



# Watts News

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## **QUA Fun fly Poker Run and Christmas in July 2009**



Saturday July 25<sup>th</sup> saw the running of the QUA Fun Flying Poker Run. Pilots fly to four different airfields around the valley and collect a playing card at each stop.

It's all pure chance and a lot of fun. Good airmanship skills are required when there are up to ten aircraft in circuit at the same time. Close to 40 pilots gave it a go.



When pilots arrived at Watts Bridge QUA had a splendid array of barbecue treats on offer.

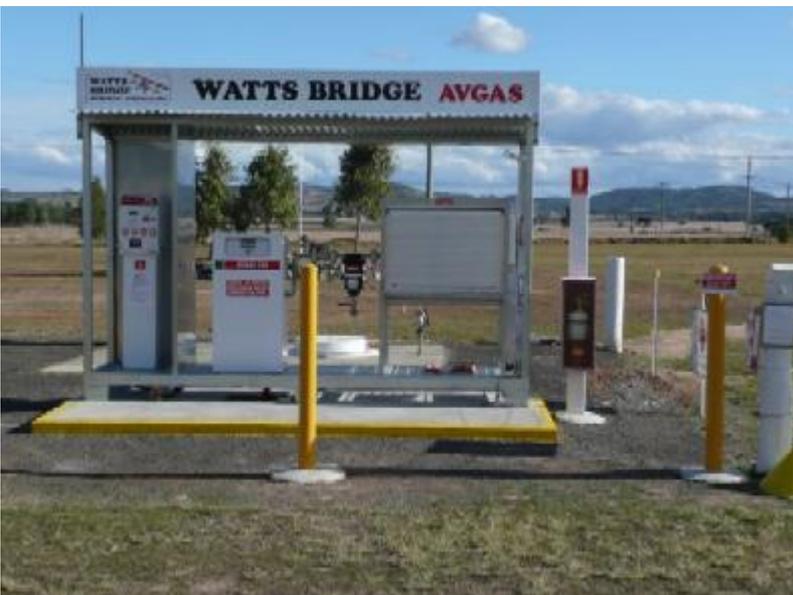
That evening more than 60 merry makers celebrated Christmas in July; superbly hosted by the Aerobatics Club. The final cards were dealt to the poker players and the eventual winner was Clive Tudge with a hand of 3x twos. The tool raffle was won by Barry Evans. Everyone agreed that this is what fun flying is all about!

## The 'bou' and the boy



These two photos were taken at the recent Festival of Flight. They seem to have little in common. However the venerable Caribou will not be seen any more in Australian skies and its presence at Watts Bridge represents the passing of an era. By contrast when we look at the small boy in his Gee Bee racer we wonder whether his enthusiasm at a young age may represent the interest of the rising generation so vital to recreational aviation.

## Fuel Depot upgrade



Another step forward is the fuel depot upgrade. The underground tank has been cleaned, checked and re-certified. The depot itself is similar to the one installed at Kingaroy and sets the standard for the Brisbane Valley. Members are requested to avail themselves of this user-friendly facility. Aviators can obtain fuel using a Master or Visa card system which is a tremendous improvement over the old system. Your support of this investment will be appreciated.