



# Propwash

April 2008

## Presidents Report

The President has been conspicuous by his absence from the field over the past weeks due to his heavy work commitment but I am sure he envies all who can find the time to come and enjoy a mornings flying. Keep in mind that the end of the flying year is fast approaching and at the AGM schedules for June members will be asked to nominate for a variety of positions, the club will not function with out the support of the members so think about how you can assist by getting involved on the committee prior to the election and come along to the meeting with your hand in the air.

The photos of the IMAC flyin conducted at the field over the long weekend can be found on page 6 of this edition. It was a great success with 18 pilots taking part over the two days they all indicated their desire to come back again and do it all again at a later date.

The field certainly looks much better as a result of the busy bee conducted on the 9th March, the out field and runways should now remain in better condition with the fence repairs completed and the cows will hopefully find it more difficult to access the field.

They are strong believers that the grass is always greener on the other side

All club members would like to wish Ian Clapp a speedy recovery back to good health again soon, it was good to see him up and about so quickly after his very sudden onset of illness and operation. He was observed at the field last Sunday with a plane doing what he enjoys doing so much, flying, and encouraging other members to also enjoy their flying.

Members would like to pass on their condolences to Clint Richards after the passing of his Dad recently, I believe that his Dad was also a keen modeler and it is obvious that Clint has followed in his fathers footsteps showing he has a real passion for flying models with a keen interest in IMAC competition flying.

### Dates to Remember

*Club meeting Sunday 13th 10 am*

### From The Editor:

Welcome to the April edition of the Propwash, the weather has not been all that kind to flying members over the fast few weeks, however, some dedicated flyers did turn up Sunday 31st to very strong gusty winds with only one member assembling a plane in preparation for a fly. Dave Pointon sat around waiting for the winds to drop off prior to making the decision to fly, all to no avail, so he prepared his plane on the flight line with all other members present lining the fence just to get a view of what was to come.

Dave did defy the odds with two successful flights much to the surprise of all present with one landing being very similar to a Harrier Jet landing.



### Remember !!

All items / photos can be Emailed to me when ever they occur so they can be included in the next edition of the newsletter

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It would appear that the Christmas presents are starting to arrive at the field for test flying, on Sunday 24th both Larry and Scott had their planes certified as large models and test flown during the morning. Larry's plane on the left and Scott's on the right.

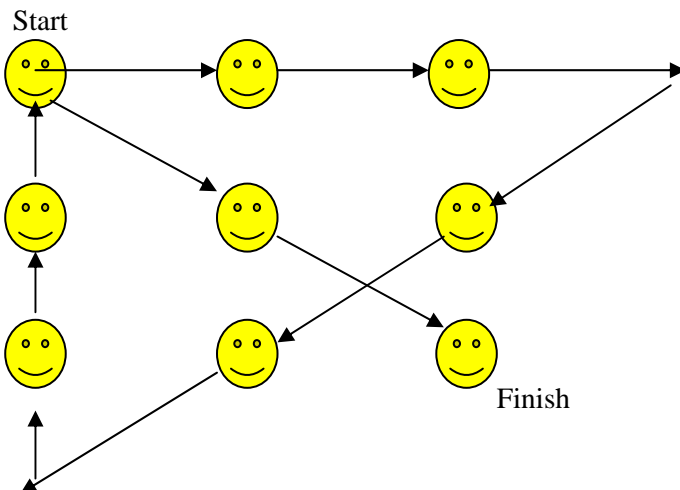


Scott did have a minor problem on landing at the completion of a later flight where one side of the undercarriage gave way but that was the only damage that was incurred, he stated after the initial successful test flight was completed that it was the most stressful flight he has ever undertaken. Larry appeared to be calm on the outside not sure what he was experiencing on the inside.



Dave drew a lot of interest when he placed his Cessna 182 on the flight line and several members waited around to see it fly, however, there was another flyer on his frequency so the flight was delayed. When the frequency board was cleared he experienced an few problems on start up but finally the motor spring into life only to fail some 2 metres from the runway on take off.

Unfortunately the take off was into a very stiff breeze and the plane did not have enough air speed to glide to a safe landing hence some major damage occurred to the right wing as it cartwheeled to a stop. When he retrieved the plane to the pits he commenced to decommission it by removing all components and yours truly saved it from the bin and will reconstruct it back to new again. I love a challenge !!



Your Challenge !! From Last edition

Draw four (4) straight lines through all nine smiling faces on the left with out lifting your pen / pencil from the paper or retracing our steps.

There was no prize for the first correct entry !!

As there was no entries received.

Answer to the puzzle.

