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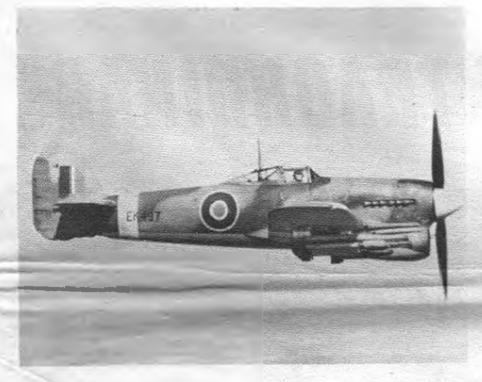
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SCALE DETAILS FOR REVELL'S 1/32nd TYPHOON BY A. SHENNAN



Above: Rocket-armed Typhoon shows its paces.

The Typhoon, a massive single-engined fighter that served the RAF during the latter part of World War Il had an inauspicious beginning to its service career.

It was believed to be difficult to handle; the Sabre engine had teething troubles and frequent engine failures caused forced landings, often with fatal results. So serious did thisbecome that it was considered likely that the type would have to be

Nevertheless, these problems were overcome and the Typhoon went on to achieve fame as a ground attack and strafing fighter/bomber. After D-Day, the Typhoon came into its own, rampaging across Europe with cannon, rockets and bombs, helping

to clear the way for the 21st Army Group as it advanced.

Typhoons destroyed 135 tanks near Mortain on August 7 in only Above: Underwing stripes in black and white and rockets clearly shown. Photos: Hawker Siddeley Aviation.

one day.

The Typhoons also won fame in their attacks on tanks and other vehicles at the battle of Falaise Gap. Sweeping in on lines of German tanks who were attempting to withdraw, the Typhoons wrought havoc along the lines of armour. At Falaise Gap, Typhoons, Spitfires and Mustangs destroyed well over 3,000 tanks, trucks and other vehicles.

Typhoons first appeared over France during the Dieppe raid in 1942 and from then on, made frequent attacks against the Focke Wulf Fw 190s then making 'tip-andrun' raids against the Channel towns of the English coast.

In 1943 the Typhoon went into action as a fighter-bomber carrying two 500-lb bombs and began bombing attacks against ships off the Dutch coast and targets in France and the Low Countries. Squadrons crossed the Channel low over the water, climbing over the coast to several thousand feet. On arrival over the target, the Typhoons would peel off one by one and diving steeply, and drop their bombs as they pulled out of their dives. Attacks were

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Above: TP-R, a Mk 1B Typhoon taxies out pastigun emplacement in Normandy, Fuselage band is Sky talmost white), front of spinner, same. Codes: Sky (darker shade) Camouflage is Ocean Grey/Dark

Green,/L1 Grey under, Drop tanks are Greey-Grey with pinkish grey pylons. Leading edge strip is yellow and base of spinner is black.

TANKBUSTER EXTRAORDINARY-TYPHOON! BY A SHENNAN

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pressed home so closely that tree branches and high-tension cables were sometimes brought florile imbedded in the wing leading edges! One Typhoon pilot returned with a fish in the radiator scoop, apparently collected when the Typhoon flew through the waterspout cast up by the bomb dropped by the aircraft ahead of it.

When rocket-projectiles were added to the Typhoons' armament they became even more spectacular. The eight 60-lb RPs were the equivalent of a light cruiser's broadside. Against German Panzers and guns, this armament was devastating.

Soon after D-Day, Typhoons flying from hastily prepared airstrips in Normandy were on call to support the Army. Using techniques developed in the Western Desert, Squadrons of Typhoons circling overhead were 'whistled down' to attack stubborn points of resistance.

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The Typhoon originated in Specification F. 18.37, issued in January 1938 for a large single-seat fighter with a 20% higher performance than the Hawker Hurricane. Two suitable engines were under development, the Napier Sabre 'H ENGINE AND THE Rolls-Royce Vulture 'X' engine. The 'H' and 'X' designation referred to the arrangement of the cyliner banks; eg, on the 'H' the banks were arranged in two rows and the pistons rotated a common crankshaft and propeller shaft via a gearbox.

Sir Sydney Camm, later Sir Sydney Camm) was ahead of the specias usual, and already had a design prepared for the Napier Sabre. His heavy fighter would carry twelve 0.303-in Browning machine guns with 400 rounds-per-gun. Span would be 40ft. He also had an alternative design for the Rolls-Royce Vulture. Hawkers' designs, formally Type 'N' and Type 'R' were accepted on 22 April 1938 and the prototypes were ordered in August. Almost identical, the main differences lay in the chin-type radiator for the Sabre engine 'Type 'N' for Napier and the ventral radiator for the Vulture engine Type 'R' for Rolls-Royce.

Named Tornado the Type 'R' was finished first and flew in October

1939 A production order was placed for 1000 aircraft. Flight testing programme encountered numerous problems. The ventral radiator having proven unsuitable, it was moved to the nose

The prototype Tornado flew satisfactorily with the new radiator position, but was wrecked soon afterwards.

The first prototype Typhoon flew on 24 February 1939. In May 1940 the pressure of production caused cancellation of priority for the Typhoon to allow prime concentration in Hurricane production for the sake of the Battle of Britain. In October 1940, production deliveries were reinstated for 1941 deliveries.

All Typhoons were produced by the Gloster Aircraft Company, and the final figure was 3,330 aircraft.

MODELLING THE TYPHOON

Last month we featured details of the Hawker Hurricane to assist mo dellers detailing their Hawker Hurricane models. Such photos no doubt will be useful to control-line scale and R/C modellers as well as plastics modellers.

This month we feature the Hawker Typhoon, with a little of its history. Our photos are supplied by courtesy of Hawker Siddeley Aviation. Air Publication drawings are Crown Copyright.

The Revell 1/32nd scale plastic kit is of the early Mk 1B, with car-door type entrance. This allows for considerable detailing. The existing materials in the kit provide fuselage longerons, but anyone wishing to super-detail could lay strips inside the shell of the cockpit, co-inciding with the rivet lines on the outside. These stringers should be approx 1/16" and may be cut from plasticard. If rockets are desired to be fitted, the accompanying reference photos will be of some assistance.

Modellers' attention is drawn to the oversize width of the propeller blades. These must be reduced in width to become exact scale. Check against recent scale drawings in 'Seale Models.'

The Sabre engine is beautifully moulded but is much underscale. This has been done no doubt, to facilitate assembly inside the nose. Our photographs indicate that the crankcase should be black gloss, not grey as indicated on the instruction sheet. A minor point, but accuracy will dictate the change of colour.

Wing Commander Beamont's Typhoon (R7752) should have the cannon fairings pointed chrome yellow along with the leading edge of the wing. Not all Typhoons carried this LE stripe. In addition, the spinner should be chrome yellow, not 'sky.' Beamont's machine had the interior of the cockpit painted matt black.

