



Garry Welsh's "2005 Pylon Racer" fleet pictured at the X-mas Party. The Corsair F4U raced at Adelaide and competed in the NSW F4C State Championships, the T-6 TEXAN raced at Cootamundra.

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 The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday, 14th February 2006 at Tennis Cove, Eastern Valley Way, starting at 7.30 pm.**

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

It is so nice to hear from many Members about the Mag, sometimes it is complimentary, sometimes critical, but nevertheless always constructive. This issue completes 6 years of editing of the Mag by me, it has been a fulfilling experience which I have thoroughly enjoyed. To say that I am frustrated by so many Members with experiences in the hobby totalling many 1000's of years remaining out there silent and not contributing is a gross understatement, but I have just about given up on pursuing that gripe. My total disappointment is, however, after putting in very many long hours in putting the Mag together is to find out that there are quite a few Members who don't even open it up to read it. Anyway, it's their loss. It is time for more Members to take an active interest in the general running of the Club, let me assure you that your contribution will be gratefully accepted. We look forward to a great year, WRCS remains committed to the multi-discipline nature of the club catering for all types of aero modelling. This attitude and commitment is reflected in the Competitions Calendar which hopefully caters for all Members' interests, we can only hope that this year's competitions are well attended again. Any positive and constructive comments would be welcomed. Over my years of involvement at WRCS, in spite of the fact that I myself remain a novice flyer, I have seen those who have attended and participated in the competition events improve their flying techniques by leaps and bounds. I heartily recommend that all Members try to participate in as many events as they can. On behalf of my family and myself, I wish all our Members and their families a happy, healthy and successful 2006.

*Keep'em flying,
Tom*

NEXT EVENT

GLIDER & ELECTRIC DAY

Sunday, 19 February 2006

**Open to all electric models
 Glider 5 minute max. Bonus points for spot landing, 3 rounds.
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 Deduct motor run times from total flight times.**

THIS IS A FUN EVENT WITH SAFETY PARAMOUNT
 Competition Director - Mike Minty

Competitions Calendar for 2006

These are the dates that are set by the Committee for 2006. We have tried to cater for all interests, flying in the friendly competitions offered is your own to improve your flying, safety is paramount.

If you are interested in creating your own "special class or category" for any events, as long as there are 3 entries in that category, a competition will be held for that class, this includes all disciplines, fixed wing or heli, electric or fuel.

We welcome George Atkinson as the Competition Convenor and we thank Kerry Smith for his work in the previous years.

Please keep these dates diarised:

Sun 19 February - Glider & Electric

- CD: Mike Minty
 Open to all gliders and electric models

Sun 19 March - Combat

- CD: Warren Lewis
 Classes: Sport, Open, Stock, 1/12 Scale.

Sun 21 May - Scale

- CDs: Mark Rickard; Chris Hebbard; Kerry Smith
 Classes: Military, Civil, both Small and Large Scale. Helicopters are welcome

Sun 18 June - Biplane / Aerobatics (combined day)

- CDs: George Atkinson; Colin Simpson; Dean Riebolge
 2 or more winged models eligible. Flying for all standards.
 Aerobatics to a set programme, helis welcome. Training/coaching days will be notified.

Sun 16 July - Racing

- CD: Colin Simpson
 Classes: Open, Sport, Stock, Novice

Sun 20 August - Helicopters

- CD: Andrew Moss
 A special day for those who fly without wings

Sun 15 October - Scale

- CDs: Mark Rickard; Chris Hebbard; Kerry Smith
 Classes: Military, Civil, both Small and Large Scale. Helicopters are welcome
 and don't forget the **DE HAVILLAND COMPETITION!**

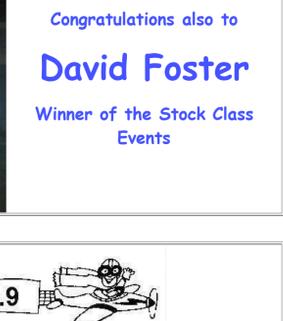
Sun 19 November - Funfly

- CD: David Foster
 Classes: Open, Sport, Stock, Novice

Competition Results for 2005

Congratulations to
Tom "The Burglar" Sparkes

Winner of the 2005 Competition



During 2005, 31 Members entered our various discipline flying competition events. The final results and final placings were:

Position	Points	Competitor
1st	225	Tom Sparkes
2nd	185	David Foster
3rd	160	Al Zuger
4th	100	Jonathan Wongso
5th	100	Colin Simpson
6th	85	David Pound
eq 7th	80	Simon Press; John Parker
eq 9th	70	Kerry Smith; Mark Connor; Monte Udrzak
12th	65	Dean Schuback
eq 13th	55	Andrew Moss; Grant Furzer
eq 15th	50	John Chanon; Harry Hubmann; Peter Pappas; Kevin Einstein
19th	35	Mike Minty
20th	30	Tony Warren-Smith
eq 21st	25	Garry Welsh; Dennis Gretsch; Stan Begg
24th	20	Ron Clark
eq 25th	15	Peter Sharpe; Peter Coles
26th	10	Peter Barnes
eq 28th	5	Harry Poliss; Barry Mason; Tony Vella; Mark Ter Laak



Congratulations also to
David Foster
 Winner of the Stock Class Events

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(incl. GST)



On opening the computer I was confronted by an oxymoron of gigantic proportions ... there it was!! ... Windows Works!

