA Inc P.O Box 5041
Heathwood Ringwood
Victoria 3134

EFT
BSB 633000
Acct 143327617
use your Name as Ref

Office use only	Form updated 19th June 2020.
Receipt No.	No. Of years
Cash/cheque	Details correct: (YES/NO) All signed:
(YES/NO)	Form No:
Application Accepted by Committee: (YES/NO)	

Annual General meeting.

The AGM is set for July 29th. All positions are available for members to be voted in if you're wishing to join and bring fresh ideas and help run the club. Positions to be filled are

President, Vice President, Secretary/Public Officer, Treasurer, Registrar, Ordinary Committee person (3 off)

Please complete the attached nomination form, get it signed by your nominee and return to the Secretary prior to the start of the AGM.

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

secretary@yarravalleyaeromodellers.com.au

Dates to note!

Mon 24th June

Club Meeting - Red Earth Centre Mooroolbark

Sun 30th June

No flying at the field – last Sunday of month.

Mon 29th July

2019 Annual General Meeting

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 clubroom is locked and secure. Lock the front gate on departure.

Clean up after yourself if you use the clubroom facilities, ensure the gas bottle is turned off after use.

And in other news

It's not all Scale ya know. David Law and Greg Lepp get in some heli practise. That's Greg's heli David's guiding...



Bob Harman is looking to complete a vintage model he has aquired. It doesn't have a wing and he's not sure what the model is to look for a plan. If you can recognise the model from the pictures below, email me and I'll pass the info on.



Since these pictures were taken, Bob found the wing in another room in his house. He still doesn't know what the model is though. If you know, email me.

From Roger Egelton

One of our last model shops has closed his premises, but NOT his business.

ANDREW'S SCALE MODELS will now operate from his house.

His stock range will remain the same - fuel fittings etc...

Check his website to order or ring him directly on 0447429188

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May Club meeting minutes

YVA Club Meeting Minutes May 27th 2019

VENUE: Red Earth Centre Mooroolbark Date: 27/05/2019

MEETING OPEN: 8:00 pm

MEMBERS PRESENT:

APOLOGIES: Russell Thomas, Tim De Hann, Daniel Wheeler, Damien Mould, Steve Dengate

VISITORS: Brian and Nathen Spurrell

PREVIOUS MINUTES: Read and Accepted Bob Harman, 2nd Tim Campbell

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

- none

CORRESPONDENCE IN:

- 30/4/19 - email from Ivan Waters re Antonia's email to us.

- 17/4/19 – VMAA Sec. contact details of President
- 2/5/19 – VMAA Sec. thanking us for overview of our issues with Matthew & Antonia.
- 6/5/19 – Invoice for room hire, 6/2/18 – 26/11/18
- 12/5/19 – response from VMAA Sec re insurance questions.
- 15/5/19 – Membership enquiry from Brian Spurrell.
- 18/5/19 – VMAA Sec. notification of increase in MAAA fees; \$30 seniors, \$15 juniors.
- 21/5/19 – VMAA Committee explanation of MAAA fee increase.
- 22/5/19 – Invoice for room hire, 5/2/19 – 24/6/19
- 24/5/19 – Membership enquiry from Naoman Burma, he's in Truganina so I referred him to the VMAA club list via a link.

CORRESPONDENCE OUT:

- 30/4/19 – email to club membership with three new club rules that have been agreed to by Matthew and Antonia.
- 2/5/19 – PowerPoint file to VMAA giving and overview from beginning to end of our dealings with Matthew and Antonia.
- 2/5/19 – email to VMAA Sec re insurance questions.

TREASURES REPORT:

Accounts as of

	Statement	\$12429.78
	Savings	\$779.19
Outgoings	Domain name	\$38
	\$154.97	club cay foof & stuff.
Incoming	2 room hire invoices from Yarra ranges,	
Seconded	Ted Wilson	
Registrar's report		
	• Same as before.	

