



August 2009

### On the cover:

Gary Turna after winning the AWA state control line combat title, at Lumen Christi field with his diesel powered Liquidator.

### Sorry Everyone!

I must apologize for the lateness of this month's Slipstream, there have been a few issues with getting everything organised, and getting everyone's email addresses sorted out has taken some time (we're still ironing out a few bugs). Also a quick thank you to all those who have replied to either myself or Bruce Hunt over the previous month. *Ed.*

### From the Presidents desk

I am privileged to be writing this column as president of KAMS for the 2009/10 year.

Thank you for your support and I hope that I will be able to fulfill the position with a degree of confidence and authority as the position requires. I will be diligent in my actions and hopefully will be able to follow in the well respected footsteps of previous presidents. If any members have any concerns regarding club matters I will always be available for discussion or comment and I ask that members contact me on my mobile, 0401 000 404 or my email address [gdoughty3@bigpond.com](mailto:gdoughty3@bigpond.com).

### Noise issues –

This matter has been done to death and I do not wish to prolong debate on the subject nor do I wish to restrict member's activities. I would however remind all members that we must all be diligent in our attempts to reach our target of 80 decibels for all models at the field. The clubs recent attitude regarding the lessening of pressure on the achievement of this target does not mean that we can go back to the way things were. We must remember that we are still vulnerable to complaints and our vigilance will help reduce the possibility of any such complaints happening. We must continue to work together to make our club the best in Perth, and the quietest.

Our new Safety Officer, Gary Turna, will monitor all aircraft at the field and where necessary will speak directly to members where it is felt that a noisy aircraft will be to the detriment of the club. I ask that you respect the position that Gary has undertaken and take comments from him in this regard as positive in moving forward and not get upset if you are spoken to.

### Special Interest Groups –

We continue to grow as a club but our numbers tend to hover around the 130 mark as can be seen from membership numbers over the last few years. In this regard I would encourage all members to show a welcoming hand to new and prospective members, recognizing their interest in aeromodelling and where possible if you can identify their specific interest direct them to the club member who is able to assist with their special interest. The directory of contacts for the special interest groups appears at the back of the slipstream.

### Newsletter Articles.

I know it is a struggle for our esteemed editor to come up with new and interesting articles to put in slipstream each month and I personally am sick of hearing that the publication lacks content. It is up to us as members to fill the pages with articles for our fellow members to read. I would ask all members to remember that the slipstream is an information source for all club members and our editor publishes the Slipstream as a voluntary service. Let's be pro-active and supportive of Greg in his endeavours to produce an upbeat and lively periodical each month. Please submit all articles to Greg at his email, ([curare@iinet.net.au](mailto:curare@iinet.net.au)) I know he would be delighted to receive them. I would also encourage any members wishing to Buy, Sell or Swap anything to do with aeromodelling that you submit the Ad to Greg. We will try to establish a specific column for this service. I am sure that we all have many items we may wish to unload and a huge want list.

Till next time.....Happy Flying  
Geoff Doughty

## **Fee Structure for 09/10 KAMS**

### **KAMS FEES 2009-2010** **(full year) RENEWAL MEMBERSHIP**

Membership Type	KAMS Fee	AWA/MAAA Fee	Joining Fee	Total Fees
Senior	22	95		315
Student	110	95		205
Junior (U18)	77	40		117
Pensioner	121	85		206
Associate	77	Nil		77
Remote	110	95		205

### **KAMS FEES 2009-2010 (full year) NEW MEMBERSHIP**

Membership Type	KAMS Fee	AWA/MAAA Fee	Joining Fee	Total Fees
Senior	220	95	100	415
Student	110	95	50	255
Junior (U18)	77	40	20	137
Pensioner	121	85	95	301
Associate	77	Nil	Nil	77
Remote	110	95	85	290

### **KAMS FEES 2009-2010 (1/2 year) NEW MEMBERSHIP**

Membership Type	KAMS Fee	AWA/MAAA Fee	Joining Fee	Total Fees
Senior	110	47.50	100	257.50
Student	55	47.50	50	152.50
Junior (U18)	40	20	20	80
Pensioner	60.50	45	95	200.50
Associate	38.50	-	-	38.50
Remote	55	47.50	85	187.50

Cheques should be sent to:  
Geoff Griffiths, 9 Hicks St, Leeming WA 6149

**CASH SHOULD NOT BE SENT IN THE MAIL!**

## Minutes of the General Meeting 15<sup>th</sup> July, 2009

### Chair

Meeting Open:	The meeting opened at 2002 with Peter White in the chair.
Suspension of Order:	It was moved that the general order of business be suspended to facilitate the ratification of the election of the President and Secretary. <b>Moved:</b> Ken Wansborough <b>Seconded:</b> Troy Latto. <b>Carried</b>
Election of President:	A nomination was received for Geoff Doughty for the position of President. It was the sole nomination. The election of Geoff Doughty to the position of President was put to the meeting and <b>carried.</b>
Election of Secretary:	A nomination was received for Bruce Hunt for the position of Secretary. It was the sole nomination. The election of Bruce Hunt to the position of Secretary was put to the meeting and <b>carried.</b>
Assumption of Chair:	The new President, Mr Geoff Doughty, assumed the chair and gave a short speech on his vision for KAMS during the coming twelve months.
Attendance:	25
Apologies:	Tim Kullack, Lyall Bell, Ross Duncan, Ian Johnson, Chris Jones
Visitors:	Steve Faulkner

