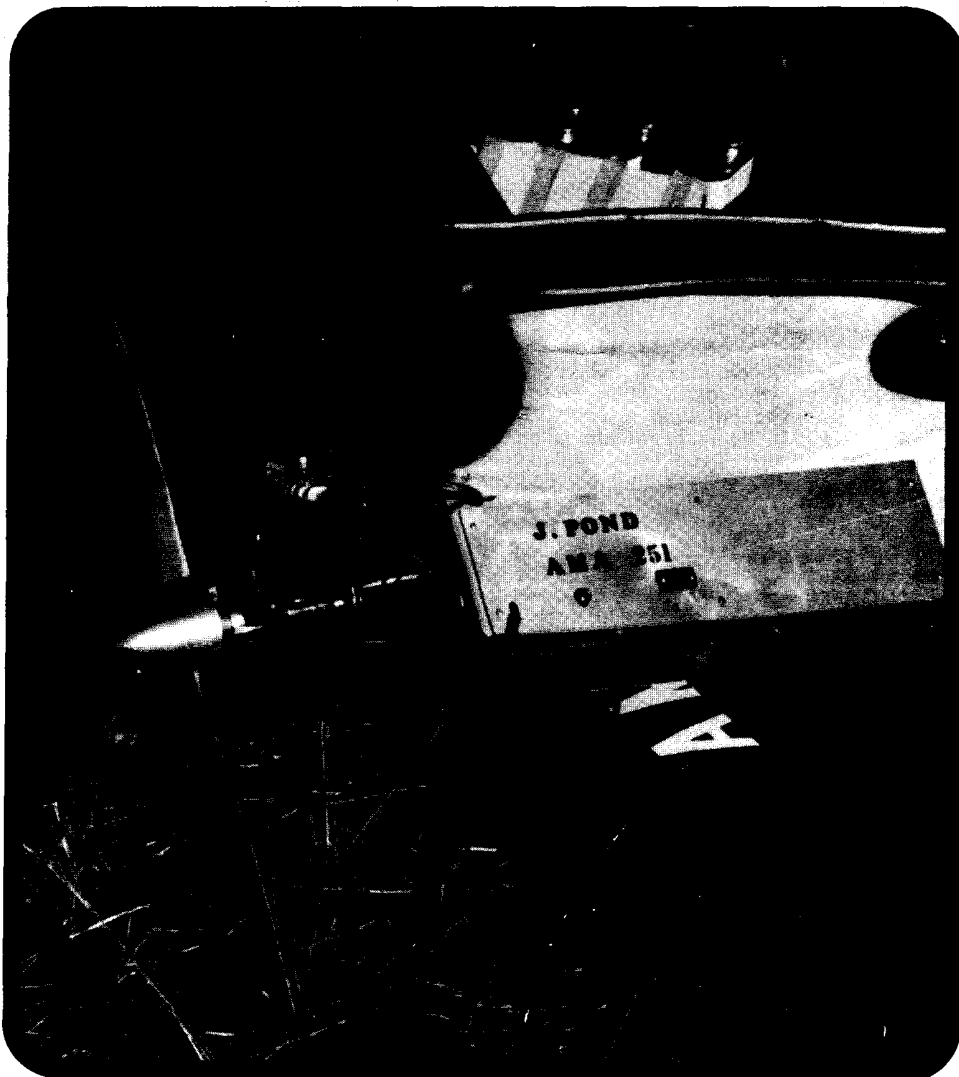


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PRESIDENTS REPORT - NOVEMBER 1991

As this will be the last report for 1991, and our next meeting the last for this year also, I guess this report really should be one on the activities of the year. However, previous issues of this newsletter have reported adequately on what has happened I feel. So this report will deal more with what is coming up and what we should be thinking about doing.

I realize there has not been as much activity for old timers as we would have liked but economic circumstances must take some of the blame for this. Retired people trying to live on income from investment will tell us how they have suffered drastic reductions in income without any compensating reduction in prices. Those of us still in the workforce (I have finally realized you dont have to be old to fly old timer aircraft or to belong to a chapter of SAM), can readily tell of the extreme effort required simply to get by these days.

