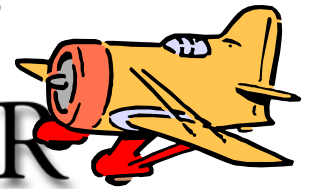


THE NORTHERN FLYER



ACN A000187B

Darraweit Guim Clubhouse Phone No 0357891448

Field GPS Coordinates
S 37° 26' 43.0"
E 144° 51' 18.3"
(Front gate)

Secretary: David Bell 9401 4274

President: Robert Macdonald mob 0405750259 Ph: 94013081

Web: www.northernflyinggroup.com

General Meeting.

The next General meeting is at: **8pm Monday 7th July**

The Nick Ascenzo Reserve hall on the corner of
Alexander Ave and Boronia Ave, Thomastown.

Melways Ref Map 9 B7.

WHAT'S ON

Club Comp 10am Sharp	
Must Attend Event: AGM Please attend	7 th July
IMAC Pattern	Aug-10
3D Down Under	Oct-10,11,12
AT6 Texan Racing	Oct- 25,26
Indoor Night 3 rd Sat each Month	Next
Mill Park Basketball Stadium (Behind stables shopping center.	July-19

Acknowledgement to a GREAT SPONSOR OF OUR Hobby / Sport

The Committee and members of Northern Flying Group. Inc wish to sincerely thank our sponsor. [Rojs Hobbies](#)

Prizes awarded to pilots on our Twins and More Day was kindly donated by.

ROJS HOBBIES
136 Wingrove
Fairfield Vic. 3078
Tel:03 9482 7555

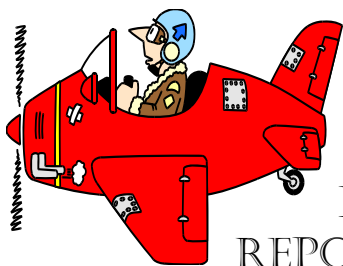
ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS

The committee is to present a revision to the NFG Club Constitution. As written in the constitution, 30 days advanced notice prior to the AGM needs to be given to members for proposing any changes to the constitution.

Proposed change :

'No member can be elected to the Northern Flying Group committee unless that member has been a financial member of the Northern Flying Group for at least 1 year.'

This proposed change will be presented at The AGM in July for discussion and approval.



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

BY ROBERT MACDONALD

YOUR PRESENCE IS REQUESTED...

Once again, it's time for our AGM. There are a few things that we need to vote on and we would like to get as many members along as we can. We, the committee, understand that for some of you, it may be a bit of a drive, but this would be a great time to make that extra effort.

Coming up to the AGM, this is the time of the year that we mostly reflect on what we as a club, and committee, have achieved for the year. I think we can be very proud of our achievements this year. I guess some of you might be sick of me pushing the teamwork angle, but this year especially, you have shown what you can do when you work as a team with similar goals.

The events we have hosted for the VMAA have received positive to outstanding praise of the State Field and Northern Flying Group. This, in no small part, is thanks to the support of you, the members who are willing to help out at these events, and make the SIG people feel very welcome.

Trying to get a runway and its surroundings to a standard worthy of a State Field takes not only a lot of money, but a lot of well organized working bees, to insure we get the best result for the least amount of work. Even though we have the 3 working bee rule, many of you have done more than 3 working bees in the name of putting something back into the club. And I think the results speak for themselves. The commissioning of the gang mowers and club smudger have played a big part in the vast improvement to the runways. The Committee appreciates the extra efforts of members and once again last month's working bee was a fine example of that we can do with outstanding support, when, with over half the club members turning out to support the tree planting, we were not only able to plant over 385 trees, but we also impressed the VMAA committee that come along to help and Land Care as well. And as usual, we got in some great flying after the working bee.

Over a year ago, we wanted an event that would draw new people to the State Field so they could see firsthand what has been done. With over 75 people coming to see the Twins & More event, many were impressed, and we are still hearing about how good the runway is.