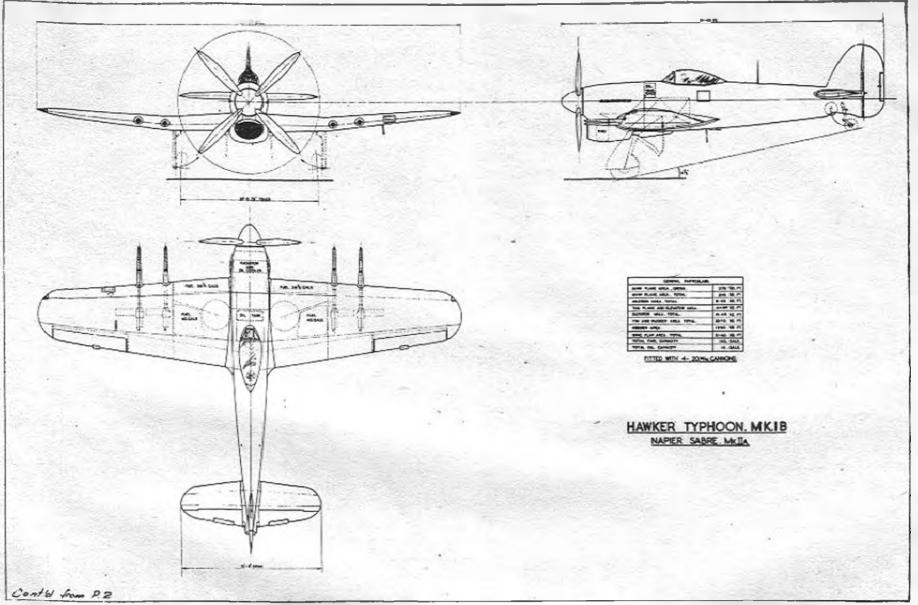
Apart from the few points previously mentioned the Revell Typhoon is remarkably accurate. Detail is effective and simple enough to be assembled by most modellers with a minimum of experience.

As mentioned last month, the undercarriage fairing doors are too flat

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Left: Typhoon attacks armour column.



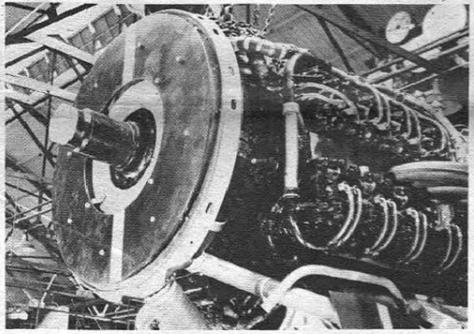


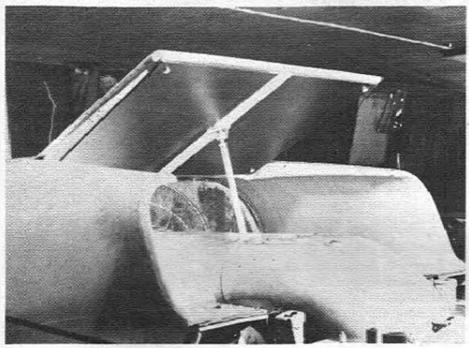
and need to be built up with plasticard. This flat material should come to about half the diameter of the landing gear leg. It is similar to that of

the Hurricane and was designed to provide air pressure assistance to lowering the undercarriage.

We are well aware that we may ex-

pect to see a detailed review of this kit in the UK published 'Scale Models,' therefore we are not providing detailed scale drawings. It is becoming increasing difficult to match the incredible detail and delicate draughtsmanship of present day artists such as Ian Stair, A. L. Bentley





Top: Factory photo of Napier Sabra engine. Note that the engine is gloss black. Accessories are silver and grey. Above: Rear of radiator scoop. The flat panel of the rear of the radiator should be made from fine wire mesh or cut from card to block officear of exition model. Rear flap can be opened also.

TYPHOON

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and Harry Robinson, and your editor has temporarily retired from the battle, until such time as he can find enough spare time (what's that?) to return to the drawing board! We are cret projects that will eventually appear in 'Modellers' Monthly' at some later date.

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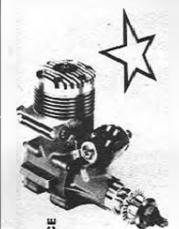
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I'm sure most readers will realise that for us to have a modelling newspaper at all, we are dependent on the goodwill of our advertisers and contributors. We hope you will support those advertisers. They gain by advertising but they also do the modelling public a service by keeping Modellers' Monthly going.

This month, we feature the Hawker Typhoon plastic kit from Revell. The photos on the following pages no doubt, will assist modellers in superdetailing or modifying this and any other Typhoon kits.

Dare we put a model boat, vacht, car or train on the cover of Modellers' Monthly? We invite your com-

readers are aviation inclined, but we also cater to the other hobbies. Will we offend the aircraft modellers? (as we could be offending the boat, car and railway buffs now?) We can mould Modellers' Monthly to what the public wants, but we need to know. Any constructive suggestions will be welcomed. (It has been suggested that in the current paper shortage, the 'smallest room in the house' could benefit from our paper, but we hasten to point out that the texture is too rough. Still . . . : Seriously though, what do you, the reader, want to see in this paper? Bear in mind that we must cater to all tastes. No modelling paper or magazine can survive for long in Australia on aircraft modelling alone.

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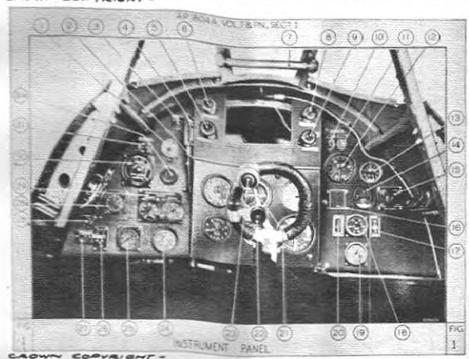
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At the moment, Modellers' Monthly is coming out several weeks into the month. Last month we were on time, but a wage claim strike at our printers stopped that! With a frequency of once a month, such unexpected delays cannot be coped with, We apologise, but such delays are beyoud our control.

When trying to catch up, we are then faced with the situation of having the previous issue still on the newstands when the new one comes out. We hope to remedy this by pulling our publication date up a week at a time, so that we will be back to the 1st of the month within a few months.

Club Secretaries, please keep news of club events, future and past, coming in. Our closing deadline is late in the month, but do not be deterred if you find you have info available and you are not sure you will make it. Send it in anyway. If we can include it in the current or next issue we will.

Until May, The Editor.



Top Typhoon 18 left side of cockpit Centre: Centre panel Lower Right side of cockpit. Buttom Photo R H side of Typhoon 1B cockpit



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By Warren Williams

PAINTING YOUR MODEL

When one sees a well finished model, the following thoughts and questions usually arise...

- (a) How did you get such a fin-
- Must have taken months.
- Are you a spraypainter?

(d) What's your technique, etc.? Actually it's all quite simple and often the amount of extra effort required to achieve a well finished

off model is little more than what has already been applied.

The following procedure produces an excellent finish and although there are many varied techniques and new products available today, most modellers seem to prefer, or come back to the basic methods.

PREPARATION

Keep fingernails short, remove watches, rings, etc., which can easily dent a smooth surface.

It is much easier to finish off each individual part and section of the model, before final assembly (i.e., wings, tail, elevators, ailerons, flaps, fusclage, etc.).