In my own case I have experienced savage pressure to make ends meet. This in turn has meant that at times I have not been as active in VOTA SAM 600 as a president should be - nor have I been able to fly as much as I would have wished. I apologize for this but give much thanks for a most supportive committee. Ted Hall, Ian Triffitt and Peter Donovan do a damn fine job. Thanks people.

As stated elsewhere in this issue, our next meeting will be held on Friday November 29th, 1991 at the SEC Energy Business Centre in North Road Caulfield as usual starting at 07:30 PM. There will be light snack food provided beforehand, I believe, so come early and lets eat together. I have obtained a rather special video to show too. It is a collection of old news reel footage on aircraft and aviation related matters put together from and by the archives section in Canberra - a rare and not normally available video. Dont miss it.

By the time you receive this newsletter you may have attended, or missed, the Futaba Trophy Days where clubs put up teams to compete in 10 events for what is in effect the club championship of the VMAA. In fact, there is a suggestion that as Futaba is now distributed from Sydney, the Trophy be called The VMAA Trophy sponsored by whoever - probably Phoenix Ibis as Tony Cincotta initiated, and has supported, the event since it first began.

Anyway the Futaba Trophy, or whatever it is called this year, is on Saturday 23rd, and Sunday 24th, November 1991. Old timer Duration will be held on the Sunday starting at 09:30 AM.

The next event of particular interest to us is the P&DARCS 25th Anniversary Celebration Fly In to be held on Friday December 27th, 1991 to Wednesday January 1st, 1992 inclusive - a



sort of Claytons Nationals. Full details are available from Chris Caulcutt, 66 Thomas Mitchell Drive, Endeavour Hills 3802 Phone home 706 2305.

They are holding 28 events at the last count so it should be a big fly in. Old timer events are Vintage Stunt on Sunday December 29th, 1991 from 10:00 AM, Old Timer R/C Duration on Monday December 30th, 1991 from 08:00 AM to 01:00 PM, and Old Timer R/C Texaco on Tuesday December 31st, 1991 again from 08:00 AM to 01:00 PM. A great way to see out the new year. (I wonder if we can get Graham Sinclair to come down and land in time for the New Year's Eve Party.)

The first event of interest to us in the new year is of course the Roy Robertson Memorial Trophy. This will be held as usual at P&DARCS field on Sunday January 26th, 1992 and Monday January 27th, 1992 with most likely Texaco on the Sunday and Duration on the Monday to have a chance of an earlier finish to allow country people to make an earlier start for home. However it is a P&DARCS event and they will decide the order of events. I suggest you check with P&DARCS contest co-ordinator Rolly Gaumann on home phone (059) 68 3791. (Ted Hall please note!)

It would probably be a good idea to have our January meeting on the Friday before the Roy Robertson Memorial Trophy. This would be the 24th January 1992 and we will go firm on that date now unless the next meeting changes it.

This leads us on to the 45th, Nationals. These will be held at Waikerie on the Murray River in South Australia on Wednesday April 22nd, 1992 through Tuesday April 28th, 1992 inclusive. Old timer processing is on Friday April 24th, 1992, Duration is on Saturday April 25th, 1992 and Texaco is on Sunday April 26th, 1992.

A special note. Frequencies available for the old timer events are 29.885 up, 36.300 up and 40.695 ONLY. This is quite normal at South Australian Nationals apparently.

As for what we need to be thinking about, we need to decide on whether we should incorporate or not, (This need not be expensive nor complicated. Almost every club and association in Australia is now incorporated - both inside and outside Model Aviation. This simply protects the committee and the members from the possible disastrous results of the over enthusiastic litigation around the world today.

We need to consider also whether we should seek a local flying field of our own. This could provide a permanent place for us to fly our particular type of models without interfering with other types of flying but would involve us in some expense.

Please consider these points and let us discuss them at the next meeting. See you there.

