

QUEENSLAND ULTRALIGHT ASSOCIATION

APRIL 2008 NEWSLETTER

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QUA CLUBHOUSE UPDATE



The above picture shows the recently constructed QUA Inc Clubhouse at Watts Bridge.

The building was assembled by Chris Gratton Sheds to the lock up stage just prior to Easter. Following inspection, the building was paid for by QUA funds. When time and money is available, the fit out process can commence to make the building more useful for QUA activities. No doubt this can be discussed in more detail at the April meeting. The first official clubhouse activity planned is the May general meeting on Sunday the 11th from 10.00am. A BBQ is planned after the meeting for those who can attend or fly-in.



THE NEXT QUA MEETING IS ON MONDAY 7th April FROM 07.30 PM
ALL MEMBERS AND INTERESTED PERSONS ARE WELCOME

CLIFTON FLY IN



The flying school hangar with Drifters and a Terrier at Bange's Airfield.



The Clifton Fly In was once again well attended on the Sunday morning with many aircraft flying in, despite the windy conditions. There was a constant stream of aircraft coming and going through the day. On the Saturday aircraft were arriving with some of the local aircraft in the air giving people joy flights. The QUA members who drove down on Saturday morning found things a bit slower as the Darling Downs Sport Aircraft Association members were preparing and setting up, whilst those who attended on Sunday enjoyed seeing all the activity and aircraft.

QUA LOGO PATCH

Thanks to Richard Faint for having sharp eyes, the mystery of the QUA logo has been solved. Richard spotted this logo patch on Glenda's flying coat sleeve recently and scanned it for us. The mystery of who designed the logo and made it is still with us as the origin of it seems to be forgotten. Perhaps some of our long standing members can recall the details of when it came about. As a future project, one hundred or so copies of a similar logo patch could be bought to distribute for our members to wear to help give the QUA Inc an identity as we visit other airfields and fly ins.



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MINUTES OF MARCH 2008 GENERAL MEETING

MEETING OPENED	08.05 pm
APOLOGIES	Ivor Parsons
VISITORS	Meg Pye from the Isle of Man, & Robin Salisbury
PRESIDENT'S REPORT	Clubhouse slab is down with thanks to Danny, Davis and Ian for setting out the plumbing prior to the concrete being poured Money needs to be paid to Grattons prior to assembly which is expected to commence after Easter. Clifton and Narromine Fly-ins are coming up in next month.
TREASURERS REPORT	Cheque Account \$ 3,218.59 Investment Accounts.....\$ 23,629.49 Total QUA Funds.....\$ 26,848.08 Plus Interest Due Motion to terminate both term deposits with money to be paid into the cheque account on 17 th March. Proposed.....Mike Smith Seconded.....Bryan Schollum Motion Carried.
SECRETARIES REPORT	Three items received. Invoice from Grattons for stage payment of \$20,002.00
WATTS BRIDGE REPORT	Clubhouse to aircraft parking area gates have been completed. Holes are dug for new gate off Silverleaves Road. Mowing to recommence soon once surface dries out. A new pipe for the clubhouse vehicle access road to be fitted soon.
GENERAL BUSINESS	A member profile page is included in this month's newsletter for Member of the Month articles in future newsletters. It is noted that the aerobatic box at Watts Bridge is in the circuit area of Runway 30 with yellow markers on the ground. When active, the MBZ radio frequency of 127.3 is monitored by the aerobatic ground personnel. A wide circuit is recommended. A question was raised regarding if there was a QUA logo. Motion to raise the annual QUA fee to \$50.00 per annum. Proposed.....Peter Ratcliffe Seconded.....Ian Ratcliffe Motion Carried. This increase is effective for this year's renewal
SOCIAL DIRECTOR	The Poker Run 08 is set for Saturday 12 th of July to coincide with the Watts Bridge "Christmas in July" dinner being organized by Liz Cook and the WBMA. Richard Faint is to distribute the envelope cards.
SPECIAL THANKS	to Robin for preparing the supper this month
MEETING CLOSED	08.30pm

SOCIAL CALENDAR

- April 7th QUA Inc General Meeting from 07.30 pm at Archerfield Aerodrome. Meet at the SAAA Clubhouse off the Beatty Road entrance. Supper will be provided after the meeting as usual, thanks to Robin.
- April 26th Lismore Airshow at Lismore Aerodrome, NSW. More details to follow.
- May 3rd –5th Inglewood Fly-in. More information when available.
- May 4th The David Hack Classic Meet at the Aerotec Hangar on Toowoomba Aerodrome. From 09.00am to 03.00 pm. Contact Scott Williamson.
- May 11th QUA Inc. General Meeting at Watts Bridge in the new QUA Clubhouse. Meeting to start at 10.00 am followed by a BBQ. More details in April.
- May 11th Gatton South Airpark Brekkie Fly-in “ BREAKFAST AT THE PARK “ Everyone welcome – ultralights / home-builts and GA -- from 07.30am. \$5.00 covers all – you – can - eat BBQ Brekkie, Tea and Coffee Contact Beven Dryden airbolt@bigpond.net.au / 07 54624174 or Martin Hone av.&@bigpond.com / 0419368696
- July 12th The annual QUA Poker Run at Watts Bridge. More details later.
- July 12th The Christmas in July Dinner and Party at Watts Bridge. Venue is the AAC Clubhouse. Contact Liz Cook on 0419369963



