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The de Havilland Dragon Rapide lands at Wedderburn on our Open Day (see Page 3)



Our President welcomes the team from Radio Station C91.3FM, who supported us on our Open Day with gifts for the children and broadcast "live crosses".

The Robinson 44 "added to the Open Day atmosphere"

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Dianne Maree Laybutt passes on



It was with great shock that, only hours before this Newsletter went to print, we received the tragic and crushing news that Dianne Laybutt, wife of our immediate past Club President, Vic, passed away just before midnight last Saturday night.

She passed away in hospital after an elective and routine surgical operation. What follows is the text of an email that Vic flashed out to the world shortly afterwards.

"IT IS DEEPEST GRIEF AND UTTER SHOCK THAT I ADVISE THE SUDDEN PASSING OF THE MOST BEAUTIFUL PERSON EVER TO WALK THIS EARTH. WHILST RECOVERING FROM ROUTINE SURGERY AT THE ROYAL HOSPITAL FOR WOMEN, RANDWICK, DIANNE SUFFERED A NON-RECOVERABLE CARDIO ARREST. FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE ADVISED WHEN FINALISED. VIC"

It is with love and deep regret that the members of the NSW SAC pass on their deepest sympathy and condolences to Vic, Ashley, Jay and the extended Laybutt family on this unexpected and shattering loss of their very-much loved and irreplaceable wife, mother and friend.

All our hearts go out to Vic and the Laybutt family at this sad time - on the passing of such a wonderful, happy and beautiful Dianne.

David Rittie



Dianne and Vic enjoying happy times



Dianne (at right) with Daughter-in-Law, Lisa, and holding hands with future Daughter-in-law Naomi

From your Editor

Welcome to the **December '06/January '07** edition of your Newsletter.

Please be aware that there is a **very VERY** important General Meeting scheduled for 10th December, starting at 2pm in the Clubhouse with a serious issue to be resolved. You simply **MUST** be there.

The General Meeting in December is also your last chance, before the locks are changed, to collect your new **gate key** (if you have not already done so).

There have been some major Club events recently -



the annual Open Day, the huge trip to China, and the Albion Park fly-out lunch.

The Open Day had all the attractions of previous Open Days, however the weather kept many of the would-be visitors away. Several Open Day reports appear on **Pages 3, 4, 6 and 11.**

The fly-out/drive out lunch to Albion Park Airport attracted many of our members and guests. A report of this event appears on **Page 9.**

The huge **Additional Supplement** attached to this Newsletter is devoted to the China trip, with a great report from our Fly-out Coordinators, Lindsay and Maree Sinclair, along with a stack of photos taken by members of the touring party.

Thanks to all those who have contributed articles to this issue of your Newsletter. Thanks also to Peter Scott and Geoff May who

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contributed nearly all the Open Day photos..

Finally, to our retiring Fly-out Coordinators, Maree and Lindsay Sinclair, may I thank you for getting us to places that we wouldn't have normally gone. There have been some great fly-ing events, but the stand-out trips were Darwin and China, which gave great enjoyment to all who participated. Thanks heaps.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you all!

David Rittie

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Words from the President

Open Day Success

Sunday November 5th dawned gloomy with lowering cloud base and a forecast for general turbulence. Despite that unpromising-looking day, many Club aircraft were brought out by their owners to make an impressive display. Our friends at Wedderburn Rural Fire Service brought their appliances and people to add to the colour. The Ingleburn RSL and Campbelltown Community Pipes and Drum Band brought more colour and excitement by accompanying displays with the stirring tones of massed pipes and drums.

We were very grateful to have Roy Fox fly in his twin engined de Havilland Dragon Rapide, now a famous and venerable old biplane, but still an impressive sight in the parking area. Thanks too are due to the "hover lovers" who came with their shiny Robinson 44 and buzzed about to add to the atmosphere. (Sorry folks, no one I asked knew

the names of the proud owners of this machine.) Sadly, the low cloud base prevented the arrival of Egon Mahr and his Nanchang, trapped near Mittagong with the proverbial "cloud on ground". The lowering clouds also prevented any opportunity for a demonstration parachute drop or a visit by our friends from Southern Cross Gliding Club to demonstrate a glider and glider towing.

Greg Ackman did sterling work to supply and set up his "MOBILE 1" com's and PA. He was also commentator and Master of Ceremonies throughout the day, providing informative commentary on aircraft and people coming and going. Vic Laybutt manned the CTAF com's as an efficient Unicom for airborne traffic.