Each section should be sanded, doped, filled, covered if necessary with exception to the joining and filler areas which can be masked off until final assembly.

Fuselage should also be completed with canopy fitted, top blocks, cowl, etc., spot glued for later removal if necessary.

Not until final assembly should the aircraft sections be glued together when fillets, control hinges, etc., can be added.

A small nylon disposable type syringe and needle obtainable from most chemists makes a handy glue gun for hinge slots used with PVA glue. (You may have to explain to your chemist what you want the syringe for - he may suspect you of dope addiction and we don't mean model aircraft "clear dope"! SANDING

The natural finish of balsa wood has a beautiful smooth flat surface and one should avoid sanding into this unless a curve or taper is required or has been cut. Other than filling the grain very little sanding should be required on flat surfaces. Correct sandpaper and sanding blocks are essential, also a razor plane to quickly shape or taper surfaces.

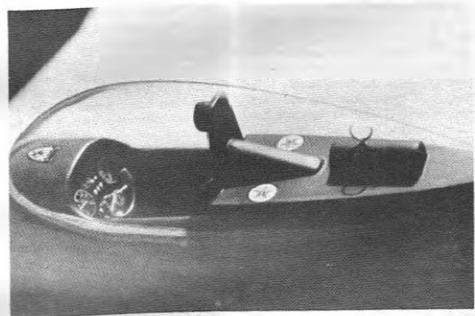
Grades 80 to 100. Garnett paper can be used for removing large areas of balsa wood quickly where shaping is necessary.

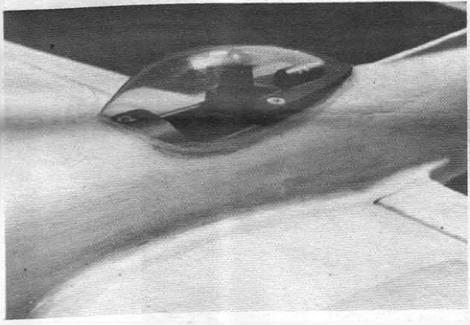
Grades 180 to 200. Garnett paper for finer finishing work prior to doping and with caution between coats.

Grades 400 to 600. Wet and Dry. For final sanding prior to painting and between final coats of dope.

Sanding blocks can be made from balsa, foam or cork. Hard balso around !" thickness is ideal and can be shaped to suit the application. Length of the block should be around 10" to 12" unless for small applications. Edges of the block should have a slight bevel to avoid the sharp edge biting into the surface. It is preferred that the sandpaper be glued to the block.







Warren Williams' treatment of cockpit detail. Extra care here, makes all the difference between mediocre and excellent finish.

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CANOPIES

Why not go all the way? If a canopy is placed in its respective position on the top block and outlined, this section can then be cut out where necessary and filled ready for painting. Useful gadgets for the cockpit can be made from coloured plastic headed pins, balsa and paper clips. Instruments also add the finishing touch but should be applied after painting with a touch of balsa cement. Spray cans of matt black paint do a neat job here; mask off at the canopy outline. When dry canopy can be held in place by rubber bands and glued from the outside only with Balsa cement. This melts partially

SMART FINISHES

into the canopy and gives a good solid join. Brushing the joint with lacquer thinners and applying more glue until a smooth joint has been achieved.

To give this further strength cut a piece of silk wide, silk and dope this over the joint so one-eighth overlaps canopy and one-eighth overlaps balsa. Mask up the canopy and then finish with dope and tale on final finishing procedures.

COVERING

I prefer silk covering, which has many advantages in strength and can be applied quite easily using the following technique. If a wing is to be covered, the wing frame will have been sanded, doped and filled as outlined later in this article.

Lay silk over one half of the wing to be covered and by spraying lightly with water from a small atomiser the silk when damp can be stretched and will adhere to the balsa frame. It is best to do longer sides first and start with a straight edge. As each side has been stretched into place, brush over the silk with lacquer thinners which will stock the silk to the frame. If necessary to re-lift the silk to remove later wrinkles, all that is needed is another brush with thinners and the silk can be stretched in any direction.

While doing this process continue spraying water on the silk as required. While damp, the silk can easily be formed around compound curves such as wing tips, etc. When dried out, dope can be applied to the outer frame for a better bond, which must be dry before attempting to dope the inner open frame surfaces. Silk may take up to 6 coats of thinned dope to completely seal and once again brushing with lacquer thinners between each second coat of dope helps the procedure. Fillets. Fillets can be made with balsa, S/G epoxolite or Plastibond for smaller fillets as it is heavy and can add excessive weight to a model.

Procedure. Once we have a completed section (wing, tail, fuselage, elevator, etc.) which has been sanded smooth to final shape, with 180 to 200 Garnett paper. This is given 2 coats of thinned dope, with light sanding in between coats when dry.

Two or three coats of thinned dope and talcum powder are then applied (mixed about one-third powder, two-thirds dope) and again when dry sanding lightly between coats taking caution not to break through the surface skin being built up. Follow this with another coat of thinned dope and then brush entire surface with lacquer thinners. This helps to flow the dope and seal and fill any grain still open.

From this point it can be seen if further filling is necessary as by now the surface should give a slightly shiney surface and flaws can easily be detected.

Once you have reached this point (provided all filling is completed) a light rub with 400-600 wet and dry paper used wet and the model is ready for painting.



PAINTING

I have been painting all my models for some years with aerosol cans of spray enamel, which is completely fuel proof and does not lift with Nitromethane fuels. Both Berger and Dulux work well. The Berger is thinner in composition and can be misted on to produce a smooth surface without any "orange peel" effect. The Dulux is thicker based and can easily be applied without fear of runs. The Dulux will cover quickly and dry out quicker than the Berger although any "orange peel" effect will have to be cut back when dry.

It is suggested that either paint used be misted on for the first coat and when tacky or after 15 minutes a wet coat can be applied which is usually sufficient for a good coverage.

Although the paint can be touch dry within half to two hours, it is best to leave overnight before any heavy handling is attempted.

