



Sydney Radio Control Society

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Newsletter



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Quarterly General Meeting
Saturday 4th December
10am At the Field

Wet weather arrangements have been made so the meeting will go ahead rain or shine.

Agenda:

- **Apologies**
- **Previous Minutes**
- **Matters Arising**
- **President's Report**
- **Treasure's Report**
- **Secretary's Report**
- **Strip Improvements**
- **Other Work to be done at field**
- **SRCS Web Page**
- **Other Business**

This meeting will be a great opportunity to have your say about what further improvements and facilities are provided, so make sure you are there to contribute your ideas and help improve our club.

SYDNEY RADIO CONTROL SOCIETY CLUB NEWSLETTER

THE 2010 – 2011 COMMITTEE

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These items can be purchased from the Club Treasurer

Club metal badges	\$5 ea.
Club cloth badges	\$5 ea.
SRCS stickers	50c ea
Club tee shirt	\$25 ea
Club caps	\$15 ea.

At the moment the Club has plenty of stock of caps and shirts available, so why not lash out and invest in a new Club shirt and cap. Don't forget that the Club badges issued to this years financial members must be worn at all times. A perfect place to wear it is on your new cap.

These items are available from Rick Pearson at the field.

Sizes for the shirts are small, large and extra large in blue or grey.



PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Looking back it is now over a year since I last did a letter for our Newsletter. The reason was that the only thing to really talk about was the field search and that was covered elsewhere. That is now behind us of course, and we are very fortunate to have obtained what everyone agrees is a magnificent facility due to the generosity of Roy and Primrose Fox.

Many club members put an enormous amount of work into getting the field into what was very good condition in such a short time, and with the required facilities prior to the opening at the end of September. I know that everyone really appreciates that effort. Whilst there has been a bit of a pause to relax and enjoy what we have there is still much to be done to make it even better. The most important task is on the runway and this is a high priority item for the next QGM. I am sure that there will be many options discussed, and maybe even robust debate, whilst we grapple with the cost benefit considerations and risks associated with each option.

I was in the UK immediately after the opening and I am still working out the pattern of attendance, both for myself and also to be able to advise others of the best time to come and visit us. This has not been helped by the poor recent weather. The last two times that I have been down, there has been very extensive surface water and the access track has been very difficult, almost to the point of saying that the field should be closed. Whilst it seems that the amount of rain that we have had has been unusual, this is something that we will need to be aware of.

I know that many of you have been able to keep flying fairly regularly. Those like myself who have not, may have found that time is needed to hone the flying skills back to where they were. I was surprised about myself as the times over the eighteen months that I had flown I had not really noticed any issues, either at Shepperton or the various float flies. Whatever the level of our current flying skills we should always remember that the only way to get better is to practice. Many of us often just fly around but really much of what we do should have a purpose, including specifically practicing Circuits, Touch and Goes or Figure 8's for enhancing basic flying skills. Even if these are second nature, an occasional flight concentrating on them can be beneficial as well as stretching ourselves with any more advanced flying that we do not feel entirely comfortable with. Even flying straight and level can be a challenge to make it look good, particularly if there are any bumps around.

It is also a good thing to review occasionally what the Club Rules are, and also what is in the MAAA Manual of Procedures and Frequently Asked Questions. These latter are both available from the MAAA Web page, <http://www.maaa.asn.au/>. Whilst many do not concern the average flier as they are on, for example, administrative matters and competitions, with one of my other hats on I am often asked questions from around Australia when the answers are directly in the MOP. Things like General Model Rules, Safe Flying Code, The Use Of 2.4GHz, Interference, Insurance, Accident Reporting, Award of Wings and Drug, Alcohol and Medical Conditions are some of those that are relevant to most of us.

It has been good to catch up with many friends again since losing Riverstone, and I am looking forward to having a chat with more of you over the next few weeks.

I hope to see you all at the QGM, and happy and safe flying.

Mike Close
President

**“The Missions”
Opening Ceremony
25th September 2010**

It was a lovely spring day in September and our new field at “The Missions” was looking great. It took many years to get the facilities that we had at Vineyard up to the standard they were before we had to leave however with a great deal of hard work we managed to get our new site to just about to the same standard within a few short weeks. This is a great achievement and the site did look great for the day.

It was really pleasing to see the number of people who attended the event. We had plenty of members and their families and guests as well as visitors from other clubs, it really was a festive day.

It was great that Roy Fox, the land owner, was there with his family including his wife Primrose who had the honor of cutting the ribbon and officially opening our new field. After few short speeches and many thank yous it was time for general flying but not before Roy had a go at flying the club trainer. Soon the sky was full of model aircraft and it was great to see that many club members in one place enjoying our hobby again.



The club BBQ was dusted off after a long hiatus and was soon pumping out sausage sangas for all.

Whilst there is still work to be done at the site I feel it is important that all members should appreciate just how lucky we are to have such beautiful site with so few restrictions on what and when we can fly. It was great to see so many members together in one place again enjoying the hobby that brought us all together.

Let's hope this is the first of many successful events at our new field.

Stephen Liseo



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SRCS Christmas Party
Sunday 12th December
Riverstone Memorial Club
Market Street, Riverstone
12 Noon

RSVP Phil Norris on
9680 2509

**Friends and family welcome. Come along a celebrate the end of
a great year**



CLUB BBQ

From now on the club BBQ will be left under the shelter at the field and available to any member who wishes to use it at any time. As summer approaches this will make a great way to spend a sunny afternoon enjoying our new field.

You will need to bring your own gas bottle and utensils.



Important Newsletter NEWS

This will be the last newsletter you will be receiving in the post, from the next edition we will be emailing the newsletter.

Below you will see a printed label listing the contact details the club currently has on record for you including your email address. Please look at it carefully to ensure it is accurate. If this email address or any other details are incorrect then please contact our Treasurer/Registrar, Rick Pearson



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Thanks
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