Darcy

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A GREAT DAY AT CRIB POINT

On the 13th October a large group of members made their way to Moolays Road, Crib Point where the Western Port Flying Club meet and found a great flying field and a nice view of Western Port Bay.

The members of the club made us welcome and showed a lot of interest in the old time models. After fun flying for a couple of hours we held a duration contest with a few of the local members joining in. Lured on no doubt by the possibility of winning the first prize (BOTTLE OF PORT!!) the last one!!.

Three rounds were flown and the winner of each round gathered for the fly-off. I thought that Lyall Ford had a chance to win and Don Cameron was having a good day but Mark Collins showed just how good the McCoy and Super Quaker combination really perform and won comfortably.

The final placings were:-

1st MARK COLLINS 11 min.20 sec.

2nd DON CAMERON 7 min.04 sec.

3rd LYALL FORD 7 min.

I would like to thank Geoff Tuck and the members of the Western Port club on behalf of the members of VOTA-SAM600 who came that day and enjoyed the hospitality of their club.

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I have three grades now in stock after searching the known world (or part thereof). They are:-

a) Esaki "Litespan" - the standard line we stock for general purpose covering of rubber models, gliders etc. Listed in price list. 24" x 18" or 3 sq. ft per sheet. Weight 3.9 grms. per sheet or 1.3 grms. per sq. ft. R,Y,B,B.O,BLK,Wht. \$1.20 per sheet (40c. per sq ft.). One side shiny. I recommend covering onto doped frame with thinner applied through the paper. Use shiny side down for best adhesion.

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These are all excellent quality papers. Very white, well finished and tough.

Samples are attached and marked. Please let me know quickly if they interest you as I don't think present stocks of the heavier papers will last. I'll hold for you but now I have a source I can get further stocks in about a week so in any case you won't be held up for long.

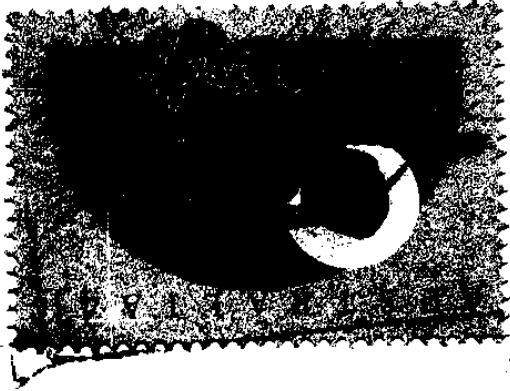
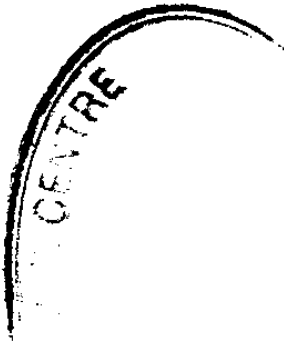
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Best wishes

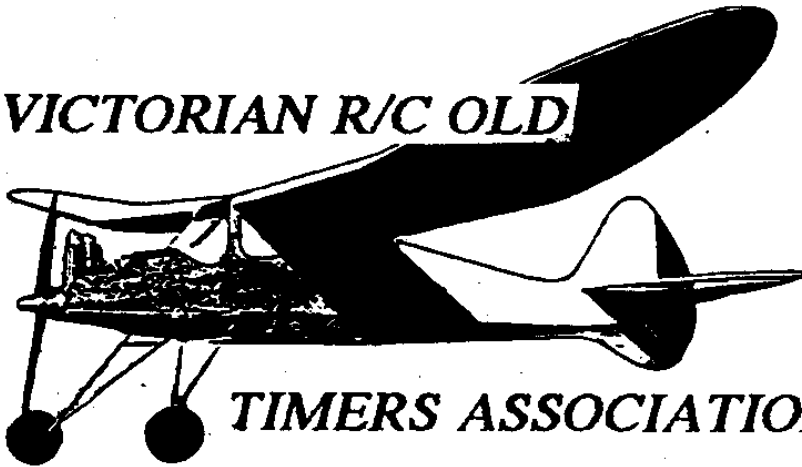

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