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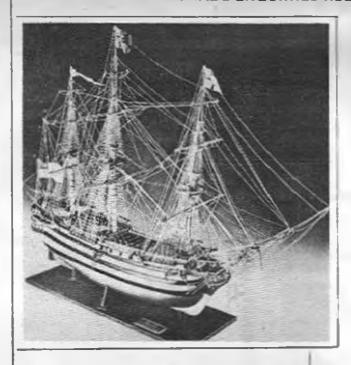
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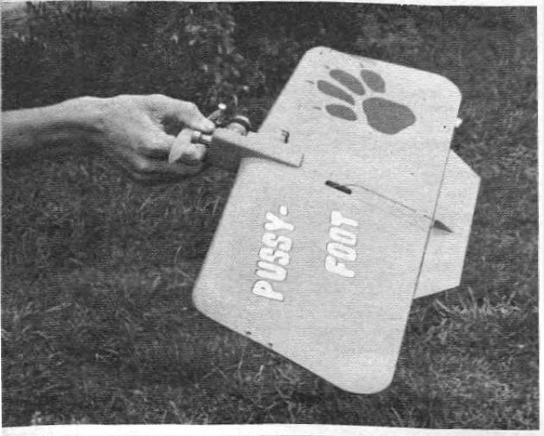
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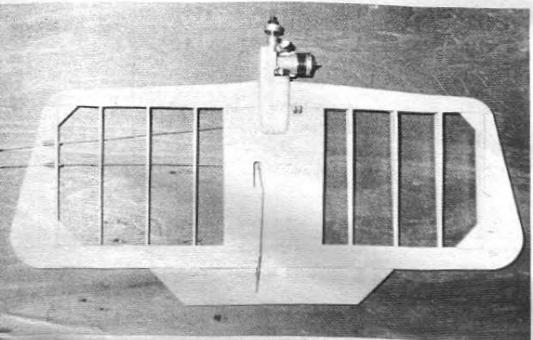
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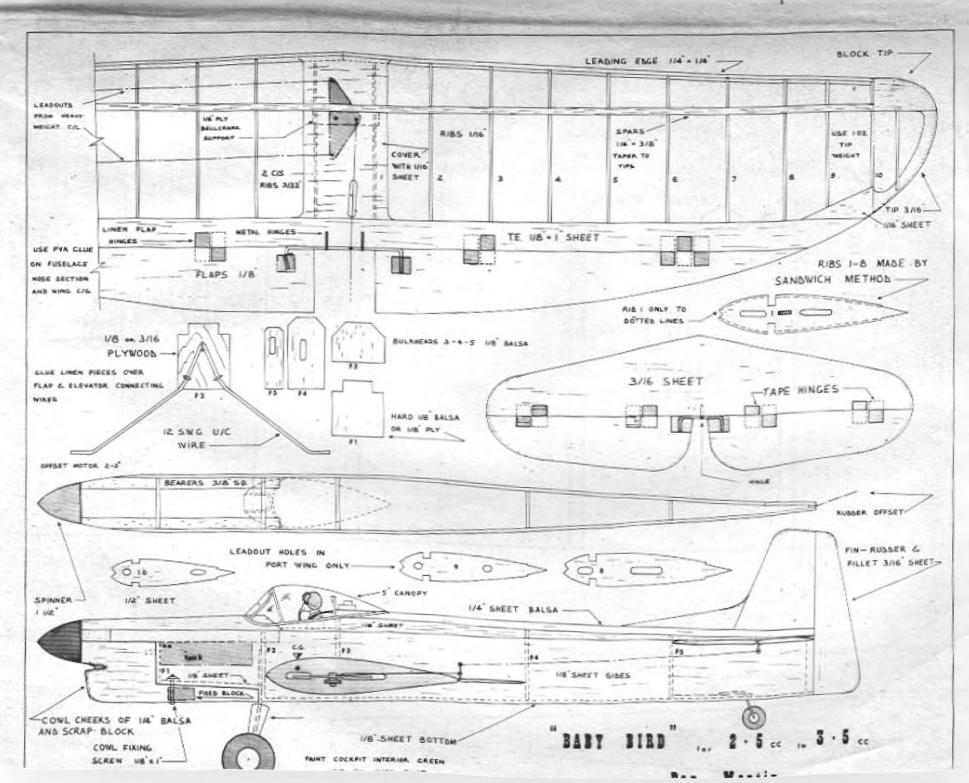
This model was designed as something that could be knocked together reasonably quickly and cheaply. It also had to be fairly strong as combat wings usually lead a pretty rugged existence. So far the strength has been proven in that after several contacts with the ground, no airframe damage has resulted, but curiously enough, only engine bearers have been damanged. These have subsequently been strengthened on the plan so there should be no further problems.

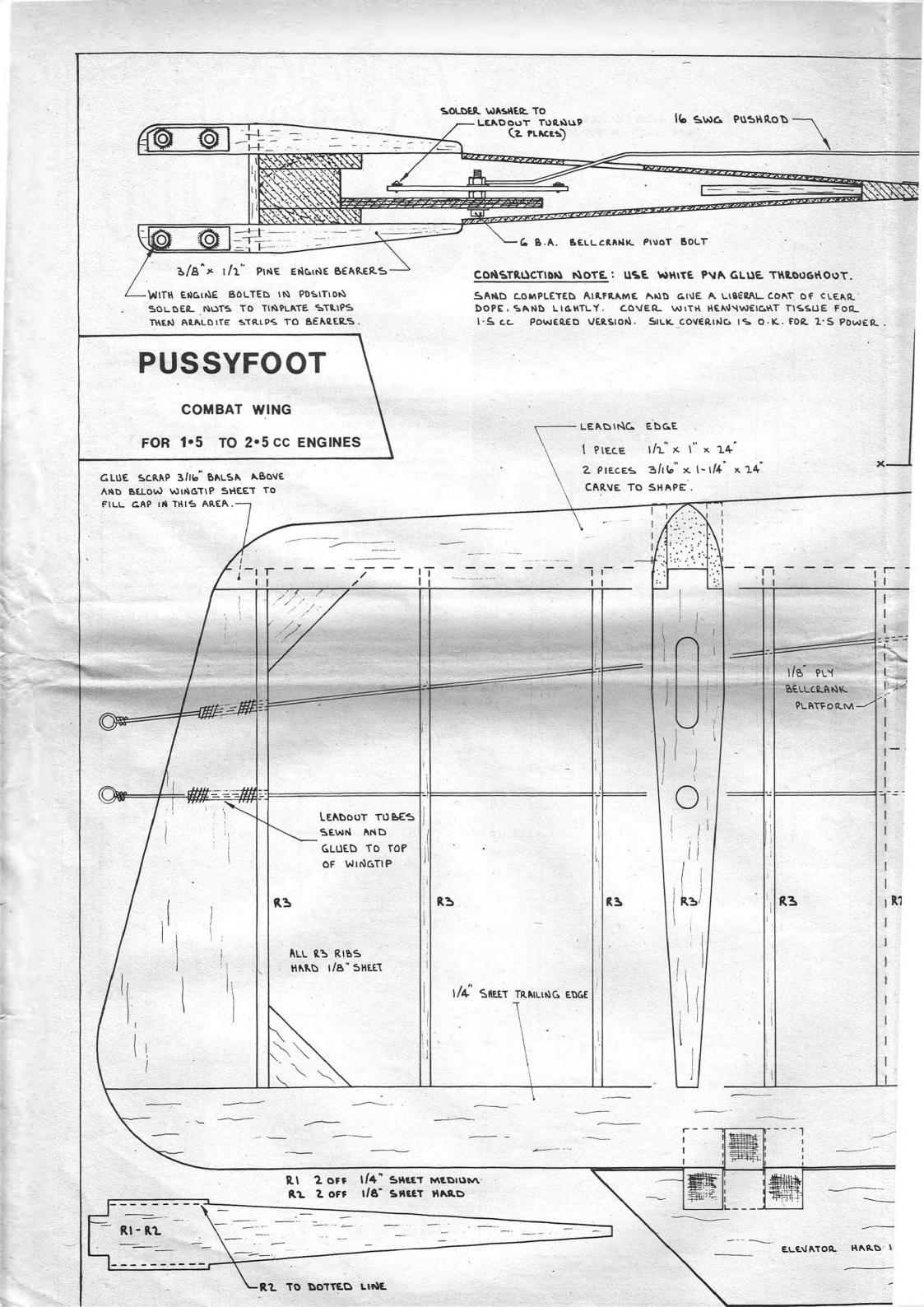
With the 2.5cc engine fitted, the wing is quick, responsive and behaves equally well upright as inverted. It should fly quite well with a 1.5cc engine providing the weight is kept down. I am in the process of itting a 1.5cc engine to see how it handles, but of course, it won't be as quick. This machine is intended for the inexpert and such flyers may find the 1.5cc more suited to their abi-