David Hack
CLASSIC MEET

10TH ANNIVERSARY
SUNDAY, 4TH MAY, 2008
9AM TO 3PM

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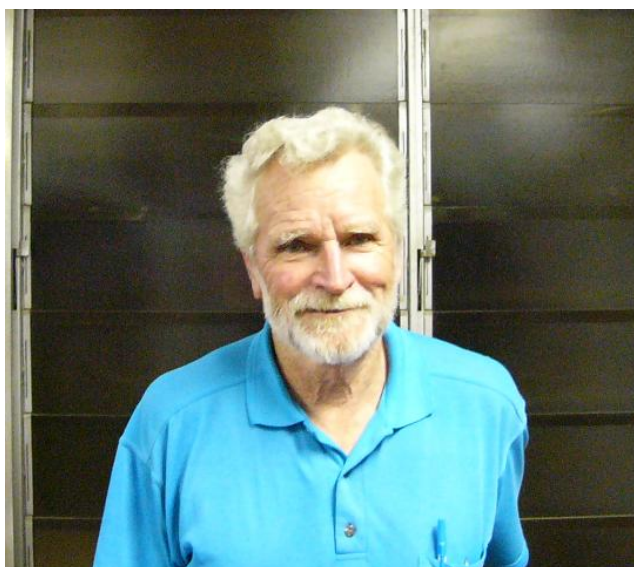
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The poster features a collage of various aircraft, including a biplane, a propeller plane, a small Cessna-style plane, a yellow and green ultralight, a white and blue twin-engine plane, a red and white twin-engine plane, and a dark blue and yellow propeller plane.

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QUA MEMBER OF THE MONTH



This month's member is Vern Grayson, who is a boiler-maker by trade. Vern learned to fly in a Lightwing GR912 at Coominya Flight Training, after deciding to commence his training at age sixty four. Prior to this Vern had raced motorcycles over the past fifty years and also enjoyed sailing for fifteen years. Recently Vern received his Zodiac XL aircraft kit which requires assembly before it can take to the skies. Earlier this year Vern flew to Evans Head in a Cessna 180. The return flight was made with a strong tail wind that gave a ground speed of 165 knots. We wish Vern well as he builds the Zodiac in the coming months and look forward to its first flight.

MEMBERS MARKET

For Sale Lea Kestrel, 95.10 single seat ultralight aircraft with an enclosed trailer included. Fitted with an electric start Rotax 503, Brolga propeller, and a well equipped instrument panel . TTIS 450 hours. Great value at \$10,500.00
Contact Keith on 07 38627740 for more information.

For Sale Tyro Two, 95.10 single seat ultralight aircraft. Fitted with a Rotax 377 and a Sweetapple propeller. Usual set of instruments including an hour meter. TTIS 160 hours, hangared at Watts Bridge. Flies well with great visibility. Just add petrol / oil and go flying.
Give away price at \$4,500.00. Contact Mal on 07 33415348 or 0414723049 for details.

For Sale.....A single seat project.

Aircraft is a full metal wing variant of a "Tyro" with one wing almost finished, spar and ribs of the other complete. Fuselage complete. All metal sheet to finish wing covering, and ailerons. Other stuff includes wing struts, engine mount (503), joystick assembly etc. Lots of brackets and a fiberglass shell. The workmanship to date on all parts is exceptional. I purchased this project based on the quality of the work done by the previous builder / owner. I can send digital pictures if requested. Asking \$3000 (or sensible offer). Please contact me (Ian Mitchell) on 0409 764 477 if interested. I've bought an aircraft, so I have even more motivation to sell. Plus the wife wants her garage back!

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QUA Inc TECHNICAL DIRECTOR George Perez

WHAT OUR MEMBERS FLY



ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE DUE !!!

Once again another year has passed and it's that time again to pay the annual \$50.00 QUA subscription fee. The cut off date for payment is August 2008 with payment due by 30th June, 2008. Treasurer Mike Smith is happy to accept cash or bank transfer or a cheque in the mail if you can't make the next meeting. Contact Mike on 0418735785 to arrange payment. A tear off slip is included below for your convenience.

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