



# TALE FEATHERS

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**Next Meeting:** 18<sup>th</sup> April 2010

**Time:** 1000

**Venue:** Clubhouse

To be followed by a working bee for WWII

**BBQ Chefs:** Laurie Knight & Kevin Little  
**Toilet Engineers:** Rex Barbey & Glen Bennett  
**Please arrange for an alternative person if you cannot make the meeting.**  
**Barbie Chefs are required to clean up after them**  
**Cleaning up applies to all of us who use these facilities.**

## **NEW MEMBERS**

*Fletcher Moulton*

*Ian Dolby*

*Robert Cook*

*Michael Mooney*

*Vincent Moore*

Welcome aboard guys we look forward to seeing at the flying field

## **Locks & Keys for our facilities**

In order to increase our security. We have acquired 3 locks and 50 non cuttable keys with tracking numbers. These have been generously donated by **Riverina Safes & Locks** in the form of sponsorship for WW2 event. The new locks will come into effect on **April 1**  
All members will need to arrange to get their new keys from Dick Tennant Ph 69228500 or Austin Siebels Ph 0429328547

**A deposit of \$20** will be required on all keys & all old keys must be handed back ASAP after April 1.

We must all make sure that we do this by the deadline because the locks will change on that morning.

## **Starting motors under the shade**

At the last meeting there was a point brought up about safety issues, one was about not starting motors under the shade.

There was discussion on this subject at the March Meeting and a motion was moved that we should be able to start up under the strip side of the shade aircraft facing the strip, & all pedestrian traffic to be on the Clubhouse side of the shade.

The Motion was carried and this is now in force

## **Mower Replacement**

As most of you would be aware, our mower has at last handed in its dinner pail.

We have to accept that we will need to obtain a new one, particularly to maintain the grass strip and pit area ourselves. To bring a contractor in on a regular basis to do this will escalate our growing costs for mowing.

We are still going to use the contractor as required to mow the whole area on occasions. We must do our bit with the strip area if we want to avoid a bigger membership fee as our cost per member is a fair bit higher than the fee we pay. You may think this is a bit farfetched but WMAC only gets about a third of what we pay (insurance & the associations get the rest.)

So to get on with it Dick has been authorized to purchase a mower with a cost cap of \$3500.

### **HELI HEATWAVE**

The Heatwave is over for another Year. It was a great show with 48 entries and about 100 models I would reckon. They were blessed with beautiful weather and only light winds and those guys can throw em around. Rex and his Mainstays Graham Lucas & Scott Edwards Supported by a few others did a great job on the Flight line. Rowan Cheverton and his mainstays, Ron & Elaine Swager along with Brian Thomson and other helpers did a top job in the kitchen dishing up the best steak sandwiches I've ever had. These people and the others I haven't mentioned did us proud and a big thank you to all who helped in any way at all.

### **Helicopter Bronze Wings**

Another great thing to come out of the Heatwave weekend was the news that both Graham Lucas & Rex Barbey achieved their bronze wings.  
Great stuff guys now go for gold



### **WORLD WAR 2**

Dick Tennant advised that he is progressing well with sponsorship and is expecting to have a very good range of gear for the pilots draw.

He has arranged 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> prizes for the raffle, but he would like some help from all the ladies and wives of the members.

### **Ladies can you please help**

Could you cook something for sale in the canteen on the weekend? Something like Anzac Bikkies, slices, muffins etc. that can be sold in the canteen. It would be appreciated if you could advise Dick on 69228500 or Tenno 69225570 what you are cooking and if you can deliver it to the field on the day. If delivery is not

possible pick up can be arranged. It would be nice to have fresh stuff on Friday & Saturday.



### **WMAC WEBSITE**

Mike Hawkins, our webmaster has been hard at work updating our website and he has added a lot of photos of past WW2 events and also pics in the club history & life member sections, he has also started to include Tale Feathers as well.

For the benefit of newcomers the site gives a picture of what's been happening with the club for the last 44 years.

Top job Mike.

### **TOILET CLEANING ROSTER**

At the March meeting our attention was drawn to the sad state of the toilet block.

There was some discussion on this and one thing became quite clear, and that was that as the club does not employ cleaning staff, the toilets fall into the same category as the kitchen and the clubhouse.

This falls back to us the members (we own the club) so it was agreed to have a monthly roster, the same as the kitchen roster to enable the toilets to be cleaned on the day of the meeting. From the April meeting we will have 2 cooks and two people to hose the toilets out, just a hose and mop to keep it fresh & spider free.

### ***A message from The President***

Hi Modelers

Well, Heli Heatwave has been a great weekend and the event has raised money for the club, and a good time was had by all. Without these events, we would not have the fantastic facilities that we all use and enjoy along with the reputation we hold among our peers in the aero-modeling world for hosting a great weekend.

As you know the World War II, World War I and Military Scale Competition are coming up in April and it's time now for all of us to chip in and pull our weight and get involved. It would be great to see all

members show up for the next meeting and particularly the **Working Bee** to clean up and organize the shed, run the new PA wiring, lay the ready-box area and run up mats . A list of jobs will be placed on the notice board and **all** members are expected to volunteer for the vacant jobs, particularly in the Marketplace display, canteen, field preparation and pit-gate areas helpers are needed.

This event not only is the biggest money maker on the calendar for our club but it also has a huge reputation among other clubs. Feedback from other scale modellers indicates that this could be our biggest event ever and if we can keep our running costs down we stand to make a large profit for our club. That is also why we are asking for donations of cakes etc. for the canteen. Every little bit helps and a lot of people helping means each only has to do a little.

Regards Dick Tennant

**Lastly**

**Tenno's Thought**

**OLD AGE & TREACHERY**

**WILL BEAT YOUTH**

**& SKILL ANYTIME**