

Slipstream

The Official Newsletter of the Kalamunda Aeronautical Model Society
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SPIES TELL ME THAT VH-TUG FLIES AGAIN!

RED BULL PRACTICE 2007



'A bit lower and
Between the Pylons Captain'
Thanks to Karin, Budapest

The Editorial Staff (Ed) take this opportunity to wish all members of our Society a very Happy New Year.

It has been interesting and a challenge to produce *Slipstream* over the past months and I would like to thank all members who have helped me by contributing with stories and photographs. A few minor editorial mistakes have been made but nothing major!! Although I have not been able to publish all but thank you all, keep it coming.

KAMS December 07 General Meeting Minutes 19th December 2007

Meeting Open: 8:15pm with President Peter "Santa Claus" White in the chair

Attendance: 22

Apologies: J Luxford, G Mclure, F Jensen, I Johnson

Secretary's Report

Correspondence: IN : Nil
Correspondence OUT: Nil
Previous Meeting Minutes: In *Slipstream*
Business Arising: Nil
It was moved R.Duncan and seconded K. Wansborough that the secretaries report be accepted, carried

Treasurer's Report -

Statement up to:	30 Nov
Opening Balance	\$29,735.75
Credits	\$510.00
Debits	\$1,333.80
Balance Brought Forward	\$28,911.85
Advantage Saver Balance	\$15,811.65

Major Expenditures: AWA, Canteen

Current membership: 125

It was moved C Jones and seconded E. Gooch That the treasurer's report be accepted, carried

Club Business

Membership services:
Farewell to Joe Luxford.

Wings: Nil. Expected to be more qualifiers for wings in new year as several members re-join for half year.

AWA REPORT (J Mero, K Greaves)

Nats: 130 Entries so far. More expected to register on the day. 1000 ft clearance has been granted for F/F events. Tx testing will be conducted free on registration day.
AWA calling for plus-sized (50kg +) model inspectors

Field managers report

Reticulation redesign: Consultants report from R&L MacPherson tabled. Major recommendations:-

- That the bore heads be replaced to allow chemical treatment of iron bacteria that has infected the bores. This will assist in prolonging life of retic equipment and improve water flow.
- That pipes be flushed with dilute acid to remove iron oxide plaque. This will help prevent sprinklers being clogged with chunks of dislodged iron oxide and increase water flow.

- That sufficient chemical treatment be purchased to allow continual treatment of the bore to prevent re-infection by iron oxide bacteria

President and secretary detailed works already undertaken to help improve watering of flying surface. These included:

- Re-timing of solenoid valves
- Re-programming of retic computer to allow longer station times.

The works to be undertaken are designed to be simple and effective, involving robust materials and an easy maintenance program to keep the bores and retic system in good health in to the future.

Works to be undertaken over xmas break by R & L MacPherson and completed by Jan 31.

Contest reports - Nil

Building Program

Status of proposals

Peter White proposed a vote be taken at the meeting to choose between two proposals-

A: Demountable kitchen module designed by P.Pinder, R. Bloor, B. Beeston

B: Prefabricated club house building by Dave Trewarn.

Peter White and Dave Trewarn spoke at length on the proposals but meeting was not satisfied it had enough information to submit to a vote on the matter.

It was moved P Pinder and seconded E Gooch That fully costed proposals be presented for both options at the March general meeting - carried.

General Business From the Floor

Calendar 2008:

Final Draft of KAMS Calendar presented by Tim Kullack. Neil Giggins proposed that a Jet Rally be held on Sunday 28 September for the entire day. Meeting agreed to the amendment and ratified the calendar as published.

It was moved T. Kullack and seconded T Latto that the calendar for 2008 presented in the Slipstream in November/December and ratified at the December meeting be adopted - carried

Other Business

Dumpster bin and re-cycle bins need emptying – P.White to action.

Constitution Incorporations act for societies has not changed. C. Jones and P.Pinder to review and report back to committee.

Meeting Close: 9:30pm

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S FLIGHT BOX - N° 7

A FAREWELL TO JOE LUXFORD

By the time this edition goes to print Joe will be winging his way to sunny Queensland where his business is centered. Queensland's gain will be our loss and Joe's expertise and drive will be sorely missed here in the West. Out of respect to Joe's contribution to KAMS I have published, with the help of Troy Latto who knows Joe better than I do, elsewhere in this edition some of Joe's contribution to KAMS and the Pylon community. It hardly needs to be said that if Joe's efforts are to be maintained someone will now need to "step up".

NATIONALS AT PERTH

The NATS have come and gone and a great time was had by contestants, judges and spectators. Club members are thanked for their co-operation and special thanks go to Malcolm Retallack for keeping up the supply of drinks and food throughout the long hot days.

GENERAL MEETING

There will be a general meeting on Wednesday 16th January, 8pm at RAAFA, Bullcreek.

