



Mt Wallace State Field - Home of MWMAA

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President's Report December 2019

HI All Club Members

I hope you had a great Christmas and Santa was good to you. Hopefully, you will have another project to put together to enjoy our sport and field. I wish you all a happy New Year and may 2020 be a better year for us all.

In the coming year will see many new projects for completion as our state field progresses to make it the best we can. It will take time, but we will get there. The committee is looking forward to 2020 and the many club members stepping up to help make our club even a better field than what we have now.

In regard to safety, please obey the club rules as they are there for a reason and provides a safety framework for us to follow. As the weather is warming up, don't forget to slip slop slap as the sun has its way of getting to us all and be vigilant with your surroundings at the field.

If you plan to go flying on your own, please let someone know you are at the field or better yet only fly if another person is with you. As we you know, accidents can happen and we are reasonable distances from services.

Well done to all those club members that have volunteered for the Bunnings Sedge Sizzle on Saturday, 18 Jan 2020. The request was at short notice but will provide valuable funds for the Club. We also have the Club Try and Fly day on Sunday, 19 Jan 2020. Any help will be appreciated as we try to generate interest in our sport and more importantly, increase our membership.

Regards
Ken Mollison
President



Next meeting will be held at the RSL Hall on Wednesday 12 February 2020, starting at 8:00 pm. at the RSL Hall, Main Street, Bacchus Marsh. This will be our first for the year so please come along and be part of the conversation and discuss Club business and any up and coming events.

There is no meeting in January 2020.

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Editors Round up, December 2019

Another year has gone as we head to a new decade. 2019 will certainly hold memories for many and for different reasons. Some will be good and others we hope won't repeat themselves. The field is looking ok and we are lucky we have water and power. There is plenty of work to do, but we are slowly getting there as each part falls into place. 2020 will be another busy year for the club with amenities to be installed along with the watering system.

We also have a couple of events coming up starting with the Bunnings Sausage sizzle on Saturday, 18 Jan with the Try and Fly day on the following day. The Bunnings event is right to go. The try and fly day we hope to have some visitors. If we can have the canteen up and running, there is another opportunity to make additional funds.

It is hoped that all the club instructors, including MAAA instructors, can make the event so we can showcase our sport and explain the enjoyment we get from flying model aircraft. Whether RC, Control Line or Free flight, it is all modelling. I hope you can join us.

That is it for another year, so from the President, Ken Mollison and Committee, we wish all of you the very best to you and family for the festive season and a prosperous 2020.

See you at the field....
Ed



*The landlord, Mr Bob Hawk
..... Still boss...and watching your every
move... Happy New Year.*



BMMAA Bunnings Sausage Sizzle - 18 Jan 2020

Thank you to all that have volunteers to fill the roster.

If you have any concerns, please call the MWMAA Secretary Syd Hinstead.

MWMAA Float Fly In 8 Dec 2019 – Third Time lucky

Article by: Ed

Photos by: Michael Whelan

Well after two attempts we finally held our inaugural float fly in at Mount Wallace. The weather being so up and down over the past 3 months, holding the event was a challenge. The club finally had a break with the “Third Time Lucky” scenario, we got there. On Sunday, 08 December 2019 with good weather and turnout, the first float fly was done and dusted. Well done MWMAA.

To complement the event the club did have raffle prizes for those pilots that took part and flew. We also had visiting pilots from other clubs which was great to see.

Based on the feedback and the photos, I do believe all were happy with a great day had by all. No doubt we will hold another event with the lake holding water very well. If we do have some rain during the summer, we should see the lake fill up even more over winter.



Well done to all those club members that took part, Les for running the event and Less's family who looked after the canteen for the event. Greatly appreciated.

So why not have a float model ready to go for next time. Events like this can only help the club and promote a fantastic facility that we have. Remember, the only way is up.

Ed



Working Bees

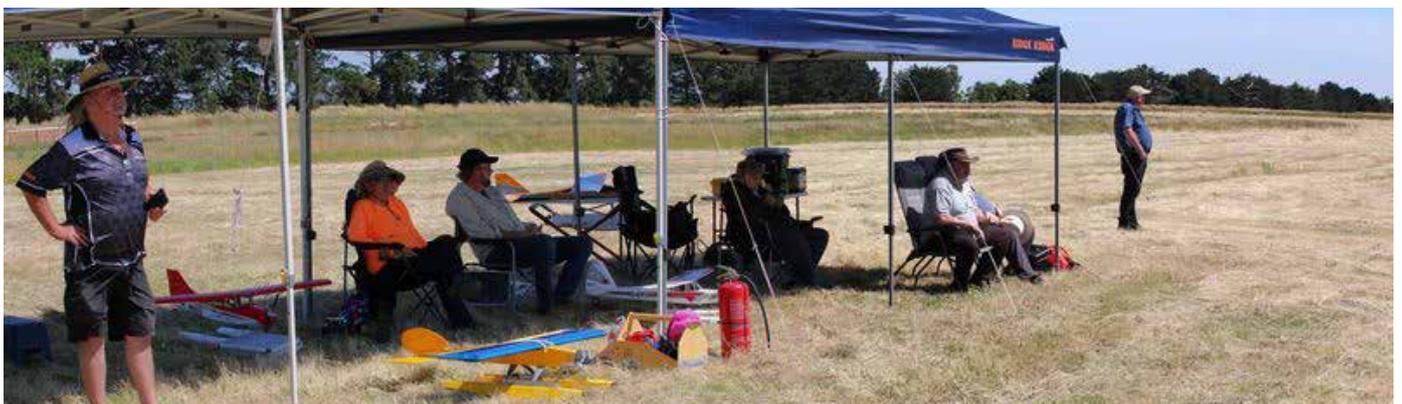
Working bees will be coordinated by the Committee and are normally held on Sunday after the Club Monthly Meeting starting at 9:30 am. Additional working bees maybe organised based on need. If this is changed or cancelled, you will be notified via email as soon as possible after the meeting.