During the morning the three "Roving Road-crew" cars from Campbelltown radio station, C91.3FM arrived at the airfield to give away sample bags to the children and to "cross-live" broadcast to greater Campbelltown on the events



and spectacle at Napper Field, Wedderburn. This advertising support for our day was provided by the station as a community service. So make sure you listen to C91.3 when next you are in the Campbelltown area.

Credit for the success of the day is due to Sy Allsep who, as Convenor, very effectively motivated groups of workers to prepare the airfield on the day prior to the event and to man the various control points throughout the day. Those of you who

spent time at the gate collecting the \$2 coins from the public and marshalling the aircraft parking area are thanked for jobs well done. The co-operation among you to share the duties across the day was very gratifying.

And of course Sy's contribution was not limited just to the Open Day weekend. He had spent many hours on the telephone in the weeks leading up to the day organizing people and machines. Next time you see Sy, I am sure a handshake and a "well done" comment will be appreciated.

As usual, the Open Day would have been only a shadow of its success if not for the catering and goodies stalls supplied by the Ladies Auxiliary. There were luscious Devonshire Teas consumed in bulk along with other cakes and goodies. The preserves stall yielded further delights to take home. Main meals were served by members of the Lions Club of Camden who were as usual generous contributors to our day, donating part of their takings as additional contributions to the Club's fundraising effort for our local bush fire brigade.

The Wedderburn Rural Fire Service was the nominated community organization for which we were raising funds, and despite the rather reduced public attendance caused by the threatening weather, a cheque for \$745 (plus \$130 raised at Greg and Anne Goulding's hangar breakfast) has been sent to our local Rural Fire Service.

Merry Christmas everyone



Peter Scott

Comment on the Open Day from Tara Stevermuer

What a day November 5th was this year. For us it was the end of 30 hours of flying (Canada via China home). We came straight from Sydney airport to Wedderburn to catch as much of the Open Day as we could. Given the weather was not fantastic and we could not arrive until just after lunch we were thrilled to see so many aircraft out on display and so many cars parked along the road that belonged to visitors to the club. Although we missed most of the activities of the day, upon arrival at the club Bernie was very quickly into the cockpit of the Helio Courier and had a lot of fun remembering how to fly

(five weeks and he only got to fly once – he was suffering withdrawal symptoms!!!). He put on a great display of the performance capabilities of the Helio, and while showing how slowly he could fly both our mothers were convinced he was going to fall out of the sky!

Thanks to Sy for organising a great day.

Tara Stevermuer

Thanks for the comment Tara. Open Day pictures appear on **Pages 1, 11 & 12** **Ed**

Dang right! We'all gonna hogtie them Committee!!

That's the sentiment behind the motion to the next GM from two members opposed to valid Committee decisions reached by proper democratic process.

Do you want your Committee "hogtied" with a spending limit of \$3,000 unless approved by a General Meeting?

At Part 3, Section 13 about "Powers of the committee", the Club Rules say:

"The Committee is to be called the committee of management of the association and, subject to the Act, the Regulation and these rules and to any resolution passed by the association in general meeting:

Is to control and manage the affairs of the association;

May exercise all such functions as may be exercised by the Association, other than those functions that are required by these rules to be exercised by a general meeting of members of the association; and

Has power to perform all such acts and do all such things as appear to the Committee to be necessary or desirable for the proper management of the affairs of the association."

This proposed motion to restrain the Committee is a rejection of Part 13.

Do you members really want to be called back regularly to General Meetings to argue about whether the Committee should be empowered to spend every unbudgeted expenditure greater than \$3,000?

Passing this motion is a recipe for paralysis of your Club. Make sure your vote counts at the **General Meeting** on December 10.

Peter Scott

A Personal Reflection

from Peter Scott, President.

Do I like being the subject of a no confidence motion? Am I serene about a motion based on untruths and personalized attack on my personality? Well no, of course not.

So why do I carry on? Some may be asking "what is in it for Peter"?

Power? Hardly! I have no more say in Committee decisions than my 8 Committee colleagues (except rarely a casting vote on a split decision). And my vision for the Club has been opposed by a faction of the Committee throughout my presidency.

What then? **Is it enough reward to achieve responsible and fair administration of my Club according to its Rules? I believe so.**

The disputed outcomes were all valid Committee and General Meeting decisions. Yet a disaffected committee colleague demands my resignation. Why would that be? Whose interests are served by bending the Rules?