RETICULATION OF KAMS FIELD

The committee and helpers are working at cleaning the bores, pipes and sprinklers of iron oxides. While the field has benefited from the work done it has proceeded more slowly than we had hoped. This is because chemicals introduced react to dissolve the "nasties" at a relatively slow rate. At the time of this report we have modified the plumbing at each bore head and treated one bore. The treatment of the second bore and the liner to the sprinklers remain to be completed. Members are thanked for their co-operation when we had to close the field on December 22nd. For maintenance and advance warning is given that the field may have to be closed again, so that the on field pipes can be treated.

NATS, CAPS AND STUBBY HOLDERS

I have some attractive caps and stubby holders left over from the NATS and if you missed out see me. They are available at cost.

Peter White
President



Ryan by Roy Dixon

JOE LUXFORD – A TRIBUTE

Joe started flying R/C in the early 1980's with various small clubs dotted around NSW and Victoria. He flew several types of trainers and sports models but remained erratic in his participation due to his work commitments and frequent moves to the various mining centres across the country. He did manage to become one of the first to receive a wings endorsement when the MAAA introduced the system and qualified as an instructor in NSW in the early 1990's.

A move to Perth in 1993/94 saw Joe put down long term roots for the first time in many years and he came to KAMS during this period. Once again Joe flew sports aircraft and trainers but it wasn't long before he started to get interested in Pylon Racing – an interest he still passionately pursues.

In 2001/2002 Joe was one of the founding fathers of the RC Combat movement in WA and shepherded it to recognition by the MAAA as a NATS event as well as the AWA as a state event. Joe was a pioneer in many respects with the combat movement in that he not only drove and promoted combat across KAMS but also on an interclub level. It was the introduction of interclub combat and the associated acceptance by many members of other clubs that saw other SIG's adopt an interclub format as well. Joe always leads from the front: adopting new technologies and innovations from across the globe and introducing those flyers that came to combat to new and often unorthodox ideas for building/flying/designing combat aircraft. While some of the aircraft may have been less than aesthetic they always did the job they were designed for – fighting!

While combat was Joe's baby, pylon remains his first love and he has thrown himself in to the organization and structure of racing in WA and across the country. He frequently travels interstate for racing events and invariably brings back knowledge which he readily shares with others. He is also a great believer in email and the internet for knowledge sharing and has been known to call many of the luminaries in racing in other countries for hints and tips to help him go faster. He has also financially supported racing in WA and is the instigator/financier behind the computerised timing system now used in all events.

Joe has also pursued a passion for slope soaring and has been a regular at slope meetings in both Albany and Esperance.

Joe has also been a long standing servant of the club at committee level, serving on four consecutive committees from 2002/2003 right up to 2007. His tremendous organizational skills and eye for detail have proven invaluable time and again. The co-ordination of the club event calendar is an exercise fraught with difficulty but Joe has always managed to provide a consultative approach with the SIG's and the club rank & file to make sure there is always a balanced use of the facilities.

On a club level, Joe has been an exemplary member. He has worked hard for the club and encouraged members at every turn. He has had 15 years of continuous membership and has left an indelible stamp on those of us that have interacted with him over those years.

Joe is leaving KAMS due to work commitments to live in Brisbane. He takes with him the accumulated treasures of 15 years of modeling in Western Australia and the best wishes of everyone at KAMS.

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Thank you Troy, I am sure that all members agree with what you have said and all will miss Joe. Ed.

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The following is a **proposed** amendment to Section 5 of the constitution which adds the provision for life membership of the Society:-

Change Section 5 to read:

TYPES OF MEMBERSHIP

5.(1) The Society shall consist of members divided into the following types:

- a) Senior Members
- b) Remote Members
- c) Associate Members
- d) Junior Members
- e) Student Members
- f) Honorary Members
- g) Life Members

5.(2) The number of members in each type and the total number of members shall be established by the Society.

Add the following Section

LIFE MEMBERS

13.(1) "Life Member" means a person over the age of 18 years who has been nominated by at least two current Senior members and elected by a majority of club members at an Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting of the Society to receive Lifetime membership of the society in accordance with the provision of these rules.

13 (2) Members will be considered for Life membership of the society after they have been (inclusively) but not limited to:

- a. A continuous senior member for at least 15 years
- b. A Long term Club officer or Appointee
- c. An ongoing and highly valued contributor to the Society
- d. An active promoter of the objectives and values of the Society.

13 (3) Life Members will exercise the same rights and privileges as a Senior Club Member as detailed in Section 6 (2) "SENIOR MEMBERS"

13 (4) Life members will have their society fees payed in perpetuity by the club and will remain on the registry of members until such time as they are deceased or resign their membership of the society.

13 (5) Life Members will still be obliged to pay fees to the State and National Aero modelling controlling bodies as well as all fees levied upon them by other societies and specialist groups where applicable.

13 (6) Life Membership nominations will be considered by the Executive Committee and presented to the membership at The Annual General Meeting or a Special General meeting called for that purpose. Notification of nomination for Life Membership shall be published in the Slipstream for no less than two consecutive months.

NOTE: The above addition will require a further amendment of section numbering that will be advised once the amendment is approved.

