

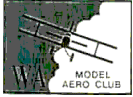


THE GEEZER



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EDITORS RANT..

The new competition season is well and truly upon us and its great to see so many regular attendees at SAM270 events. There has also been a trickle of enquiries from modellers in other clubs who read the articles printed in last months "Windsock", so the message is starting to get out. Hopefully this will translate in to more SAM270 members and by default more WAMAC players! Remember – its all about having more playmates and preserving our model aviation heritage for the future so please make the new guys and visitors feel welcome!

Trophy Talk

Dicko (a.k.a "Schultz") has been on the acquisition trail overseas and managed to land several very attractive and historical trophies which he is restoring for our SAM270 events. To date we now have trophies for 1/2a Texaco, Antique 38, Open Duration, Standard Duration and Texaco to go with the already impressive Tomboy and Burford trophies previously sourced by Richard Sutherland. The aim is to award trophies that you would openly display rather than hide at the back of the cupboard or hang your underwear on. I am sure when you clap eyes on the new suite of SAM270 trophies, you will be proud to sit any one of them on your mantelpiece with your kids/grandkids/internet girlfriends photo.

Annual General Meeting of minds.

This months AGM will be held on Friday June 7 at the Baartz residence. Refreshments in the form of tea/coffee and biscuits will be provided but if you want something else you will have to bring it yourself. Matters to be discussed include the new committee structure and fees for 2011/2012 so get your wrinkled butts there before 8:00pm or you will be forced to sit on someone's knee if you want a chair.

The usual moan

I really need some bodies to write articles about building or trimming or tuning or their history in modelling or their memoirs or some shit that will help me make this more than a monthly report sheet for minutes and competitions. Please put your arthritic digits to the keyboard or sharpen a quill and dip it in the ink well and share yourself with your fellow modellers. I promise we won't laugh (unless its supposed to be funny, then we will laugh lots) So get to it folks and help make this magazine your voice and not just some fat git's ramblings.

Troy Latto
SAM2704
Editor-that's-large
a.k.a "Colonel Klink"

2010/2011 Presidents report

The 2010/2011 club year has past with several milestones achieved. On an administrative level, continued ill health saw our spiritual leader, Paul Baartz, temporarily step back from the role of secretary/treasurer and Ian Dixon take up the reins for the remaining 8 months of the club year. President Gary Dickens also had to step aside in December due to family and work commitments and Troy Latto was elected in to the role of Interim President for the remainder of the club year. Rob Bovell stepped up to the Contest Directors chair and has done an excellent job organizing trophies and running events.

Our flying field has been retained and well utilized by members after we were moved on from our previous location in favour of Wagyu beef. The flight line at Cardup was graded and improved over the course of the year, with many rocks removed and carpet layed down on the flight line to help keep the models (and knees) out of the dirt. Parking space was also increased and regular mowing has maintained a reasonable flying surface. Thanks go to Alan Trott, Rick Rumble and the rest of the mowing and maintenance volunteers who helped make our field more amenable.

"The Geezer" was launched in October 2010 to a warm reception from members. The magazine is distributed monthly via email and has proven to be a hit not only with WAMAC but also with the international SAM community and is posted on the USA SAM website in their newsletters section. It is hoped that regular contributions from members will help keep the magazine vibrant and informative.

SAM270 was relaunched in February with the allocation of SAM numbers to existing members and the rebranding of WAMAC competitions to be SAM270 events. Trophies and medallions have been constructed/sourced and stamped with the SAM270 logo. The "Paul Baartz Shield" competition was instigated and a points system for events devised to crown an overall champion for the year. The formal structuring of the club competition year has seen a significant increase in member participation in competitions and bodes well for a healthy club scene.

While our total membership has remained at 25, we have had several visitors and membership inquiries that may translate in to increased numbers next year. By increasing the club's profile and spreading the word through Windsock we hope to attract more playmates and ensure the viability of WAMAC in to the future.

Finally I would like to personally thank Ian Dixon for his tireless dedication to the club and invaluable council to me over the past 6 months and immediate past president Gary Dickens for his contribution in the 6 months leading up to December 2010 while enduring difficult personal circumstances. Finally, thankyou to all WAMAC members for your patience and support in what has been a challenging but rewarding 12 months for the club.

Troy Latto

SAM 270 - Burford Duration Event 22nd May 2011 - Oakford

The SAM 270 Gordon Burford Event was held on a day that dawned with some cloud on the horizon and light fog towards the hills. The forecast was for a near perfect Autumn day with very light winds and the promise of clear skies later in the day.



Kevin Hooper's "Baby Bomber" gets a stern reprimand after biting its masters hand..

