



TALEFEATHERS

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NEXT MEETING The next meeting will be held at the Flying Field on 3 October 2010 at 10.30 am.

TREASURERS POSITION

Congratulations to Mike McDonnell on his appointment as club treasurer. Thanks to Mike for offering his services.

IMAC

Thanks to Luke Brodrick for his organization of the IMAC competition which was very successful. Competitors were challenged by the weather conditions on the Saturday but a fine Sunday made flying much more enjoyable. The canteen did good business thanks to Ron, Rex, Dick, Nik and Glenn.

Prior to the competition a display was organized in the Marketplace. Below are a few photos.









FROM THE SEPTEMBER MEETING

We now have a treasurer! Thanks to Mike McDonnell for volunteering. Once Mike's name has been added to the list of club signatories he will be in action. He has also been nominated as the sole member to investigate and conduct internet banking on behalf of the club. This should reduce our cheque fees. The new versions of the forms for membership application, renewal of membership, member details and letter of welcome were approved and will be available at the club as soon as they can be printed.

In adopting the new model constitution from NSW Fair Trading the club has decided to create an Operations Manual to separately include all specific club rules, regulations and codes of conduct. Thus the management of the club (Constitution) will be separated from the operation of the club. This will mean that any changes made to the Club's rules, regulations or codes of conduct including safety issues, MAAA requirements etc. can be made without notifying NSW Fair Trading, changing our constitution and incurring charges for EVERY change. All matters included

in the Operations Manual MUST however be in accord with the Legislation and associated regulations of the Associations Incorporation Act 2009 and the Model Constitution 2010.

New tamper proof locks have been fitted to the container and when next the generator is available, the new central lock system will be completed after welding.

A new (Second hand) 4 drawer filing cabinet has been purchased for the club that will house the clubs records. It is proposed that it be housed in the container.

The display by WMAC at the Lockhart Show will be a static display only. Discussions will proceed to examine the possibility of a flying display next year. If you can attend the display on 26 September 2010 at the show or would like to be involved, please contact Dick.

New members accepted into the club this meeting were Jason Cadarin and Jason McKenzie (subject to payment of fees) . Please make them welcome. It was suggested that we take digital photos of all members and put them on the board to assist with recognition of all financial members, especially helpful with newcomers.

Luke reported that the IMAC competition was enjoyed by all competitors. With some added publicity and member support this can only become bigger and better in the future. Dick had placed some signs on the road on the Sunday which brought in travellers who were not locals to have a look. Many made use of the canteen.

The field has been sprayed for broadleaf weeds and will soon need mowing with the warmer weather. Members have also commented on the need for top dressing the grass area to level the field.

Other items mentioned at the meeting included:

1. A proposal to cover the roof of the pits area with clear sheeting to provide a weather proof area.
2. An offer by Glenn Bennett to organize an open day at the field. Date to be decided.
3. A landlord request to see our insurance policy prior to the summer fire season
4. The purchase of a trickle charger for the ride-on mower battery and the provision of 12V power to the container.
5. The need to repair the drive way entrance by filling the eroded areas and installing water diversion to the roadside drain.
6. The need to share the air space at the field especially when a large number of members are wanting to fly. It was suggested that 4 in the air at any one time may be enough but that there would be times when members may want exclusive use of the field ie first flight of a new model or trainee on first solo flight. These could however be arranged for less busy days or times. WW11, Heli heatwave and IMAC weekends excepted.

This is my final Talefeathers as John has returned and is willing to take up the job. I look forward to staggering into the air with my trainer, going solo and enjoying the hobby/sport. Why does Col have so many interesting models!!

Brian Thomson (Secretary)