### Secretary's Report

Correspondence Inward:	Nil
Correspondence Outward:	Letter: Postmaster Bull Creek re opening of mail box facility. Email: Serpentine-Jarrahdale Council re Fox on KAMS field Email: Serpentine-Jarrahdale Council re Rubbish and Hazards on Jackson Road.
Previous Minutes:	Published in <i>Slipstream</i> .
Business Arising:	Nil
Acceptance:	Moved that the Secretary's Report be accepted. <b>Moved:</b> Nigel Molyneux <b>Seconded:</b> Danny Hales <b>Carried</b>

### Treasurer's Report

<b>Current Account</b>		<b>Advantage Saver Account</b>	
Statement Date:	30 <sup>th</sup> June, 2009	Statement Date:	30 <sup>th</sup> June, 2009
Statement Balance:	\$18,700.16	Statement Balance:	\$22,495.11
Interest Received for Month:	\$11.35	Balance at Start of Month:	\$22,453.79
Cash Balance at Start of Month:	\$12,481.52	Deposits During Month:	Nil
Deposits not on statement:	Nil	Withdrawals During Month:	Nil
Cheques not on Statement:	Nil	Interest Received:	\$42.32
Cash Balance at End of Month:	\$18,700.16	Balance Carried Forward:	\$22,495.11

## Membership

Membership at 30th June, 2009:	131
Members at 1 <sup>st</sup> July, 2009	0
New Members:	0
Renewals:	72
Members at 15th July, 2009	72

Acceptance:	Moved that the Treasurer's Report be accepted. <b>Moved:</b> Eric Gooch <b>Seconded:</b> Frank Jensen <b>Carried</b>
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## Other Business

### *Membership Services:*

No new members are to be admitted this month.

### *Instructors:*

Andy Peryer and Ian Johnson to attend an instructors course during the coming month.

### *AWA Report:*

There was no AWA meeting during the previous month.

### General Business

#### 1. **Noise**

Members were reminded that the by-laws clearly state that the noise limit is set at 80dBa and that all members have an obligation to work towards achieving this goal.

#### 2. **Slipstream**

Greg Kowalski requested that all members provide him with their email address to ensure that as many copies of *Slipstream* as possible could be dispatched electronically so as to minimize the cost to KAMS and the work involved in putting the paper copies together and mailing them.

#### 3. **Tim Kullack – F3B World Championship, Brno, Czech Republic**

The meeting extended its best wishes to Tim for his every success at the forthcoming competition.

#### 4. **Warbirds**

Ian Johnson advised that the annual Warbirds event was to be held on 25<sup>th</sup> October, 2009. He requested all members to consider an entry to ensure that the success of the event continues. The transfer of Warbirds to the 25<sup>th</sup> October was put to the meeting and **carried**.

#### 5. **Model Expo**

Eric Gooch thanked the members that assisted in the very successful Model Expo that was held at the Canning Town Hall. A total of \$25 was raised and contributed to KAMS. A report on the event is attached as Appendix A.

#### 6. **Letters of Resignation**

Letters of resignation have been received from Lyall Bell and Robert Turton due to health reasons. The meeting wished each of them the best of wishes for their futures.

#### 7. **Foxes – Baiting Programme**

Following several fox sightings on the field and the remnants of stock being discovered the local council was advised. We were referred to the Landcare Group and we will liaise with them to roll out a baiting programme. Members are advised that they should not bring their dogs or other pets to the field, particularly during the baiting programme. Further announcements will be made when the baiting begins.

#### 8. **Booking of Meeting Facility at RAAF Association**

The secretary was instructed to book the exiting meeting room for the ensuing twelve months and to make a request for the third Wednesday of the month from 1930 to be reserved as a permanent booking.

#### 9. **Pylon**

Mark Giggins requested that a weekend time slot be provided to the Pylon SIG as it was difficult to arrange a competition on a Thursday. This will be considered by the committee at its next meeting.

#### 10. **Fences**

Nigel Molyneux raised the issue of sheep and now horses appearing on the field. There appears to be a problem with the fencing and this will need to be addressed during the annual maintenance window.

#### 11. **A note of thanks to Peter White**

The new President thanked Peter White for his dedication and support to KAMS during his many years on the committee and especially during his period as the President during the past two years where many difficult issues had to be faced including the noise issue. Peter was thanked by Geoff on behalf of all the members of KAMS.

## Meeting Close:

The chair closed the meeting at 2056.