Treasurers Report for the Month of March

CASH RECEIPTS

Date	Transaction	Receipt No	Amount	Type	Bank
			\$ -		\$ -
			\$ -		\$ -

INCOME SUMMARY

	Total	\$ -

CASH PAYMENTS

Date	Transactions	Chq No	Amount
2/03/2008	Re-imburse I Humphryson Generator	451	\$ 390.82
11/03/2008	Pay Dardanup Gas	452	\$ 210.50
			\$ 601.32

p = presented  
u/p = unrepresented

EXPENSE SUMMARY

		\$ -
Generator		\$ 390.82
Gas		\$ 210.50
	Total	\$ 601.32

Bank Balance 1 March 2008

Balance as per Bank Statement		\$ 11,672.78
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Table 1

Bank Reconciliation Statement End of March 2008		
Balance as per Bank Statement		\$ 11,071.46
Less Unpresented Cheque/s		
Total		\$ -
Cash at Bank End of March 2008		\$ 11,071.46

Monthly Outcome

Profit/Loss -\$ 601.32

Table 2

Cash at Bank 1 March 2008		\$ 11,672.78
Add Receipts March		\$ -
Less Presented Cheques from Previous Months		
Total		\$ -
Less Payments March		\$ 601.32
Cash at Bank End of March 2008		\$ 11,071.46

ASSETS		
Commonwealth Bank Account		\$ 11,071.46
* Building and Equipment		\$ 29,950.00
* Fridge and Barbeque		\$ 1,785.00
Generator		\$ 1,007.00

Note:  
Above items have not been depreciated.



On the 16th of February three SWARMS members traveled south to Lake Munijup to experience a couple of days float plane flying, Ian Clapp, Ian Humphryson and Woody. They were to meet two other flyers there Dave from Albany and Adrian from Wanneroo with a total of 10 planes between them all looked for a great weekends flying. Humphro had limited success with his Beaver and retrieved it after only one flight, his Cessna 185 flew well after rectifying a few teething problems this is a nice plane with fibre glass fuselage and composite wings powered by an OS 120 2 stroke motor. Ian also flew a Boomerang 60 fitted with floats these are a very versatile aircraft.

Woody flew his reconstructed Boomerang 60 (Stuka) with home made floats which he found a bit tricky on take off and landing due to the blunt end design of the floats but once off the water it flew well.

Woodie's flight tips for float planes **"Hold full up elevator on commencement of take off and landings"** The white Catalina float plane was not successful it proved to have plenty of power but the bow wave gets sucked into the propeller and limits speed over the water until one or both motors eventually stop.

Ian Clapp took two smaller planes one being a replica of the 30's Schreider trophy racer, naturally they both flew well with the master on the sticks with no mishaps or drama all weekend.

Adrian flew a scale Clipped Wing Cub but had problems getting it airborne it would get up on the plane but he had difficulty getting it off the water, on his last flight he was caught in a cross wind and cartwheeled across the surface ripping off the floats but sustained minor damage, the water certainly proved softer than Mother Earth.

The jaw dropper was the large Catalina that Dave produced it had a wingspan of over 5 metres and is powered by two 14cc glow Super Tiger motors it performed very well, it looked flew and sounded like the real thing. The method used to get it airborne was to hold the tail, apply full throttle and then let it go and it would be off the water in approximately 30 metres.

On his last flight the wind swung on take off and with the nose fairly high the plane did not respond to ailerons and he found the plane eating trees waiting, the plane struck about 3 metres up and crumpled the nose and destroyed about one third of the wing.

A special thank you to Anthony, Ian's grandson who went along for the ride and spent the weekend in the kayak retrieving planes one time he rowed across the lake to retrieve Ian's plane from the bank on the other side of the lake due to a throttle seizure on landing.

It would appear that all had a good weekend even though it is over three hours drive to get to the venue, float flying poses a few more problems than land planes but that's what makes it fun, Woody was quoted as saying.



The two Boomerang 60 planes on floats, Woodie's modified version in the foreground and Ian's in the background



Ian's Cessna 185 and part of the wing of the Catalina which is over 5 metres can be seen in the background (it was bit shorter than that after the last flight)





A married man was having an affair with his secretary. One day they went to her place and made love all afternoon. Exhausted, they fell asleep and woke up at 8 PM. The man hurriedly dressed and told his lover to take his shoes outside and rub them in the grass and dirt. He put on his shoes and drove home. 'Where have you been?' his wife demanded. 'I can't lie to you,' he replied, 'I'm having an affair with my secretary. We had sex all afternoon.' She looked down at his shoes and said: 'You lying bastard! You've been playing golf!'

I believe that the plane in the picture above was one of the planes that Ian Clapp took to the weekend float plane flyin it certainly is a nice model.

Two elderly gentlemen from a retirement center were sitting on a bench under a tree when one turns to the other and says: 'Slim, I'm 83 years old now and I'm just full of aches and pains. I know you're about my age. How do you feel?'

Slim says, 'I feel just like a newborn baby.'

'Really!? Like a newborn baby!'

'Yep. No hair, no teeth, and I think I just wet my pants.'

