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NEWSLETTER

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John Morgan's Super Skybolt.

O.S. 91 four stroke powered scalemodel.

News In Brief.

From one extreme to the other. Following what seemed like endless wet weather at the end of last year, this month has produced very hot conditions and flying has been kept to a few early hours for most of the members.

On the cover is a shot of John Morgan's Super Skybolt with an OS 91 up front, just after its maiden flight. The plane performed beautifully and should be a regular sight at the field.



The Skybolt weighs in at about 8.5lb and the OS 91 provides ample power.

A slightly less powerful model but one that generates as much fun for the owner is the Piper Cub ARF of Bruce Lyne. Bruce is one of our newer members and is currently under the tutelage of Neil Clifford. Because Bruce's job has a varied schedule, it means he has a limited time for his hobby but despite his random opportunities at the field, Neil says he is flying well and should solo soon. Bruce is one of several new members that have joined us this year.



Neil Clifford at the controls of Bruce Lyne's Piper Cub.



Neil brings the Cub in on a nice, steady dead stick approach.

Mid February saw a group of about 12 members head down to the paddock with rake and shovel in hand to fill a few of the low spots on the runway and spread some road base in the parking area. Garry Wilkes brought his mini excavator and bucket along to make the job a lot easier. A couple of hours in the baking sun and with Ross Wilkes handling the other machine and David Riley driving the tipper, the job was

nearly done. By the time this newsletter reaches all of the members the new parking barrier and shade area should be finished.



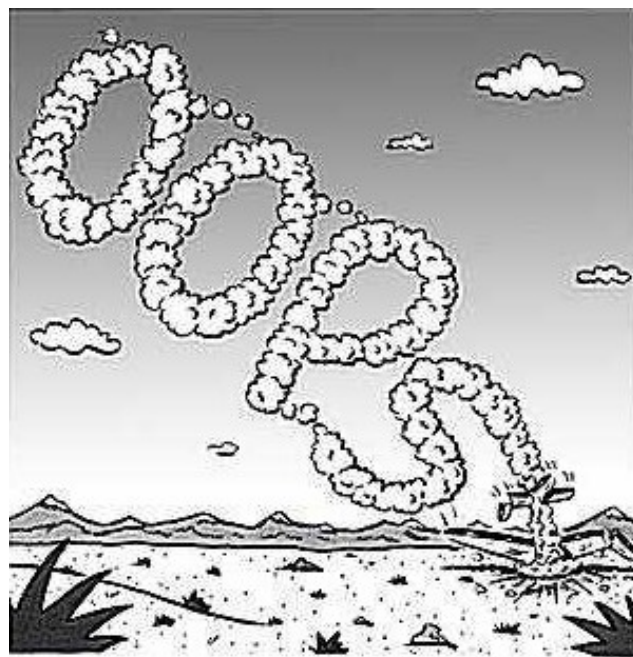
The first pile to go was the soil at the end of the shed, now helping to level the runway.



A quick discussion and the second mound, all gravel, soon became car park.



All spread and flattened, ready for parking.



FOR SALE

New, never used, Spektrum 2.4 GHz "DSM2" AR500 Full Range 5 channel receiver. Purchased as included with Parkzone Stinson, but Futaba Rx used instead. www.modelflight.com.au list at \$89.95 and seen on special at \$69.95 plus freight, but "out of stock".

Offered for sale at \$60.00

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As mentioned last issue, several members headed to Armidale for the annual sailplane expo. This competition has been running for many years and the LMFC is always well represented. Although our members don't always win the competition, they always come home smiling.

Russell Heilbronn finished third in RES class after 10 rounds, against a very

tough field including pilots of the caliber of Hutton Oddy.



A busy pit area at Armidale. (Riley Pic.)

The weekend was marred by a very serious car accident involving a couple of modelers, Kevin Smeaton and David Anderson who, although battered and bruised, came out generally OK. Sadly, the driver of the second car perished in the accident.



All that remains of the cars, 2 burnt out shells.

Unfortunately all of the computer scoring gear for the competition was destroyed in the resulting fire that engulfed the cars.



Scott and Jamie both concentrate intensely as Russell times for Scott. (Riley Pic)

The competition went ahead with borrowed equipment gathered from various sources. Several fliers, including David Crandon, gave up their time to help out, with the result that a terrific 70 heats were flown over the weekend. LMFC members did well in all classes and no doubt will be back next year.



"Fly, be free", says Russell as he releases a white dove. Or is he offering to catch Nigel Virtue's glider? (Riley Pic)

Gliders were the go at the field this month when the annual Fling competition got underway. As usual the flying was first rate, despite the very hot and humid conditions.



Clifford and Scott Johnson, who generously gave up their time to officiate.



10 pilots saw the first round launch and by the end of proceedings the results were.....