## Appendix A

### MODEL EXPO

Canning Town Hall

9-12 July 2009

Over the period of 9-12<sup>th</sup> July 2009 a model expo was held at the Canning Town Hall, sponsored by the City of Canning. During this time the City of Canning supplied tea, coffee and small eats for those who participated with each of the displays. I would like to express my thanks to the City for inviting AWA and their Sponsorship and support for this Expo. The weather was not good to us for the first two days; however Saturday and Sunday were fine days with sunshine, which brought out the crowds.

Of course it goes without saying, a very big thanks to those who attended as support teams each day, and they were Ken Wansborough, Peter White, Troy Latto, Peter Brien, Bill Davies, Dave Nolan, TARMAC crew of Fred Tower, Bill Truman, Norm Curtin, acting in shifts each day. Also Gary Russel-Brown and Dave Nolan for bringing in their computer flight simulators.

Also to those persons who lent me their models, Peter White, Ken Wansborough, Peter Brien, Bill Davies, Troy Latto and Bill Pettigrew, and the TARMAC crew, too many to mention.

Also a big thanks to ACE MODELS for the lend of the couple of Trainer models so people could see these models in the box's so they would know what to look for in the model shops.

If I have forgotten to mention anyone, please forgive me as the Gray matter is getting a little thin these days.

Overall the Expo, (I believe) was a great success for aero modeling in this state with potentially a few new members coming our way.

**Thanks again to all who participated.**

**Eric Gooch**

### Minutes of the Committee Meeting, 20<sup>th</sup> July, 2009

**(The July Committee Meeting was held subsequent to the General Meeting)**

#### Chair

Meeting Open: Meeting opened by the chair at 0737  
Attendance: Geoff Doughty (Chair), Bruce Hunt, Geoff Griffiths, Andy Peryer, Barry Beeston  
Apologies: Garry Turna

#### Secretary's Report

Correspondence Inward: Letter: AWA re AGM on 17<sup>th</sup> August, 2009 at 2000  
Letter: Western Power re Power Interruptions  
Phone Call: SJSC advising that a cleanup of Jackson Road is in progress.  
Correspondence Outward: Nil since General Meeting  
Minutes of Last Month: Published in *Slipstream* in June, 2009 edition at the AGM.

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## Other Business

### Membership Services:

The following new members have applied, paid their appropriate dues and been duly nominated and seconded by a financial member:

Name	Location	Class	Proposed	Seconded
Greg BREEN	Willagee	Senior	Geoff Griffiths	Margaret Pettigrew

**Resolved:** That the applicants named above be proposed as new member to the next General Meeting.

### Instructors:

A retrospective Bronze Wings application has been received for Mr John Powell who completed his examination about nine months ago. Unfortunately the form has been lost and not processed. A new form has been prepared and signed off by the examiner for forwarding to the AWA.

## General Business

### Secretarial Issues:

#### S1. Lamination of Certificate of Incorporation

It was agreed that the recently acquired Certificate of Incorporation would be laminated.

#### S2. Key Register

A key register is to be established for all keys that are issued. Members being provided with a key to any KAMS asset will be required to sign for the acceptance of the key.

#### S4. Letters to Members that Resign

Members who resign due to ill health or other circumstances beyond their control will receive a letter of acknowledgement from KAMS.

#### S5. Western Power Outage

Two scheduled power outages to the KAMS property are scheduled for Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> July, 2009 and Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> August, 2009 for a maximum of two hours between 0730 and 1230 on each day. Those members that have provided an email address will be advised through this medium.

#### S6. Frequency Keys

A replenishment stock of 50 keys is to be ordered at a cost of not more than \$150. The keys will be sold at a price of \$5 each.

### General Business:

#### GB1 Canteen

A discussion was held concerning the operation of the canteen and particularly the problem of vermin and general cleanliness. Geoff Doughty will discuss the matter with the canteen manager.

#### GB2 Electrical Audit

Barry Beeston has volunteered to undertake an electrical audit.

#### GB3 Insurance

The insurance broker did not turn up at the field for a site visit as had been arranged. Geoff Doughty will arrange for additional quotations through his commercial contacts.

#### GB4 Works Programme

Planning for the upcoming spring works programme commenced.

#### GB5 Field Manager

The need for a Field Manager was discussed and further discussion was deferred to the next meeting.

#### GB6 Events Calendar

Geoff Doughty requested that members consider the running of a weekend Fly-In event that would be open to all aero modelers over two days. The concept will be discussed further at a future committee meeting.

#### GB7 Pylon

Following the discussion on providing a more amenable time for the Pylon SIG to run a competition on a weekend rather than a Thursday, the committee agreed as follows:

- Two Saturday afternoons will be allocated to Pylon over the coming twelve months.
- To run the competition, a minimum of five entries are required.
- The Pylon SIG must ensure that they have the appropriate support personnel to ensure that the event can be run safely by the closing date for nominations.
- The Pylon SIG have the responsibility of notifying the neighbours of the event.

- e. Nominations are to close five days prior to the event.
- f. If the required number of nominations are not received or the support personnel cannot be confirmed at the close of nominations then the membership is to be advised that the event will not be proceeding and that the field will be available for general flight.