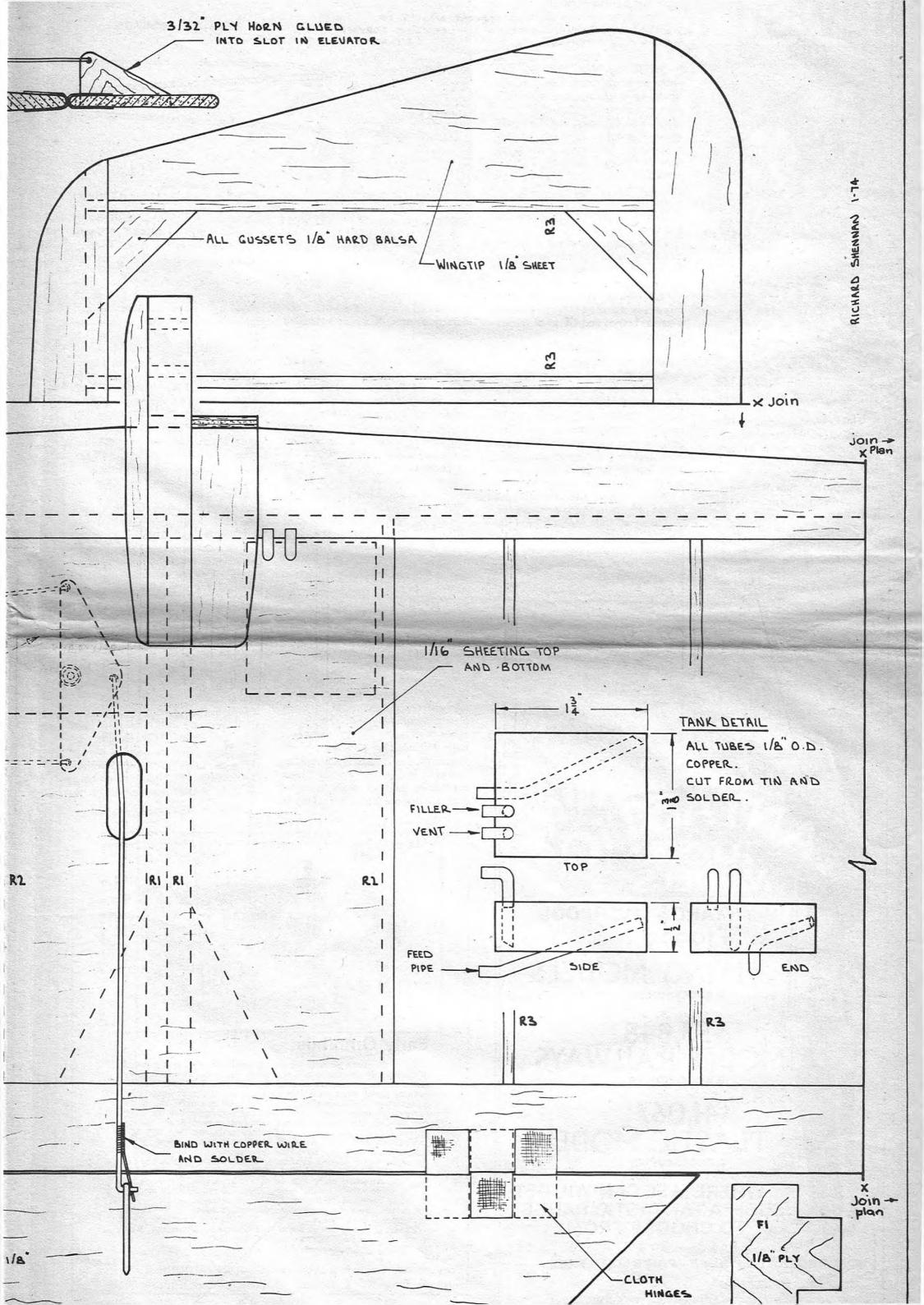
CONSTRUCTION NOTES:

Begin construction with the leading edge of the wing. Cut strips to length and then cement the top and bottom 3/16" x 1-1/4" strips to the centre 1/2" x 1" strip. (Note: The centre strip can be laminated from 2" x 1/2" strips if desired. Make sure the 3/16" strips overhand the centre piece by 1/4". Cut out the ribs and cement the two R1 ribs together (1/2" medium balsa). Glue the ribs into the leading edge ensuring that they are square to the front line of the wing. Shape the trailing edge and cement in position. Add wingtip plates, tip filler pieces and gussets. Glue belicrank mount securely, add bellerank, leadouts and leadout tubes. Cover the bottom with 1/16" sheet balsa. Solder the tank as shown in the plan and pack and glue in place using plenty of cement and scrap baisa. Connect pushrod and then add top sheeting to centre sec-

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TRADE NEWS



Above: Protein plastic kit for Norton is highly detailed and realistic

NEW GLO-PLUG

Gordon Burford & Co Pty Ltd, of South Australia, has a new competition glo-plug available.

Representing one of the latest developments in the state of the art, the new plug is designed to help maintain speed and power in Pylon events. This is a 'colder' plug, with a different alloy used in the element. It does not oxidise as readily at high temperatures or with the use of exotic fuels.

With the introduction of two new automatic lathes, Burfords are better equipped than ever to produce engines etc economically. However, it is sad to hear that Burfords are more than ever, moving away from the low-priced simple engines for beginners and for sport flying and into the higher performance, high priced field. This move is forced on the manufacturer by the sheer economics of production in Australia, compared with US or other manufacturers. The largest, most profitable market is in the performance field. US manufacturers can produce sport engines cheaper than we can, for example, the Fox engines. However, our own manufacturers have to live and make reasonable profits.

parteres do not infeue to sesudou production of sport engines, but future requirements may reduce production to a certain extent.

Future economics governing availability of material to US manufacturers could curtail the number of US low-priced engines available in Australia and New Zealand, and under those circumstances, Burfords would, no doubt increase their supplies of competitive engines. This is speculation, of course, but this would be quite probable.

Burfords now have available, 8 sizes of 'Taipan' glass filled nylon propellers. Sizes 7" x 4", 8" x 4", 9" x 4", 10" x 4", 7" x 6", 8" x 6", 9" x 6" and 10" x 6". Sizes are really metric, but these are the nearest equivalent sizes.

These props will break if driven into the ground, but they have never been known to lose a blade in mid-air or when running normally.

Performance with these props is superior to many well-known overseas brands and are to be recommended.

