

Slipstream

November 2005



Well Warbirds is over for another year. Sadly, I was unable to attend as I have been overseas for the past 3 weeks but surely somebody was there? I have received a few pictures but no report from anyone on this VERY important day in the KAMS calendar, so no coverage in Slipstream this month. Very disappointing for the organizers not to get some thanks from the members in their own magazine!!

By now most of you will know the website is online:

www.kams.org.au.

While the layout and content hasn't changed much from the site Jason Hewson put together, a few links have been fixed, a UBD location map added and the Slipstream page has been updated with past issues. I am still looking for content to fill out the various SIG pages and the photo gallery. Later additions will include a member profile section, scale news and a chat forum for members to swap ideas and information. The website is hosted by Peter Brien on his ISP and we owe a big thankyou for all his help in getting the site settled in its own domain. Thanks also to Jason Hewson for the layout and for hosting it in his own webspace for the past 2 years.

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Presidents Report October November 2005.

Doing the RIGHT thing.

Have you noticed recently how many road rules you see constantly infringed by people driving whilst using a mobile phone, running red lights, not stopping at stop signs, the list goes on Generally taking great risk to themselves and others, not concerned with the consequences nor showing respect for the laws of the land.

The KAMS Constitution & By-Laws, agreed by the majority of members after lengthy debate & review become the rules or laws which guide our behavior within the club. It is expected therefore that members will respect the agreed rules, however there are occasions where individuals don't agree with procedures or instructions and knowingly choose not to abide by the rules. This approach could prove extremely costly or even dangerous given the level of activity on our flying field.

Operating within a democratic organisation such as ours with its freedoms to decide its own future, it is essential that ALL members act responsibly and respect the laws of our small piece of land and simply do the right thing.

The working bee this month proved to be very successful with 25 members turning up over the two days. Many hands did prove to make light of the work . All tasks were completed. These included complete flushing & internal cleaning of the retic. system, sanding the low spots on the field, repairs to the south boundary fence, servicing of the mower/bike, modification to freq. key board & other essential maintenance items. Thank you to those that contributed & also to Angie Dickens & Peter White for preparing the fabulous lunch on Saturday.

Enjoy your flying,

Neil Giggins
11760

FROM THE EXECUTIVE...

MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 19TH 2005

Meeting opened at 8.00 pm with 21 members present.

Apologies: Bruce Willett, Eric Gooch, Peter White, Joe Luxford

Visitors: None

Minutes in Slipstream

It was moved: Ian Johnson and seconded: Frank Jensen that the minutes from the last General Meeting be approved as accurate and correct. Motion carried.

Correspondence in: A Fire Break notice from the council has been received. A written request has been received by the secretary to hold State Scramble and State HLG/CLG on KAMS field as unofficially noted in the calendar.

Correspondence out: A letter has been sent to FAL allowing the canteen manager to use the shopping facility.

It was moved: Chris Jones and seconded: Michael Aarts that the correspondence be accepted. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's report was read by Neil Giggins and is available for perusal from the secretary. It was moved: Ken Heinz and seconded: Troy Latto that the treasurer's report be accepted. Motion carried.

New Members: The club welcomed Kerry Yaxley and Paul Tsortzidis

Bronze Wings were awarded to Kerry Yaxley and Paul Tsortzidis

Club Events Calendar:
As published in Slipstream.

Other Business:

- The working bee was discussed.
- The trespassing sheep were discussed.
- Men's toilet cistern is now working.
- Club shirts and hats were discussed.
- Seniors week exhibition was mentioned.
- The brochure proof was presented by Ian Dixon and thanks was given to Peter White for initial work on the project. Prices of \$249 plus artwork for 500 brochures were suggested until

Ian Johnson generously offered to produce them free of charge.

- Troy gave an update on the website address.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 9:05pm

Minutes of KAMS Committee Meeting for the month of Nov 2005

Meeting opened at 7.40pm at the home of Eric Gooch

Members Present: Neil Giggins, Gary Dickens, Peter White, Ian Dixon, Eric Gooch, Joe Luxford

Correspondence In; Letter from Scale Society via Ken Wansbrough requesting F4C and Stand-off Scale for inclusion in the Calendar.