Our club comps and the VMAA trophy, under the guidance of Mario, have been well-supported and, like our working bees, a light-hearted attitude has produced some entertaining times. Well done to all and thanks Marz.

Our indoor nights have proven to be a success, with a large variety of planes and Helis regularly attending.

Thanks to Maria and Pat for running the night.

Gaining acceptance through our major involvement in the Christmas party and donations to the CFA, Land Care and our Wallan market membership drive helps to cement us into the close-knit local community in a very positive way. The committee feel that one day this involvement could be an advantage to our club, and we want to continue this involvement.

Getting members to events, and informing them on what's going on in the club would be imposable without our club newsletter. This is one of those unseen jobs that gets taken for granted as it just seems to happen. Long before he could even fly solo, Barry Dunn put his hand up to take on this vital job. Not content with spreading the word to just members, Bazz wanted to take on the job of webmaster from Alex and update the web page. Bazz has a new club webpage up and running for all the world to see what we are up to, and it looks great! These two jobs are vital to a healthy club. Thanks Bazz.

I have lost count, but I think I have had the honour of being the club president for 14 or 15 years (no one else wants to do it!) and in this time, I have seen many different blends of committee members. The current committee is a good blend of old and new members. Pat has organized indoor nights, glider and seaplane days, Dave Bell has been a dedicated and reliable member wearing 2 hats as the secretary and doing a fantastic job in catering for events. Dave is standing down from these positions this year. Also helping out in the canteen and having great input into the running of the club, Dave Whitty and John Austin have been a great help. Peter White, Paul Hilder, and Brian are responsible for maintenance and these guys have done a great job, planning and supervising works, and spending many days midweek working on projects. Also as treasurer, Brian has done a great job looking after our budget and finances. Garry Downs and Mark Sills have had good input in the running of the club. Mark has also been a great help with the PA and any electrical problems, and has done an outstanding job on the raffles. I feel that this committee have served the club very well.

I would like to also thank a couple more people. Ewan Kent has given outstanding support to the club, be it at the VMAA Trophy, or working bees, he is always there. Life member Ken Tunley can be found in the kitchen with Dave W getting supper for us on club nights. As a club, I truly believe we are united, financially secure and have a great future. Well done to all that supported the club.

Last but not least I want to thank my family for the support they have given me in this hobby, from proof reading my monthly newsletter, or listening to my ravings when things aren't going the way they should, to baking cakes and biscuits for us to have with our coffee. Without this support from my family, my involvement and enthusiasm couldn't be what it is today. To every one who supported our club in any way they could, thank you for a very productive year.

**Robert Macdonald,
Northern Flying Group President 2008**



Secretary's Report - AGM 2008

This has been another very busy year for Northern Flying Group. We have yet again had a lot of work completed around the field - with maintaining flying strips by adding tonnes of soil, getting our water bore up and running after some problems, just to name some of the more important projects. For the members who put in their time and effort for these very important jobs on behalf of the club I would like to thank you. Having the North/South strip almost perfect we can now pay some attention to the East/West strip this year, probably with starting to level the Pit area and some maintenance on the strip itself.

Northern Flying Group being the type of club we are tried out at The 2007 VMAA Trophy Challenge. Encouraging new members to take part this year was very good to see and even better when members came to cheer us along. Great fun was had by all who attended. A great effort from all pilots and helpers.

We conducted our usual events throughout the year that members enjoy such as : Sport & Scale Day, Hollowback Glider Day, as well as our monthly club competitions. Some good fun and experience is had by all members who attend these events.

We have also helped out at events this year which are run by others such as : The Shepparton Mammoth Scale Fly-in.

This has also been a very full year for us with hosting S.I.G. events – Scale Association, State Glider Champs, etc. It is fantastic to see our members participating in some of these events as well as raising money by running the canteen. We are now being recognised for our famous egg & bacon breakfast rolls.

