

The Queensland Chapter Newsletter



June 2005

Queensland State Championships at Watts Bridge on 11th to 13th June 2005

WOW, what a great weekend!! Despite the threat of rain and low cloud at times it was a fantastic weekend with some excellent flying. Sixteen (yes, 16) pilots were at Watts Bridge for the annual hunt for the trophies. This large number was partially due to the five pilots who made the long trip up from NSW to compete for these prestigious monuments representing stress, skill and experience.

The awards were presented on Sunday night at Monika's, where we took the restaurant over and had a fantastic evening. The results were as follows:

Advanced

1st Alan Kilpatrick Queensland

Thanks for remaining competitive Alan but competition is on the way!

Intermediate

1st Bryscen Teape-Davis NSW
2nd Scott Jarron Queensland
3rd Colin Appleton NSW

Well done to Scotty Jarron who managed to steal 2nd place with some graceful Decathlon flying against the might of the NSW Pitts!

Sportsman

1st Ian Bent Queensland
2nd Connie Greenberg NSW
3rd Russell Bell NSW
4th Tony Bansemmer Queensland
5th Grant Piper NSW
6th Darrell Brown Queensland
7th Clive Tudge Queensland
8th Michael Greig Queensland

Sportsman Grade produced a fantastic contest with only 10% between 1st and last places! If Michael hadn't stuffed up slightly in his 2nd run it would have been even closer! Look out Intermediates there is some good talent on the way to compete with you soon.

Graduate

1st Carly Bansemmer Queensland
2nd Martyn Woodhouse Queensland
3rd Anthony Rowell Queensland
4th Stephen Hudson Queensland

Another really close competition and if Steve hadn't zeroed his spin then this would have required decimal points to work out the winner; well done to Carly.

Winner of the **Tony Gordon Perpetual Trophy** for the highest score was Ian Bent in his lovely yellow Pitts; well done Ian.

Joyous celebrations were had by all and the highlight of the evening was the auctioning of his raffle prize by Stephen Hudson where we raised well over a \$1,000 towards the clubhouse! Many thanks to Steve for donating back his prize and then proceeding to get such a healthy profit from it!

Next Practise Days

Next practise days at Watts Bridge Airfield are on the weekends of:

23rd & 24th July 2005

20th & 21st Aug 2005

24th & 25th Sept 2005

Note that there will be an extra day of practise on Sunday ***3rd July 2005***.

The competitions at the end of July and September will also be mini-competitions. Put these dates in your diary now!

Club House Status

As most people know we are putting in a claim to try and get some assistance with the cost of the Clubhouse from the Jupiter's Casino scheme. However, this will take quite a while and so it has been decided that we will start soon and at least get the building to lock up stage. Meanwhile we will continue our fund raising activities.

Club House Contributions

As we mentioned in the last Newsletter it was agreed some time ago that members would be asked to donate or loan \$600

towards the new club house. Because it is taking so long to get going with the clubhouse the opportunity was taken at the Queensland Championships to award certificates of appreciation to those who had donated \$600. So if you haven't got it yet then maybe you haven't donated and really ought to think about it! (or, it could be on the way).

Once again help the club take this big step towards owning its own club house and be proud to have been one of those who unselfishly gave \$600 and started the Queensland Aerobatic Club House become a reality! If you don't know how to offer this money then I'm sure that Matt Burnet will only be too pleased to let you know how it can be done!

Cheers,



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See the next page for upcoming events being held by QVAG at Watts Bridge. QVAG generously let us use their facilities when we have practice or events. We should try to support them as much as they support us.



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QVAG Upcoming Events:

**June 25 & 26 - "de Havilland Breakfast Fly-in" - Sunday 26th
(Chipmunk Club in the UK have supplied 4 prizes for this event)**

July 30 & 31 - "British Breakfast Fly-in" - Sunday 31st

AND

**August 26 - 28 Don't forget the BIG event of the year:
"The Festival of Flight 2005"**

As always, ALL types of aircraft are welcome to attend any QVAG event at Watts Bridge Memorial Airfield