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General Flying at Lake Narracan on Thursday, Saturday & Sunday mornings when the weather allows.



Wayne recently purchased this foamy Yak 11 from Bret Mitchell. Never been flown and will run on a 6S Lipo.

It has a 1450 Wingspan, a BL505, 410 KV motor running an 80-Amp Brushless ESC & 17" Propeller.

This particular model is a Staufenbiel brand from Germany. Hobby King also make 2 different versions.

SATURDAY AUGUST 30
SUNDAY AUGUST 30

Bunnings Sausage Sizzle in Morwell
 General flying at all sites

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 3
SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 7
SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 14
SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 21
SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 28

Monthly Meeting at the Moe RSL meeting room – 7.30pm start
FATHERS DAY & Club Flyday at LAKE NARRACAN.
Slope Gliding at No Pine & General flying at all sites
 General flying at all sites
 General flying at all sites

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 1
SUNDAY OCTOBER 5
SUNDAY OCTOBER 12
SUNDAY OCTOBER 19
SUNDAY OCTOBER 26

Monthly Meeting at the Moe RSL meeting room – 7.30pm start
 General Flying at all sites (**Daylight Savings starts – clocks forward**)
 Club Flyday at LAKE NARRACAN
 General flying at all sites – & **Combat Classic Event 4 at 11.00am**
 General flying at all sites – Combat Classic Event 4 backup day

President's Report



Hi all, over the past month we have had a good turn out of members at the field on the days I have been able to attend which is always good to see, I've spent my first month as president speaking to members to try to see what the best way forward is that we can take our club. It's important that we not only grow but also prosper as a club if we want to build the best possible club with the best facilities we can have. I have been putting a lot of thought into this and if you have any thoughts you'd like to share I'd love to hear them !

It's also great to see Mick has organized the new toilet and Wayne has filled the water tank in it, thanks Mick and Wayne! Thanks to those that have put their hand up to help out at the next bunnings sausage day, your help doesn't go unnoticed or unappreciated.

I'd like to also thank the members that turned up early for the working bee especially Godwin for organizing the trailer of topsoil we recently got to fill in those hoofprints and managed to get it out of the way early so as not to disrupt the days flying. Well done all.

Regards,

Jamie McLaughlin

Vale: AUS82919 Doug Jowett

Sad news with the passing of Doug Jowett on Monday 4th August 25. Doug was 85yo and had joined the club in 2015. I think he would hold the World record for the number of Bixlers that he had purchased and crashed, (26 I think) and the Club record for the amount of models that he had purchased over the last 10 years (lost count). He would have also held the Club records of the longest flights with a model taking off at Lake Narracan landing in Yallourn North and another one on the other side of the Moe Walhalla Rd. He also lost at least 6 models in the Lake that were never found. He tried to get off "Safety" but always crashed when he did. I give him points for trying !

Doug was a good sociable member and unfortunately had a fall several months back and that put him in hospital for about 6 weeks and he was then diagnosed with dementia and he was moved into an aged care home in Traralgon. Fred brought him out to Lake Narracan in late June and he had lost a lot of weight but was still able to fly a trainer on Safety and was still chirpy, but frail. Fred brought him out about 2 weeks later and we could see that his health had gone down hill considerably in that month. He wasn't happy in aged care home the so his passing may have been a blessing for him.

Doug has been and will continue to be missed by the regular fliers. We had a lot of laughs and experiences with Doug. Probably the most memorable was when he got stuck at the bottom of the bank whilst retrieving a Bixler and called the Fire Brigade. 2 Fire trucks, an Ambulance and a Police car. They got him out by a ladder.(and we had one in the container)

May he Rest in Peace.



Above – Doug & his Mini Cooper

I would take this opportunity to thank Chris, Fred and other club members for all the time and effort they spent over that 10 years, assisting Doug with his flying.

