

### What's news?

#### Club Memorial Day

On the 19<sup>th</sup> of November 2022, HMAC held our inaugural Memorial Day to remember past members of the Hobart Model Aero Club and help celebrate the unveiling of our new memorial. Thanks to Barry Gerard who proposed this while he was President. Ian Gannon kindly prepared a lovely memorial propeller, name plaques and mounting board.

Family members of our past members invited and attended this special day, which concluded with a BBQ lunch.

HMAC Committee hope to make this an annual event, on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in November every year.

Thank you to all those who helped make the day a huge success.



#### <u>Christmas Lunch</u>

On Sunday 11 December we held our annual Christmas lunch. It was another great success, thank you to the special efforts of our Committee members. On behalf of all present, we wish to thank the following people:

- The Connor's for preparing the clubhouse and grounds (with help of-course from Barry and Phil H as usual),
- Barry for once again procuring the meat, preparing it, setting up the spit and spending all morning cooking the meat to perfection,
- Jason for sorting out and cooking the BBQ food, which included finding and crying over onions at the last minute,
- Everyone who bought a salad or dessert to share, and of course....
- The amazing elves who helped clean up after the event.

Safe to say the lunch was delicious, the atmosphere was happy and welcoming, with everyone appearing to have a wonderful time.

The HAMC Committee wish you all a very Merry Christmas and best wishes for the new year.



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Once again, the weather gods have been unkind to flyers this month with few good flying days available. I am sure the hardy committed flyers have put in some hours when the rest of us have been reluctant to fly.

Unfortunately for me life has got in the way of getting to the field, so it has been a few weeks since my last flight. I am hopeful that after the next two weeks life may return to normal and I can release my birds to fly.

Our Christmas Lunch was once again well attended and enjoyed by all there. The organization and presentation was top notch as was the food. The success of the event was due to the outstanding work of some of your Committee namely Charlie and Karen, Barry and Jason. Without their efforts events like this would not be possible. A special thanks goes to those members wives who provided the salads and delicious desserts and took on the job of cleaning up after our feast.

With the Festive Season suddenly upon us I would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and safe New Year.

Merry Christmas

Glenn

Glenn Pearce





#### **MEMBER NAME: Damian Blackwell**

Interviewed By: Karen Connor

- KC: How long have you been a member of HMAC?
- DB: First joined HMAC in 1989 and left in 1993. Rejoined in 2018 and have been here since.
- KC: Why did you decide to start building/flying model aircraft?
- DB: Ever since I was a boy, I had a great interest in aviation. Starting with fixed wing and moving on to rotary wing. It was when I started back in fixed wing that I rejoined HMAC.
- KC: What model aircraft are you currently flying? And why do you like this model?
- DB: I would say my overall favourite aircraft is my Extreme Flight EXTRA 300 BG, extremely aerobatic and very precis. My favourite helicopter being my Align TREX 550X Dominator.
- KC: What is your all-time favourite model? And what is so good about this model?
- DB: A hard question to answer, but at the moment I would say my favourite all rounder is my Flex Innovations RV8. Good aerobatics and mild 3D but will slow down nice
- KC: How many model aircraft do you current own?
- DB: Currently have around 25 aircraft and 3 helicopters.
- KC: For someone who is interested in building/ flying model aircraft but doesn't know where to start, what would you suggest?
- DB: Take a trip to HMAC ()Kelly Field), talk to lots of people and arrange a free test flight on the club trainer to see if it is something you want to pursue.
- KC: For a new pilot just starting out, what is the one piece of advice you could give them?
- DB: Ask questions and listen to what your instructor is telling you.
- KC: What is the best thing about flying with HMAC? And you can't just say Damo.
- DB: The best thing about HMAS is the friendships that you makes, if you don't feel like flying, a good place to chill out and have a yarn.
- KC: If there was one thing you could do to make HMAC an even better club, what would it be?
- DB: If I had the finances I would put in a new runway, that is suitable for all RC aircraft.
- KC: Thanks for your time, Damo. I hope you are your family have a very Merry Christmas and safe and happy New Year See you at the field in 2023.







#### Joash Dean

We would like to welcome Joash to HMAC. Joash is currently flying drones and flying FPV.





### **Phil Murrell**

With his Mosquito Bomber twin electric, scratch built off a Brian Fowler plan. Ready for maiden.



### Peter Ralph's

Lou Andrews designed Aeromaster Biplane with the previous Saito 120 R3 radial now replaced by a K&B 65 Sportster two stroke of 1988 vintage.

The Aeromaster was designed in 1966.







### **Roman Bogun**

with his Cessna Skylane



Damien Blackwell with his Decathlon





### **Albert Hoving**

with his Enya 15CX TN 2.5cc glow engine.





### HMAC MEMORIAL DAY 19 November 2022











### HMAC CHRISTMAS LUNCH 11 December 2022





If you have any model aircraft related items; for sale, free to a good home, wish to swap, wanting to buy or simply just looking for advice, let us know so we can place an ad in the HMAC Classified section.

With items donated to club as "free to a good home" we simply ask you consider a donation to the club for ground and runway maintenance. With all other "ads" please email all relevant details, including price (when necessary) to <u>hmacsec@gmail.com</u>.

#### **Custom Decals:**

**"Above and Beyond"** contacted HMAC to see if anyone could replace the decals on their De Havilland Beaver. Damo came to the party producing an outstanding transformation.

If anyone wants any decals made feel free to contact Damian Blackwell or Charlie Connor.



There are still lots of items available for purchase in the club room.

There will be a clean out of the models and the gear at some stage in the new year (by the Committee), so please have a look and take what you can make use of with a donation to the club before it is moved on to make room for new goodies.



We'll be using this section of the Newsletter to share some useful tips and tricks. What was that one piece of advice you were given when you first started out building or flying model aircraft that changed everything? Please share by sending an email to hmacsec@gmail.com.au.

We wish to welcome the following members to HMAC:

- Joash Dean
- Ian Bailey (well known to many HMAC members)

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2022/2023 Membership Prices			
Membership Type	Full Year	Half Year	
Senior Member	\$230	\$115	
Junior Member	\$75	\$40	
Associate Member	\$125	\$62.50	
HMAC Life Member	\$105	-	
Social Member	\$15	-	

