

Position Vacant: Guest Speaker – Tuesday

**If anyone is able to present, or knows someone willing to present, please contact me ASAP.
If not you will get either Robert or myself again.**

Zoom Meeting ID: 969 683 2299

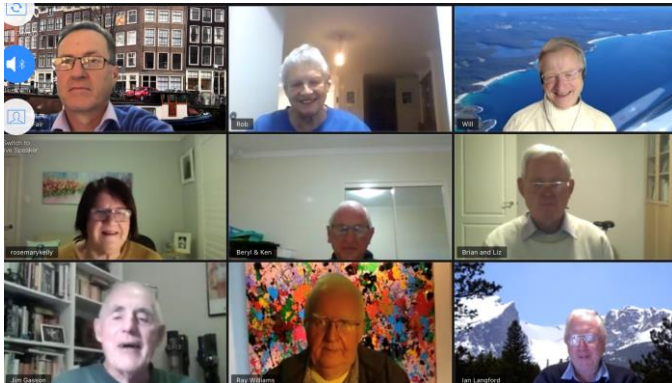
**Please watch out for meeting time. Members are currently responding to a survey regarding start time.
5:30 or 6:30. Watch this space for the decision.**

Tulip Times Bulletin



Welcome

President Elect Rod Aistrope welcomed all.



Invocation – Brian Elliott

International Toast – Rod Aistrope

Rotary Club of Luxembourg-Schuman – VE anniversary.

Announcements:

Don Graham – Rotaract is seeking to assist the isolated within the community with an offer of assistance. Don has replied to Rotaract regarding their request. Suggested that the Rotaractors may be able to assist with technology.

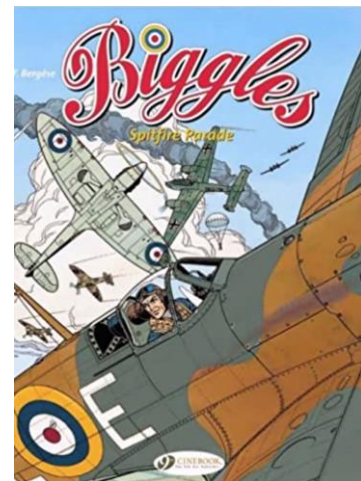
Any members who know of anyone who could benefit from this service should contact either Don or the Rotaract Club.

Brian Pattinson – Dream Cricket have decided to plan for a Gala Day at the end of October (30th October) until advised otherwise. Brian P has resigned from Committee after 10 years of service.

Speaker – Ray Williams

Flying Passion

Even as a young child Ray dreamed of flying. Started with paper planes, then model planes.



Ray has apparently read every Biggles book. Encyclopedia Google says there are 101 books.

At the age of 20 Ray learned to fly a Piper Cherokee 140.



(Ray is the wild looking one in the middle).

After mastering this little plane Ray graduated to the Cessna 210



And then a Beechcraft Bonanza A36



However work became a major distraction for 20 odd years before Ray contemplated retirement. As any organised person does, he wrote a list of possible things to do, including flying.

Fun & Fulfilling Things To Do With Your Time Once You've Retired

- Take that holiday you couldn't quite squeeze in.
- Find yourself a furry friend.
- Pursue a passion project.
- Get those green fingers going.
- Start a podcast or a blog.
- Kill it in the kitchen.
- Hit the books

Flying was given the gig. However he still had to pay for his passion. This is where a fortunate contract with Westpac and a land subdivision helped out.



Just as everyone is currently buying things on line, Ray decided to buy a kit plane.



Model	RV-7
Engine	150 - 200 HP
Top Speed	217 mph
Ceiling	24,000 ft
Stall Speed	58 mph
Fuel Capacity	42 US gal
Seats	2
Baggage	100 lb

The decision was made to buy an RV7/7A.

And then the boxes began to arrive.



Even the engine comes in a box.



Now the real job commenced.



Along with all the components, came a box of tools and jigs to assist with accurate construction.



Ray is very grateful for the assistance he has received along the way including Mick Lendrum, Will Eddowes and others.

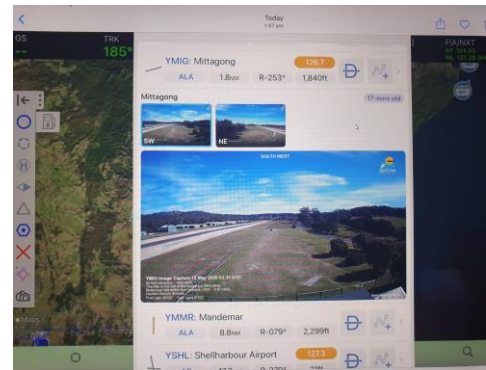


The traditional control panel comprises of the traditional instrumentation. With the introduction of electronics, LCD screens are now utilised.





It is possible to view real time images of airports to ascertain current weather conditions prior to flying. This is an image of Mittagong International Airport.



Once constructed it was decided to ship the plane to a painter who would finish the job.



Sudoku of the week

Time to ratchet up the difficulty a bit.

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	4	9		2		5
	7				9	6
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And voila the completed plane being weighed and now waiting for CASA to issue an airworthiness Certificate.



The Fun Section