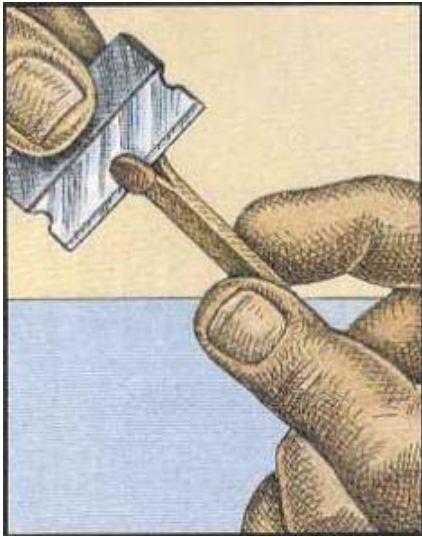
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| <i>Russ</i> | <i>7805</i> |
| <i>Scott</i> | <i>7769</i> |
| <i>Nigel</i> | <i>6158</i> |
| <i>Glen</i> | <i>5755</i> |
| <i>Dallas</i> | <i>5682</i> |
| <i>Ross</i> | <i>5255</i> |
| <i>Jim</i> | <i>5180</i> |
| <i>Peter P</i> | <i>5051</i> |
| <i>David</i> | <i>4134</i> |
| <i>Chris</i> | <i>3573</i> |

Let's hope the weather is a bit cooler next for round.

At the end of February the club held a ratings day at the field to give interested members a chance to fly a series of maneuvers and receive their MAAA ratings.

Six pilots took the opportunity and successfully went through the required patterns for the bronze or gold wing status. Those pilots are now officially rated and recognized for their flying ability. Well done to those who took part and a particular thank you to the instructors, David Crandon, Neil

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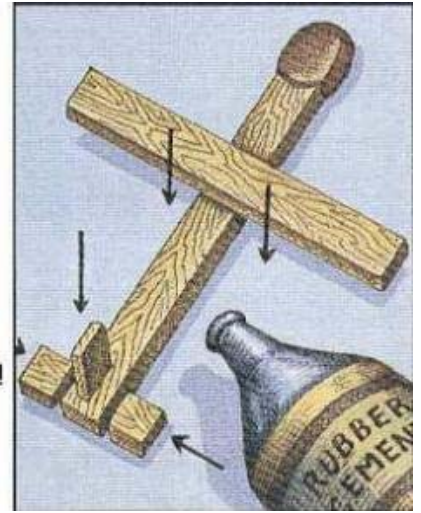


Build Your Very Own Powered Model Aircraft:

Using a razor blade, carefully split a match. Make sure that you leave some of the sulphur, as it will be the nose on your aircraft.

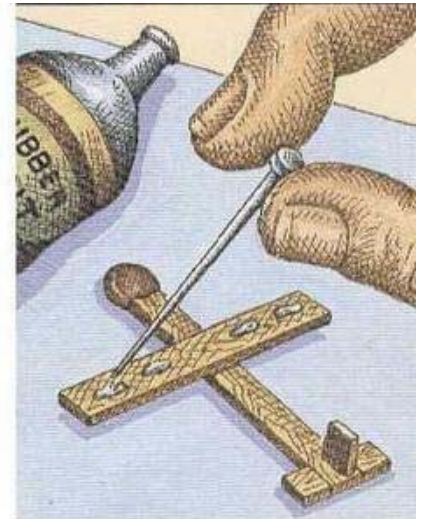
Build the frame by gluing match sticks together. You can build a bigger wing of lighter wood (and fit in even more engines).

Use your imagination!



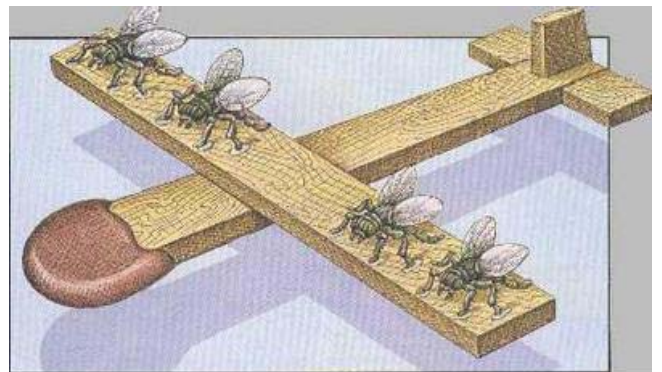
Catch a couple of flies. Put them in a glass pot and put the pot in the freezer. In a couple of seconds the flies will be quite cold and motionless. Don't cool down your engines too much, -it will kill them. If you put them in the refrigerator instead, it will take longer.

While you're waiting for your engines to get cold and stiff, drop some contact glue on the places where you want to place your engines.



Take your flies from the refrigerator/freezer.

Place them on the pre-fitted glue pools.



Start the plane. If you did things correctly, it will fly!
Sit back and enjoy watching the happy flies playing with the plane!
None of them will have experienced anything like this before!
ENJOY!