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GENERAL MEETINGS

These are held bi-monthly on the
first Thursday
of the even months at

The Field Naturalists Club
Of Victoria,
1 Gardenia St.,
Blackburn

Commencing at 8.00pm.

The next meeting will be held on

Thursday 5th. August 2010.

NOTICE OF 2010 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

Members are advised that the

2010 Annual General Meeting

of the Victorian Flying Scale Aircraft Association Inc. will be held following the General Meeting on August 5th 2010, at the Field Naturalist Club of Victoria, 1 Gardenia Street, Blackburn.

Election of Office Bearers and Committee members for 2010 / 2011 will take place at this meeting together with the presentation of Annual Trophies. Included on this notice is a voting form for the Temple Trophy and Prop & Spinner Award together with a subscription renewal form so don't forget to bring your renewal form to the meeting together with \$30.00.

MINUTES OF THE LAST GENERAL MEETING

GENERAL MEETING: 3 JUNE 2010
OPENED: 8.10 pm 27 MEMBERS PRESENT

Apologies:

Angelo Favalaro, Joe Finnochario, Bill Eunson, Darryl Whackett.

Previous Minutes:

Read.

Matters Arising:

Nil.

Correspondence In:

VMAA Minutes.

Letter from the VMAA regarding the Scale Sub-Committee nomination.

Request from Nepean to run an event in November.

Email from the VRF confirming the use of the field in June 2011.

Reply from Greensborough permitting the Sportscale event on 15th. August 2010.

Correspondence Out:

Letter of support for Noel Whitehead to the VMAA/MAAA regarding the position of Chairman of the Scale Sub-Committee.

Email to Ballarat accepting their offer to run a Sportscale event on October 24th. 2010, in place of their ARF competition slot in the VMAA calendar.

Treasurer's Report:

Balance:\$2957.00.

General Business:

David Law spoke about Noel Whitehead being replaced as Chairman of the Scale Sub-Committee.

John Lamont advised the members present that scale models from the Estate of Bruce Grinter were available.

Haydn Hampson spoke about the Sportscale event at State Field, where he introduced John Willis to scale competition.

David Law spoke about the problems getting his model overseas.

Paul Winter talked about the application for aeromodelling to be recognised as a sport; the application was rejected and the paperwork will be re-submitted.

Jerry Visick spoke about instruments - software is available for copying.

Show & Tell

Gary Sunderland showed his ARF Messerschmitt.

Haydn Hampson showed his ARF Zero.

Giorgio Valcastelli showed his home built retracts.

Meeting closed at 8.50pm.

Many thanks to Frank Singh for the supper.

VicScale Trophy
VRF, Ian Watts Field, Shepparton
12-14 June 2010



UNLIMITED

Place	Pilot	Model	Flight 1	Flight 2	Flight 3	Flight 4	Static	TOTAL
1	D. Law	Pitts	2339.00	2470.50	2352.50	2474.00	2880.30	5352.50
2	C. Butler	Gladiator	2170.00	2424.50	2309.50	2297.00	2685.30	5052.00
3	J. Lamont	Spacewalker	1929.00	2243.00	2273.00	2309.00	2625.00	4916.00
4	D. Balfour	Piper L4	2286.50	2319.00	2370.00	2357.00	2512.50	4876.00
5	M. Collins	Beech 17	1861.00	1992.00	2078.00	2010.00	2610.00	4654.00
6	G. Lepp	Bristol M1c	1941.00	2165.00	2280.00	2364.00	2182.50	4504.50
7	G. Sunderland	Pfalz DXII	1946.50	2149.00	2061.00	2205.00	2295.00	4472.00
8	H. Hampson	Thunderbolt	1996.00	2209.50	1660.00	0000.00	2158.50	4261.25
9	N. Whitehead	Corsair	1915.00	2300.00	2064.00	1881.00	2067.00	4249.00

Thanks to my on-going personal problems, I could only attend for part of one day so, in the nature of things, I managed to choose the Saturday, which was cold, cloudy and somewhat blustery, rather than the Sunday, which was an altogether better day.

However, there was a reasonable turnout, with almost equal entries in the static judged Unlimited and the flying only ARF competitions - 9 and 10 respectively.

I did manage to see and photograph the first round of Unlimited (and a few flights of the first round of ARF), some of the results of which are scattered around here. (My apologies to David Balfour, but every shot I got of his "Grasshopper" had the tail end outlined against a white bit of sky! I'll try and do better next time.)

Many thanks to Keith Schneider for the prompt provision of results and for putting up with my confused phone calls. I would appreciate some feedback on whether you would prefer posed photos of your models or flying shots - as you can see, I prefer the latter but am open to suggestions.