**Don't forget that we have a Bunnings Sausage Sizzle on Satyurday.
No display this time. Thanks to Godwin for organizing and to those
who have put their hand up to help**

Minutes of the August 2025 General Meeting held at the MOE RSL at 7.30pm on Wednesday 6th August 2025

- 1 Meeting Opened at : 7.34 pm with a 1 minute silence for Doug Jowett who passed away on 5th August 25. (a card will be sent to his wife, Pam)
- 2 Present – 13 members -Wayne Lewis, Godwin Bugeja, Dave Thiedeman, Craig McMahon, Ollie Wilson, Jamie McLaughlin, Ian Partleton, Rex Mitchell, Mick Dye, Fred Barabasz, Chris Davenport, Stephen Loft & Brian Adams
- 3 Apologies – Bill Reid, Ash Bence, Ian Heafield, Paul Mitchell & Ivan Walker
- 4 Visitors – Graeme Morley
- 5 New Members applications – Joshua Saliba from Yinnar has joined and will mainly be flying Drones at this stage.
- 6 Confirm the minutes of the previous Meeting held on 2nd July 2025 – As per the August 2025 Newsletter.

Moved : Secretary

Seconded: Ian P Carried: yes

7 Business arising from the previous minutes –

- 7.1 **Bunnings Sausage Sizzle – Now set for Saturday 30th August** – Godwin has organized the Council Permit. All is under control.
- 7.2 Toilet repair – It was suggested that we should just get a new Portable Toilet and the meeting agreed to do that.
- 7.3 Mid Year Social - Saturday 19th July at 12.30pm was cancelled due to lack of interest. We will see how the response goes for the Christmas Lunch
- 7.4 Council Grants – Community Grants are now available.

8 Correspondence In & Out and Business arising from Correspondence

8.1 Out - Newsletter to members, VMAA & various others

8.2 In - VMAA Minutes

8.3 Email Out – rejoining forms to the VMAA Registrar

8.4 Email in - VMAA AGM notice

8.5 Email from CR Gibson saying that the recent presentation to Council was very good and there was a LNAG meeting last week.

Moved : Secretary

Seconded: Mick Carried: yes

9 Treasurer – As supplied

1-07-2025 Starting Balance \$

Income \$

Expenses \$

31-07-2025 Balance \$

Comm Bank TD \$

(this investment was renewed on 10-7-25 for 1 year @ 3.50%)

Bendigo Bank TD \$

(this investment was renewed on 26-9-24 for 1 year @ 4.40%)

Total Investments \$

Grand Total \$

Moved : Treasurer

Seconded: Brian Carried: yes

10 2026 Membership – at 1-8-25 is 41 the Financial Membership was 24 Seniors, 12 Pensioners, 3 Life, 2 Junior,

11 Lake Narracan Advisory Committee: - Godwin and Mick both attended the meeting last week and there was a fair bit of discussion on a new site. It was also mentioned that the Lake Narracan water level should be ok until 2052.

12 Relocation Update & Relocation Sub Committee Report : Mick reported that he had spoken to a Yallourn Energy representative, Georgia, and they have nothing available. Several of the sites that we have been looking at are not and may never be available. Mick has also been in contact with the Council Representative, Keisha, and a representative from Hazelwood, Ian. Mick & Godwin have also checked out a site near the Hill Climb Track.

13 Flight Proficiency – Nil

14 Safety – No incidents reported

15 GENERAL BUSINESS

15.1 Doug has just paid his fees and now passed away. Chris will talk to Doug's wife in a month to see if she wants a refund of Club Fees and what to do with Doug's Models & gear.

15.2 Some Cows recently escaped from the paddock and have run along our strop causing hoof prints that are 50mm or more in depth. It was agreed to get some topsoil to fill in the hoof prints.

15.3 Rex Mitchell indicated that a dozen or so people working at the Morwell Food Bank want to come out for a look on Saturday 9th August 25.

15.5 There was some discussion on Grants and it was suggested that we should appoint a Grants Officer to pursue available Grants. We are looking for someone so if you are interested, please put your hand up.

16 BENT WHEEL AWARD –

1 Craig had a brownout and the Dauntless went down in the paddock. It was repaired and is flying again.

2 Chris misjudged the landing with his Draco and tore the undercarriage off on the fence.

3 Wayne crashed the Hurricane not knowing it was on a safety receiver that wasn't installed correctly.

4 Dave Lewis for belly landing his Mustang when the wheels failed to come down.

Congratulations Chris

17 BOMB AWARD - Dave Lewis was the only nomination for forgetting the keys to his trailer and had to go back to Traralgon to get them.

Congratulations Dave

18 SHOW & TELL – There was no show & tell

19 CONFIRM PROGRAM - Bunnings Sausage sizzle on 30th August20 Next meeting will be a General Meeting and will be on Wednesday 3rd September 2025 at 7.30pm at the Moe RSL meeting room.