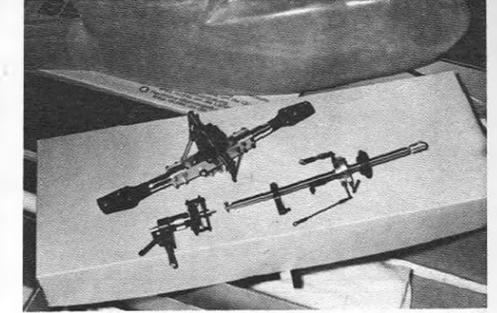
NEW SUPER TIGRE X 15.

World Engines of Perth, (see advert this issue have in stock a small quantity of the new Super Tigre X15s = 2.47cc engines, at £61.00 (muffler £13.00). These won't last long. If you want one, buy it now. New stocks are not expected for some time, and as far as we know, these are the only X15s in Australia.

World Engines also have plentiful stocks of balsa in all the needed sizes, including 4" wide sheets. If you are having difficulties, write for what you want. Perth is only a feew days away by rail or post.

Bondi Model Centre has just received a shipment of Svenson Kits. These Belgian kits with the unlikely scandinavian name are well-designed and very complete, containing such items as formed landing gear, air wheels, clunk tank, and all required accessories.

The K8B is a 110" slope and thermal soarer scale model of a Schleicher K8B with Schweitzer-type cano-



Above: Mechanicis for Graupner Bell 212 Twin-Jet he copter are superbly engineered. Kit is good

py. Scale is 1/6th. It can be equipped with 2 or 3 channel proportional or 4/6 channel reed R/C for rudder and elevator control. Plan is very detailed with step-by-step instructions and photographs detailing assembly.

Others in the range are Westerly III (A high wing monoplane for 2-5cc and multi-radio and containing all parts even down to horns hinges and cement. Sly Cat, a shoulder wing for 5 to 6cc, Mini Boy, a 43" span scaled down Fly Boy for 19 to 35 engines, Wayfarer, a neat biplane for .40 to .60 engines.

None of the Svenson control line models have arrived as yet but are on

Also due in May, Bondi have the GEM R/C outfit. This is the cheapest 4-channel system available in Australia at £198.00. Bondi Hobby Centre has arranged for Servicing in Australia, and guarantee parts servicing are available. Set comes complete with rechargeable batteries, (nicads) and 4 servos.

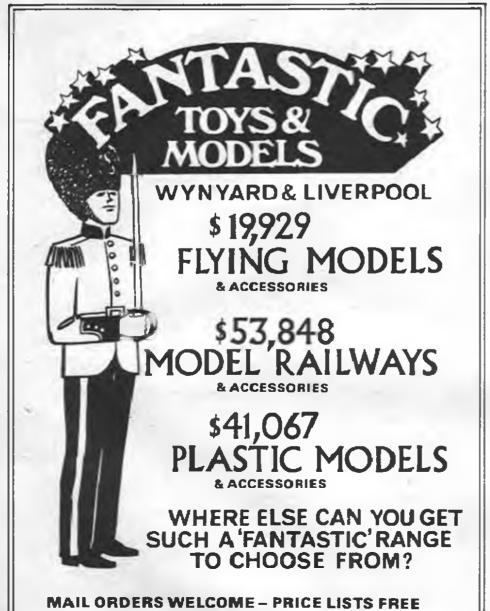
A number of new plastic kits have recently arrived in Australia. Frog Revell and Bandai have new releases here. The new 1/24th scale Beaufighter is out and selling rapidly. This impressive kit is moulded in black plastic, presumably to make finishing easier if a night fighter version is built. Would have preferred foliage Green, the colour used inside Australian-built Beaus, but we can't have everything. Another minor criticism is that it is more difficult working in

plack plastic . . . it is harder to see defects or errors, answer, work in bright light! Nevertheless, we must applaude the fact that at last, we have a BIG Beaufighter. This kit will be reviewed in a future MM, Revell have the Harrier on sale now. This is the fully operational 'jump jet' with military load. It can be built in RAF or US MARINES markings, and his highly detailed. Even so, there will be a few points that the modifier will want to incorporate. Seems that when we had the prototype P1127 kit, we wanted to modify to the production Kestroel. Now we have the Harrier, some will want to modify back to the Kestret or Prototype! The Harrier has undergone frequent development and modification since the prototypes. Indeed ,the writer listed some 600 mods internal and external between the first prototype and the fourth! The modeller need only concern himself with those external mods that are more obvious. aren't you glad?).

Our May issue will contain detailed drawings of the first production aircraft along with a variety of prototype photos, not previously published anywhere in the world.

Frog has brough out the Lockheed SP-2H Neptune in 1/72nd scale. This large but simple kit is moulded in blue plastic and transfers are provided to make either the Royal Dutch Navy 320 Sqdn version or a 10 Sqdn RAAF machine based at

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Early Omnibus

ONE of the more pleasing pieces a good diagram but, most important of inter-hobby co-operation is the of all, authentic water-slide transgroups

field comes from a new manufac- lettering. turer, Jim Varney Models. His first hit is for Shillibeers original cannithing to buy, build, paint and use bus, an attractive early vehicle as a Christmassy feature, a real which, while strictly a trifle early Dickensian touch to any model. for most historical modellers, is For 4mm scale. still ideally suited to add character Manufacturers: Jim Varney to an historic model scene. Models, 4 Goudhurst Road,

The kit is cleanly cast in whitemetal, the assembly instructions are detailed, and supplemented by

fact that many collectors of road fers are provided. This last point vehicles prefer 4mm scale, which is, we feel, the most important of makes it possible for manufacturers all, for all too often the builder to produce models which appeal to manages to assemble the model. two parallel, but usually distinct with little or no difficulty, paints it satisfactorily, and then falls down The latest product in this hybrid badly on that most difficult of arts,

This is a lovely little kit, just the

Downham, Bromley, Kent, BR11 4BQ.

These models are now available in GOLDING MODEL SUPPLIES, 16 Australia from W. A. Golding of Boronia Street, Belfields, NSW.

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Some of the successful NMAA flyers on 17th March, Left to Right: Jim Glenn, Ashley Blades, Ian Gorrie, F. Blades, Photo: Arthur Gorne

CLUB NEWS

WARRINGAH RADIO CONTROL

Several well printed journals have been received from this active club. (See letter to the Editor). With approx 90 members, the club welcomes newcomers. Enquiries should be directed to the Society at the address shown on the letter.

trans tasman radio control challenge

Teams:

5 members Pattern Aerobatic Pvlon (0.40) FA1 3 members Thermal Soaring 3 members

Selection:

Names and scores of the first place winners in each state to be forwarded to the Federal Secretary before June 30th 1974. From the first place winners, the top scorers, 5 for pattern, 3 for pylon and 3 for thermal soaring. will be given the opportunity to make up the team.

Should any of these not be available. the other first place winners, in order of their score, will be given the chance.

Pattern:

Shall be flown to the 1974 FAI rules. Three rounds only to be flown, all three to count.

Pylon:

Highest score in the 200 point system in 5 heats.

Therma :

Shall be flown to the 1974 FAI rules. total score from two rounds which consists of six flights.

Note:

All team members must have a backup model at the time of departure to NEW ZEALAND. Each state to be responsible for financial sponsorship of their state representative.

