

TRIKE NEWS: Newsletter of the Southern Microlight Club - February 2012 www.southernmicrolightclub.com.au

## **PLEASE NOTE**

It is with great sorrow that I advise of the passing of Sam La Bruna in a gyrocopter crash near Mangalore on 14 January 2012. Also killed was Sam's student. Our sincere condolences to both families. Sam is a former member of SMC who was well known to many of our members.

## **LOCKSLEY GATHERING**

Saturday 11 and Sunday 12 February is the dates for the Locksley Gathering. Details have been circulated previously.

# FROM JON NEWELL

Australian Revo flying at Moyura, NSW. This Revo has a Sports Wing 50-80knots.







# ALSO FROM JON NEWELL





747 past a half moon

757 past a full moon



787 Dreamliner



A330 landing Amsterdam with dramatic sky



A340 rainbow contrail



A7s Tucson AFB



B 52s in Boneyard



Camera at FL340, 747 at FL 350, 777 at FL380





Cloud vortex

F 15C Fastest takeoff ever measured

Thanks Jon, I will hold some other interesting photographs for the next issue.

# **BOLD PILOTS?**

A British Royal Air Force pilot flies up to the back door of a C-130 Hercules for a photo op. He radios, "How Much closer do you want me?"





They radio, "How much closer can you get?"





Pilot radios, "Close enough?"

#### A COLLECTION THAT MIGHT BE OF INTEREST

This video is fresh (for the public). It was made in the Atlantic, just off Newport News (Hampton Roads), Virginia.

These are the latest sea trials of the F-35B on the USS Wasp. They were very successful, with 74 VL's and STO's (vertical landings and short takeoffs) in a three week period. The media and the program critics had predicted that we would burn holes in the deck and wash sailors overboard. Neither of which happened. You will notice a sailor standing on the bow of the ship as the jet rotates. That was an intentional part of the sea trials.

Try viewing Full Screen – impressive.

No catapult..... No hook ...... It's a *new world* out there.

The shape and scope of warfare just changed.

Link: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ki86x1WKPmE&feature=colike

http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player\_embedded&v=6jNNFqQODKE

This is interesting. Shows the build up and running of a tiny V12 engine. <a href="http://www.wimp.com/tiniestengine/">http://www.wimp.com/tiniestengine/</a>

http://www.youtube.com/watch\_popup?v=Ki86x1WKPmE

http://www.aircraftowner.com/videos/view/americas-first-jet-flight-october-1942\_1617.html

German engineering...

http://www.youtube.com/watch\_popup?v=RobaJKGMMiE

http://player.vimeo.com/video/31481531?autoplay=1

Absolutely Beautiful. Awesome photos--

What a monster battle machine!!!

http://home.comcast.net/~szee1a/Al\_overcast/Al\_overcast.html

#### **NOTE**

Due to the size of the files I have sent two items separately from the Newsletter.

#### **FOR SALE**

My Wizard Wing that has 80.4 hours on it and has not been flown since 15 April 2001 is still for sale. It needs the nose channel to be upgraded and has a scuffed leading edge (a result of a dust devil rubbing it against a cyclone fence) that needs re-taping or other repair. Has always been hangared and or bagged and is structurally excellent

Make me a realistic offer.

Kel.

#### **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is at the Manhattan Hotel, Canterbury Road, Ringwood, on Tuesday, February 14 at 1930hrs after a meal for those who wish to enjoy pleasant dining with fellow pilots at 1900hrs.

#### **CONTRIBUTIONS**

Contribution relating to trikes have been lacking. I need and 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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