21 Meeting Closed at : 8.37pm

Please make sure that before flying, the Main Container is open for access to the Fire Extinguishers, Defibrillator and First aid Kit.

Minutes of the LVMAC 2025 Annual General Meeting held at the Moe RSL on Wednesday 6th August 2025

1 Meeting Opened at: 8.45pm

2 Present - 13 members - Wayne Lewis, Godwin Bugeja, Dave Thiedeman, Craig McMahon, Ollie Wilson, Jamie McLaughlin, Ian Partleton, Rex Mitchell, Mick Dye, Fred Barabasz, Chris Davenport, Stephen Loft & Brian Adams.

3 Apologies – Bill Reid, Ash Bence, Ian Heafield, Paul Mitchell & Ivan Walker

4 Visitors – Graeme Morley

5 Confirm the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting held on 7th August 2024 – As per the August 25 Newsletter

Moved : Secretary Seconded: Brian Carried: yes

6 Business arising from the Previous AGM Minutes –

6.1 CCMT Changes seemed to work OK

7 Reports 2024/2025

Presidents Report : 2025 LVMAC President's Report

In my three years as President of this club we have remained stable in membership with some additions to equipment at the field. The relocated charging system from wind to solar and the onsite cameras which can be moved via a mobile phone. I would like to acknowledge the generosity of Fred Barabasz for the purchase of these new assets for the convenience of all club members.

Our competition weather behaved itself this year and all the competitions were finalized after providing great demonstrations of skill and daring by all the competitors.

We had plenty of assistance from club members at our initial Bunnings Sausage Sizzle Day with another one in a short while. The event was a great success for the club not only as a fund raiser but good publicity for the club as an avenue for new members. An extensive collection of model planes caught the eye of many and club members were on hand to explain the differences between the models.

The matter of the new field is ongoing, so we have no option but to wait on Latrobe City Council to provide another location that meets our requirements and includes the current facilities we have on site.

In the past 18 months I have had a few medical issues and not able to be at the field as frequently as I would have liked. At present I am still confined to the hanger!

I would like to thank everyone for their assistance throughout my time as President, especially Wayne, Godwin, & Chris. I wish all potential office bearers best of luck at the AGM. Thanks also to my wife Lyn for her secretarial assistance.

I have great confidence in the future of the club and look forward to enjoying some fly time soon.

Bill Reid

Moved : President Seconded: Godwin Carried: yes

Secretaries Report : Secretaries Report 2024-2025 :

It has been another good year for the club. Membership for the 24-25 year ended on 48 members, which was 2 down on the previous year in which we had 50 members. Current financial membership for 25-26 year is 41 with a few members still to become financial.

The MAAA introduced a new registration system in 22-23 and we now are able to print our own MAAA Membership Cards. The Secretary is able to print the card for anyone that cannot do it themselves. You only need your card if you fly at other Clubs. Some members are just taking a photo to keep on their phone which seems like a good idea.

We had some very windy days during the warmer months and some flydays & events had to be postponed but we still managed to have several successful Club fly days and events throughout the year. The last few months had some pretty good weather with cold nights and not much wind on our fly days which is just what we want !

The Latrobe City Council have found a site at Toners Lane in Morwell that they hope to obtain from Energy Australia but many of us have doubts about the site. I think it will be ok for smaller electric models but not for Petrol & Nitro, mainly because of the noise. It would probably be at least 6 years away if it happens. So a "Relocation Committee" was formed to look at proposed new sites and to look at previous sites to see if anything has changed. Mick Dye and his wife Dao have made a Video/powerpoint presentation that was recently shown to Councilor's at a special Council meeting. Thanks to Mick & Dao for that.

The Housing development to the South West is slowly getting closer with major earth works in progress. They are still around 500 metres from our site at this stage.

The surveyors have been along the roadway into Lake Narracan for a second time and marked out the sewerage line route and this will have an impact on our site. The line zigzags across the track in so we will need entry from the Hayes Rd end to continue flying. No time line at present on this.

We did have an unwanted visitor camping inside the gates at one stage and after he made some threats to members and their models, he was reported to the Police and luckily, was moved out by the Police.