My friends tell me to walk away. Why don't I?

Because when you members elected

me, I undertook a **duty**. I intend to discharge that duty.

I will not let vested interests take over my Club and yours unless you, the members, decide by vote that this is what a majority of you want.

Make sure you vote at the General Meeting on **10 December**.



Workdays Workdays Workdays Workdaze Workdaze Workdaze

G'day Everyone,

And here we are again at the end of another year and my first, almost full year, of looking after work day activities for the club. I hope everyone who attended this year's workdays enjoyed the "social aspect" of the workday, apart from just achieving some of the general maintenance and repairs around the field, especially on the days where we had guest speakers, not to mention the Saturday trial workday with the afternoon BBQ and social flying activities.

As a way to avoid incorrect or disputed missed workday payments for not attending the allotted three day requirement for 2006, this year we will be placing the entire workday attendance sheet on the club website so you can check the days we have you marked off for your attendance. There is a possibility there may be some discrepancies where the system of recording attendance changed from signing the workday lunch sheet to signing up for lunch on the actual job allocation sheet, and also the possibility of some members forgetting to sign the register on some occasions. I would ask you to check the list and if you think there is an error in your attendance record, please send me an email and I will be happy to correct the list. All information used to collate workday attendances are taken from the actual sheets everyone signs at the clubhouse on the day, with other "make-up" days attended coming from members notifying me, via email, when they have completed their or-



ganised work activity.

I would also like to mention that there were a few members this year who made up their workday attendance requirement by doing other duties on days that were not actual workdays. I would like to remind you all that "this is an acceptable way" to make up for times where you may be unable to attend on actual workdays. It should also be noted that

there were a few members this year who actually did more days for the club than the minimum three – so thanks very much to those people, I'm sure it is appreciated by all.

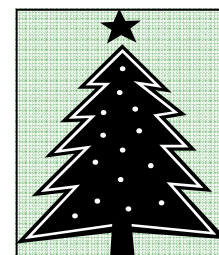
2007 will see workdays moving to include Saturdays as well as Sundays. The 2007 Calendar will have the actual days listed, however as a "Heads Up" prior to the calendar being sent out early next year, the First, Third and Fifth workday for 2007 will fall on a Sunday with workdays Two and Four falling on a Saturday.

Lastly, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a **Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year**; I look forward to seeing you all in 2007. Be safe, everyone, and enjoy the holiday season.

Cheers



Matthew Gray - Workday Coordinator



OPEN DAY SUNDAY 5TH NOVEMBER

A very important Thank You to Sy Allsep for taking on the role as co-ordinator for the Open Day at such short notice. Sy, it was a pleasure to work with you in helping to “get the show on the road”. You did an excellent job and with all of us behind you I knew it would be a success. Certainly, we had the bad weather to contend with, but even with a few flying events cancelled, the day went well, and from the feedback I had everyone enjoyed themselves.

Our friends from the Camden Lions Club have reported back to me that they had a very good day and were pleased with the number that attended to buy their delicious hot food. This wonderful organisation has, once again, been generous in donating the cost of our VIP lunches to the Wedderburn Rural Fire Service.

The Ladies Auxiliary, as they do every year, had been working very hard for many weeks to have our stalls laden with beautiful handicrafts, a great display of delicious home made cakes and biscuits (sponges, fruit cakes, shortbreads etc.), the always popular Tomato Relish and various Jams (Marmalades, Mandarins and Apricot), and I must not forget Dot Mc's Lemon Butter which sells almost before it hits the table. Our thanks go to Ella Gale and our friend Robyn (from Canberra) who both came along

Hi Everyone

Here we are nearing the end of 2006, where has the year gone? ? Our Club activities this year have all been worthwhile, though not always well attended, but for all our members, friends and many of our local residents who did support the Ladies Auxiliary activities this year I say “Thank You”.

In the new year we will be holding more social gatherings in our own Clubhouse to encourage new members to take part in our evenings of fun, and to get to know your fellow member, so when you read in our Newsletters about the Social Evenings planned please remember to book early.

Sorry, I forgot to mention in the last Newsletter about the BBQ night we enjoyed with 12 of our friends from the Wedderburn Rural Fire Service on Saturday 23rd September. In all we had 30 attend our very pleasant night and it was good to see our neighbours Charles and Rhonda Harland come along and join us too, and hope to see the locals join us at our next Social Evening.

