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PRESIDENTS REPORT - October 2023



Springtime has brought some warmer weather , but with that some very windy days. Weekday flyers have had some good days lately but those poor weekend pilots have copped some bad ones.

Jim Galea, Peter Coward and myself cruised up to Shepparton for the Mammoth Scale Rally, the weather was great and many pilots with a large assortment of models attended. Jim and I went up on the friday and managed to fly on four consecutive days.

The Official opening of Sydenham Park is on the 20th of October, hopefully a few members will attend and fly the flag for KDMAS, some might even fly their models. John Tanti has continued his work on the Cluh House reno and he tells me that the end is in sight. I hope he managed to get some flying done over the long weekend. So, wait for a good day, get out there, and have some fun.

Cheers,
Shane.



ON THE COVER

This is a 1/4 scale Commonwealth Aircraft Corporation Boomerang built from scratch by Peter Coward. This model is replicating the CAC 12 (RAAF A46- 14) version of the real thing that was based at 2 OTU (Operational Training Unit) RAAF Base in Mildura during WW2.,and like the real thing is pictued in flight at Mildura, Victoria. Pictures taken at the Sunraysia Aeromodellers Field (Mildura), May this year.

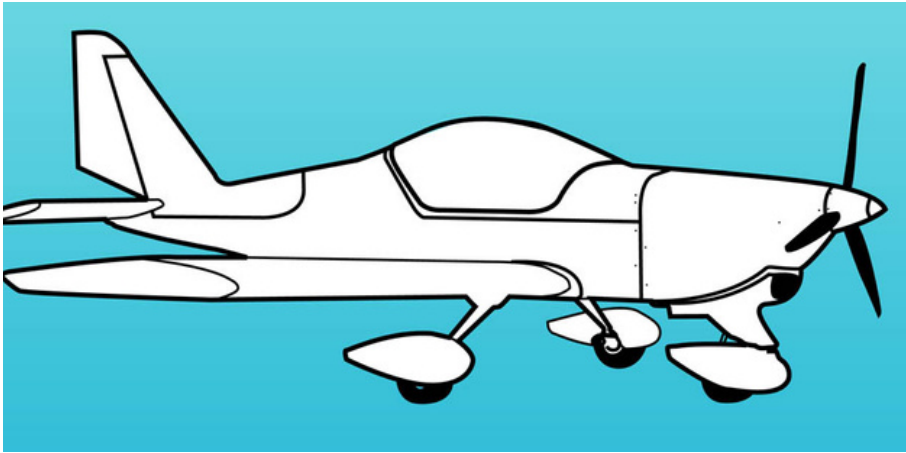


Sadly the full size A46-14 was destroyed in a mid-air collision with another Boomerang during a training flight.

Both aircraft were destroyed by fire, and both pilots perished.

Accidents were common, and many pilots never survived to see combat..

The developement of the Australian designed and built Boomerang is covered fairly well on the internet.. check it out on [google](https://www.google.com/search?q=boomerang+aircraft)/[youtube](https://www.youtube.com/search?q=boomerang+aircraft).



AT THE FIELD 02/09/23

The day was a treat with good weather bringing out a good number of KDMAS members. Some of them appearing below.



More of 02/09/23



CONTROL LINE ACTION AT KDMAS



**Graeme gets his
Spitfire ready for
flight**



Success !!

SHEPPARTON 2023.

As mentioned in the Presidents report the KDMAS emblem was sighted at the Shepparton Mammoth Scale Event this year. There were a lot of high quality models to be seen that had obviously cost considerable amounts of money! The ARF trend is clearly overtaking the skill of building models, but it was nice to see a few examples of the “oid art” on display and flying.

The event is well organised and catered for, however there could be asked a few questions about the entry fees and associated costs to participants without whom there would be no event.

Anyway everyone affected would have some opinion about that, and I am sure the views would vary on any number of aspects. The event does certainly give opportunity for the sport to be show-cased, and allows those of us in the R/C model aircraft community to catch up with other enthusiasts, and even get to see some of the more celebrated of those who have made names for themselves with displays of skills that go beyond we run-of-the-mill pilots. On that point I would like to mention catching up with Peter Goff, who began his flying days as a young boy at KDMAS under the tuition of his father Ken Goff (recently deceased). Peter has developed into a fine R/C pilot and a very high class builder, and has been able to experience with success overseas events such as the “Top Gun” event held in the U.S.A. Peter is an Avionics Technician with the RAAF.



