



Flying High News

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For Sale

For Sale: Walrus (New in box) Cost \$275.26
Asking \$200. Small modification to allow tail removal for re-boxing. I was planning to take it to Norfolk Is this year and purchased it when the Bixler was not available. Bixler now available and purchased so the Walrus has to go.

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functional – so what caused the crash? It goes into the book of unexplainable reasons on what caused the complete loss of air ability. Certainly nothing to with Ravi who is desperately trying to get his bronze wings but is plagued with aircraft problems.



Global Warming

Not to get into this hot potato but it does seem that we are getting more than our share of strong winds. The month of February served up a bucket load of gusty belches to limit only the brave to attempt take-offs. Now we are into March and it appears that the same trend is happening. Let's look forward to April and just get showers and no wind.

Crunch

Once again, our un-crashable Apprentice Trainer plane suffered some form of brown-out and collided with the terra firma. The after-tragedy post mortem showed that all operating surfaces were



Beechmont Relived

Four pilots had a ripper day Slope Sourcing at Beechmont on Tuesday 23 March, (Cal, JJ, Mike H and Jim), battling a strong wind of 17 knots from the South East.

Mike H had his first R/C fly on the Gold Coast Hinterland, and his first walk of shame too.

Apparently, a tree jumped up and collided with his plane.



Now what's all this! Could it be Mike H's first venture to Beechmont ending up in the game we all played in the distant past called "Hyde and Seek". Seems a definite risk assessment is due.



Breaking News

An Airbus 380 is on its way across the Atlantic. It flies consistently at 800 km/h at 30,000 feet, when suddenly an Eurofighter with a Tempo Mach 2 appears.

The pilot of the fighter jet slows down, flies alongside the Airbus and greets the pilot of the passenger plane by radio: "Airbus, boring flight isn't it? Now have a look here!"

He rolls his jet on its back, accelerates, breaks through the sound barrier, rises rapidly to a dizzying height, and then swoops down almost to sea level in a breathtaking dive. He loops back next to the Airbus and asks: "Well, how was that?"

The Airbus pilot answers: "Very impressive, but watch this!"

The jet pilot watches the Airbus, but nothing happens. It continues to fly straight, at the same speed. After 15 minutes, the Airbus pilot radios, "Well, how was that?"

Confused, the jet pilot asks, "What did you do?"

The Airbus pilot laughs and says: "I got up, stretched my legs, walked to the back of the

aircraft to use the washroom, then got a cup of coffee and a chocolate brownie."

The moral of the story is: When you're young, speed and adrenaline seems to be great. But as you get older and wiser, you learn that comfort and peace are more important.

This is called S.O.S.: Slower, Older and Smarter.

Dedicated to all my senior friends ~ it's time to slow down and enjoy the rest of the trip.



CFI Cal (extremely time poor) concentrating hard but really dreaming he is up a thousand feet paragliding or perhaps zipping along the motorway on his Triumph motor bike.



We all fly over this sign depicting an historical site from the Second World War days telling of the planes that crashed and the history of the wing No. 23 Squadron. Where is it?

The Future?

John B's Grandson bought this along to set up. Powered by four 25,000 mAh batteries its range, height and carrying capacity are enormous. Plus, the price if you are in the market for one is well over six figures American dollars.



No Fly Days

Just to reiterate the days that the field is otherwise occupied so that pilots avoid turning up to see the field buzzing with another type of activity.

Monday, 24/04/23

Sunday, 30/04/23

Monday, 01/05/23

Sunday, 07/05/23

To compensate for these non-fly days Judy Holt has been booked for:

Tuesday, 25/04/23 (Anzac Day!)

Thursday, 27/04/23

Tuesday, 02/05/23

Friday, 05/05/23

The Magnificent Corsair



Peter S finally got his Corsair up into the air and even upped and downed the landing gear. Looks great and sort of majestic in its flight path. If you're interested in a real Corsair I know where six are interred. Just go to 33 degrees South by 151 degrees East which is where six Corsairs were pushed overboard from HMS Victorious on her way back to the UK in 1946. Incidentally with 670 female Australian wives and girlfriends on board.

A Maiden

Our President survived the dreaded maiden flight of his huge Cessna 182 Skylane shown here. All went well but some minor trimming needed.



Re Global Warming

Contrary to the gloomy predictions regarding the wind and rain, the last few days of March and into April turned into excellent flying weather.

Congratulations



To Alan S and JJ who both passed their Multirotor Silver Wings with flying colours following the test by CFI Cal.

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