Beaudesert MAC Annual Free Flight day was held on 10 February and directed by Contest Director C. Mahoney.

Queensland State Control Line Cahmpionships 1974

DAY 1: 25th August Venue T/Birds Sandgate

FAI Combat

Open Combat 1/2 Combat

Junior FAI Combat

Goodyear

DAY 2: 8th September Venue Stardusters, Rogan Road, Zil-Imere.Open Stunt

Junior Stant

Open Scale Junior Scale The Editor,

Dear Sir.

We are quite new on the modelling scene as a Club but we have already attracted some 90 members.

Our interests are spread across power and glider/sailplane configura-

It is good to see another entry in the model press in Australia and we would certainly be interested in keeping you informed of our activities and contributing some articles for publication. We publish our own newsletter called "Transmitter" and I enclose for interest the current and previous copy.

R. R.BELYEA. Public Relations Officer. WARWINGAH RADIO CONTROL **SOCIETY** 28 ELLALONG RD, TURRA-MURRA,

DAY 3: 22nd September Venue T/Birds Sandgate

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Junior Rat Race Bendix 35

DAY 4: 6th October Venue Stardusters, Regan Road, Zillmere.

FAI Team Race B. Team Race FAI Speed Class II Speed Class III Speed Intermediate Speed B. "Proto" Speed

BEAUDESERT MAC

Beaudesert MAC Annual Free Flight day was held on 10th February and directed by Contest Director C. Mahoney.

Results are:

All-in Open Event 5 Flights 1. J. Lewis, Wakefield, 584

2. B. Parsons, Sailplane, 543

3. P. Van Leuven, Wakefield. 234 sec.

Chuck Glider

1. J. Stewart, 103 sec.

2. J. Lewis, 100 sec.

3. F. Blades, 92 sec.

Scramble Event

1. F. Blades, 277 sec.

2. B. de Chastel, 241 sec.

3. R. Imrie, 240 sec.

R/C Thermal Soaring

1. P. Lee, 672 points.

2. R. Chernich, 650 points.

3. R. de Chastel, 515 points. First prizes were useful merchandise and attendance was good in spite of flood problems encountered by some.

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KMFC COMPETITION DAY: FEBRUARY 17th, 1974.

Fine weather and many entries made this an excellent competitive day for KMFC. All the events advertised were held and well-supported, the only exception being Open Stunt which had many fliers away competing in the Hunter Valley Championships.

Competition started promptly at 10.30am with the Novice Stunt Event. This has proved to be very popular and was very closely contested. There were 6 entries and it was particularly good to see a modeller from years ago, David Wearne, again back in the circle. Alan Paulsen won the event with 220 points from his brother Bruce on 210 points. David Wearne was third on 209. My thanks to Barry Franklin who so ably judged the event. Open Stunt was won by Barry with Graham Lloyd Second - seemingly plagued by engine trouble.

FAI combat had 5 entries but combats were not of a high quality. Entrants must be prepared and be able to start and run their engines. Only the final between Hutton Oddy and Paul Hewitson gave a decent scrap, with Hutton's one piece wing proving superior to Paul's aerated varicty. Miles Gore-Brown finished third.

Hand-launch glider had 7 entrants, however Hob Jenkins showed vears of trimming experience and easily won with a three flight total of 80 secs. David Wearne placed second and Paul Hewitson third with 48 secs and 41 secs respectively.

After a short lunch break the racing events started with 2.5cc rat-race and 9 entries. The fuel feed problems of Brett Keogh and Paul Hewitson made them retire in the final and 390 laps. Alan and Os Todd placed second on 322 and Bruce Paulsen third with 178. Hutton's win shows once more that efficient pit-work is the key to success. Hutton entered his FAI team race model, which had its 7cc FAI tank, with the result that every 30-35 laps in that 390 laps the model had to be fuelled and started very efficient pitwork indeed!

The last event was Goodyear for which there were 5 entries of whom 4 flew - thus giving a final only. Only one model finished however, Bruce Paulsen taking 12 mins 52 secs to complete the 100 laps. Paul Hewitson and Brett Keogh placed second by retiring at 153 laps and Bob Jenkins placed third retiring on 95 laps.

All-in-all a good day's competition and thanks to all who aided and nade it such a success

The Competition Day on February 17th was the best for a long, long time. The weather finally came good, and entries for nearly all events were quite high. Most impressive was the support for Novice Stunt.

POINTS SCOREBOARD:

Note: Junior events were run with senior events, but points were allocated separately in both categories:

1.	B. Paulsen	
1.	H. Oddyt	20
qfi	wagenkins-	13
4.	D. Wearne	10
5.	B. Franklin	10
б.	G. Lloyd	7
Ju	nior	
1.	P. Hewitson	20
2.	A. Paulsen	
2.	A. Todd	10
4.	M. Gore-Brown	3

HUNTER VALLEY CHAMPIONSHIPS

modellers came from all over New South Wales to spend the weekend of February 16 and 17 at Muswellbrook ships Good numbers of entries competed in most classes of control line, free flight, and radio control compe-

John and Rick White from Ku-Ring-Gai made the trip and entered stunt as well as the free flight scramble event. For a change, Paul Turner didn't win Open Stant, but came in second behind John Tidev. It's maybe a little ironic that John was flying a Windwaggon (Paul Turner's design) while Paul did not fly his own Windwaggon, but used instead an older orange stunter with a Glo Chief .49 in the nose and an unusual, very wide bladed propeller. Herb Hanna came third, and Reg Towell fourth.

Congratulations to Rick who won Junior Stunt from Bruce Hoffman by a comfortable margin. Rick flew his Fox .35 powered modified Chipmunk - the same ship he used to win his National Junior Stunt title at Amberley. Rick was fifth overall, which is a great result amongst the more senior, more experienced flyers.

Rick and John also competed in free flight scramble, but unfortunately lost their aircraft in a fly-away. that led them on a merry retrieve chase for a couple of hours. It is gencrally considered likely that John and Rick's next scramble models will incorporate a dethermalizer mecha-

A good weekend was had by all and due credit to the Northern Area Clubs for a well organized competition. It is to be hoped that the high level of strong entries that competed at Muswellbrook is an indicator to a very active series of inter-Club events during 1974.

Dear Sir.

ANOTHER CANBERRA CLUB About six months ago, another model

aero club was formed an the Canberra area. The club is the Belconnen Model Aero Club (BMAC) and caters for radio, control line and freeflighters, BMAC flies out of a paddock alongside the Charnwood Road northwest of Canberra, which is very convenient as it as only five to ten minutes drive from all parts of Belconnen.

Present club membership is 22, and the club is affiliated with the ACT Acremodelling Association Incorporated.

We would appreciate other State assodations and clubs putting us on their mailing lists for newsletters, flying meeting notices or any other paperwork that clubs send out, address IS: Belconnen Model Acro Club c/-G. Mainwaring, 299 Southern Cross Drive,

MACGREGOR, ACT. 2615. We would like to meet any acromodelling enthusiast visiting Canberra and would welcome them flying with us, so if you're coming to Canberra, drop us a

Frank Burtt Publicity Officer. Belconnen Model Aero Club. Other Clubs and State Assus please take note of the above request for information. Here's a chance to contact other clubs. a Ed)

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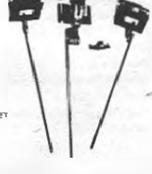
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MODEL BOAT CLUB CLUB NEWS

The new year has started with a feast of enthusiasm, new classes and new members.