Correspondence Out; Nil

Treasurer's Report

The treasurer presented a verbal report. The current membership stands at 106 members.

Calendar update: Calendar remains as published. Joe Luxford has produced a draft calendar for discussion at the November general meeting.

Maintenance Matters: The field maintenance weekend was discussed. It was decided to complete maintenance work by Saturday afternoon if possible, thereby leaving Sunday free for general flying. Tasks to be carried out were discussed and duties allocated to the committee.

Other Business; The club polo shirts, caps and hats were approved. A proposal to subsidise embroidering the KAMS logo on shirts/caps will be presented at the next meeting.

Meeting closed at 9.30pm. Next committee meeting to be held at the home of Peter White.



Proposed KAMS Contest Calendar for 2006.

Can you all take a look at the appended draft calendar for 2006. The committee has endeavored to accommodate the interests of every group in KAMS. One change made from last year is to move the Saturday comps from the 2nd & 4th Saturdays of the month to the 1st & 3rd Saturdays to avoid New Years day and to give us a longer break between combat and pylon for all of us who compete in both.

I would also appreciate your advice if you are aware of any other special events that clash with the proposed contest dates in the draft calendar.

The calendar has been prepared under the following guidelines approved by the KAMS membership:

1. Equality for pylon, combat, gliders and IMAC with Saturday afternoon and Sunday "all day" events;
2. Two Saturday afternoon events per month (24 in total for the year) for the SIGS, which means up to 6 events for pylon, combat, gliders and IMAC;
3. Seven Sunday "all day" events for scale and State events, made up of:
 - Glider x 2
 - Scale x 2
 - Pylon x 1
 - Combat x 1
 - OT x 1

A number of factors have also been considered while preparing this draft calendar, including:

- (i) the combat competition rotates around KAMS, Whiteman Park and Wanneroo fields and only requires four slots for the year;
- (ii) The pylon competition is now shared with Wanneroo - by moving the pylon comp to Wanneroo when:
 - a) combat is scheduled for KAMS in any month (March, June, Sept & Dec); or when
 - b) the field is too wet to get the cage out (July & Aug)

This calendar has been presented to the committee and will be discussed at the November general meeting on the 15th. If you have any issues with this calendar please attend the meeting and have your say.

Regards,
Joe Luxford

Proposed KAMS Contest Calendar for 2006.

January

7	Saturday	PYLON	1 – 5pm
21	Saturday	IMAC	1 – 5 pm

February

4	Saturday	PYLON	1 – 5pm
18	Saturday	GLIDER	1 – 5pm

March

4	Saturday	IMAC	1 – 5pm
12	Sunday	GLIDER	1 – 5pm
18	Saturday	COMBAT	1 – 5pm

April

2	Sunday	PYLON, STATE	Day
9	Sunday	F4C SCALE	1 – 5pm
15	Saturday	GLIDER	1 – 5pm

May

6	Saturday	PYLON	1 – 5pm
7	Sunday	SCALE(proam)	1 – 5pm
14	Sunday	FF SCRAMBLE	4 – 5pm
20	Saturday	IMAC	1 – 5pm

June

10	Saturday	GLIDER	1 – 5pm
18	Sunday	COMBAT, STATE	day

July

9	Sunday	OT, STATE	day
15	Saturday	IMAC	

August

19	Saturday	GLIDER	1 – 5pm
27	Sunday	SCALE(s/off)	1 – 5pm

September

2	Saturday	COMBAT	1 – 5pm
16	Saturday	IMAC	1 – 5pm

October

7	Saturday	PYLON	1 – 5pm
21	Saturday	GLIDER	1 – 5pm
22	Sunday	WARBIRDS	day

November

4	Saturday	PYLON	1 – 5pm
12	Sunday	FF SCRAMBLE	4 – 5pm
18	Saturday	IMAC	1 – 5pm
26	Sunday	GLIDER, STATE	day

December

3	Sunday	SCALE RALLY	day
9	Saturday	GLIDER	1 – 5pm
16	Saturday	COMBAT	1 – 5pm

Pylon Report



Pylon racing returned to KAMS today after a 5 month break for what has been a very wet winter. Scores for the day were:

Mark Giggins QM/32SX 413
Matt Pickin QM/32SX 415

Neil Giggins Sports/46AX 572
Greg McLure Sports/46FX 726

Joe Luxford S1D/STG45 522
Keith Willett S1D/46AX 614

Apart from a few teething problems with the lights that hadn't been used for 5 months, the day went well. None of the models were damaged, although Greg had to call it quits after two rounds because of servo problems.

Mark and Matt were very close all day, with the difference being one cut on No.1. Having said that, both cut many times on No.3 but we didn't have an official judge looking at those cuts. The Old Geezers times were also very close until Greg ran into servo problems. In the S1D department, Smokin Joe was doing the 10 laps consistently around 130 seconds while the Wanneroo Chopper reduced his time from 144 to 134 seconds over the day and to his great delight, pipped Joe at the post in the last round.

Matt had his Formula 400 model out for a run today as well. Joe has one on order from Bruce de Chastel and should have it running for the January comp. Matt Pickin will finally have someone to run against in F400 next year. Joe is planning on taking a F400 and Q500 model to the Adelaide Nats at Easter next year.

Pylon will be at KAMS again next month on the last Saturday of November (26/11/05) and then at Wanneroo in December.

Smokin' Joe Luxford

Pettigrew's Pages...

A gentle reminder that last year we completed in the LSF postal comp. so far this year, we have completed one of their contests. Five flights of 3 minutes with landing.

The remaining format involves the following for the rest of the contests:

Two flights of 20 minutes in one hour.

Two open ended long flights.

It's up to us to decide when to do them and they can be done within a group or when we are flying on our own. The postal comp. closes in May 06.

Bill and Margaret have installed Google Earth and have been whizzing around the earth. We zeroed in to our house, saw our back garden and even the car parked in the street next door. It's that good. Of course, it's biased towards the States and we have the free version. I am sure we could see a great deal more detail if we became paid members.

SLIP SLOP AND SLAP TIME

The weather is getting so good now that Nigel with one motor run, an hour and a half flight on his Graphite was getting sunburned so landed as he had no sun tan lotion on. Carl Furaro and Greg Writer also. So remember to slip, slop and slap your nice pink skin!! Also flies are starting to appear so it won't be long before we will be spraying fly spray on too.

I think summer is finally here. The first big, black snake has been sighted in the parking area. Another indicator was the sight of four fires over the hills and countryside. Our sheep are back too. Getting bolder by the minute and ignoring us completely by enjoying the grass at the perimeter of the mown field.

SHOW AND TELL

Mark McEntee brought out his two day old giant scale Albatross for us to drool at. It's a pretty looking plane so we are now thinking of a suitable song to sing to it when it has its first maiden voyage. Mark says that "Those Magnificent Men in their Flying Machines" is too early for it. Perhaps "Up, up and Away, my Beautiful Machine"

WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST AUSTRALIAN

On the 11th October, Geoff Doughty became a bone fide Australian citizen with all the rights and privileges accordingly bestowed on all such persons. Congratulations Geoff, we're proud of you.

Margaret Pettigrew

Contest Report: October Thermal Glider.

The gliding fraternity at KAMS has not had much luck with the weather on their Saturday afternoon contests but Saturday, October 8th the weather got better and better as the day wore on, 20C, silky air and the cloud cover which built up during the late morning just as quickly evaporated and puffy clouds emerged. The morning was as usual busy and varied with electrics, power and gliders all filling the air space.

The wind although variable in the morning had settled down to a sw by lunch time meaning that the four winches could be laid out across the field extending only partially into the sodden paddock.

