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February 2023

What's news?

Committee Meeting

A committee meeting was held on the 5th February. See the notice board for the minutes when they become available.

Of note were discussions around the small wheel runway (see below), the upcoming Kempton Festival, and repair of the fence where a vehicle had entered the field.

Small Wheel Runway Update

The Committee has agreed to extending the SWR by another 5-10m. It was also agreed that to do so would mean purchasing a new cylinder mower. Watch this space, hopefully sometime this year we will have a new mower (the Committee will be applying for TMAA funding) and begin extending the runway.

The committee are eager to progress the installation of a new parallel runway that is more suitable for small wheel models, this will be a long-term project.

Club Maintenance

After many years of service to the club, Barry Gerard has called time on his maintenance duties. He has worked tirelessly on the garden and general cleaning and maintenance of the grounds. On behalf of the club, we thank Barry for his work and hope he enjoys a well-earned rest.

Charlie and Karen Connor will continue to do the mowing, with some help during peak times, and will take on the "whipper snipping" and some general maintenance of the grounds. Phil will continue with mowing the small wheel runway until a new mower is purchased.

NOTE: If you are at the field and notice a bin is full, the tables need cleaning, the toilet block needs cleaning, or the club room needs a sweep, please take it upon yourself to do something about it. We are needing more people to take on these roles as currently it is left to just a few members. New bin liners are available in the kitchen drawers in the club house. If you swap a gas bottle for a new one please notify a committee member so someone can replace it with a new one. Even better, take it to the garage and replace with a new one yourself. Write up any supplies needed on the white board in the club house.

Maintaining the club house, toilet block and grounds is not the responsibility of any one member. We all need to take some responsibility for ensuring the place is left neat and tidy so it can be enjoyed by all.



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President's Report

This month has seen some good flying weather being enjoyed by the Club stalwarts as well as other members of the Club. Kelly Fields also played host to the Australian Army testing Drone Controllers.

As mentioned in this Newsletter our Past President Barry is stepping down from his maintenance role with the Club. On behalf of all Club members, I thank Barry for giving the Club so much of his time and carrying such a heavy workload. The Club has been extremely lucky to have had such a great contributor to the running of the Club. Thank you, Barry.

In recent times there have been instances of the Club facilities such as the Charging Shed and Clubrooms having been left unlocked at the completion of flying for the day. If you unlock or see the Shed or Clubrooms open as you leave, please either lock up or ensure that those still at the field are aware that they will need to lock up. We have worked hard to provide what we have so it is everyone's responsibility to ensure that we secure the Club's facilities.

At the 22/23 AGM your Committee will be submitting changes to the Constitution to include new membership classifications for Social Members and Non-Flying Members. These changes were discussed and agreed to at the 21/22 AGM. Details of the proposed changes will be circulated closer to the AGM.

Until next month,

Fly with pleasure and may your wheels touch the ground first.

Glenn





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Photos from the field



That trusty banana!
This model clearly
could only belong
to one person 😊

Damian with his
Freewing SU35 Flanker,
with twin 70mm fan
units with thrust
vectoring, powered by
6S lipos





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Phil Murrell's
Mosquito Bomber
twin electric

All quiet on the
Western front



The Mosquito takes flight!



Roman with his new
E-Flite 1.5m Turbo
Timber Evolution

Coincidentally, Peter
Ralph happened to
bring along his original
Timber (2018)



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Australian Army Drone Racing Team

The Team Captain of the Army Drone Racing Association (ADRA) used HMAC to test some locally made ESCs from Currawong Engineering

Charlie Connor admires the large racing drone, before taking to the mower

Maybe HMAC should buy one to do the mowing!



While it could only fly for a few minutes, this thing was insane



Check out the "Australian Army Drone Racing Team" Facebook page



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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 hmacsec@gmail.com.

Classifieds

Phoenix Flyers Of Launceston Scale Day Sunday March 12th 2023

Pilot Briefing 9.30am sharp

A \$10 fee per pilot will apply (each pilot can fly multiple scale planes).

Back Up date if Required 26th March



Award Categories Include

- Best Landing**
- Best Take Off**
- Best Realism Flight**
- Outstanding Scale Model Under 7KG**
- Outstanding Scale Model Over 7KG**

All Trophy awards for 2023

There will be BBQ lunch plus tea / coffee and soft drinks all available at club prices.

If you would like more details please contact Andrew on 0408969360 or Tony Hogan on 0429621655



JOIN THE 2 DAY CHALLENGE

DO NOT BUY ANY AIRPLANE PARTS

FEBRUARY 30 & 31






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HMAC will be there - come along and say "Hi", or volunteer an hour or two to help man the site.

KEMPTON FESTIVAL & SHEEP RACING CHAMPIONSHIP

Join us for a relaxing and fun day at the Kempton Festival, offering a number of events, activities and displays or go for a stroll around our beautiful village and grab a bargain from one of the many garage sales that's bound to be on offer.

WHEN

Sunday February 19, 2023
9.00 am—4.00 pm

WHERE

Recreation Ground
130 Main Street, Kempton Tas

FEATURING • Sheep Racing Championship • Barrell Rolling Championship • Ferret Racing • BBQ cooking competition and other demonstrations.

ATM will be available on site !

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EVENT**

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If you are interested in volunteering at the HMAC site, please contact Charlie Connor charles.connor@fsst.tas.gov.au