GB8 Noise

Members of the committee were reminded that the by-law exists relating to a noise level that members are committed to working towards and that all members need to be reminded that they have a duty to comply with the by-laws of the Society.

**Meeting Close:**

The meeting closed at 2206

**Minutes of the Committee Meeting, 3<sup>rd</sup> August, 2009**

Chair

Meeting Open: Meeting opened by the chair at 0754.  
 Attendance: Geoff Doughty (Chair), Bruce Hunt, Geoff Griffiths, Andy Peryer, Garry Turna, Barry Beeston

Secretary's Report

Correspondence Inward: Western Power concerning power outages.  
 AMP stating that they will not continue to insure KAMS.  
 Correspondence Outward: Nil  
 Minutes of Last Meeting: Due to health reasons, the minutes of the last committee meeting of 20<sup>th</sup> July, 2009 have yet to be completed.

Treasurer's Report

**Current Account**

Statement Date:  
 Statement Balance:  
 Interest Received for Month:  
 Cash Balance at Start of Month:  
 Deposits not on statement:  
 Cheques not on Statement:  
 Cash Balance at End of Month:

31 <sup>st</sup> July, 2009
\$27,277.86
Nil
\$18,700.16
Nil
\$445.36
\$26,832.50

**Advantage Saver Account**

Statement Date:  
 Statement Balance:  
 Balance at Start of Month:  
 Deposits During Month:  
 Withdrawals During Month:  
 Interest Received:  
 Balance Carried Forward:

31 <sup>st</sup> July, 2009
\$22,536.18
\$22,495.11
Nil
Nil
\$41.07
\$22,536.18

**Membership**

Membership at 30th June, 2009:	131
Members at 15 <sup>th</sup> July, 2009	72
New Members:	2
Renewals:	16
Members at 3 <sup>rd</sup> August, 2009	90

Other Business

*Membership Services:*

The following new members have applied, paid their appropriate dues and been duly nominated and seconded by a financial member:

Name	Location	Class	Proposed	Seconded
Luke GALLIN	Beeliar	Senior	Nigel Molyneux	Rowdy Matthews

**Resolved:** That the applicants named above be proposed as new member to the next General Meeting.

*Instructors:*

*Newly Qualified Instructors*

On 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2009, two new instructors received their qualification following examination. The Committee extends its congratulations and thanks to Andy Peryer and Ian Johnson for completing this qualification.

### *Bronze Wing Stock*

The Bronze Wing stock is down to two. AWA are reluctant to provide additional stock as they forwarded 50 wings to KAMS towards the end of last year. The secretary has requested a small stock to continue with while a search is made for the missing badges.

### General Business

- GB1 Canteen  
Geoff Doughty has provided replacement laundry items for the canteen and toilets. It is considered that a working bee is required on a Saturday afternoon to clean the whole kitchen and to bring it back to a state of cleanliness. Geoff Doughty to discuss with the canteen manager and organize a suitable time.
- GB2 Electrical Audit  
Barry Beeston has completed the electrical audit and made recommendations for changes where safety is concerned. Repairs were undertaken to the main board in the shed to ensure continued safety of members. The committee thanked Barry for volunteering his time and effort to the audit.
- GB3 Insurance  
A letter has been received from AMP stating that they no longer insured the class of insurance that covers the KAMS property and would therefore not be renewing the policy. Geoff Doughty will arrange for alternate quotations and interim coverage.
- GB4 Works Programme  
A discussion was held on the activities that are required for the field maintenance over the coming months. It was considered that it is essential to have a Field Manager. The contact details of the contractors that perform the field maintenance is to be prepared. A list of maintenance activities is to be established with consideration being given to repairs and maintenance of fences, roadways, parking areas and reticulation. A budget needs to be set aside for the repair and maintenance of the field maintenance equipment.
- GB5 Field Manager  
As it is considered that the position of the Field Manager needs to be filled it was determined that the first step was to prepare a list of duties that would fall under the role, providing a foundation for discussion with any potential candidates. Consideration will also be given to recruiting two people to the position so as to spread the load of the role.
- GB6 Events Calendar  
Geoff Doughty outlined the concept in more detail with a vision of the event being held over two days with the opportunity for people to stay overnight at the field if they wished. A time frame of early autumn 2010 was discussed.
- GB7 Noise  
Geoff Doughty has penned a "Presidential" piece for the next *Slipstream* and the issue of noise will be addressed.
- GB8 Safety  
There has been some concern regarding the behaviour of two members. A complaint was received from a neighbour concerning overflight and the other matter was in relation to the manner of flight at the field and particularly in the vicinity of the pits areas. The Safety Officer, Garry Turna, will address the issue with those concerned.
- GB9 Safety - Visibility on Jackson Road  
Visibility on exiting the field to Jackson Road is being hampered by tree growth. The Council will be requested to address this issue.
- GB10 Facilities  
It is proposed that the field be enhanced through the acquisition of new and additional garden furniture. This will be taken to the next General Meeting.

