

## Ballina Aero Club Inc.

### Presidents Report 2010

It is with pleasure that I submit this report for the past year.

#### Clubhouse

The old clubhouse was removed from the airport and the area cleaned up in August, 2010. The prolonged wet and winter weather meant that we needed to wait until the ground conditions were firm enough to carry out the work. An account was submitted to Barry Curtis (who purchased the old building ) for part of the final removal cost which he had promised to meet and nothing was heard from him again . A follow up account rendered had the same result. There is little to gain from further action as the arrangement was a ' gentlemen' agreement.

Discussion with Council resolved a couple of issues and we were invited to submit another DA for the building to be built on the roadway rather than over a multitude of services and this was approved and a construction certificate issued by Council to allow the work to proceed. Council has been asked to *waive half the fees charged for the DA amendments.*

#### Annual Return

The Annual return for the year ended 30/06/2010 is required to be lodged with the Fair Trading Office and it is submitted for approval to lodge including the financial results for the year 2009/2010 as follows

Income	2188
Expenditure	656
Net Surplus	1531
Assets	17527 including Cash at Bank 16175

As the Annual General Meeting should be held within seven months of the end of each financial year it is suggested that the Clubs Financial Year be altered to a calendar year, meaning that the next report will be for the period of 18 months from 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2010 to 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2011. Alternatively we could hold the Annual Meeting before the 31<sup>st</sup> January each year.

#### Recent Developments

Following the receipt of the construction certificate it was decided to cost the clubhouse to ensure that available funds were sufficient to complete the work to lock up stage. This costing was done and the members decided that the work should proceed based on members carrying out the work through voluntary labor. Initially the security fence needed to be erected and working bees were held to

complete that. It is hoped that Council will reimburse some of the materials cost for the fence. The working bees have been enthusiastically started and it is hoped that this continues

. Council has agreed to the term of the tenure for the Clubhouse being 10 years.

It is hoped that progress is made and that the Club is in a position to use the Clubhouse in the not too distant future.

## CASA Pilot Safety Seminar

To be held at Ballina RSL Club on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April, 2011 6 PM. Hopefully in the future the Clubhouse can again be the venue for these meetings.

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AGM minutes and Presidents Annual Reports are now available on the website on the News page. Also Application for Membership forms can be printed from the Home page.

Thanks to everyone for their support and assistance during the year and we look forward to the Club engaging in more activities when the Clubhouse is ready.



Figure 1 Fencing



Figure 2 Boring holes for foundations

Thanks to Dick and other Committee members for their ready assistance during the year and for the volunteers for working bees and gear.

Gary Faulks

President