Shane and Jim with the pilot vests. Vest numbers do not represent placing in the event . Sorry gents !!!

Jim's Cub



winner of the
Pilots Choice
Award

More from Shepparton.....



**Shane with
his RV**



**Peter Goff and his
superb scratch built
Wirraway**

and (a little ?) more Shepparton.....



Fokker Dr1 ...

This is not trick photography !!!

Some take the term “Mammoth Scale” too literally some people may say, (mainly wives I suspect ?).

Would need a substantial model trailer to cart this one around...

It was a very impressive sight in flight !



These photos were sent in by Rob Dixon a long time modeller who would be known to some of our older members. The photos were taken at the MARCS Club, circa 1960's on a Box Brownie Camera (if any of you young generations dont know what a box brownie was ask some "really old person"). Rob wants to know if anyone can identify any of the people in the photos. A pretty big ask Rob !! Any ideas Phil ?

A FEW UPDATES

FOLLOWING THE RECENT BURGLARY ON OUR CLUB HOUSE SOME OF THE STOLEN STUFF HAS BEEN REPLACED, AND IS STORED IN THE CLUB HOUSE.



**first aid kit
and a "for purpose"
snake bite kit.**



3/ **Club President Shane has asked that members who are last to leave the field now lock both the first and second gates.**

4/ **The current Acting Newsletter Editor will be handing the Editors Desk over to our volunteer Chris Sciberras as of the November Edition of the Newsletter. Please support him with any items/photos etc, that you can.**

Makes the job a bit easier !

You are invited



Official Opening of Sydenham Park Stage 1

Brimbank City Council Mayor, Cr Bruce Lancashire and the Hon. Natalie Hutchins, Member for Sydenham invite you to the official opening of Sydenham Park.

Stage 1 works cost approximately \$2,400,000. Council has contributed \$2,100,000 to the overall Masterplan and the project also received \$300,000 from State Government. A key vision from the master plan is to make Sydenham Park accessible to the community.

Works completed include shared use trails, a lookout, a nature play space, seating and signage. This is an opportunity to celebrate formal access to the park, the works completed to date, and to thank relevant stakeholders for their support.

Date: 20 October 2023

Time: 2.45pm

Venue: Sydenham Park, 180 Farr Parkway, Keilor North

RSVP: COB Monday 9th October 2023
E: Civicevents@brimbank.vic.gov.au
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*Community
First*

**ANY MEMBER WISHING TO
ATTEND IS REQUIRED TO SUBMIT INDIVIDUAL
APPLICATIONS AS PER R.S.V.P REQUEST.**



DATES TO REMEMBER

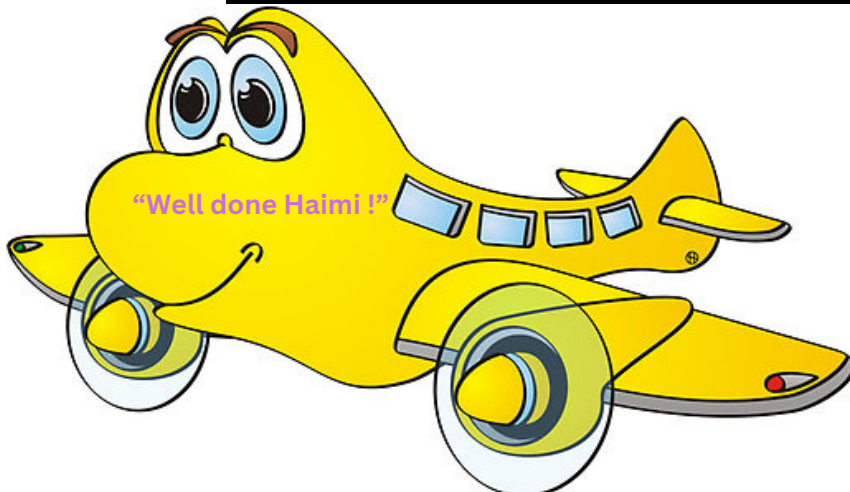
NEXT WORKING BEE:

Sunday 15/10/23, start 9.30am.

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING:

Sunday 15/10/23, after Working Bee.

"WING" ACHIEVEMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER



Haimi Bosch.
Bronze wings
(power)
13/09/23.

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