### Meeting Close:

The meeting closed at 2127

### **KAMS has a new email address**

KAMS has a new email address for electronic correspondence with the committee and for other official email:

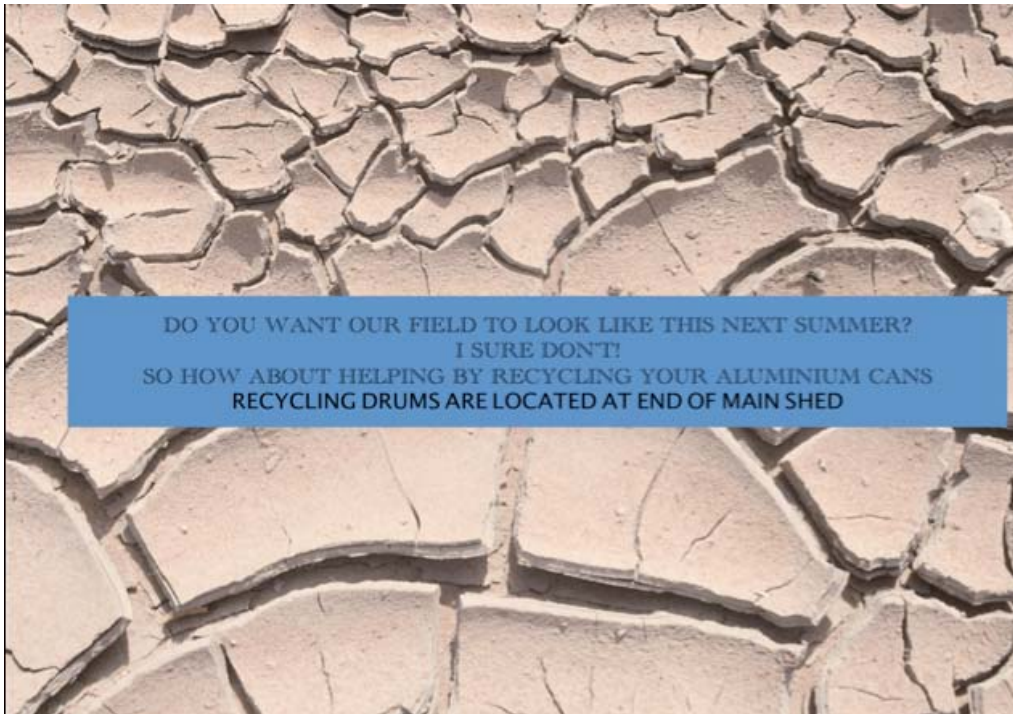
[KAMS1976@gmail.com](mailto:KAMS1976@gmail.com)

You may use upper case or lower case for the address, so [kams1976@gmail.com](mailto:kams1976@gmail.com) will work just as well as the above address (this is common to all internet-based addresses). Please amend any records that you have or place the new address in your Address Book.

Why this address? Well, the KAMS part is easy. The 1976 is the year that KAMS was first incorporated as an association. Indeed, the exact date was the 18<sup>th</sup> August, 1976. The club probably existed for some time prior to this date as an informal group. If you do know any of the early history of KAMS then it would be great to hear from you at the above address.

Bruce Hunt, Secretary

## Recycling



Have you seen this sign around the field and wondered what it was all about? Wonder no longer. The income from the sale of the aluminium cans contributes to meeting the costs of fertiliser and other costs associated with keeping our field green over the long hot summer. Eric Gooch, takes the time and effort to collect the cans from the field and take them to the recycling facility. As members, we can support Eric in his efforts by placing all aluminium cans in the recycling bins and by not placing rubbish and non-aluminium cans into the recycling bins.

We did not have an increase in our membership fee this year. The cost of fuel, fertiliser and other consumables continue to increase. We have all heard the government announce major increases in water and electricity charges that will add even more to our costs. So do your bit to assist in meeting these increased costs through bringing in aluminium drink cans from home and the office. It is not hard....just do it!!!

*Bruce Hunt*

## THE NIGHT WAS DARK AND STORMY....

There are a few KAMS members that would not admit to their mates at the field, but sometimes creep out of home in the early evening and slink off to a local gymnasium to play with very small, very light foam and carbon creations.

Recently, an erstwhile member, with an immense image and reputation, decided to visit the Perth Indoor Flying event at Lumen Christie with a couple of mates to find out what it was all about. An experienced indoor pilot decided that his aircraft was in safe hands when he passed the controls to our member. After all there would be no problems. Our member is deft at the controls, is an able instructor, quite aggressive at control line combat and has the unusual ability to fly ambidextrously. Managing a small, indoor foamy would be no problems for a man of such skill.

Having completed several laps at the straight and level, our pilot decided that he could start to experiment a little. Life became more interesting. Unlike the wide-open spaces of the field, indoor venues have walls and ceilings, obstacles that turned out to be of considerable challenge to our new indoor pilot. Smack went the little piece of foam and carbon as it hit an overhead truss. Fortunately these devices are hardy, so in no time it was back into the air. After a couple of gentle laps it was time to start experimenting again. As the aircraft gently banked at the far corner our erstwhile pilot had a problem with the wall. Again the little plane hit the deck. The owner and the pilot casually ambled towards the tiny stack of foam. It was gently lifted from the floor and examined. Fortunately it had survived to fly another day, but with its owner at the sticks.

