

QUEENSLAND ULTRALIGHT ASSOCIATION

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Watts Bridge Memorial Airfield, Silverleaves Road via Toogoolawah, Qld

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CLIFTON FLY-IN

The recent fly in at Bange's Airfield, Clifton saw a variety of recreational flying machines attend over the weekend. The range of aircraft varied from basic powered parachutes, vintage GA types to the homebuilt jet from Watts Bridge. Most common were the many RAAus registered aircraft from open Drifters, innumerable Jabirus to other popular fast glass types. In all sixty to seventy aircraft flew in, most arriving on the Sunday morning. Those pilots and visitors who arrived on Saturday, renewed acquaintances whilst they enjoyed the evening BBQ in the hangar. Overall the weekend was very successful for Trevor and the crew.



Above are a vintage Quicksilver MX11 and Hughes Light wing arriving at Clifton.

Watts Bridge Memorial Airfield Inc. All-In Fly-In Airfield Open Day 23rd May 2009

All pilots and aviation enthusiasts are invited to the Watts Bridge Airfield Open Day to celebrate the rich diversity of all forms of recreational aviation. Watts Bridge Airfield, situated in the Brisbane Valley, is the home base for a wide range of aircraft including Vintage, Aerobatic and Recreational Aircraft as well as Gyroplanes, War Birds and a variety of Homebuilt Aircraft. **Free entry with no landing fees.**

THE NEXT QUA MEETING IS ON MONDAY 6th APRIL AT THE SAAA CLUBHOUSE AT ARCHERFIELD FROM 07.30PM FOLLOWED BY SUPPER. ALL QUA MEMBERS AND VISITORS ARE WELCOME.

QUA WORKING BEE PICS



At the clubhouse working bee at last month's meeting at Watts Bridge, new QUA signs were fitted to the building, more electrical cables run for power points and lights, plumbing added to the toilet area, an outside water tap installed, vent caps fitted, timber boxing around the tanks and the adjacent area to be paved, as well as a general tidy up of the grass and weeds around the outside of the clubhouse. This work was done by the willing dozen members who either drove up or flew in to help with the tasks planned. The photos depict some of the work done, including the BBQ provided for the members and the clubhouse parking area. More work is planned in future weeks on the toilet areas.



QUEENSLAND ULTRALIGHT ASSOCIATION Inc.

MINUTES OF MARCH 2009 GENERAL MEETING

MEETING OPENED 11.06 am

APOLOGIES Bruce Clarke, Peter Freeman, Danny Fowler, Jim Gollagher, John Innes, George Perez, Bryan Schollum, Richard Sweetapple

MEMBERS PRESENT Twelve.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT Thanks for coming today and helping out.
We will plan more working bees in the future.
Today we fitted a tap on the outside near the tanks.
Also work done on the toilet plumbing and the tank bases.

TREASURERS REPORT

Opening Balance	\$4,561.02
Plus deposits	\$ 360.00
Less withdrawals	\$ 86.25
Closing Balance	\$4,834.77

SECRETARIES REPORT Fairly quiet with correspondence this month.
Some emails regarding the future fly ins.

WBMA REPORT All In Fly In WBMA Open Day on Saturday May 23rd.
Need lots of aircraft on the field, either local or visiting.
There will be on field catering plus the QUA can sell soft drinks.
Need to ask the local flying schools if they would like to conduct Trial Flights to interested persons on the day.
The WBMA Council will be issuing a list of duties to those involved in the planning of the open day.

SOCIAL REPORT Clifton Fly In on March 15th. Good to attend.

Invitation to the QUA to attend the Caboolture Fly In and Museums Open Day on August 02nd. The invitation includes a request to take part in an ultra light / recreational aircraft fly past at 10.00am on the day, also to have a QUA display tent on the field. Mal has offered to set up his campervan with a QUA sign at Caboolture to hand out QUA information. For any QUA members present cold drinks, tea, coffee will be available at the campervan. Sandy Walker has offered to organize the QUA fly past and aircraft parking. Aircraft will be free to leave CAB when they wish or need to return to their home bases.

GENERAL BUSINESS Motion to purchase a suitable mower for the hangar / club house
Moved..... Mal McKenzie
Seconded.....Peter Ratcliffe.
MotionCarried.
Use of videos for the QUA meetings suggested.
Seventeen Ways to Fall Out of the Sky series to be considered.

THANKS To Peter Ratcliffe for supplying the BBQ.

MEETING CLOSED 11.50 am.

