

The Queensland Chapter Newsletter



April 2005

Mini Competition 12th/13th March 2005

First let's start with the Newsletter with the results of the Mini Competition held in Mid March. Everyone agreed that the competition was good fun and produced a bit more tension, as marks were up for grabs!

Winner on the day was Ian in his beautiful Yellow Pitts.

Results

Pilot	Percentage (%)
Ian Bent	QLD 83.38
Scott Jarron	QLD 78.39
Clive Tudge	QLD 74.87
Darrell Brown	QLD 74.45
Anthony Rowell	QLD 71.52
Martyn Woodhouse	QLD 63.76

National Championship at Parkes NSW

And now to the real stuff; with Easter early this year we all trooped off to Parkes feeling that we needed a bit more practise. Nevertheless a fantastic time was had by all and some good results for the Queensland team.

Most of the team arrived in time for registration and practise early on the Friday. The later stragglers arrived in time to get a practise flight in on Good Friday and then on Saturday it was ON.

Saturday was memorable for the strange radio calls with one of particular note "Hello, is anybody there? I'm all alone and wondering if you've forgotten me!" Ah, we've been there! Patience in the holding box is not a well practised art!

The Queensland team did well again but this time not well enough to win the team trophy this year!

Results were (Queensland team members only, for full results see the web site):

Advanced Grade:

1st Alan Kilpatrick 76.16%

Well done again, Alan, the 4th year in a row but the 1st representing Queensland!

Intermediate Grade:

4th Peter Williamson 65.09%

The sole Queensland representative and doing very nicely with his highest position in a Pitts; well done Peter.

Sportsman Grade:

2 nd Tony Bansemer	79.47%
4 th Markus Walther	78.36%
8 th Clive Tudge	68.70%
9 th Darrell Brown	58.72%
10 th Ian Bent	55.04%
13 th Andi Horntrich	31.14%

This grade was very close with only 5% covering the top 7 pilots. Tony and Markus did very well and they weren't even flying their normal aircraft! Tudgey enjoyed flying over the judges too much and Darrell let the competition nerves set in. Poor Ian was doing really well until he went the wrong way and lost too many marks. Andi just couldn't get going without his beloved Pitts and then lost his sight as well! But isn't it great to have 6 Queensland representatives in this grade; well done Queensland.

Graduate Grade:

1 st Anthony Rowell	72.39%
2 nd Martyn Woodhouse	69.59%

Excellent results with both Anthony and Martyn flying very nicely to richly deserve their positions.

Here's DEC 'on-the-line' at Parkes. This aircraft came 3rd in the Intermediate so there's hope for us all!



Next Practise Days

Next practise days at Watts Bridge Airfield are on the weekend of

23rd and 24th April 2005

so come along and get some practise in before the Queensland Competition in June of this year.

2005 Annual Queensland State Aerobatic Competition

Not long to go now! The Queensland States are on the long weekend end in June 2005

11th to the 13th June 2005

so put these dates in your diary and start practising! Our friends from NSW have said that they will send a strong contingent to take all our trophies back home so let's give them a run for their money.

Information and Entry Forms will be on the web site soon and don't forget that the competition will be based on the new sequences published on the web site also.

Cheers,

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