Well it is another year completed for Northern Flying Group and elections are just around the corner, I will not be standing as Secretary next year which I will leave up to another member to take over. I would just like to let all members know that I have enjoyed my 10 year stay as Secretary of the club.

Yours in flying

Dave Bell
Secretary - NFG

NORTHERN FLYING GROUP Inc



Membership Application – 2008/9

SURNAME: _____			GIVEN NAME: _____		
ADDRESS: _____					
STREET		SUBURB		POST CODE	
PHONE: _____					
WORK		HOME		MOBILE	
PENSIONER NUMBER: _____			DATE OF BIRTH: _____		
EMAIL ADDRESS: _____					

MEMBERSHIP TO OTHER AEROMODELLING CLUBS – PAST & CURRENT

MODELLING INTERESTS			
R.C SPORT	<input type="radio"/>	RC COMPETITION	<input type="radio"/>
RC GLIDER	<input type="radio"/>	HELICOPTER	<input type="radio"/>

CLUB FEES:

The following fees are calculated from the commencement quarter, to the financial year end – 30th June.

	VMAA Jul - Sep	NFG Jul - Sept	VMAA Oct - Dec	NFG Oct - Dec	VMAA Jan - Mar	NFG Jan - Mar	VMAA Apr - Jun	NFG Apr - Jun	Joining Fee	Field Maint Levy	TOTAL DUE
SENIOR	\$101	\$98	\$101	\$73.50	\$50.50	\$49	\$50.50	\$24.50	\$60	\$50	
JUNIOR	\$59	\$49	\$59	\$36.75	\$29.50	\$24.50	\$29.50	\$12.25	\$30	\$25	
PENSIONER	\$101	\$49	\$101	\$36.75	\$50.50	\$24.50	\$50.50	\$12.25	\$30	\$25	
ASSOCIATE	NIL	\$98	NIL	\$73.50	NIL	\$49	NIL	\$24.50	\$60	\$50	

Please Note: The annual field Maintenance levy of \$50 applies only once per family. Special consideration may be given to NON FLYING members, on written application to the committee.

Membership fees to be sent to: the Secretary,
Dave Bell 2 Roanoke Court EPPING 3076. Ph. 0431 780 308

A new gate key will only be issued on return of the old key. A \$5.00 charge will apply for any replacement key

I request that I be granted membership of: NORTHERN FLYING GROUP Inc.. I understand and accept that Northern Flying Group Inc., reserves the right to refuse membership.

On acceptance of my application

I AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE RULES OF THE ASSOCIATION.

Signature: _____ **Proposed by:** _____ **Date:** _____

The Northern Flying Group was founded in 1978 when a small group of aero-modellers decided to form a club. We started in the paddocks of Roxborough Park and since then we have changed fields several times. These tough times have helped mould us into the great club we are today.

Whilst we actively and rigorously compete in both Inter-club and Intra-club competitions, our primary objective is to have fun...**SAFELY!** We are envied by other clubs for our comradeship, team spirit, and warm welcoming attitude toward new members.