This event is a limited engine run event for 2.5cc diesel engines manufactured in Australia by the late Gordon Burford. Aircraft for this event are designed on or before 31st December 1956, which results in a wide variety of aircraft from the various Old Timer Eras being flown in competitions.

Seven pilots signed up to compete. All pilots managed to fly at least one five minute maximum flight, with four pilots qualifying for the fly-off.

The fly-off for Rod McDonald started poorly with a short engine run, resulting in an out landing. Greg McClure seemed to have first place all sewn up with 10 minutes plus in the fly-off, unfortunately an out landing relegated him to third place. This left Ian Dixon and Richard Sutherland in first and second place respectively.

Two pilots encountered very different problems with their fuel systems. During the warm up, Ian Dixon was having a hard time getting his engine to run, this was found to be a fuel flow problem due to a partially closed shut off. (The one so ably presented in the last Geezer.) After some minor tweaking he was good to go.



Troy Latto utilizes "The Gut" TX tray while Dicko and Fish marvel at the innovation..

Kevin Hooper and his timer Rob Rowson were seen wandering off down the field following Kevin's errant Bomber. It turned out that during one of his attempts the fuel failed to shut off and he had to fly until the tank emptied.



Walk of shame – Rod McDonald retrieves his Ramrod after landing out wide in the flyoff..

Results

| | | |
|----------------------|-------------|-----------|
| 1 Ian Dixon | Calypso BB | 900 + 504 |
| 2 Richard Sutherland | AmbitionPB | 900 + 459 |
| 3 Greg McLure | Ollie BB | 900 + 0 |
| 4 Rod McDonald | Ramrod PB | 900 + 0 |
| 5 Glenn Baldwin | Dallaire PB | 836 |
| 6 Troy Latto | Zoot SuitPB | 784 |
| 7 Kevin Hooper | Bomber PB | 685 |



Richard Sutherland (2nd), Greg "Fish" McLure (3rd) and Ian "Dicko" Dixon (1st) – Burford Boys!

Thanks to all the competitors for their patience and understanding throughout the day. Finally, a big thank you goes out to all those who came along to time flights and generally help out.

Rob Bovell.

Slinky

You know, some people are like slinkies:
not good for anything but they still bring a smile to your face when you push them down the stairs!

**SAM 270 Texaco - 29th May 2011
Oakford**

The 2011 SAM 270 Texaco event was flown at the Oakford field in what can only be described as trying conditions.

Texaco is a limited fuel event based on aircraft weight and engine type. The weigh in was completed using a set of digital scales donated to the club by Dicko. Who also generously supplied the fuel happily used by all competitors.



MG2 of Rod "Big Mac" McDonald

The day was a fine Autumn Day with light cloud cover and a moderate temperature was forecast. The breeze on the other hand was fluky and there was little or no lift to help the seven competitors. The upshot of this was nobody recorded a ten minute maximum and as a result there was no need to conduct a fly-off to determine the final placings. Due mainly to the gusty conditions, four of the seven pilots had out landings.



Dicko's venerable Anderson Pylon

Dicko initially readied his new Lanzo Airborne, but after test flying in the windy conditions he decided to go with the tried and tested Anderson Pylon.

Kevin Hooper brought out his beautifully presented Miss America and used an early test flight to maiden the aircraft. His first official flight nearly ended in disaster with the model crashing through a tree, which fortunately caused no damage. His new open rocker OS 60 FS needs more run time to achieve maximum engine runs from his fuel allocation.



Kevin "Hoop" Hooper and his shiny new Miss America..

Alan Trott's Bomber was caught in a wind gust during landing, which dumped the aircraft hard enough to separate the pylon from the fuselage. The wing was chased down as it was blown tumble-weed like across the field. This was Alan's third flight and gave him enough points to take out second place.

Richard Sutherland's Drone powered Buccaneer was the only diesel engine flown in the event and was struggling to make headway in the breezy conditions. He was rewarded later in the day, during a lull in the breeze recording the longest flight of the competition.



Rob Rowson (3rd), Alan "Burkhalter" Trott (2nd) and Ian "Dicko" Dixon (1st) share the podium

Results

| | | | | |
|---|--------------------|----------------|--------------|------|
| 1 | Ian Dixon | Anderson Pylon | OS60 FS | 1579 |
| 2 | Alan Trott | 85% Bomber | Magnum 65 FS | 1368 |
| 3 | Rob Rowson | Miss America | OS60 FS | 1159 |
| 4 | Rod McDonald | MG2 | OS60 FS | 1149 |
| 5 | Richard Sutherland | Buccaneer | Drone 5cc | 1133 |
| 6 | Paul Baartz | 85% Bomber | OS40 FS | 676 |
| 7 | Kevin Hooper | Miss America | OS60 FS | 286 |

Another great day of flying was had by all.