The Ladies were kept very busy for the Work Day on Sunday 29th October. We were delighted to have 50 members sit down for lunch and we do appreciate your support. My dedicated team of Ladies made up delicious sandwiches with various fillings followed by cakes and fresh fruit, and from all reports our workers did enjoy their lunch. A great deal of work was carried out around the airfield to make everywhere look so neat and tidy in readiness for the Open Day, and as old Mr. Grace said “You all did very well”.

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and contributed more delicious cakes to sell on our stalls. We appreciate your generosity. The Ladies making and selling the popular Devonshire Teas were kept very busy and "Thanks" to Jen and Delcie for assisting the team. We do appreciate your help. Also, where would we be without our little helper and special junior assistant to the Ladies, Lilli - you are wonderful, and we love having you around us, and "thank" you for always being there to help us. By the way we miss Grace not coming along with you but we know she is busy studying, and we will see her soon.

To the wonderful team of the SAC Ladies Auxiliary, we are so lucky to have in our Club, I "Thank" you all for your time and energy you give to make our Open Day the success it always is.

This year we also missed having Joyce, Steve

and Robyn Cavanagh with us on Open Day. I'm sure this is the first time in 27 years that this wonderful family has not been with us assisting us in so many ways, but due to other commitments they were not able to be present. The Open Day wasn't the same without you all.

It was great to have Jan and Len Watkins, from the local community, come along to lend a hand on Open Day. Len was a member of SAC many years ago and just recently both have applied to become social members of our Club. We "Thank" them for their help on Open Day and look forward to seeing them quite often at our functions.

To the many members, their families and our visitors who came and supported the Ladies Auxiliary stalls on Open Day we "Thank" you, and please remember we always need your support in all that we do for the Club.



FLY-IN/DRIVE-IN BRUNCH SUNDAY 4TH FEBRUARY 2007 - 10.00 a.m.

Yes, our first Fly-In / Drive-In Brunch for the New Year will be happening and we have a guest speaker booked to give a most interesting talk on his life as an Aviator, so please remember to come along and enjoy a hearty breakfast for a small charge of \$6.00 then sit back and enjoy a pleasant few hours listening and relaxing.



I wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Healthy and Happy 2007

Cheers

Margaret Adams

ALBION PARK'S AVIATOR LOUNGE UNDER THREAT

Don't we all just love to fly down to Albion Park and enjoy a cup of coffee in the Aviators Lounge? Well, time may be running out for this lovely little café that we all enjoy so much. The establishment is under threat from the local government authorities who want to close it down. It is even possible that the lounge could be out of business before we have our annual Christmas get-together there.

HOW CAN THIS BE STOPPED? We can write, call, yell, demonstrate, throw eggs or carry out any appropriate action that will let the Mayor understand that this move would be unpopular with a great many of us, and help the café operators to retain the premises.

If you are enthusiastic to this cause may I suggest that you write to David Hamilton (the Shoalhaven Mayor) and express your disgust at such a proposal.

David Rittie

Hi everyone,

A lot has happened since the last newsletter – the sale of the land has fallen through, a controversial amount of money was spent renovating the ladies bathroom, the replacement tractor came (and went). Obviously all of these impact on the club's finances and future budgets and need to be discussed in more detail at the upcoming General Meeting (December 10). So I wonder...

...have you had your say in how you think the club's money should be spent yet?

If you haven't responded I can only assume you either don't care how the club spends your money, or, you

are just about to send your completed survey to me (deadline 15 Dec). All members are encouraged to respond to the "planning ahead" survey enclosed in last newsletter and available on the SAC website.

Below is a summary of the feedback received so far. This information will be used to develop the 2007 budget. In determining the budget, one key question to be discussed at the upcoming General Meeting is – what should we do with all the money saved for the "hoped for" land purchase?

I am disappointed to have to report that for the second time this year fuel has been taken and not written in the fuel book. I am hoping that the distracted person responsible



will contact me upon reading this. If you refuelled an aircraft with 19 litres on Monday 2nd or Tuesday 3rd October and have not received an invoice for it PLEASE let me know.

On a more positive note, THANK YOU to all members paying their statements promptly, and

Merry Christmas to all!

