

# Lismore Model Flying Club Mini newsletter November

# So what did these 2 bipes have in <u>common?</u>

Neil worked this one out! Really the planes developed from them fought in 2 battles of attrition that saved 2 countries from invasion. Australia and England. The

Hawker Fury adopted a monoplane wing and other stuff to become the Hawker Hurricane. Shot down heaps of the bombers in the Battle of Britain.. overshadowed by the Spitfire. The Grumman F3F also had a monoplane wing replace the biplane wings to become the Grumman Wildcat, hated the Zero! Bombers didn't like its four 50 cal Browning's. The critical battle was off Townsville in the Coral Sea. The Japanese pre-invasion fleet turned back to Rabaul .. so there was no invasion of Australia. The Hurricane went on to busting Tanks in the desert, and the Wildcat shared credit for sinking 27 U-Boats in the Atlantic.



# So what is this aircraft called?

Garry has a couple of tries and got it right! SF-260. Savoia or SIAI Marchetti is a much loved military trainer, aerobatic, if ya got money you would just buy one and skite! Designed in the 60s by Stelio Frati, Has 260hp 6 cyl Lycoming, so would be a slippery aeroplane to fly, with its

suck up wheels! Over 800 of them worldwide.. wait for it, Jamie is putting one together. A model that is!

(I'm sure other peeps worked out the planes above, but didn't speak up!)

## The last meeting discussed the walkway proposed.....

David C, resigned his secretary task, this post was taken up by Garry H-S...

The different approaches to the walkway, were many and varied, the original proposal for concrete was voted against at present for a number of factors and as it is too much for current club finances. Chris suggested road-base. The option to go

ahead with the concrete walkway is really up in the air. The risk of someone sliding onto their butt and getting hurt in rainy season needing to be thought out, this was a consensus of those attending. However, costs aside, a safe pathway is urgently needed for when we have rain again, we can't afford for someone to get hurt. For now put down some golf club style GUR markers for the slippery areas!? (Ground Under Repair) there are safe areas and slippery areas, some form of marking the safe pathway? Really a safe pathway needs to happen now, yep rain is happening again.. wait for agreement and finance? **Come to a meeting and have your say...** Errors and omissions are because I didn't take notes....Interesting checkout on the Eglider Sunday after decent recent rain, there were no slippery spots as I guess the ground was very dry, or may also have been the great crop of green grass drank it all! See what happens with further rain.

#### Batteries.....

# A caution on ordering batteries from from HK. Garry sent out a memo with detail of batteries held up by a courier.



Garry and friends did a great rescue mission to retrieve the batteries.... The label on the photographed box explains the deal. The Diamond label with the number 9 correctly identifies 'Dangerous Goods' the Couriers are legally bound by their licensing as a courier to obey this classification. When selecting which carrier when completing an order with HK, pick 'Couriers Please' as they have a license to carry category 9 goods..... Aus Post also seems to be okay from report by Jim.

**Jamies canopy!** Remember the beaut yellow, 'What is this aircraft?' From last newsletter? Identified this one.. Actually a model of a Marchetti trainer ....well Jamie has started building his kit of the Marchetti. 'So let's put on the canopy......' read on with Jamie's account of how it went...... Over to Jamie speak....



'With it being so wet I decided to tackle the dreaded cutout and glueing of the canopy screen to the canopy frame for the Marchetti. The first step was to do a rough cutout and then lay it on a frame for a more accurate markout. I then cut it out to a pretty

good size and taped it up around the canopy frame, caus when I glue it's like Mt Vesuvius going off! Next step is the glueing and waiting for it to set.....

Then Voila the jobs done. Bugger of a job, but it's done and yes I did get glue on it!!





With a bit of luck it should fly in late November...' Jamie Z

# Sopwith Pup progresses ..... slowly!

A Balsa USA kit for a 1/6 Scale Sopwith has been built by Rod Mison.. now I have my hands on it to put on sufficient detail to give some realism, and put in the motor and radio stuff, also reduce the gloss on the plastic covering, it is 'sport scale' really. With our rain and little flying, putting together aircraft seems a way to go. Could be flying later in November given some

decent weather. Hope it gets the good housekeeping seal of approval when flying!

The fuselage has its clothes on now, looks better. Thought of a name for pilot, found our top Aussie pilot from WW1 with near 50 victories in his Sopwith Pup.. and a Camel later, never hear about our own lads! Trivia question for month, what was this pilot's name and exactly how many victories did he achieve?





## FSSA Scale Weekend in Canberra

Phil Crandon spent the weekend at Bowylie with the FSSA scale guys at Dick Smiths private property... full size strip, Hangar for Dicks Aircraft, Flying activities Clubhouse

All on a working sheep station!

The Sopwith Triplane is swinging a 36" x 18" pitch prop, rarely revs higher than 1500 rpm. Phil reckons it's the most realistic model he has heard!





VIDEOS....



I'm not sure if these will play from your newsletter. So just type them in as I did and voila great action! Bowylie 2018 vid no1 Bowylie 2018 vid no2 Bowylie 2018 video 3 Bowylie video 4

#### EComp Sunday 21st October

We started off the day at 8:30 flying various foamies, conditions were threatening but cleared up fine.

The glider guys and gal arrived for a 9am start, John R pointed out it really is a 10am start and we kept flying our foamies. Really this worked well, the warmer air a bit later gives better lift for the gliders. And there was a reasonable amount of time for some general flying .

Unfortunately David C copped a mid-air in one of the mass launches of the competition that chopped off his Radian's rudder and half the elevator. Managed to get it down without too much damage...

General flying after gliders four rounds also was good timing, back into general flying. A change for the gliders was that the proposed last round of the day be based on last plane down..

My eyes had enough glare by then after having had spare parts fitted, so wait to get info on how suggested format change worked out.

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