

**NEXT MEETING IS ON  
TUESDAY 10th FEBRUARY 2009**

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Warringah Radio Control  
Society Incorporated  
(Incorporated under the Association Incorporation Act 1984)



# NEWSLETTER

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**The children get ready to greet Santa at  
the Christmas Party**

**MEETINGSMEETINGSMEETINGSMEETINGSMEETINGS**

**The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 10th  
February 2009 at Tennis Cove, Eastern Valley  
Way, starting at 7.30 pm. The next meeting after  
that will be on Tuesday, 10th March 2009**

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AUSTRALIA



# THERMAL & ELECTRIC GLIDER DAY

**Sunday, 15 February 2009**

Open to all electric models

**Glider 5 minute max. Bonus points for spot landing, 3 rounds.**

**Electric 5 minute max. Bonus points for spot landing, 3 rounds. Deduct motor run times from total flight times**

**THE JOHN MEEK MEMORIAL TROPHY**  
will be awarded for the "Best Thermal Glider"

**THIS IS A FUN EVENT WITH SAFETY  
PARAMOUNT**

**Competition Director - David Pound**  
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# PARALLEL RUNWAYS

Observation by John Rosenberg  
(John recently visited WRCS from Melbourne)

During a recent holiday in Canada and Alaska, I observed that the float plane is a major means of transport due to vastness of the country, the remoteness of settlements, the lack of flat ground and lots of lakes!



Most of the planes are De Haviland Beavers, a large single engine aircraft which are mostly of 1950's vintage.

The airport at Juneau was very interesting in that it had parallel runways (26/08) - one bitumen and one water! The photo shows the two runways

The float plane runway was much busier than the bitumen one and there seemed to be a continuous flow of aircraft taking off and arriving.

## A SAD SIGN OF AGING

The other day as I was watching TV my wife who was doing some minor domestic maintenance came to me and said; "Darling, what I need is a really long screw". Without hesitation I went to the toolbox to look for one.

# INDIAN VISITORS

(hosted by Brian Porman)

Vibhu Agarwal is a keen modeler from Lucknow, India. He prefers scratch building. He also prefers visiting other modelers more than visiting Factory outlets as told to me by his wife Neeti.. He made contact whilst in Brisbane and arrived in Sydney on Sunday evening of the 29th December and teed up a hire car for Tuesday 30th.



They leave for home on the morning of 1st January 2009!! Boy, that will be with no sleep I suggest after battling their way to the fireworks from their Hotel near Hyde Park

Vibhu and Neeti fly Mode 2 at a private property where the owner allows use of the Polo field

which Vibhu informed me is kept in immaculate order. There are about 10 or so flyers.

The young couple were warmly welcomed by the Tuesday morning fliers and witnessed Ron Clark's second taxi trials of the B25 with two 26cc MVVS petrol engines behaving perfectly. The next outing will be the certification flight.

The morning showed off two out landings (read bush walks, both flame outs, one being mine) Both flew immediately afterwards, but a little richer!

Tom Sparkes, David Menzies, David Foster, Lynette Austen, Paul Tremain, Val Pinczewski amongst some who showed off their skills to our visitors who left late morning for a flying visit to the 'Neptune Hanger' of Grant Furzer.

Grant gave a rundown of the construction methods and materials so they will follow with interest progress on our website.



## GOLD WINGS CONGRATULATIONS to CLIVE WEATHERHEAD

on achieving his **Gold Wings**

## VALE

### Nancy Bird-Walton

(16 October 1915- 13 January 2009)

We recalled the achievements of Nancy Bird Walton in an article in our October issue. The great Australian aviation pioneer died aged 93 from natural causes (at her Mosman home) on 13th January. Ms Walton will be remembered for her tremendous contribution to the development of aviation in particular in rural regions.

**R.I.P.**



## GRANDDAD CHRISTMAS

Santa and grandchildren, didn't have to ask if they've been naughty or nice

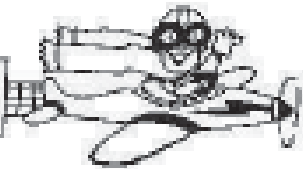
Thanks for the pic Doug





## COLUMN 9.9

(incl. GST)



It is reported that if Col Buckley ever gets the royal nod he will be known as ... **SIR LAUGH - A - LOT**. But on a more serious note, Col dropped this note onto our email:

"I spent time yesterday (as it was too windy to fly) cleaning up "Bits & Pieces" left at the field. I am always collecting bits of plastic, Chinese & Japanese take-away containers, plastic bags, drink bottles, bits of balsa, rubber bands, broken props, cable ties etc.

Each member should take a bag to the field and if he sees litter, put it in his bag and **TAKE IT HOME**. We are so fortunate to have such a pristine space at Belrose. Let's try to keep it that way"

Now you've heard it again for the umpteenth time, so **YOU HAVE BEEN REMINDED!**