Our Club Social Mid year Lunch was not well attended but the Club Social Christmas Lunch at the Moe RSL was reasonably well attended, possibly due to the current cost of living issues. We did manage to have several sausage sizzle flydays so thanks to Fred for organizing those.

Many thanks to Craig for putting up his hand to look after the Club Website which has had a new look and also to Jamie for looking after the Club Facebook page. It seems to be the way to go with the younger generation.

Thank also to Fred for his mowing effort. The strip has never looked so good and been mowed so often which has been great for those flying EDF Jets and small wheel models in particular.

I would like to take this opportunity thank the Committee everyone that has assisted me and the Club over the year and although I am not standing for Secretary this coming year, I will be there to assist the new Secretary where needed.

Wayne Lewis

Moved: Secretary

Seconded :Brian

Carried: yes

Treasurers report: Treasurer's Report 2024-2025

The 24/25 financial year ended with a good result, increasing our bank balance by, \$ 3,259.77. Our club membership numbers have been very stable with a slight decrease. Expenditure within our club has been kept minimal apart from every day running expenses. Although this result may look good on our bank balance. This also means we are not replacing equipment or making advancements or upgrades.

Once again, this year we hosted a Bunnings sausage sizzle. A good result of \$823.83 profit. It has been suggested that we should have a project to work towards, spend this money on the project as an initiative to gain something for our club. A great idea. Suggestions required !

Money figures for the 2024-2025 year.

Commonwealth Bank Society Cheque Account.

Term Deposits

Starting Balance 1-5-24
Income
Expenses

CBA exp 7-25
Bendigo exp 9-25
Total T/D

E.O.Y.Balance 30-4-25 \$

Petty Cash

Total Club funds at 30-4-2025 \$

Godwin Bugeja

Moved : Treasurer

Seconded : Wayne

Carried: yes

8 All positions are now vacant – elect someone to elect the new President. – Godwin was elected.

9 Election of 2025-2026 Committee.... President - Jamie McLaughlin was elected and took the Chair to finish off the elections.

Vice President – Mick Dye

Secretary - Craig McMahon

Treasurer - Wayne Lewis

Ordinary Member 1 - Stephen Loft

Ordinary Member 2 - Brian Adams

Ordinary Member 3 - Ivan Walker

Ordinary Member 4 - Ian Partleton

Ordinary Member 5 - Rex Mitchell

Ordinary Member 6 - Godwin Bugeja

10 Election of appointed positions Assistant Secretary - Wayne Lewis

Assistant Treasurer - Godwin Bugeja

Safety Officers -Lake Narracan - Ian Partleton & everybody

Warragul - Dirk Kurpersheok

Auditors x 2 - Godwin Bugeja & Mick Dye

Plans Officer - Brian Adams

LNAG rep - Godwin

Newsletter Editor - Craig McMahon

CCMT coordinator - Ian Partleton

Combat Cup/Combat Classic coordinator - Ian Partleton

11 GENERAL BUSINESS

11.1 Confirm fees for the 2025-2026 year – Fees were confirmed as per the May Meeting.

11.2 2025-2026 Club Yearly Program – It was decided to drop the Gliding events as we haven't had a successful one for several years and there doesn't seem to be much interest from club members.

It was agreed to program a Doug Jowett Flyday in remembrance of Doug.

11.3 CCMT rules changes – No changed required.

11.4 Change Bank signatories – It was agreed to remove Paul Mitchell and replace him with Craig McMahon.

11.5 Long Service Certificates for David Lewis who and Paul Mitchell who have done 30 years with the Club

12 Meeting Closed at: 9.23 pm

13 Next AGM Wednesday 5th August 2026



Above – the new Club Secretary Craig McMahon on the Left and new President Jamie McLaughlin on the right

Thanks Chris

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Chris Davenport for his service on the Committee over the past 16 years. Chris served for 10 years as the Club President and 6 years as Vice President and under his leadership the Club has done really well. Chris has also been the CD for the CCMT & Combat events for several years. Age and health issues may have slowed Chris down but he is still keen to be part of the club.

Always make sure you have a phone with you so that you can make or receive a call if you need to go into the paddocks and wear appropriate footwear.