ARF

Place	Pilot	Model	Flight 1	Flight 2	Flight 3	Flight 4	TOTAL
1	N. Whitehead	RV4	2389.00	2293.00	2466.00	2228.00	2427.50
2	J. Willis	Thunderbolt	2156.00	2319.00	2282.00	2339.00	2329.00
3	A. Greiger	GeeBee	2017.00	2139.00	2165.00	2321.00	2243.00
4	G. Lepp	Piper Cub	1950.00	2123.00	2273.00	2183.00	2228.00
5	M. Schembri	Pitts	2200.00	2241.00	1926.00	1680.00	2220.50
6	J. Lamont	Extra 300	2155.00	2233.00	2174.00	2108.00	2203.50
7	D. Walters	Tiger Moth	2152.00	2166.00	1679.00	0000.00	2159.00
8	A. Mott	Cessna 182	2160.00	2208.00	2121.00	0000.00	2157.00
9	I. Lamont	Extra 300	1885.00	2135.00	2006.00	2009.00	2072.00
10	P. Winter	Yak 54	1900.00	2005.00	0000.00	0000.00	1952.50



COMING EVENTS

AUGUST 2010

15	Sportscale	Greensborough
28-29	Scale Rally	TCMAC Albury

SEPTEMBER 2010

17-19	Mammoth Scale Fly-In	VRF Shepparton
25 (Saturday)	Sportscale/ARF	State Field

OCTOBER 2010

3	Sportscale/ARF	Lilydale
10	State Champs, Large Scale & VFSAA ARF Comp	
24	Sportscale/ARF	Ballarat

NOVEMBER 2010

28	Scale Rally/Mini Comp	Nepean
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EDITORIAL

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You may have noticed an addition to the front page; this was intended to be on the June issue but it was omitted in the general kerfuffle of trying to get some sort of newsletter off to you. It is a normal part of any published journal. I have never included it previously in any of the various newsletters of which I have been editor but, in view of the events which led, indirectly, to me doing this job, I felt it prudent to do so in this case.

Any newsletter is primarily a “journal of record” but any newsletter of this type should be, also, a medium for the exchange of ideas, that is opinions, provided only that they are expressed in a manner that is neither scurrilous nor libellous. It is up to me as editor to decide what is what, and what is not, and I reserve the right to consult the Committee for directions if I have any doubts.

However, bearing the above in mind, I hope that this journal may become, in part, a medium for the membership to exchange ideas on all and any relevant subjects and a less formal forum than a General Meeting to float ideas and opinions for comment and discussion. This is, after all, your Association and your Newsletter. Like all editors, I would love to be flooded with “stuff” but past experience counsels against holding my breath. Nevertheless, if you feel the urge to become part of history, don’t be shy (as I keep telling my grandchildren: “You can’t do anything until you do it.”) and pics of your smiling scale model aeroplanes are particularly welcome. If you would like to communicate with me, the means are at the head of this. I will include a “Buy, Sell or Swap” section, if I get something to put in it!

In response to one piece of feedback from the June issue, another change should be a significant reduction in the download, or more content for the same download, but the trade-off is picture quality. See, editors do respond to feedback (sometimes).

Included this month are forms for Membership Renewal (VERY IMPORTANT) and to vote for the “Temple” and “Prop & Spinner” trophies for your urgent attention.

Content deadline is the last day of even numbered months, i.e. The deadline for the October issue will be 31 August 2010.

SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL FORM

Victorian Flying Scale Aircraft Association Inc. Membership for year 1/7/2010 - 30/6/2011

Use this form for **RENEWALS ONLY**. New members should contact the Secretary for a copy of the constitution and a **NEW MEMBER** application form.

Name..... Telephone No: Home.....
Address..... Business.....
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Postcode..... MAAA Registered No:.....
E-Mail Address.....
Affiliated Club.....

Please forward this form together with a cheque for \$30.00 to:

TEMPLE TROPHY VOTING FORM

The **TEMPLE TROPHY** is an annual award to the modeller selected by popular vote of the members for building the best model of the year. Nominate the model and builder of your choice or select from the list.

MODELLER..... **MODEL**.....

Known eligible models for 2009-2010(others may also be eligible).

David Law, Pitts Special;
Noel Whitehead, Corsair;
Haydn Hampson; Thunderbolt;
Gary Sunderland, Voisin

PROP & SPINNER VOTING FORM

The **PROP & SPINNER** is an annual award to the member, selected by popular vote of the members, who is considered to have made the contribution of most benefit to the VFSAA in the past year.

NAME:.....

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