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Wings 2011

Despite not having the numbers of entries we would have liked, the Wings competition again attracted a high standard of models, demonstrating the degree of skill that is currently possessed by the local scale aviation modelling community .

Best of show was won by well known modeller John Booth, who also scooped the pool as far as the other awards go. The standard certainly made picking up an award a difficult task, but Graham Mahoney did with his Spitfire Vc and F86F Sabre.

All in all everyone who attended this year's event had an enjoyable time, there are a few adjustments that need to be made, but these will be taken in stride to keep developing this event into a more rewarding and enjoyable experience."

Model Expo 2011

This year's Model Expo display was Micro Themes, where four separate themes were displayed as one club display.

The subjects covered were Milne Bay, Card Modelling, RAF Recce Aircraft and Maritime Aircraft. The Display was well received by both model-

I was personally impressed with the natural metal Lodestar by David Constable. This is a difficult kit for any builder, however the quality David has achieved makes it look like the kit was made by Tamiya or Hasegawa.

We look forward to many more

Wings events .



Lockheed Lodestar



Best of Show winner at Wings 2011

lers and public alike with compliments being expressed to the club members manning the Display.

The standard of this year's display was the best so far, so well done every one





Good example of the high quality of models that were present at this event

Stream Era kits are a challenge for the traditional scale modellers. To make a scale model that actually functions

Waverly Interclub 2011 Report

It seems like September is not only known for the AFL Finals, but also for the Waverley Interclub—well amongst the Melbourne scale modelling fraternity anyway.

It was reported by members that this year's event had some of the highest standard of builds in the event's history. The event appears to have grown in terms of the number of groups participating. A particular attraction is the Day Build category which our members enjoy being involved in each year.

The overall winner was Eastern Suburbs with WSMC coming in second. Although we did not pick up a place, our members have felt that our club has gained ground as a competitive unit.

Members expressed their enthusiasm to be a part of next year's event.

To see more photos [Click Here](#)



PMG effort at the day build, not bad for a team of aircraft builders

Steam Era Model kits

It may be astonishing to some, but there are model kits produced in Australia, Phillip Island in fact. So they are not only Australian made, but Victorian made.

These kits are in the rail modelling HO scale, 76th Scale in scale modelling terms. All subjects are of Victorian rolling stock, era is late 19th century to the present. Pricing for these kits start around \$16:00 so they are quite affordable. The company also produces the paints for

the subjects.

More information on these kits can be found on the following link

[Stream Era Kits](#)



C/- P.O. Rhyll, Victoria, 3923.



Profile- CA-2/CA-6 Wackett

This was Australia's first mass produced aircraft and the first indigenous design to go into production. The Wackett was a primary trainer and partner to the CAC Wirraway advanced trainer.

The aircraft suffered from a number of design flaws including being nose heavy and difficult to fly for a primary trainer. Production stopped in 1942 in favor of Boomerang produc-

tion, and the type was phased out of service by 1945 in favor of the DH Tiger Moth after Australian production of the DH product had began.

30 were transferred to the Dutch East Indies/Indonesian Airforce after WWII. Today only four examples remain, none airworthy, the most notable one being in the collection of the National Australian Aviation Museum."



Photo Gallery



Hawker Hunter FR10 By Graham Mahoney



PR Spitfire FR IX By Graham Mahoney



RAAF P-38E(PR) by Graham Mahoney



HH-60H Seahawk by Vin Wragg



Spitfire Mk Vc by Graham Mahoney



Fairey Battle Trainer
By Graham Mahoney



CA-9 Wirraway by Vin Wragg



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Pakenham Modellers Group is a general scale modeling group located in Pakenham Victoria, approx. 67 kms South East of the Melbourne CBD. The Group meets in the comfortable, recently modernized Studio of the LLinC Centre, 6b Henry St, Pakenham. Meetings are once a fortnight on Sunday afternoon starting at 02:00 pm. Our meetings are semi structured, with sessions on current projects and problem solving. Our skill level varies from the novice to the award winner, so no one will feel out of their depth. A cuppa and a biscuit follow each meeting and at only \$20.00 a year, you will buy yourself a lot of enjoyment: ***“Come along and enjoy the Fun”***

Check out our website

Pakenhammodellers.com

Pakenham Hobby Expo

I was with a degree of sadness that PMG President Rob O'Connor announced at the AGM in September that the Pakenham Hobby Expo will not be run again as an event. The main reason for this is due to the high insurance costs that have made the event financially untenable

A thank you to Rob and Annette O'Connor who have both put a lot of hard work into staging this event. One year it attracted a crowd of over five thousand over two days.

In this modern age, organizers of events have to contend with escalating litigation costs, one feels that because of the greed of a minority, we will lose events like the Hobby Expo.

The Pakenham Hobby Expo showcased many wonderful models and provided an exciting experience for thousands over it's life time



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