SOCIAL CALENDAR

- April 6th** **QUA Inc General Meeting** at the SAAA Clubroom at Archerfield.
- April 10 – 12th** **NARROMINE (YNRM) NATFLY 12th ANNIVERSARY FLY-IN**
Join the fastest growing family of aviation for our 12th NATFLY
Contact the RAAus on 02 6280 4700 for more information.
- May 02 – 03rd** **INGLEWOOD “ Gathering of the Tribes “ International Fly-In**
Camp under the stars or stay in a local hotel / motel. Great country hospitality
- May 02 – 03rd** **TOOWOOMBA 11th ANNUAL DAVID HACK MEMORIAL FLYIN**
Vietnam Memorial Fly-in has been themed to coincide with the 11th Annual
David Hack Classic Aircraft and Vehicle Meet Sunday May 3, 2009
Contact Scott Williamson on skwilliamson@aapt.net.au
- May 09th** **RA-Aus & CASA Line Maintenance Forum** at Clifton from 09.30am.
A cost of \$15.00 is requested to cover the lunch provided.
For more information inc booking details contact Ray Powdrell on 07 46993567
- May 17th** **Gatton Airpark Brekkie at the Park** hot breakfast from 07.30am
Cappuccino will be available for those who need a special fix.
All QUA folk invited Please contact Marty Hone on 0419368696 for details.
- May 23rd** **All-In Fly-In at Watts Bridge.** Airfield Open Day for all flying machines.
The All-In Fly-In is an all day event with on-field catering and coffee.
Entry is free with no landing fees. For more information contact Richard Faint
On 0412-317-754 or visit the Watts Bridge Website at www.wattsbridge.com.au
- June 07th** **QUA Inc Meeting at Watts Bridge** at 10.00am followed with a BBQ.
- July 3-5th** **Wide Bay Australia International Air-show** at Bundaberg
Biggest General Aviation Air-show in Australia. Aimed at the pilot who flies
anything from an ultra-light Thruster to a Challenger 300 jet. Fly in aircraft enter
for free and camping is allowed. The air-show will have a great selection of new
aircraft on display, catering to every taste. <http://www.widebayairshow.com.au/>
- July 25th** **QUA Inc Poker Run** at Watts Bridge. More details when available.
- July 25th** **WBMA Christmas in July Dinner** Contact Liz Cook on 0419369963.
- August 2nd** **Caboolture Warbirds Museum Open Day & Fly-In.** from 10.00am to 04.30pm
The QUA Inc has been invited to attend with a promotional display and to take
part in a fly past before landing at 10.00am. An aircraft parking area adjacent to
the QUA display will be allocated for incoming QUA aircraft. To be discussed.
Contact Ralph Cusack on info@beaufortrestorations.com.au for details
- August 29/30th** **QVAG Festival of Flight Vintage Fly-In** at Watts Bridge.
Contact John Innes on 0417643610 for more details.
- September 06th** **QUA Inc Meeting at Watts Bridge** at 10.00am followed with a BBQ.
- December 06th** **QUA Christmas Party at Watts Bridge ?** Details TBA.



**WATTS
BRIDGE**
MEMORIAL AIRFIELD INC.

All-In Fly-In

Airfield Open Day

23rd May 2009

9:00AM - 5:00PM

All pilots and aviation enthusiasts are invited to the Watts Bridge Airfield Open Day, celebrating the diversity of recreational aviation.

If it flies - It's welcome at Watts Bridge !

Vintage Aircraft
Aerobatic Aircraft
Recreational Aircraft

Gyroplanes
War Birds
Homebuilts

All day catering by
AOG, Esk
Coffee, BBQ & Snacks

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For more information visit
www.wattsbridge.com.au

Aircraft Museums Open Day
 at Caboolture Air Field
 2nd August 2009
 10am to 4.30pm

- * Military Vehicles
- * Vintage Motor Vehicles Concourse
- * Gliders-QLD Ultra Light Assoc,
- * Parachute Display -HAM Radio club
- * RAAF Cadets (March-Off)
- * Recruiting Display - Vintage Group

- Food & Drinks *
- Memorabilia *
- Models *
- Books & DVD's *
- Visiting Aircraft *
- War Birds *

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07 5499 1144 **McNaught Road Caboolture** 07 5495 4951

The QUA Inc has been invited to attend and participate in the above fly in and open day at Caboolture Airfield on Sunday August 2nd. This invitation includes setting up a promotional display / tent and having some members joining the fly past at 10.00am before landing and parking near the display area. QUA member Sandy Walker (0424958173 is coordinating our involvement in this event. Mal will bring his campervan to set up the display and sign at CAB.

FOR SALE

VW Components QUA member John Innes has the following VW engine components for sale.
Magnetos --- Slick and Scintilla, **Complete induction system** including clamps and side draught carburetor, **Complete exhaust system** for the Type One engine, and a **Propeller** and **Hub**. All ready to fit to your VW.
 For more information **John** can be contacted on **0417643610** or email jbinnes@bigpond.com

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QUA INC ----- 50 MEMBERS AND STILL GROWING-----JOIN US

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