Official KAMS Event Calendar 2008

January 08		July 08	
1 – 3 Nationals Events	Day	12 Sat IMAC	1pm on
16 Wed General Meeting	8pm	16 Wed General Meeting	8pm 20 Sun
26 Sat Pylon 1 – 5pm	1pm on	AWA O/T Std Duration	9am – 12noon
February 08		August 08	
9 Sat Glider	1pm on	9 Sat Glider	1pm on
20 Wed General Meeting	8pm	20 Wed General Meeting	8pm
23 Sat Pylon	1pm on		
March 08		September 08	
8 Sat IMAC	1 pm on	21 Sun AWA Open duration	9am – 12 noon
15 Sat F3b Glider	Day	17 Wed General Meeting	8pm
19 Wed General Meeting	8pm	28 Sun Jet Rally	Day
22 Sat Pylon	1 pm on		
April 08		October 08	
6 Sun F/F Scramble	3 – 5pm	11 Sat Glider	1pm on
12 Sat Glider	1 pm on	15 Wed General Meeting	8pm
13 Sun Scale All Flying	12pm on	19 Sun WARBIRDS	Day
16 Wed General Meeting	8pm	25 Sat Pylon	1pm on
20 Sun AWA FF Chuck Glider	3pm on		
20 Sun AWA FF Scramble	3pm on	November 08	
26 Sat Pylon	1 pm on	1 Sat Field Maintenance	Day
May 08		8 Sat IMAC	1pm on
4 Sun AWA F4C Scale	12pm on	16 Sun AWA Large Scale	1pm on
10 Sat AWA F400 Pylon	1pm on	19 Wed General Meeting	8pm
21 Wed General Meeting	8pm	22 Sat Pylon	1pm on
25 Sun AWA Q500 Pylon	1pm on	23 Sun AWA Thermal Glider	Day
June 08		December 08	
7 Sat Glider	1pm on	7 Sun Scale rally	Day
15 Sun AWA Combat	1pm on	13 Sat Glider	12pm-4pm
18 Wed ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING		13 Sat Twilite BBQ/Flyin	4pm on
21 Sat Pylon	1pm on	17 Wed General Meeting	8pm
		27 Sat Combat	1pm on

Committee Meeting held on first Monday of each month.

NOTE:

Calendar was ratified at the December General Meeting and is published as final in January Slipstream.

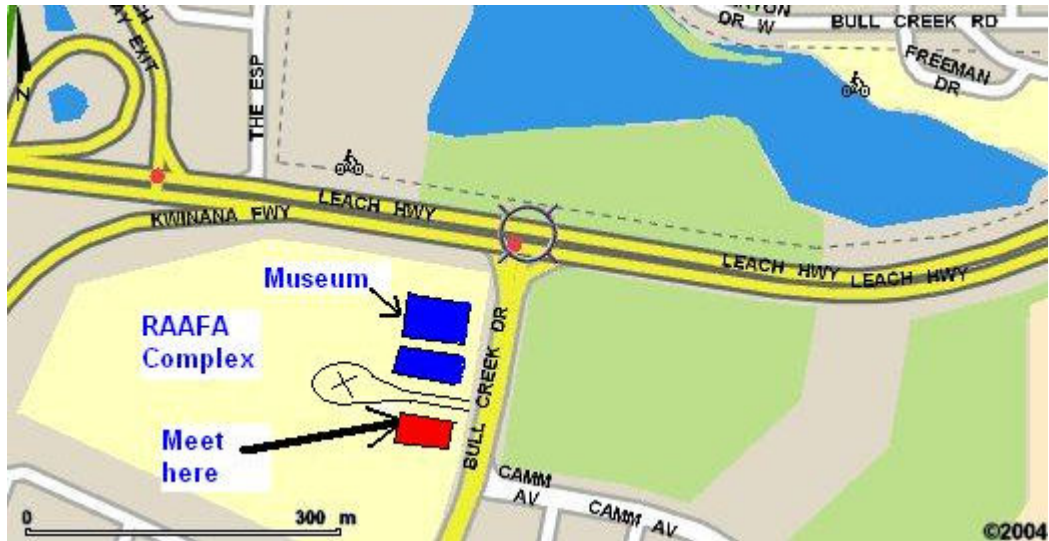
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An important message to the KAMS Community....

Bored? Sick of the same old stuff on the Telly? Need to take your mind off the humdrum of your daily life? Well, if you want action, laughter, excitement and the company of good people then look no further than the company of your fellow modelers at the Monthly KAMS General Meeting!!!

Its got everything: Drama, angst, humor and above all good fellowship! Come on down to the Airforce Memorial estate on Bullcreek Drive in Bullcreek on the third Wednesday of every month to experience the highs, lows and drama's of what its like to run a large, profitable and successful sporting organization.



Another regular flyer of the Grey Squadron.

The vice has nothing to do with aircraft.

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

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RC Combat

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RC Glider

Tim Kullack

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 website has been given a makeover. 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

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Deadline Wednesday prior to monthly meeting.

Submissions by email in unformatted text. Pictures uncropped please.

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