

QUEENSLAND ULTRALIGHT ASSOCIATION

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Watts Bridge Memorial Airfield, Silverleaves Road via Toogoolawah, Qld

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NARROMINE 2009

The thirteenth Narrromine Fly in was successful with over 400 aircraft arriving over the week end including a good number of trade stalls open for the many visitors. As in the picture above, at times the weather was severely overcast with a storm cell passing through on Saturday afternoon. Because of the weather many people drove in, packing the camping grounds to over capacity. In spite of the current economy, the vendors reported good sales of both aircraft and components. This reflects the growing membership of the RAAus.



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, 11th MAY AT THE OFFICE OF AMALGAMATED PEST CONTROL ON BOUNDARY ROAD, ARCHERFIELD FROM 07.30 pm. ALL QUA MEMBERS AND ANY INTERESTED PERSONS ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US. SUPPER IS AVAILABLE AFTER THE MEETING.

RICHARD & GLENDA'S WAIEX

As Richard outlined at last month's QUA meeting, work continues at a steady rate on this project. From the photos we see the progress on the fuselage as they plan the fit out and instrument panel. The use of the LCD instrument package really simplifies this task. Once again the workmanship of this project is typical of the great finish that was put into the two Tinny projects Richard and Glenda recently completed. At this stage the real thinking really commences as the equipment layout and fitting out is worked out before the process of completing the fuselage can proceed. When the fuselage nears completion work will continue on the assembly of the wing panels with the pre-assembled spars and ribs.

QUA members are invited to view the Waiex project to see how a well manufactured metal kit aircraft is built.



JIM'S KARATOO

Below we see the steel tube Karatoo fuselage taking shape that Jim Gollagher is building from plans. Jim has already made the wing ribs and continues to assemble the fuselage into a three dimensional structure.



INGLEWOOD FLY IN 09

Once again the Inglewood Fly In drew many aspects of the recreational aviation community. The enthusiasts from Dalby were present with their unusual Dragonfly tug aircraft towing hang gliders airborne. Wayne Fisher was showing how to place his Drifter in some more unusual attitudes. The local people were out in force helping the aviators and providing facilities and food for all the visitors. QUA members Peter & Julie, Jim in the Savannah and your editor in an X-Air were present on Saturday. At night there were other activities to keep people occupied and amused. Below are the Dragonfly and a hang glider being assembled.



QUA SOCIAL CALENDAR

- May 11th** **QUA Inc General Meeting** at 07.30pm. Meeting this time at the office of **Amalgamated Pest Control office in Boundary Road Archerfield.**
- 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
- 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.

MINUTES OF QUEENSLAND ULTRALIGHT ASSOCIATION

MEETING DATE: 06th April 2009

MEETING OPENED: 8:00PM

APOLOGIES: Vern Grayson David Ratcliffe Glenda Faint
Mal McKenzie Mike Smith Richard Sweetapple

MINUTES: The Minutes for the previous Meeting were accepted as a true record of the meeting.
Moved: Colin Thorpe Seconded: Danny Fowler

BUSINESS ARISING:

There was no business arising from the previous meeting.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

The Working Bee at the QUA Club House was a success with much achieved including.,
Plumbing in the bathroom, electrical cables pulled, work around the tanks, vermin proofing,
And the club name mounted on the building.
The recent Human Factors course was well attended.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Richard Faint presented the Treasurer's Report on behalf of Mike Smith.
The Balance of Accounts stands at \$2,842.92.
Moved: Richard Faint Seconded: Ian Ratcliffe

WATTS BRIDGE REPORT:

The upcoming All-In Fly-In was discussed with all encouraged to attend.

SOCIAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

There being no Social Director general discussion included:
Caboolture Fly In by the QUA. Sandy Walker is the point of contact for this event.
The QUA Poker Run and Christmas in July.

GENERAL DISCUSSION:

The prospect of running a First Aid course was discussed.
The general feeling was to hold such a course in the second half of the year if there is
sufficient interest shown.

Richard Faint discussed the Waix kit that Glenda and he are constructing and offered
an open invitation to anyone that was interested in having a look at the project

Thanks to Robin Salisbury for Supper.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be at:
Amalgamated Pest Control, Boundary Road, Archerfield, on 11th May, 2009

MEETING CLOSED:

There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed at 8:18PM

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 **041764310** or email jbinnes@bigpond.com

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WE INVITE ALL OUR MEMBERS & FRIENDS TO JOIN US AT THE
AMALGAMATED PEST CONTROL OFFICE IN ARCHERFIELD .

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

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ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE DUE !!!

Once again another year has flown by and it's that time to pay the annual \$50.00 QUA subscription fee. Treasurer Mike Smith is happy to accept cash or a cheque in the mail if you can't make the next meeting. Contact Mike on 0418735785 to arrange payment by bank transfer. A tear off slip is included for your convenience. Return slips and a cheque can be mailed to the QUA Secretary at the following address
QUA Secretary, 16 London Street, Eight Mile Plains, Queensland, 4113.

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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, celebrating the diversity of recreational aviation.

9:00AM - 5:00PM

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

Vintage Aircraft
Aerobatic Aircraft
Recreational Aircraft

Gyroplanes
War Birds
Homebuilts

*All day catering by
AOG, Esq
Coffee, BBQ & Snacks*

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