<http://www.maaa.asn.au/images/pdfs/forms/Form-016-POWER-BRONZE-SILVER- WINGS.pdf>

<http://www.maaa.asn.au/images/pdfs/forms/Form-017-POWER-GOLD-WINGS.pdf>

http://u.b5z.net/i/u/10194601/f/Flight_Intruc/Part_5_5_-Description_of_Gold_Wings_Manoeuvres.pdf

(read in conjunction with the MAAA Bronze, Silver & gold Wings Sheet as there are maneuvers that we do not do, included in this pdf)

When you get you email from the MAAA with your Card you really only need to print your Card if you fly at other Clubs so keep it with your models or take a pic and keep it in your phone.

If you want your MAAA Membership Card and can't print your Card yourself, contact Wayne and he will do it for you.

Club Flyday at Lake Narracan (Sunday 10th August 2025)

The forecast was for a good day and it started out foggy but it wasn't too thick and some of the smaller slower models were flying from 9.00am. By 10.00am the sun was shining and the fog had cleared and there was a 10kph Easterly wind which was gusting to 20kph at times. Not a problem for the experienced flyers.

Jamie McLaughlin was flying some small electric Helicopters and also flew his 35cc powered Edge 540 and his Zeus EDF Jet.

James Morfitt flew his Combat SPAD and a 3D foamie.

Wayne Lewis had a nice collection for the day and flew the Boomerang V3, Teksumo Wing, T 28 Trojan, the 1.4 span P 51 Mustang and the Pitts Special.

Dave Lewis flew his 6S powered EFXtra Racer, his 55cc powered Mustang and his 120cc powered Red Bull Edge 540 and a small electric UMX Voodoo P51 Mustang which had a few trimming issues.

Sam Flack had the Conscendo but I didn't see it fly because of the wind.

Stephen Loft flew his Fly Baby, the Wot Wot Biplane and his SPAD on wheels and had no problems.

Jamie Sjamsidin flew his Mini Apprentice on Buddy Box with Wayne and had his SZD-54 Glider but he was called home before he got a chance to fly it.

Eric Spratt flew his Boomerang V3 and managed to take the undercarriage off on a tricky landing in the wind. Eric also flew his Crazy Wing, a Stick 100 and a Crusader size stick.

Craig McMahon flew his Hawk EDF jet, his Douglas Dauntless and his Extra 330 SC 3D.

Mick Dye flew his Nitro powered Sputnik and all went well on this day.

Fred Barabasz flew a 35cc size Yak 54.

Graeme McMahon flew his Stick 100 and his foamy Cub and found the wind to be a little tricky.

Thanks to Wayne for doing the Sausage sizzle lunch that went down well.



Wayne's collection for the flyday – Boomerang, Pitts Special, T28 Trojan & P51 Mustang with Craig's collection in the background – Hawk Jet, Extra 330 & Douglas Dauntless.

Combat Classic Event after 3 events. I more event to go on **Sunday 19th October 2025**

Remember, only the best scores of 3 events are counted so everyone still has a chance to get a placing.

Scores	Event 1	Event 2	Event 3	Total after 3 events
Wayne	850	900	750	2500
Craig	800	700	850	2350
Godwin	850	730	750	2330
Lofty	700	750	780	2230
Brian	800	0	880	1680
Jamie Mc	800	800	0	1600
Ian P	800	750	0	1550
James	800	0	700	1500
Dave	550	0	700	1250

Club Fees 2025-2026

	MAAA fee	VMAA fee	Club fee	
SENIOR MEMBER	\$80.00 +	\$54.00 +	\$86.00 =	\$220.00
JUNIOR MEMBER (under 18yrs 1/07/25)	\$15.00 +	\$15.00 +	\$2.00 =	\$32.00
PENSIONER MEMBER (Full Government Pension or HCC)	\$80.00 +	\$54.00 +	\$50.00 =	\$184.00
LIFE MEMBER	\$80.00 +	\$54.00 +	\$0.00 =	\$134.00
ASSOCIATE MEMBER FEES (see note below)	Appropriate Club Fee as above =			Club fee
NEW JUNIOR MEMBER for first year	Club fee only =			2.00

Mower Battery – The Warragul Mower Battery has died and a replacement has been purchased.

Thanks to Dirk and his helpers for keeping the field in a flyable condition.