So, prior to any more adventures at the indoors it is probably worthwhile for our Safety Officer, instructor and all round good guy, Mr Garry Turna, to take a few lessons from the indoor boys!

*Bruce Hunt*

# ON THE SLOPE IN 40+ KNOTS

On Saturday, 15<sup>th</sup> August, several KAMS members that are glider enthusiasts trekked to Conti's Beach, just off of Caves Road outside of Margaret River to test a new slope that had been recommended by the locals. We were well aware that the weather was not going to be ideal as the forecast for the metropolitan area was for wind and rain in the morning, but easing in the afternoon. We were not quite prepared for the constant 25-30 knot winds with gusts to 50 knots that were buffeting the coast at Conti's. To demonstrate the power of the wind, a member of the group leant out at an angle of around 45 degrees. His only protection from falling was the wind pressure on his coat, the corners of which were being held at arms length. These southern boys are sure bred tough!

The weather certainly separated the pilots into two groups – those with the courage to put an aircraft into the air and those that put preservation of their aircraft above being courageous. From the expressions displayed on their windswept faces, the two pilots that decided to launch, Paul Marshall and Simon Watts, the experience went from exhilarating to frightening. The launch and flight were exhilarating. The landing was the fearful. Indeed at his first landing, Paul had a few problems. Overflying the cliff tops to avoid the rotors he went searching inland a little way in an attempt to find suitable air into which he could land. With the gusting wind and turbulent rotors the aircraft was disappearing rapidly up the slope to the top of a nearby limestone hill. Despite the expertise of the best slope soarer in the state being at the controls the aircraft was suddenly out of sight and we all know what that means.

Being the lazy slug that I am, I slinked back to the car to get out of the wind and have a snooze. The other seven-eighths of the team spent the next hour and a half reconnoitring the dense waist high, prickly scrub that had managed to root itself to the pockmarked and crumbling limestone hillsides, looking for the downed machine. It was all to no avail.

After a short break for lunch beside the cars and, by comparison, out of the wind, it was time to try a location that was closer to the roadway. The wind direction was not ideal, but Paul and Simon were prepared to have another go. I now know how to identify a keen slope enthusiast by their apparel. They come prepared with five or six layers of clothing, thermal underwear, tight beanies (the standard ones disappear as rapidly over the hilltop as Paul's glider) and goggles to prevent their eyes from blocking with tears from the wind. They are prepared to stand on the edge of a cliff being pummelled by the pounding wind and hail stones just so that they can experience the mild thrill of speed run downwind and the exhilaration of finally achieving the upwind leg with their fragile machine loaded to the hilt with ballast. It is even more thrilling when the wind, rain and hail prevent the pilot from identifying the orientation of their aircraft and, like Simon, they come whooshing into the cliff face and, unknowingly being inverted, they apply the opposite controls. The sheer speed and excitement of avoiding the second loss of an aircraft for the day had Simon's heart racing. For those of us observing we accumulated a layer of ice on our lungs as we breathed a heavy sigh of relief.

To the rest of us it was a great experience. We now know of a wonderful site that is an hour closer to the city than Albany and has the potential to be added to the calendar for future slope events. But please Paul, please choose calmer weather next time or we will all leave you on the edge of the cliff and go cave crawling instead.

*Bruce Hunt*



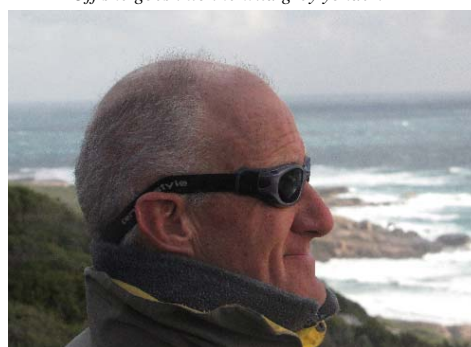
*Nigel launching Simon's ocelot into a 30 knot steady "breeze"*



*Off she goes into the wild grey yonder!*



Paul and Simon trying to keep their eyes on their gliders whilst being pelted with hail at 40 knots! It takes some concentration for Paul to keep his nose into the wind in the 30 knot winds...



# Tomboy Rally 2009

The 2009 Tomboy Rally was held at Cardup field on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> August and commenced at about 10am.

The Tomboy is a free flight design by Vic Smeed, from the 1950's having a wingspan of 36 inches (90cm) and is flown in this event on two channels with a limited fuel allocation dependant on the engine type.

The weather was fine and cloudy with a persistent and rather cool breeze varying from Southeast to Northeast. Lift patches were rare and hard to find especially if a reasonable height was not achieved on the motor run.

The format for the WA event allows 4mls of fuel for a diesel and 5mls of fuel for a glow motor with a limited time run for electric motors. Three flights are permitted with the best single flight score to be the contestant's score. Attempts cannot be called so that once the plane is launched the flight is official.

