

# YOU MUST READ THIS

## 2019 Pilots Briefing

### **General**

Welcome to Oily Hand Day at Cowra Model Aircraft Club. Any problems or questions please direct them to Andy Lockett or Ian Cole. The blokes at the club kitchen will be able to locate one them if you can't.

Tea, coffee and baked comestibles are available all day at the club kitchen to help you through your arduous day of flying and jawboning.

Breakfast is served on Saturday & Sunday mornings from dawn and lunch on both Saturday and Sunday. Lunch on Sunday will be from 11:00am to cater for those who need to get away early.

Only registered pilots are allowed in the flying area past the 30 meter line. If you have anyone else you would like with you in the flying area you must clear it with Andy Lockett. There will be a demonstration of Carrier Deck control line at lunch time on Saturday no other flying on main field at this time.

### **A note about Cowra MAC's CASA area approval**

The main things to note are that for Oily Hand the ceiling is 2,000 foot and the horizontal distance you can fly from the launch site is 500 meters. That shouldn't pose a problem if we all take a bit of care. The other thing to be aware of is that if you see a full-size aircraft or hot air balloon in the vicinity let other the pilots know and make sure you are well below its altitude and get your model on the ground if needs be.

### **Parking**

There is plenty of parking on the main field but you will need to park properly so everyone can get a spot. You can park along the edge of the laneway, but not in the F/F field.

### **Flying**

#### **F/F**

F/F and Radio Assist (an R/C model that can be hand launched) can be flown in the paddock to the east of the main field. There will be a couple of markers which show where the launch area is. There will be an Oily Official who will relocate the launch site as needed. Take wind direction into account so your model will not drift into people or vehicles.

## R/C

R/C and R/C Assist are flown from the eastern end of the strip. There is a barrier that separates this area from the C/L area.

The full strip will be opened up if needed for larger R/C models

Do not fly anywhere to the north of the strip

No flying off the R/C area between 12 noon and 1pm as there is a Control Line Carrier demo  
Please remember there are set aside times for Ringmaster and R6-b flying on Saturday after lunch. Don't fly anything else off the main strip at these times. Enjoy some time watching the two models of the meet flying.

During the plank racing on Sunday morning no other models are to be flown off the main field.

**As always co-operation between R/C and C/L activities will be needed.**

## C/L

There are two control line circles. The main circle is directly in front of the clubhouse and will accommodate 60' lines. There will be a marshalling area next to the 60' circle. Run your lines out there to avoid them being trampled.

A second circle for 52' lines is at the western end of the strip. Run your lines out along the strip.

### Rules for flying lines

A thong restraint must be used for all control line flying. If you don't have one a C/L official will give you one and show you how to attach it.

Steel or stainless steel lines must be used for all models powered by engines over 0.8cc.

Fabric lines are OK for models below that capacity.

Line connectors must be specifically designed for control line. No keyrings, fishing clips or swivels.

All equipment must be capable of standing a 10G pull test. A test will only be required if your gear looks shonky.

### Rules for flying

Only fly on the two dedicated C/L circles.

Don't walk across the circles. Keep off them unless you are flying.

All observers to be 3m back whilst models are flying.

Only the 2 or 3 people involved in starting and releasing the model to be closer than 3m when models are being started and launched.

REMEMBER ONLY DIESEL ENGINES OR LESS THAN 1CC GLOW OF FOR F/F - DIESEL OR UNMUFFLED GLOW FOR C/L - DIESEL ONLY FOR R/C - **ELECTRIC IS FORBIDDEN**

# FLY SAFE AND HAVE FUN