Finally, I would like to thank the kind folks who came along to be timekeepers and generally help out.

Rob Bovell.

EXECUTIVE PAGES

WAMAC. Minutes of meeting held on Friday 13th May 2011.

Meeting started at: 8.00 pm, with interim president Troy Latto in the chair.

Members present: I. Dixon, R. McDonald, D.Hope, A.Trott, R.Bovell, K.Hooper, L.Isitt, C.Behr, R.Rowson, T.Latto,

Apologies: G.Cooke

Visitors: Peter Everitt, Brett Slyns-Daniels.

Correspondence inwards: nil

Correspondence outwards: Email to K.Hooper thanking Wanneroo club for allowing use of their Field for club and state Antique '38 event.

Geezer and DT to members, AGM notices to all members

Treasurers report: Balance at Bank: \$13,896.02 (corrected.)
No outgoings or incomings

Minutes of previous meeting: were confirmed as circulated to members.

Business arising: R.Bovell has collected and club has paid for medallions. Ian Dixon is looking into ether purchase.

General Business: AWA state event medallions have been collected from Dick Morrow who is also organizing a trophy for '38 Antique state event. This trophy may need a bit of upgrading (I. Dixon) will assess

Discussion regarding Ether, club may purchase 20L for sale to club members if practical.

Peter Everitt gave a talk on OT electric.

Competition results: none as such. Dorothy Buckley trophy was presented to Rod McDonald.

Meeting Closed at 9pm.



“Dicko” gets the Thumbs up from Dickens at Texaco..

Minutes of WAMAC Annual General Meeting held on 9th July 2010 at 20 Granville Way, Willetton.

Meeting opened at 8.02pm with president Gary Dickens in the chair.

Members Present: P.Baartz, G.Dickens, R.McDonald, R.Rumball, A.Trott, R.Rowson, D.Bentley

Apologies: nil

Minutes of previous AGM were read and confirmed.

Correspondence from AWA regarding fees was read.

Treasurers report: Balance of \$13,158.02 full report was circulated and moved that it be accepted R.McDonald, seconded A.Trott and carried.

Presidents report was read by secretary and expressed that the club has had a great year with many successful contests, the move to the new field has yet to be finalised as the field is a bit rough. Looking forward to an even better year this coming year.

Election of Office Bearers:

President: Gary Dickens was elected unopposed.

Secretary Treasurer: Paul Baartz was elected unopposed.

Vice President: Rod McDonald was elected unopposed,

AWA Delegates: G.Dickens, R.Rumball and G.Cooke were elected.

Fees for forthcoming year were unanimously confirmed at:

Senior : \$150, Pensioner \$130, Junior \$50.

AGM closed at 8.21pm

WAMAC inc 2010-2011 Financial Report

Receipts

| | |
|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Balance b/f | \$13,158.02 |
| Subscriptions | 2,510.00 |
| Bank Interest | 1.32 |
| Shirt sales | 125.00 |
| Associate Memberships | 180.00 |
| Competition fees | 56.00 |
| | \$16,030.34 |

Payments

| | |
|----------------------|--------------------|
| AWA membership fees | \$1870.00 |
| AWA Competition fees | 84.00 |
| Trophy purchase | 179.00 |
| | |
| Balance c/f | 13,897.34 |
| | \$16,030.34 |

Totals: 19 Members, and 6 associates.

CONTEST CALENDAR FOR 2011

| Date | Event | Type | Location | Start time |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|--------------|-----------------|---------------|
| March 27 | 1/2A Texaco | SAM | Cardup | 9.30am |
| May 22 | Burford | SAM | Cardup | 9.30am |
| May 29 | Texaco | SAM | Cardup | 9.30am |
| June 5 | Open Duration | SAM | Cardup | 9.30am |
| June 12 | Std Duration | SAM | Cardup | 9.30am |
| June 19th | 38Antique | SAM | Wanneroo | 9.30am |
| July 3rd | Std Duration | AWA | Cardup | 9.30am |
| July 31st | Burford | AWA | Cardup | 9.30am |
| Aug 14th | Open Duration | AWA | Cardup | 9.30am |
| Aug 28th | Tomboy Rally | SAM | Cardup | 9.30am |
| Sept 25th | 38 Antique | AWA | Wanneroo | 9.30am |
| Oct 9th | Texaco | AWA | Cardup | 9.30am |
| Oct 23rd | 1/2A Texaco | AWA | Cardup | 9.30am |
| Nov 6th | Nostalgia | Trial | Cardup | 9.30am |
| Nov 20th | electric O/T event | Trial | Cardup | 9.30am |