Seven competitors vied for top spot. The CD, Danny Hales called for six rounds of three minutes each with a spot landing with only five to count. If you overran your working time you forfeited the landing points. The event ran so quickly that it was completed by 3.15m so a bonus round was instigated: A ten minute round with landing points. Bill Pettigrew had a weak line to contend with on his flight but flew it out by flying down wind and getting in a good thermal. Unfortunately an eagle had other plans for Bill and went after him so he had to leave the thermal to the eagle and land after six minutes. Andy Perrier meanwhile flying high over the trees managed an eight minute flight. No other contestants were able to get thermals.



Stephen Turna has graduated from the Air Force Academy (Congratulations Aircraftsman Turna from all of us)

Aircraftsman Stephen Turna was back in town for three days, flying out to his new station in Wagga the next day, so Stephen and Garry both came to fly. By and large it was easy to stay aloft for three minutes even if you encountered down air. The difficulty was the spot landing and those competitors who made the best landings won the contest.

THE NITTY GRITTY!

1. Danny Hales 1364
2. Andy Peryer 1292
3. Geoff Doughty 1290

BONUS FUN ROUND

1. Andy Peryer 672
2. Bill Pettigrew 430
3. Danny Hales 285
4. Geoff Doughty 237



Thanks must go to Nigel Molyneux who did the scoring without which no contest can run smoothly and to David Shue for all his support in repairing lines and retrieving chutes and to all the competitors who helped in various ways.

We left Nigel flying his 3-metre electric Graphite (which he had stayed up half the night to assemble) in the gorgeous evening air.

I can't remember going home as tired as we all seemed to be. It seems we all did the same thing that evening. A quiet supper, then a drink in our hands, watch the murder mystery on TV and had an early night. We were very glad that the weather the next day was rainy and windy and that Bathurst was on so we could sit in the front of the tele and vegetate.



CLUB CALENDAR 2005

November

- 12 Sat KAMS Aerobatics 1pm-4pm
- 16 Wed General Meeting 8.00 pm
- 20 Sun Power Scramble 4pm-5pm
- 26 Sat Pylon 1pm-4pm
- 27 Sun AWA Thermal Glider 8am-4pm

December

- 4 Sun Scale Rally 8am-4pm
- 5 Mon Committee Meeting 7.30 pm
- 10 Sat Glider 1pm-4pm
- 10 Sat Twilight Flyin Xmas BBQ 4pm on
- 17 Sat Combat 1pm-4pm
- 21 General Meeting 8pm

PLEASE NOTE! If any group has time locked off in the calendar for running a particular event and does NOT wish to use that time, they must inform the committee AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE so others can use the field.

KAMS FEES 2005 - 2006:

Seniors	\$310
Pensioners	\$225
Juniors	\$155
Students	\$225
Associates (flying)	\$200
Associates (non flying)	\$65
Remote	\$225

Payment options include: Cash, Cheque, Bank Deposit or Electronic Transfer.

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14 Ansellia Loop,
Canning Vale 6155

PIX....



Rigging up the gliders.. (pettigrew pic)



Greg Mclure's Tasty little racer rounding number 2..



Matt and Mark discuss racing matters in the Pit...(JL)

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

As you may be aware, several special interest groups operate within the KAMS infrastructure. These groups cover a variety of aeromodelling disciplines and welcome enquiries from new and existing KAMS members.

Contact names:

RC Scale

Ken Wansborough

RC Pylon Racing

Joe Luxford

RC Combat

Troy Latto

RC Glider

Bill Pettigrew

IMAC (aerobatics)

Hans Bertina

RC Old Timer and Free Flight

Ian Dixon

RC Turbine

Neil Giggins

Gary Turna

FLIGHT INSTRUCTION

If you are a new member or just need to brush up on some skills, KAMS has a group of qualified instructors that are available to assist you. Please contact your committee members to discuss your training requirements.

WEBSITE

KAMS now has a website online. Pick up the latest info as well as back issues of Slipstream from:

<http://www.kams.org.au>

GENERAL MEETINGS

KAMS General meetings are conducted on the third Wednesday of every month at **The RAAF Association Bullcreek Drive, Bullcreek**. The meeting room is on the left under the Spitfire. Meetings start at 8pm and usually run for an hour. ***All members should aim to attend as many meetings as possible in order to have their say on matters affecting the club.***

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