GENERAL BUSINESS

- Tony reiterrated 3 new rules. Monthly newsletters coming back.
- AGM and all positions vacent! Nomination forms, are they on the website? Bill to check.
- Changing process of renewal, adding the rules to the sheet and signing the sheet will be acceptance of the rules.
- MAAA fee rise \$30 seniors, \$15 juniors. We will not be raising our portion of the club fees.
- Welcome pack being put together, the club will be buying every member a hat.
- Appology to Daniel for Tony not attending our Memorial Day.

- Any Apparel forms?
- Raffle tickets \$5 ea or 3 for \$10
- Jarred Stone gained his silver wings certificate not presented, held over to next month.
- Tony Robinson has been re-visiting the club. He is not insured to fly at the field.
- Roger has started the lawn mowing again.
- A discussion ensued on night flying.
- Roger and Josh thought there should be more fun days through the year.

Show & tell.

- Bill Wheeler – Avro Avian
- Bob Harman – rubber powered Rearwin Speedster 24” span.
- Tim Campbell – Piper Cub for sale, bought by David Nichols.
- Bob Harman – Ninja glider by SIG finished and ready to go now.



Meeting closed 9:10 pm

For Sale / Wanted

If you have anything you'd like to sell please drop me an email. I'll start the ball rolling.

Wanted.

Old OS61FS muffler tube and nut as picture below, or same for OS40FS (they're interchangeable).



Below is the Committee nomination form to be used for next month's AGM. You can self-nominate if you would like to be on the Committee or you can propose another member. It's your club, if you have ideas you would like to incorporate going forward join the Committee. None of the jobs are hard and its all part of the fun of our Sport.



NOMINATION FORM

We the undersigned, being financial members of the
YARRA VALLEY AEROMODELLERS CLUB Inc.

Hereby nominate.....

For the position of.....

Name of proposer.....

Name of seconder.....

I,.....the person nominated herein accept this nomination and if elected will abide by the rules of the association.

Signature.....

A little advertising...



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TRADING HOURS:

Monday-Tuesday : 10.00am-5.00pm

Wednesday : 12.00pm - 5.00pm

Thursday : 10.00am - 5.00pm

Friday : 10.00am-6.00pm

Saturday : 10.00am -2.00pm

Next month.

- Issues at Tyabb we think we had problems. Greg Maggs
- NBN towers and their impact of R/C, 2.4GHz, equipment. Greg Egan
- Eagles; don't ruffle their feathers. Greg Egan
- ARF F3A style.
- Anything somebody sends to me...
- R/C Gliding and Farm biosecurity. Greg Egan

Field usage report.

	2018				2019	2019	2019	2019
	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April
Number of flying days	25	31	30	31	31	28	31	30
Number of days field flown at	20	22	21	24	24	19	22	20
Number days no one flew	5	9	9	7	7	9	9	10
Average members at field per day used	4.7	4.2	5.3	4.2	5.5	3.7	6.2	4.4
Average hours of use per day field used	3.71	4.17	4.85	3.99	4.74	4.92	4.80	3.97
Days electric models flown	17	20	21	21	24	19	21	20
Days glow models flown	6	9	6	10	13	9	8	8
Days petrol models flown	6	4	5	3	7	1	5	0
Days turbines flown	0	1	1	6	0	0	2	0
Number members using field	43	43	49	45	62	50	54	41
Days finish after 6pm	6	12	12	11	15	2	1	0
Days Start before 9am	1	0	2	2	2	12	16	10
Sundays finish after 12pm	3	3	4	2	1	3	2	1

Assassins

Is anyone interested in buying an Assassin? These are the combat wings that have of late become popular with club members. There are currently about 12 within the club. If so they're \$150 complete, except battery, please email the Secretary who will pass on to the VP on wheeler_81@gmail.com

Apparel

Last call for club apparel! The order goes in at the end of this month, see last months newsletter for the form. email the VP on wheeler_81@gmail.com