Note: The Nostalgia and electric O/T events marked in **BLUE** are **TRIAL** events for 2011 run by SAM270. Events marked in **RED** are **AWA State** events run by WAMAC. All other events are club events run by SAM270

2011 SAM270 "PAUL BAARTZ SHIELD" PROGRESSIVE SCORES

Current as of May 29 2011

| | | |
|----------|--------------|---|
| SAM27024 | R Sutherland | 9 |
| SAM27017 | I Dixon | 8 |
| SAM2704 | T Latto | 4 |
| SAM27021 | K Hooper | 4 |
| SAM2706 | R Mc Donald | 3 |
| SAM27013 | A Trott | 3 |
| SAM2703 | R Rowson | 2 |
| SAM27023 | G McLure | 2 |
| SAM27012 | G Dickens | 1 |
| SAM27019 | R Bovell | 1 |
| SAM2701 | Paul Baartz | 1 |
| SAM2702 | P Spencer | - |
| SAM2705 | D Hope | - |
| SAM2707 | D Bentley | - |
| SAM2708 | D Gibbs | - |
| SAM2709 | G Sayers | - |
| SAM27010 | G Eyre's | - |
| SAM27011 | R Hoogenkamp | - |
| SAM27014 | H VanLeeuwen | - |
| SAM27015 | G Cook | - |
| SAM27016 | J Voak | - |
| SAM27018 | R Rumble | - |
| SAM27020 | C Behr | - |
| SAM27022 | L Isitt | - |

"Paul Baartz Shield" criterium

SAM270 is presenting all club events for the 2011 flying season. Participation is open to all AWA affiliated pilots but **trophies and points will only be awarded to SAM270 members**. SAM270 membership is automatically awarded to new and re-joining WAMAC members and numbers will be allocated on a sequential basis. Once you are allocated a SAM number, its yours for life and it will not be re-allocated. An entry fee for each event will be charged to cover costs of trophies and engraving. Points are allocated thusly: First place 4 points; Second place 3 points; Third place 2 points; One point is awarded for flying in the event.

Little Sally

Little Sally showed her Dad her report card, mostly A's and a couple of B's -- but across the bottom, her teacher had written, "Sally is smart, but talks too much. This term, I'll try something which I hope will break her of the habit."

Sally's Dad signed her report card and added this note: "Please let me know if your idea works. I'd like to try it on her mother!"

THE DECONSTRUCTION PAGE..

A slightly different theme for our deconstruction this month with an early look at our new club trophies. Dicko got busy with his saw, paint and polish to reimagine some nostalgic aeromodelling trophies from the fifties and sixties and these will be presented as perpetual trophies to the winner of each SAM270 event. I think you will agree that these are certainly better than the bog standard plastic nightmare and have the added bonus of being connected to the aeromodelling past – all be it in an updated form!



Antique 38 Trophy



Open Duration Trophy



Standard Duration Trophy

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CLUB MEETINGS

Meetings will be held on the second Friday of every month at Paul Baartz's place - **20 Granville Way, Willetton**. Meetings kickoff at 8pm sharp, The waffle kicks off about 10 mins later. Bring yourself and a sense of humour. Tea and coffee will be provided. Stronger Beveridge's are at your own expense and will be gratefully consumed when you're not looking.

CLUB PLANZ LIBRARY

The club has a growing library of old timer and nostalgia plans for your delectation. The catalogue is available from Ian Dixon. The simple rule of the plans library is: If you borrow it, copy it and bring back the original! If you have a plan that you would like to donate to the library, see Ian and he will snatch it from your trembling hand!

RANDOM PICTURE PAGE..



Pretty maids all in a row.. Open Duration, Standard Duration and Antique '38 lined up and looking at home on Dicko's sideboard. (Bottle of Galliano not included)

By all means marry. If you get a good wife, you'll be happy. If you get a bad one, you'll become a philosopher.

-- Socrates



"The morning sun touched lightly on the wings of Calypso Major" Dicko straps on ready for Burford.



Greg catches some z's while Noel prepares "The Kick" at Burford..



Rob Rowson gets his leg over Miss America while Hoop looks on intently.

Small Mercies..

I rear-ended a car this morning. So there we are alongside the road and slowly the driver gets out of his car ... and I could NOT believe it . . he was a DWARF!

He storms over to my car, looks up at me and says, "I AM NOT HAPPY!"

So, I look down at him and say, "Well, which one are you then?"