*Thanks
Ed*

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Plenty of models, good weather and visiting pilots. Great day had by all.





MWMAA Working Bee - 15 Dec 2019

The last working bee for 2019 was held on Sunday, 15 December. The working bee provide and opportunity to get another tick for the working bee participation. It also provided an opportunity to get together for the year.

Many will be taking holidays or traveling or both for the Christmas period and festive season. To all members of the club that have helped out over the year, it is appreciated. We do have a couple of events coming up in the new year so keep and eye out. All help is appreciated with the benefits felt by all and the club.

The field at the moment, considering the hot days we are having is holding up ok. Ken and Michael are working on the watering system and it is hoped that will be in place shortly. A big thank you to both for the effort.

Enjoy your break if you are having one and if going interstate, be careful and stay safe. Hope to see you at the field and don't forget, there is no meeting in January 2020.

Fly well, fly safe.

Ed



photo of that: Whelan: 2019



Mount Wallace State Field



26A Brisbane Ranges Road, Mount Wallace Update - 30 Decembers 2019

As you can see from the photos above, Ken and Michael have been busy preparing the runway for reseeding, ready for the watering system to do its bit. They constructed a makeshift scrapper that worked pretty well and completed the Northern part of the runway. This will go a long way to ensure the ground is ready with the intent to have lush green grass.

The manual sprinkler system is still being used while we wait for the main system to be implemented. The timer is working and if you see a sprinkler on the runway, please put it back when finished. That way when the timer triggers, the water will go to the right area.

If you have any questions, please contact the MWMAA Secretary or a Member of the Committee.



HAYDN HAMPSON & FRANK CURZON MEMORIAL DAY AT YARRA VALLEY 23 NOV 2019

Article by: Ed

Photos: Joe Buttigeig

These two events are held annual on the same day to remember and honour to excellent modellers that were part of the modelling scene for many years. Both members were part of the Yarra Valley Club and enjoyed the many facets of RC modelling. Both especially enjoyed scale building and flying of aircraft that had character and grace in the air.

This year there were good number of entries with the weather behaviour itself with light winds and clear skies with a few or MW-MAA club members attending. By the look of the photos, all enjoyed the day. Hope to see the event held again in 2020 and more pilots attend the event.

The competition had two categories of course the following awards:

Frank Curzon Trophy

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| 1st | Garry Thiele | P-47 Thunderbolt; |
| 2nd | Tim Campbell | P-51 Mustang |
| 3rd | Barry Townsend | Nemesis |

Haydn Hampson Trophy

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| 1st | Tony Curzon | DH 60 Cirrus Moth |
| 2nd | Damien Mould | Fairchild A-10 Thunderbolt |
| 3rd | David Anderson | Fokker D.VII |



Joe Buttigeig Cub top with Tony Curzon DH 60 bellow.



Garry Thiele's P47 waiting for the next mission.



Good turn out for both events. Beautiful day and with good flying. Well done.



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Happy
New Year





MAAA Newsletter

The latest WingSpan newsletter is now available from the MAAA website. Go to www.maaa.asn.au and have a read of the latest news from around the nation

December 2019 newsletter is out.

The newsletter and MAAA web site contains plenty of information and articles from a number of different areas.



Ed's Tip Bits



If you are not sure of a safety issue, process or procedures, the MAAA MOPs provides valuable guidance and direction. It is up to every individual to become familiar with the MOPs. If you are not sure, don't make it up!!!! Go to the MOPs and find out.....

MAAA MOPs that you should read.....

MOP001 - Accident Reporting

MOP055 - Alcohol, Drugs & Medical Conditions Policy

MOP018 - Night Flying

MOP027 - Award of Wings and Instructor Rating

Click on [here](#) to go to the MOP area of the MAAA Web Site

Graupner Cirrus Electric Conversion - Submitted by Neil Killeen

Graupner Cirrus Electric Conversion Acknowledgements. Many have electric-converted their Cirrus before me. I have read many on-line posts/threads by others, and also lots of people have given of their knowledge in forums. www.users.on.net

Click on the link: <http://www.users.on.net/~nkilleen/Models/Cirrus/Electric/electric.html>

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