**“The more you complain the longer God makes you live”**



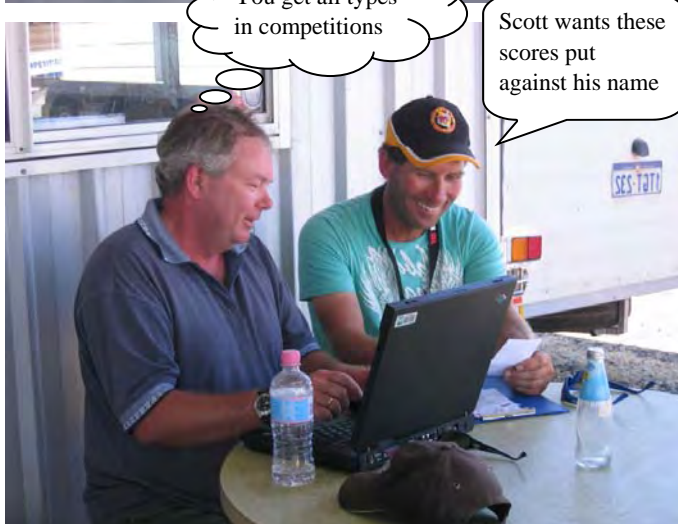
Found this new invention for applying eye drops to your own eyes when you have experienced fuel in the eyes during flying. For anyone who has tried to apply your own eye drops I am sure you experienced some difficulty, this will improve the application for you.

We are looking at placing a pair into the First Aid kit



As promised from the last edition photos of the IMAC competition held recently at our field.

The weather was perfect the fellowship was great and there was some good flying displayed over the weekend you could not ask for a better outcome to the long weekend IMAC flyin, the flyers indicated that they are looking forward to their next weekend down here.



You get all types in competitions

Scott wants these scores put against his name



Two of the local boys on the flight line ready to show off their skills in the air, Scott & Clint



Several members from SWARMS visited Pemberton flying weekend in March, Clint Richards, Danny Anspach & Dave Pointon. The weekend was enjoyed by all who attended with flyers coming from Albany Perth and Manjimup. A couple of photos attached one of the flight line and one of a real crop dusting plane which the crop duster pilot gave a display in, and he is also a water bomber pilot, so bought one of the bombers around & dumped 2500L along the strip as a demonstration of the planes capabilities.



J3 Cub in full flight, not at the flyin

## What Do Retired People Do All Day?

(Not only fly planes on Wednesday)

Working people frequently ask retired people what they do to make their days interesting.

Well, for example, the other day my wife and I went into town and went into a shop. We were only in there for about 5 minutes. When we came out, there was a cop writing out a parking ticket. We went up to him and said, 'Come on man, how about giving a senior citizen a break?' He ignored us and continued writing the ticket. I called him a Nazi turd. He glared at me and started writing another ticket for having worn tires.

So my wife called him a jerk. He finished the second ticket and put it on the windshield with the first. Then he started writing a third ticket. This went on for about 20 minutes. The more we abused him, the more tickets he wrote.

Personally, we didn't care. We came into town by bus. We try to have a little fun each day now that we're retired.

**It's important at our age !!.**

## Safety Alert !!

Roy would like to share his near miss experience with club members to ensure this does not happen again, whilst driving from the field after flying he had almost arrived at home when the interior of his 4 wheel drive started to fill with smoke. He immediately stopped the vehicle to inspect what was actually happening and discovered that the smoke was coming from within his flight box.

He removed it from the vehicle to discover that the battery leads were smoldering on inspection he found that the battery had been placed in with the terminals facing towards the panel end of the box and when he went around a corner it caused the battery to slide along and the terminals make contact with the metal panel shorting it out causing the fire.

He was lucky that it was not near his fuel container or the outcome may have been a bit more severe.

It goes to show that safety issues can arise not only at the field whilst preparing to fly or when in the air but can also be present whilst traveling to and from the field and we need to be forever vigilant.

When you go home have a look in the mirror and you will see the **“person responsible for your Safety”**



Danny Anspach arrived at the field on Sunday with a new plane which drew a lot of attention from members present, however, he was unable to test fly it due to an undercarriage problem which needed to be rectified at home. We will eagerly await it's return for it's maiden voyage



With all these new planes being displayed and test flown I felt a bit out of it, so I could not resist displaying my new completed project which is not quite ready for test flying as yet. A Chipmunk 40 with 61 four stroke motor fitted, it will be in the air in a couple of weeks when a few more of the parts arrive.



Comments over heard from lady golfer!!

I was at the golf store comparing different kinds of golf balls.

I was unhappy with the women's type I had been using. After browsing for several minutes, I was approached by one of the good-looking gentlemen who works at the store. He asked if he could help me. Without thinking, I looked at him and said, "I think I like playing with men's balls."

Some of the members who flew last Sunday (6th) enjoying a sausage sizzle at midday



Sara would love to tell you what happened here

One day, a man came home and was greeted by his wife dressed in a very sexy nightie. "Tie me up," she purred, "and you can do anything you want."

**So he tied her up and went golfing.**

A woman came home, screeching her car into the driveway, and ran into the house. She slammed the door and shouted at the top of her lungs, "Honey, pack your bags.

"I won the lottery!"

The husband said, "Oh my God! What should I pack, beach stuff or mountain stuff?" "Doesn't matter, she said. "

**"Just get out."**

Marriage is a relationship in which one person is always right, and the other is a husband.