Tara Stevermuer

FEEDBACK SO FAR...most responding members feel the club should:

- be saving to buy the land, but not to the detriment of maintaining the runway and taxiways
- seal the whole runway, parallel taxiway and northern hangar taxiways plus repair damaged taxiway A-B
- create a fire break (grass strip) along the runway (reduces tyre wear; suits light aircraft)
- complete the drainage along the runway and all northern hangars
- install a toilet block (no shower) in the northern area and landscape all areas
- bitumen roadway to northern gate and regrade (or bitumen) roadway to southern gate
- try to get electricity supplied to the club house and hangars

HOWEVER...most responding members feel the club should NOT:

- maintain car access near the runway or bitumen club roads
- provide disabled toilets, replace the BBQ, or further renovate the club house

It was felt that most of these expenses should be borne by the club, with some shared with hangar owners. Most felt the 'runway work', repair to taxiway A-B and regrading of the road to the southern gate should be in the 2007 budget, with other expenses listed expected to be in either 2008 or 2009. The exception being landscaping, which should be in 2010/11.

In considering **INCOME SOURCES**...most responding members felt the club should:

- increase the joining fee (no-one has said 'no' – yet) in 2007 (between \$2,000–\$7,000)
- not increase membership or hangar fees (beyond the usual CPI increase)
- try to obtain grants/financial assistance if available – *let the committee know if you hear of anything we can apply for!*

******* WANTED ***** WANTED ***** WANTED *******

PHOTOS OF: - - - YOUR PLANE(S) - & - YOU AT CLUB EVENTS

2007 CLUB CALENDAR

Like for 2006, I aim to include a photo of as many members and as many member's aircraft as it is possible to fit on one A3 page calendar. **SO**, if you have a great photo of your plane or you (or another club member) at a club function that you would like included in next years calendar then send it to me (see page 2 for contact details) by 22 December. Digital photos are preferred, however regular photos can be submitted. I will endeavour to include all photos I receive – however, first in best dressed.

Tara

ONE DAY EVENT - SUNDAY 19 NOVEMBER ALBION PARK, WOLLONGONG

The day dawned sunny with blue skies - we actually have some fine weather, wind was light - and it was going to be an excellent day for a leisurely fly down the coast to Wollongong.

Some were adventurous and headed up to Newcastle the day before, visited friends and then flew back to join in our event. Others did a Victor One first. It was terrific to see our potential new members joining in for the day and it was also great to see some of the wives join in with our members. It was also great to see those who could not manage to fly down still join in and drive to Albion Park.

All up we had 25. The Aviators Lounge was certainly busy leading up to Xmas but we all managed to squeeze in and get a feed. Tucker was very good so we should be in for a treat for our Christmas Lunch that is coming up.

Quite a bit of relaxation and chatter was happening amongst everyone. I reckon an excellent day was had by all.

Thank you for joining in on this event and also we would like to thank all the regular event attendees who have supported us in the flying events over this last year and who have made it so enjoyable.



Keep flapping those wings, and **all our best wishes to you all for the festive season.**

Lindsay & Maree Sinclair

2006 - CHAMPIONSHIP COMPETITION POINTS

The final update of the Championship competition points is as follows:

It was a very close neck by neck comp between the two Dave's - Dave Thomas and Dave Rittie. Both were very enthusiastic in attending all events and everyone had fun encouraging them on.

Following up from the Dave's, were a couple of other close contenders for third place. Then there were the rest - maybe not as high on the score board but credit has to be given to them - they tried, they participated and I'm sure, enjoyed the fun.

So final scores were

Dave Rittie - 215 points
Dave Thomas - 200
Doug Montague - 195
Vic Laybutt - 125
Sam Randazzo - 120
Peter Scott - 105
Frank Krasso - 95
Nash Pilling & Greg Goulding - 90
Jan Zytka, Peter Hodgins, Kevin Haydon - 80 each
Bernie Stevermuer - 75
Ray Feneley, Robert Greig, Bret Cavanagh, Matthew Gray, Russell Dann, Bob Faber - all on 60 points, and a heap of others under the 60 mark.

All pilots, their names have been

placed in the hat, you may not have been in the running for the trophy but you still have a chance of winning something. As well, all club members who attended the events will have their names go into the hat. A name will be drawn for a great first prize (for two people). The second prize and third prizes will be pretty good as well. Need to be there at the presentation lunch on the 16th to see if you have won.

Congratulations to Dave Rittie for being champ for the third time running and to all the pilots who competed in the events. Well done.

Lindsay & Maree Sinclair

FUTURE FLYING EVENTS

A short note to say:

The Albion Park fly in was the last event we will be organising for the club apart from the presentation awards thing at the Christmas Lunch on the 16th December.