George Atkinson has been selected in the Australian Heli Team to compete in the World Championships in Japan in September 2006. Congratulations George!

Whilst on the subject of skills, we hear that Shane Austin has won the last 4 Sportsman class Aerobatic competitions around the world. Well done Shane!

Garry Welsh was recently requested to represent WRCS at MAS meetings. He is doing a great job and his information bulletins to the T-6 comp entrants for the Cootamundra Racing was excellent and much appreciated.

On that subject, WRCS competitors filled more than 50% of entrants in that T-6 competition, congratulations to Luke Swinkels who came 3rd.

While removing the glow driver just before the last race at Coota, Ron Clark managed to put his fingers through the prop. He claims that the racing prop didn't have the white tips like the run-in prop did. Lots of blood and a trip to the doctors, and Ron got back just in time for the presentations (he came in 7th) with his arm in a sling and a lot of bandaging and a bunch of stitches and a sheepish grin on his face and a timid stance. Luckily no apparent tendon damage or bone chips and all bits working OK. When asked when he will fly again he assured everybody "Oh ... I ... think I'll be OK to fly later in the week!" ... and he did, 5 days later.

CHRISTMAS PARTY 2005

What started out as perfect conditions were temporarily disrupted by huge gusts of wind, but the Members and families who gathered really enjoyed the day as shown in the pics.



Above and left: Mr McGoo's Catering up to its usual high standard enjoyed by everyone. Thanks Mr McGoo and Steffi Grech for organising such a great evening

Santa was on hand to give presents to the kids, ...



he didn't discriminate against size or age ...



but did he find out if you were naughty or nice!!!!

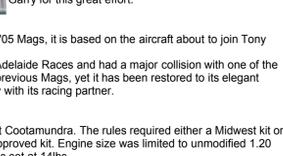


Above: There's one in every crowd. Mike Minty renewed his practice of camping on site ... safer than driving home for some?

Right: Mike Minty was also on hand to demonstrate his control line skills



Members enjoyed the evening with their loved ones and friends



Above and top left: Face painting for the kids, with face artists Lynette Austen and Steffi Grech busy. Lucas Riebolge enjoyed having a tiger in the tank.

Below and right: To make the evening truly special, raffie prizes were won by Lucas Riebolge; John Rayner and Shane Austin



Right: Joke AT-6 Texan 47LF at Cootamundra

Bottom right: An unusual "lead sandwich"

Below: The splatter of bugs collected during the race at Cootamundra visible on the cow of the Texan



FROM THE HANGAR



This month we feature Garry Welsh's "2005 Pylon Racer" fleet on our cover photo. These models were purpose built for the specific events held in 2005 at the Adelaide Races and at Cootamundra, yet the Corsair is constructed so that it was endorsed for the NSW F4 C State Championships at Cootamundra.

This is of course most unusual and all credit must go to Garry for this great effort.

The Corsair F4U (11LF)
 We have previously featured this model in some of the '05 Mags, it is based on the aircraft about to join Tony Rafalis' collection. Members will recall that Garry raced this model at the Adelaide Races and had a major collision with one of the pylons, pics of the extent of the damage have been in previous Mags, yet it has been restored to its elegant beauty and was again displayed at the Christmas Party with its racing partner.

Joke AT-6 Texan 47LF (for racing only)
 This model was purpose built for its class to compete at Cootamundra. The rules required either a Midwest kit or construction to identical specifications or some other approved kit. Engine size was limited to unmodified 1.20 cu" normal capacity, maximum weight for the model was set at 410gms.

Along with other Members of WRCS, Garry prepared for this competition and was the pivotal link in making sure that our racing Members were informed of construction methods and hints, and Garry helped assure the success of the event.



Recent journals featuring the ever popular F4U on which Garry based his model



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A JUMBO EFFORT



We have previously featured pics of giant models made and flown by Peter Michel in Germany. With the recent visit of the A380 that Qantas will be flying soon (see the pic in last month's Mag), your editor's attention has been drawn to the model of this giant by Peter. Maybe Peter will make one in Qantas livery sometime.

If you wish to see more pictures of Peter's models and much more of the A380 who not visit this site, you can enter through the LINKS on our Club page. There is also informative commentary, but unfortunately it is in German only

CAN YOU BELIEVE IT?

We don't know when; we don't know when ... but we are told that the pilot survived this crash.

Obviously a religious person and if he wasn't before then he is now.

This photo doesn't need a caption...

January Caption - Just for Fun!

Here is something new which we hope to be running in each month in the Mag this year. This is a picture downloaded from the Internet (credit to whoever took it) which lends itself to a funny caption ... so how about contributing one!

I have started it off with my own suggestion but I feel confident that you people out there can do so much better. Send your entry to the Editor by email to editor@wrcc.org.au and the winning entry will be published next month.

AND THE PRIZE? ... Yes, there is one!! At great expense your Committee has agreed to provide a bottle of red to be presented at the X-mas Party 2006

... flare, ... flare, ... flare, BUGGER!!

BUILDING YOUR T-6?

If you are interested in the AT6 and looking for a "different" colour scheme call **Mike Minty** on 9810 6069 and borrow his "T-6 TEXAN THE IMMORTAL TRAINER" book by William Jesse. It has 128 pages of colour photos of about 50 different schemes so there's no excuse for an all white one!

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