Garry Mauger has plans for a 1/5th or 1/6th scale Corsair to suit those retracts that were shown in the last newsletter. He also has some covering and heat shrink tubing and other bits & pieces. He may come out to the field one flyday if he can. Contact Garry Mauger on 0438 121 306 or g.mauger@aussiebb.com.au



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CURRENT FUEL SITUATION – 25-4-25

Roy is still supplying fuel in Bulk at a discount and is leaving a small quantity in the flying field container.

Current prices for 2 stroke is -

2 Stroke \$40 / 4 litres

4 Stroke \$42 / 4 litres

Could club members please ensure that they immediately advise Roy (at field or text 0417 562014) when taking any fuel and pay prior too, or shortly after.

If you want to transfer the money here are the details:

BSB 063530 Account 10029601

Account Name: Roy White.

Godwin is looking after the 4 stroke fuel so see him if you need some.



Above – Brian's Waco

Left – our new Lake Narracan Loo

Thanks to Mick Dye for organizing, picking up and delivering the new Loo.

**Remember to always keep an eye on your
 Charging Lipo's**

Agenda for the September 2025 General Meeting

To be held at the MOE RSL at 7.30pm on Wednesday 3rd September 2025

- 1 Meeting Opened at :
- 2 Present – as per the book
- 3 Apologies – as per the book
- 4 Visitors -
- 5 New Members applications –
- 6 Confirm the minutes of the previous Meeting held on 6th August 2025 – As per the August 2025 Newsletter

Moved : Secretary Seconded Carried:

- 7 Business arising from the previous minutes –

- 7.1 **Bunnings Sausage Sizzle – Now set for Saturday 30th August**
- 7.2 Toilet repair – A new look has been sourced – What to do with the old Loos ?

- 8 Correspondence In & Out and Business arising from Correspondence
- 8.1 Out - Newsletter to members, VMAA & various others
- 8.2 In - VMAA Minutes
- 8.3 Sympathy Card to Pam Jowett for the loss of Doug
- 8.4 Sympathy Card to Fred Barabasz for the loss of his mum
- 8.5 Others

Moved : Secretary Seconded: Carried:

- 9 Treasurer – As supplied 1-08-2025 Starting Balance \$
- Income \$
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- 10 2026 Membership – at 26-8-25 is 42 the Financial Membership was 25 Seniors, 12 Pensioners, 3 Life, 2 Junior,

- 11 Lake Narracan Advisory Committee: - Godwin and Mick did attend a meeting

- 12 Relocation Update & Relocation Committee Report : Report from Mick

- 13 Flight Proficiency –

- 14 Safety –

- 15 GENERAL BUSINESS

- 15.1 Club email address
- 15.2 Remembrance Day for Doug
- 15.3 Others

- 16 BENT WHEEL AWARD – Craig – Dauntless, Godwin – survivor, Others

- 17 BOMB AWARD - Jamie Sjamsudin forgot to bring his Transmitter

- 18 SHOW & TELL –

- 19 CONFIRM PROGRAM - September 14th – Slope day at No Pine , 19th October - Combat Classic

- 20 Next meeting will be a General Meeting and will be on Wednesday 1st October 2025 at 7.30pm at the Moe RSL meeting room.

- 21 Meeting Closed at :



As discussed at the AGM, David Lewis & Paul Mitchell have each had over 30 years with the Club.

It's a bit hard to get accurate records for the older members. I (Wayne) first started flying RC when I was in the RAAF at East Sale around 1976. We started a RC Club on the base and we had a grass strip right next to a Windsock and also next to a taxiway which we flew off, if the grass was too wet. (crashing on the taxiway usually totaled the model – concrete is not forgiving) The grass was mowed for us by the RAAF mowing contractor. That Club only lasted a year as we only had 4 members and I then Joined the Sale Club (SADAC) and that was when I first joined the MAAA. I flew at SADAC for a few years until leaving the RAAF and moving to Morwell.

I actually joined the LVMAC on 14th September 1983 (1983-1984 year) and I have the paperwork to prove that but my MAAA records say that I joined in 1987. I think that's because when the records were computerized, they used 1987 as a starting year for records.

Did you know that you can have access to **your information** on the MAAA data base ?
Click on the link below to register and follow the prompts.

[MAAA Membership Register](#)

Many thanks to those who have contributed to the newsletter with Articles, Pictures and information this month. It would be good to get some new contributors. Thanks also to our regular contributors in particular for their monthly contributions.

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