We have enjoyed the last couple of years organising the events and getting people involved and getting them going places that they would normally not even consider going on

their own. We certainly had some fun times and seen some great places. We really appreciate the regulars who attended these events.

You will have all seen the email written by Lindsay, that the President so thoughtfully decided to share with everyone. Needless to say, I just wish to clear one matter up - at no time did Lindsay or myself get any kick backs or payments

or freebies from anyone regarding anything to do with these flying events. We paid our own way just like everyone else who attended did. Nor, were we trying to take over and run everything. We just wanted the best for the Club and to get it back to a vibrant social place.

We wish the next person who takes on the task of organising the Club's flying events all the best.

Cheers

Maree Sinclair

Machinery Update

G'day all,

After a lengthy delay, the fergie replacement finally arrived. Unfortunately it was delivered without a slasher or bucket, and without these it was of no use to the club. Thankfully the club was able to return the tractor at no cost to club members. There is a lot of slashing

that needs to be done now and it has become a matter of urgency. Given we have been denied ownership of our land for now it has been proposed that the club purchase a new tractor. I strongly support this idea. This will be discussed at the upcoming general meeting.

Always airborne,

Bernie Stevermuer



New Members

G'day all,

October and November saw four more applications for membership:

Mikailo Eric

Flies an X-Air, hails from Mount Pritchard, and specialises in fitting gyprock, mainly to ceilings, and yes, Eric is his surname.

Peter Pheenan

Peter is a truck driver from Blacket, and flies a Borabee.

Robyn and John Venn

Robyn originally got her pilots license in New Zealand, where she flew a Tomahawk and a few other aircraft.

She is now in the process of becoming current again. John is keen to become a pilot. Having recently sold their business they now face the difficult choice of choosing what aircraft to buy!!

Please let the committee know if you know any of these applicants.

We would also like to take this opportunity to welcome our newest Probationary members John Lightbown and Gary Malane (you may have known him as Uri Malaniak).

Seasons greetings to everyone



Bernie Stevermuer

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Phil Ayrton and Associates wins Building Design Award

Phil Ayrton (SAC Club member, RV4 owner/builder/driver) and his company - Philip Ayrton and Associates was recognised among Wollongong's finest architects at a ceremony on 8th November.

Wollongong City Council's 2006 Architectural Design awards ceremony.

Congratulations to you, Phil, from all the SAC members.

The award was presented at Wol-

David Rittie

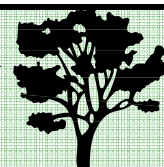
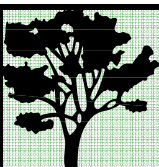


Dual occupancy: Rolston House in Coast St Thirroul, by Philip Ayrton & Associates.

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SAC CHRISTMAS PARTY/ AWARDS AFTERNOON



Saturday 16 December 2006, From 12:30 PM to be held at



THE AVIATOR LOUNGE

The Aviator Lounge, Airport Road, Illawarra Regional Airport, Albion Park Rail

YWOL Fly in or drive

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL: Contact Tara Stevermuer at stevermuer@uow.edu.au
or call 4285 2007, or 0425 380 967

OPEN DAY Comment

From Sy Allsep

I would like to thank all those who made the Open Day a success, even with the bad weather. I would have liked to list all the volunteers who put in such a big effort, but if I missed someone it would be disappointing for those concerned.

The support I received from the Committee, the Ladies Auxiliary and individual Club members prior to the event, and both Saturday and Sunday was outstanding. Every member I contacted supported the event, with many others ringing to offer their assistance.

I would also like to thank our founding and long-term members after all the effort of founding the Club and building the airfield. They still put in a big effort for this event.

Thanks also to Greg Ackman (for supplying the P.A. and electrical equipment) and all our sponsors.

Best regards

Sy

You did a great job. Thanks Sy Ed



Doug Montague
puts his beautiful
RV10 on show

The "Goodies"
stall from the
Ladies Auxiliary





Sy Allsep proudly shows his de Havilland Beaver at the recent Richmond Air Show



Greg Ackman (with help from Peter Hodgens) did a sterling job with Open Day commentary, using "Mobile One" supplied equipment



Campbelltown Community Pipes and Drum Band brought colour and excitement to our Open Day



Robert Greig demonstrates the ability of the Skydart S2 on the Open Day



Vic was "Air Traffic Control" again



Everyone enjoyed the Open Day