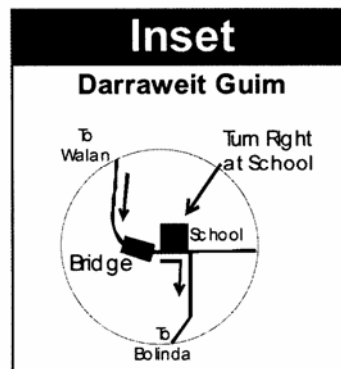
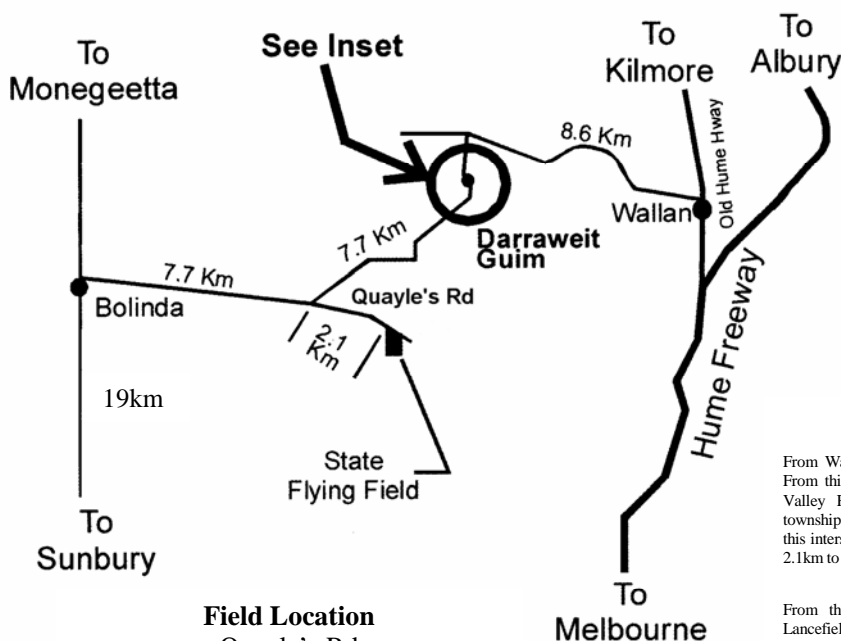
As a new member we offer you free tuition on Saturday afternoon and have you flying Solo in as short a time as possible.

CLUB MEETINGS:

First Monday of each month (except January)
 Cnr Alexander Ave and Boronia St Thomastown.
 8pm until about 10:30pm
 Supper provided.
 Parking available.

FIELD LOCATION:

Quayle's Road Darraweit Guim
 2.1 Kilometres from Bolinda Rd Intersection.



DIRECTIONS

IF COMING FROM MELBOURNE

From Wallan turn left at Darraweit Guim – Romsey turn-off. From this intersection drive 8.6km and turn left into Darraweit Valley Rd. After 1.5km cross bridge into Darraweit Guim township, note school on left and turn right into Bolinda Rd. From this intersection drive 7.7km and turn left into Quayle's Rd. Drive 2.1km to the field entrance gate on right.

IF COMING FROM SUNBURY

From the Melbourne - Sunbury Rd take the Melbourne - Lancefield turn off and drive 19km to Bolinda. At Bolinda turn right into Darraweit Guim – Bolinda Rd. From this intersection drive 7.7km and veer right into Quayle's Rd. Drive 2.1km to field entrance gate on right.

Field Location
 Quayle's Rd
 Darraweit Guim

2.1km from Bolinda Rd intersection

CLUB COMP

END OF YEAR REPORT

Well hi all

This is last report I will be putting in the newsletter for these club comps
We have held five events over the year.

Just a reminder of the events that where held where the economy run, cut
your tail, maximum touch and goes, fast & slow and the mars bar comp.

We as a club did not get to hold twelve events due to Christmas, Bad
weather and other events at the field and abroad. What we all achieved in
these events is improved flying skills and being able to help each other. The
support and the heckling from other members make these events great.

I do hope we have a new contest director to take up the club comps. The
support and feedback from all members who attend is great and with fresh
ideas, these events can be made even better.

Now at the AGM, there will be trophies awarded to the first, second and
third place getters but I will only announce them at the AGM and not here in
the report so be sure to be there.

Now a big thank you to all members for your help, contributions and
assistance over the year and I will be seeing you at the field.

Till then: if everything seems to be going well, you have obviously
overlooked something ☺ Mario

Indoor Flying

*Great fun on a winter's night come and join in thrills of flying indoors
the best fun you will have on a Sat night. Don't forget the Third Sat
of each month at Mill Park Basket Ball Stadium, behind Stables
shopping Cent. The next night of Flying. 19th July*

Cheers.
Pat.