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2007 A.G.M. AND GENERAL MEETING.

The 2007 A.G.M. was held at Kelly Field on Sunday 17th June with a really good attendance.

Apologies were received from Rick and Gaynor Stillman, Colleen and Jack Tonks, Bryan Richardson and Peter Ralph.

Office holders elected for 2007/2008 as follows:

President–Mike Hawkins

Vice-president—Erwin Boot

Secretary–Jamie Sheehan

Treasurer-Stuart Smith

Committee–Peter Hubbard, Ken Jones and Garth Wilmot.

Ken Jones has offered to continue as our grounds man and Garth Wilmot will continue as newsletter editor.

Doug Chipman remains as our patron.

Jan and Garth Wilmot are life members of the club.

A general meeting was held immediately after the A.G.M. and the meeting accepted the committee recommendation that fees would remain as for the previous year as follows: Senior \$190

Country/pensioner \$170

Junior \$60

Associate \$80

Social \$15

Country/pensioner Associate \$60

Spouse of senior member \$145

Dependant son or daughter of senior member \$50

<u>New</u>members joining after December 31st I/2 fees +\$5 with juniors just 1/2 fee.

Fees fall due on 1st July 2007 and any member not financial by 31st July will not be permitted to fly or make use of club facilities.

Payment by mail should be addressed to "The Treasurer, PO Box 1117, Rosny Park 7018."

Prompt payment will be much appreciated as it makes the lodgement of TMAA affiliations much easier for the treasurer.

Rubbish

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CLUB DIRECTORY.

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Members are reminded that , if they bring their own food and/or drink to the field, they are requested to take their rubbish home with them.

Somebody has to remove our garbage and it is not fair to expect them to cart extra rubbish away.

Similarly wreckage from crashed models should not be left behind.

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Around the hangar.

The committee welcomes back former club president Michael Hurst together with son Mitchell. Michael is a qualified instructor and has a few good models waiting to take to the air.

Other new members are Steve and Joe Hedges, Angus McNeil and Ray Stitdston. The club instructors will be kept busy here.

Congratulations are extended to Vic Parkinson and Peter Ederle as our latest qualified instructors. This should help to ease the workload of our existing instructors somewhat.

In view of the recent wild weather in the Hunter and Newcastle area, perhaps Don Sutton and Di would have been better off staying in Tasmania. Disaster seems to follow Don wherever he goes. Shades of 9/11?

Peter Ralph has just completed his Minicraft Edge 540 powered by an MVVS 120 twin two stroke. Test flights have been quite promising and Peter now has the engine running well. It seems that this unit requires a lot of running to loosen up.

It was pleasing to see Bryce Atkinson flying his Fokker DVII again after a fairly long absence from the field. This model is a great flier and built from the Flair kit which is no longer available.

In view of the very cold weather we have been experiencing, it is hard to believe that both Ray Maunder and Bryce Atkinson have been wearing thongs (the footwear type) to the field. A couple of good candidates for frost bitten toes?

It was supposed to be top secret, but I can't help revealing that the new club president has actually purchased an ARF.

Jamie Sheehan had the misfortune to prang a

near new Spacewalker after an engine cut in an awkward position on the field. The good news is that the 70 four stroke was not damaged. It looks as if Jamie will have to learn how to build a new wing. As the pilots had not been fitted at that stage they will live to fly another day.

Jim England has been a fairly regular electric flier during the year and he has been enjoying the performance of a new electric powered Ultimate bi-plane of late.

Jim's son Greg has been out of the game for a couple of years and is amazed at the development of electric flight gear in that time. We expect him back in the near future.

Peter Lambert has been discovering that his Flying Flea has some of the bad habits of the full size aircraft. I am sure that Peter will iron out the bugs.

Peter Hubbard's flying must be improving lately as he hasn't been buying many new propellers lately. There goes a regular source of income.

Doug Keating likes his models fast and he recently purchased a new Sonic 500 to replace one previously demolished. Unfortunately the new one has also gone west..

The Spektrum DX7 radios are proving very popular and several more have been purchased by members. Perhaps spasmodic glitching problems at Kelly Field may have caused the rush.

While on the subject of radio equipment, it should be noted that a couple of members have had a bad experience with a brand of Chinese origin. It is not a good policy to purchase anything other than the well known reliable gear.

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Club Directory.

Hobart Model

<u>Aero Club inc. Directory.</u>

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HMAC SHIRTS

There is still a limited quantity of HMAC polo shirts in stock.

A mere \$30 will obtain one for you and the stock is held by your editor.

Show a bit of pride in your club and buy a shirt.

It will be some time before further stocks are ordered. <u>Don't just think about–do it!</u>

Spektrum etc. 2.4 GHz

When using any 2.4 GHz equipment it is necessary to indicate that you are actually switched on.

The final method of identification is yet to be decided by the committee. In the interim, the vacant section of the 29/40 MHz board is to be used in the same manner as the other frequencies.

This requires the use of a tag onto which a spring clothes peg is attached.

The size of the tag should be approximately 3.3 X 9.5 cm. and should clearly show the operator's name.

This requirement is in accordance with the MAAA Manual of Procedures.

This is just a brief newsletter to bring members up to date. A further newsletter should be published towards the end of August.

We are on the web. www.hobartmodelaeroclub.org

Peter Ralph's Edge 540 with pilot and copilot..





Fokker DVII from Bryce Atkinson.