For those interested in marinished aircraft engines for boats, new classes have been formed for all popular sizes from .049cc to 10cc.

The petrol engine is still very popular, even though popular makes are becoming scarce. There are electric classes, in multi-speed and scale steering. Multi class is around usual 4 buoy speed course, scale steering is around a special course designed on the day.

Most of our competitions are now approaching international standards, so our members may compare their speeds with other modellers around the world.

Recently the club was invited to Taree, to take part in competitions arranged by the Taree Modellers Club. This meeting was run efficiently, but owing to very bad conditions on the day, competition was limited to those who could outweather the weather. Also invited was the Lake Macquaric Modellers Assoc, who are also an enthusiastic bunch of chaps.

An invitation has been given to both these clubs, to compete with us on East Sunday. Following this meeting a burbeque will be held to welcome them officially.

News also of clubs in New Zealand where they are getting organised rapidly. Vicitors were received with pleasure recently.

The most important news to us and all model boating enthusiasts is the forming of the Australian Model Powerboat Association which is at the present being organised, the officials are based in Western Australia helped along by the Western Australian Model Boat Club.

Australian model powerboating has finally come of age.

Coming back to home again, we find that model shops are becoming more co-operative in making available to us more imported goods, such as OPS engines from Italy and K & B engines from America.

Those I have personally contacted are Bondi Toys and Hobbies and further away B. G. Hobbies of Victoria who can supply all E. D. engines, hulls and fittings, list of such is enormous, also tuned pipes in 3 sizes. Bondi also will have hulls available soon, they stock K & B engines and some fittings from England.

Competition Engines of Maroubra also very helpful with certain items such as tubes and shafts and engines of most types and some hulls. Propellers available at Hobbyco, X40, X45, X50, X70 in 28A and 48A

X50, X70 in 2BA and 4BA.
I'm sure most of you read the English magazine "Model Boats" and

may not know is, that he is in Australia, resident in Sydney and I hope will write some interesting articles for this newspaper.

The club members are always willing to help anyone in need of it, I personally will help in these articles and others to come.

In coming months we will provide more information and news also we will review radio control outfits, if the good editor can spare the space.

Here's to happy modelling, Barry Craven, Secretary, 90 Brougham St, Kings Cross. 2011.

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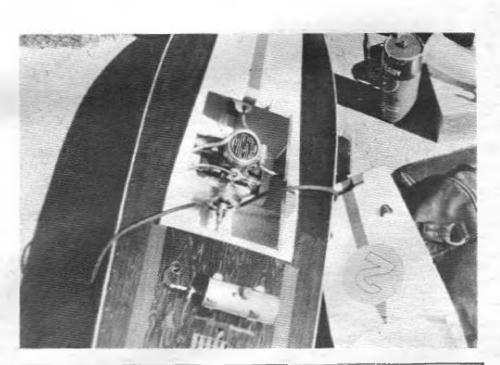
Townsville in 1971. The latter scheme will undoubtedly be popular and is consistent with Frog's plans to release a variety of kits in Australian colours. Full details will be published in next month's Modellers' Monthly.

CONTINENTAL KITS.

Sequoia Distributors of 211A Wentworth Ave, Pendle Hill have just received 29 different types of motor bike kits of the 52 offered by PROTAR of Italy. Retailing for £5.75 to £9.50, according to size and detail, some are part metal these kits make up into beautifully detailed models approx 8" long. Forks 'schock absorb' and rear wheels are sprung. Transfers are finely printed and the instrument dials are superb. See Sequoia's advert this issue for listing.

MILITARY FIGURES.

News for the military modelling fraternity... Italaerei have produced a series of figures in 54mm scale, 6 to a packet. No further details are available as yet, but these will be available from Sequoia within the next two months. Also from Italacrei will be kits for the German 'Elephant' tank, Cant Z501, a rarer Italian flying boat, and the Junkers Ju 188 and Ju 186, both rarer types.







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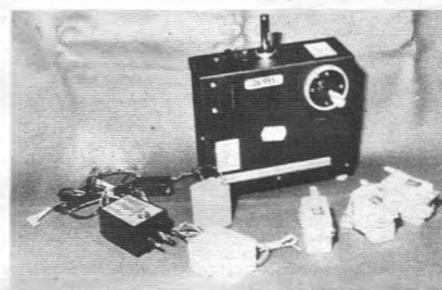
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Trim colours can then be applied by brush or spray can. For trimming it is best to use the Dulux as with the thinner consistency of Berger it is inclined to lift the initial paint applied.

Remove the contact paper when paint is touch dry as if left overnight. the backing glue dries out in time and can have the tendency to peel up the base colour when removed. This method will produce a very clean edge and all sorts of patterns can be

If any paint does happen to break through a badly scaled area it can later be cleaned up with a soft piece of cloth or tissue dipped in turpentine.

POLISHING

Do not attempt any polishing until all trim has been completed (and transfers, etc., applied with a clear enamel brushed over) and given one week to completely harden. Repco or Kitten No. 2 and No. 1 Automotive polishes are excellent taking care with No. 2 not to rub through the paint.

FINAL

If applied correctly the above finish adds little weight to the model, which can sometimes be easily

If weight is not critical and a really supersonic finish is required, rub back the initial cost of colour with 400-600 wet and dry (wet sanded) again allowing four days for drying and re-coat with another coat

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Cover the entire model in heavyweight tissue for silk for the 2.Scc version if preferred. Give the aircraft three coats of clear dope, sanding lightly between each coat with worn out fine wet-or-dry sandpaper.

Cut out elevator, sand to shape and cement ply elevator horn in place with araldite. Cement elevator hinges to the elevator and when dry, to the wing. Hinges are linen. Connect the pushrod to the bellcrank and bend the solder leadout to suit your lines.

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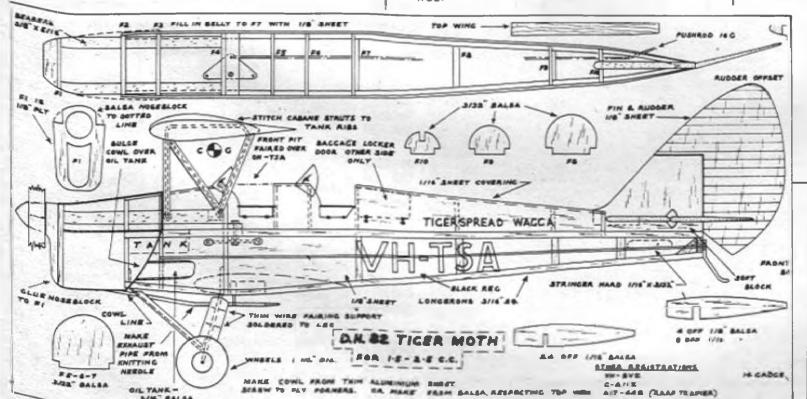
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