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Newsletter of the Southern Microlight Club

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FUNDING NEWS

I would like to report progress with our claim for funding submitted to the VHPA but there has been no reply. I personally do not find this surprising considering the history but we still live in hope.

INTERESTING

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3L0Cfui0oYY

Oshkosh 365 - Discussion Boards - Video: Mid-Air Repair

http://www.youtube.com/watch_popup?v=SDbQ5xvsrlU

http://fun.mivzakon.co.il/video/israel/10460/áî÷åí 4 áòåìí.html

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-3ZPDX68 Dg

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZboxMsSz5Aw&feature=youtube_gdata_player

http://www.neptunuslex.com/2010/12/10/good-day-at-the-patch/

HGFA OPERATIONS MANUAL

I contacted John Olliff, HGFA Operations Manager, to enquire regarding what progress is being made in aligning the HGFA and RAA Aus Ops Manuals, who is responsible on each organization for input, what documentation is available relating to possible changes and is CASA involved at this stage?

John's reply follows: "CASA has set up a meeting 13th July with RAA and HGFA to start working through the elements of a MoU between the 2 organisations.

I understand the first meeting will identify the CASA and legal requirements and then assess how both organizations will meet the requirements. I am looking forward to the discussion with CASA and RAA.

I will be very pleased to discuss these developments with your members after the July 13 meeting, please let me know if you would like me to attend another dinner/meeting as previous."

We need to be involved in changes that may affect our ability to fly without the burden of unduly restrictive bureaucratic red tape. Safety remains a paramount principle of our Club.

GUEST SPEAKER

Our July Guest Speaker will be our own John Kidon who will enlighten all technical troglodytes in relation to IPODs and their use in flying. I am sure this will be an interesting and worthwhile session.

CAAP 166-1(0)

All Club Members ought to again study CAAP 166-1(0) relating to Operations in the vicinity of non-towered aerodromes.

It is obvious that most aircraft collisions occur near aerodromes and poor circuit procedure is a primary factor. Situational awareness is very important and a re-reading of CAAP 166-1(0) provides a timely reminder of just what to look out for. Where fitted, it is always good practice to turn on lights and strobes near aerodromes to improve the visibility of your aircraft. If your aircraft is not so fitted, think about adding this equipment in the near future. It may save your or somebody else's life.

EMB-190 IN ARGENTINA AFTER VOLCANIC ASH CLOUD PASSED OVER.











MILITARY HUMOUR

Having just moved into his new office, a pompous, new colonel was sitting at his desk when an airman knocked on the door. Conscious of his new position, the colonel quickly picked up the phone, told the airman to enter, then said into the phone, "Yes, General, I'll be seeing him this afternoon and I'll pass along your message. In the meantime, thank you for your good wishes, sir." Feeling as though he had sufficiently impressed the young enlisted man, he asked, "What do you want?"

"Nothing important, sir," the airman replied, "I'm just here to hook up your telephone."

In some air bases the Air Force is on one side of the field and civilian aircraft use the other side of the field, with the control tower in the middle. One day the tower received a call from an aircraft asking, "What time is it?"

The tower responded, "Who is calling?"

The aircraft replied "What difference does it make?"

The tower replied, "It makes a lot of difference... If it is a commercial flight, it is 3 o'clock. If it is an Air Force plane, it is 1500 hours. If it Is a Navy aircraft, it is 6 bells. If it is an Army aircraft, the big hand is on the 12 and the little hand is on the 3. If it is a Marine Corps aircraft, it's Thursday afternoon and 120 minutes to "Happy Hour."

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During training exercises, the lieutenant who was driving down a muddy back road encountered another car stuck in the mud with a red-faced colonel at the Wheel. "Your jeep stuck, sir?" asked the lieutenant as he pulled alongside.

"Nope," replied the colonel, coming over and handing him the keys. "Yours is."

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Officer: "Soldier, do you have change for a dollar?"

Soldier: "Sure, buddy."

Officer: "That's no way to address an officer! Now let's try it again! Soldier, do you have change for a dollar?"

Soldier: "No, SIR!

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Q: How do you know if there is a fighter pilot at your party?

A: He'll tell you.

Q: What's the difference between God and fighter pilots?

A: God doesn't think he is a fighter pilot.

Q: What's the difference between a fighter pilot and a jet engine?

A: A jet engine stops whining when the plane shuts down.

An Air Force Chief Master Sergeant and a General were sitting in the barbershop. They were both just getting finished with their shaves, when the barbers reached for some after-shave to slap on their faces. The General shouted, "Hey, don't put that stuff on me! My wife will think I've been in a whorehouse!"

The Chief turned to his barber and said, "Go ahead and put it on. My wife doesn't know what the inside of a whorehouse smells like."

"Well," snarled the tough old Navy Chief to the bewildered Seaman, "I suppose after you get discharged from the Navy, you'll just be waiting for me to die so you can come and pee on my grave."

"Not me, Chief!" the Seaman replied. "Once I get out of the Navy, I'm never going to stand in line again."

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The Annual General Meeting of the Southern Microlight Club will be held at our usual venue on 9 August 2011. Please attend and consider nominating for office to spread the workload.

I intend to stand down as Secretary. At the age of 73 I believe a younger more enthusiastic person ought to take on the role.

# **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is at the Manhattan Hotel, Canterbury Road, Ringwood, on Tuesday, July 12 at 1930hrs after a meal for those who wish to enjoy pleasant dining with fellow pilots at 1900hrs.

#### **CONTRIBUTIONS**

I welcome contributions from members and thank those who do contribute. Any story or item of interest adds to the pleasure we all get from our association. Do not be shy - Nobel Prize for Literature standard is not expected.

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