Diesel engines proved superior in economy of performance, especially the Mills0.75 and later replicas of that famous engine.

Ian Dixon once again took out the event with a flight of nine minutes which was a great score considering the conditions. Les Isitt had his Norvell glow engine running beautifully and with a bit of help from the thermal Gods could have won the event.

Fourteen entered however only eleven actual entered official scores with two entrants suffering radio problems and the third problem being a fly-away on a practice flight.

The row of trees behind the flight line and almost directly downwind claimed two victims during the competition.

## Result:

1. Ian Dixon	MP Jet diesel	540	(KAMS)
2. Troy Latto	PAW 0.8cc	465	(KAMS)
3. Les Isitt	Norvell 1cc	376	
4. Greg Kowalski	PAW 0.8cc	370	(KAMS)
5. Rob Rowson	Doonside Mills	352	
6. Richard Sutherland	Mills0.75	277	
7. Alan Trott	G-Mark	266	
8. Ken Wansborough	Mills 0.75	248	(KAMS)
9. Paul Baartz	Electric	221	
10. Greg McLure	PAW 1cc	221	(KAMS)
11. Gary Eyre	MP Jet diesel	176	

## Paul Baartz



*Ian Dixon takes home the trophy yet again!*



*KAMS had quite a good turnout this year.*

## Thermal Event 8 August 2009

Another Saturday afternoon flying at the best field in Perth. Who could ask for more? On top of this privilege I was asked once again, to run a Thermal competition scheduled for the day. Saying no to this honour is not an option in my book because I get to set the rules. Well, most of them anyway.

Eleven pilots lined up to also enjoy the excellent facilities that we have and pulled their electric planes out as well as winch launchers to have a crack at the air that was on offer for the afternoon. In this competition I allowed electric planes to compete against winch planes provided they turned off their motors once achieving what was judged to be a winch launch height. Of course I think many of the electric flyers may have stretched this out a little.

The task for this competition I set was for everyone to do four, ten minute flights, in an allotted 2 1/2hr time period There was no spot landing requirement, but instead pilots where required to land on the main field, any out landing would be a 100 point deduction. Gladly I can say I didn't have to implement this rule at all. Also anyone recording a flight of more than ten minutes would have the extra time deducted from their score as double points.

The briefing was given and the competition was underway with those in a hurry launching straight away to get their 4 flights done so they could have an early afternoon. Most, however studied the conditions a little more closely. Watching the clouds definitely paid benefits for those with some patients. There was generally buoyant air most of the afternoon, but good lift wasn't always on tap, so some strategy had to be used to do well in the competition. By about everyone's 3<sup>rd</sup> round after one winch launch it was obvious the pilot had launched into some excellent lift. This caused a mad scramble for those still scoffing down one of Malcolm's toasted ham cheese tomatoes, all launching at the same time creating a very busy sky. Many of the planes made their ten minute flights and those with shorter wing spans or less efficient planes also in the hunt for a good time.

By the time the last flights were flown the cloud build up was threatening rain, adding to the already soggy field. All up I would like to say that it was one of the easiest competitions I have run and since then I have received several emails thanking me for running the event and how much they all enjoyed the format to which it was run. The format was quite different to the way we usually operate a Thermal event, with a lack of Heats instead using the requirement to do 4 rounds in a required time. Also the scoring is easier with total time being used to decide a winner. If everyone agrees to this format when we meet next time, then I will use the format more often.

The winner for the day was Chris Barrenger 1<sup>st</sup> flying his large Shadow. Chris scored reasonably consistently in each round and once again proved how well practiced he is. Well done Chris. 2<sup>nd</sup> went Nigel Molyneux flying his Estrella. Nigel can be seen regularly hanging off the end of a winch and this has been starting to pay dividends in his flying ability. 3<sup>rd</sup> went to Geoff Doughty flying an electric Graphite. Geoff looked to enjoy himself on the field and once again flew very well.

The results for the day where

1 <sup>st</sup>	Chris Barrenger	Shadow	2249pts
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Nigel Molyneux	Estrella	2049pts
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Geoff Doughty	Graphite	1932pts
4 <sup>th</sup>	Paul Marshall	Estrella	1909pts
5 <sup>th</sup>	Steve Gleeson	Organic	1754pts
6 <sup>th</sup>	Danny Hales	Graphite	1582pts
7 <sup>th</sup>	Chris Martin	Graphite	1499pts
8 <sup>th</sup>	Margaret Pettigrew	Silent Dream	1493pts
9 <sup>th</sup>	Greg Breen	Rock	1312pts
10 <sup>th</sup>	Steve Houlahan	Electron	908pts
11 <sup>th</sup>	Bill Pettigrew	Pulsar	590pts

Hope to see you all at the next event.

*Paul Marshall*

## KAMS Event Calendar 2009

January 09

### 1 Thursday New Years Day No IC operation Day

21 Wed General Meeting 8pm  
22 Thursday Pylon 1pm  
26 Monday Public Holiday 10.30am –3.30pm noise restriction on certain types.

February 09

10 Sat Glider 1pm on  
18 Wed General Meeting 8pm  
26 Thursday Pylon 1pm

March 09

2 Monday Public Holiday 10.30am –3.30pm noise restriction on certain types  
15 Sunday F3b Glider Day  
18 Wed General Meeting 8pm  
26 Thursday Pylon 1pm  
29 Sun Flying Only Scale 1pm

April 09

5 Sun F/F Scramble 3 – 5pm  
10 Good Friday No IC operation Day  
11 Sat Glider 1 pm on  
12 Sunday Easter No IC operation Day  
15 Wed General Meeting 8pm  
23 Thursday Pylon 1pm  
27 Monday Public Holiday 10.30am –3.30pm noise restriction on certain types.

May 09

2 AWA FF Scramble 3 – 5pm  
2 AWA FF Hurl Glider 3 – 5 pm  
3 AWA F4C scale, static @ 9 flying @ 1pm  
20 Wed General Meeting 8pm  
23 Sat AWA Q500 Pylon 1pm on

June 09

1 Monday Public Holiday 10.30am – 3.30pm noise restriction on certain types.  
13 Sat Glider 1pm on  
21 Sun AWA Combat 1pm on  
17 Wed ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
25 Thursday Pylon 1pm  
28th Jun Flying Only Scale 1pm

July 09

15 Wed General Meeting 8pm  
19 Sun AWA O/T Std Duration 9am – 12noon

August 09

8 Sat Glider 1pm on  
19 Wed General Meeting 8pm

September 09

16 Wed General Meeting 8pm

20 Sun AWA Open duration 9am – 12 noon

27 Sunday Jet Rally day

28 Monday Public Holiday 10.30am –3.30pm noise restriction on certain types.

October 09

10 Sat Glider 1pm on  
21 Wed General Meeting 8pm  
22 Thursday Pylon 1pm  
29th Oct Warbirds Over Mundijong 9am  
31 Sat Field Maintenance Day

November 09

15th Nov AWA Stand Off Scale + Large Scale, static @ 9 flying @ 1pm  
15 Sunday AWA Stand Off Scale 1pm  
18 Wed General Meeting 8pm  
22 Sun AWA Thermal Glider Day  
26 Thursday Pylon 1pm

December 09

6th Dec Open Scale Rally 9am  
12 Sat Glider 12pm-4pm  
12 Sat Twilite BBQ/Flyin 4pm on  
16 Wed General Meeting 8pm  
25 Friday Christmas Day No IC operation Day  
26 Saturday Boxing Day No IC operation Day  
27 Sun Combat 1pm on  
28 Monday Public Holiday 10.30am –3.30pm noise restriction on certain types.

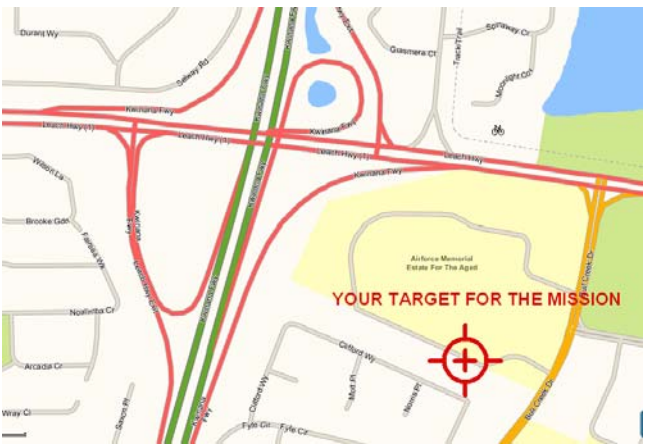
***Note for F4C Scale only: Static judging starts 09:00. Flying from 1pm until all contestants have completed required flying tasks.***





# WITNESS DEMOCRACY IN ACTION!

**..Tell us what you really think... No, Seriously, We mean it! All of the events that shape the future of the club we know and love are in your hands. Everyone has equal standing in the club, and if you're not there to voice your opinion, you've only yourself to blame if you don't like the way the club is run. It's a democracy, but you have to be there to have your say. So: HAVE YOUR SAY!**



**When you see the really, really BIG model spitfire, looming out of the darkness, you're there!  
Refreshments are provided, and there's always time for a good yak afterwards.**

## MEETING STARTS AT 8:00 BE THERE

## 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

Matt Picken  
Mark Giggins

### RC Combat

Troy Latto

### RC Glider

Tim Kullack

### IMAC (aerobatics)

Hans Bertina

### F3A ( precision aerobatics)

Greg Kowalski

### RC Old Timer and Free Flight

Ian Dixon

### RC Turbine

Neil Giggins

## 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.net.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.

### Canteen:

Malcolm Retallack (Manager): 0418 943 539  
Hours: 08:00 – 14:00

**Slipstream Deadline:** Wednesday prior to monthly meeting. Submissions by email in unformatted text. Pictures un-cropped.

**Slipstream Complaints:** Please forward all correspondence regarding slipstream complaints to your nearest circular file available to you.

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