

# SRA AIR RALLY

Saturday May 1<sup>st</sup> 2010

-A picturesque account -



Dear members,

The above photos show what a great time was enjoyed by the participants in last Saturday's Air Rally Adaminaby – Polo Flat – Bombala – Jindabyne and back to Kennedy Field/Adaminaby.

Rally organizer Ray Killen had prepared a questionnaire for pilots and co-pilots to ponder over while keeping the sunny side up or enjoying a break at the various destinations. Can *you* find the correct answers?

**ADY-PFT**

1. Between ADY & PFT how many times do you cross the Murrumbidgee River.

- A . 1
- B. 2
- C. 3
- D. Never

2. What is the name of the Airfield north of Cooma that is used for gliding ops.

- A . North Cooma
- B . Violet
- C . Bunyan
- D . Twisted Downs

3. What famous Australian Aviator used Polo Flats for barnstorming flights during the 1920's.

- A . Charles Ulm
- B . Norman Brearley
- C . Charles Kingsford-Smith
- D . Andy Thomas

4. Polo Flats was the home ground for the Geebung Polo Club in the poem of the same name by Banjo Paterson.

- A . True
- B. False

**PFT-BOM**

1. Your direct track from PFT to BOM will take you over a radio tower, what is the name of this peak

- A . Brown Mountain
- B. Mt. Cooper
- C. Hudson Peak
- D. Mt. Nimmitabel

3. What is the name of the Highway that you fly parallel to between PFT & BOM

- A . Snowy Mountains Highway
- B. Monaro Highway
- C. Cann Valley Highway
- D. Delegate Highway

4. Your host at BOM is Barry Wrenford.

Is Barry learning to fly a helicopter.

- A . True
- B. False

**BOM - JIN**

1. Your direct track to JIN takes you over or very near a number of peaks over 3000 ft, name the first three after leaving BOM

1.....

2.....

3.....

3. what is the name of the Jindabyne Aero Club secretary.

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## Participating pilots/co-pilots were

### **From Snowy River Aviators –**

Claire & Paul Middleton  
Adrian Menhennitt with co-pilot Peter Breukel  
Andy Hain with co-pilot Ray Killen  
Gitta Steffes who flew with Michael & Dinah Fischer

### **From Polo Flat Aero club**

Peter Duncan with co-pilot Elizabeth Apps

### **From Jindabyne Aero Club**

Michael Fischer with wife Dinah as co-pilot as well as myself (lucky Michael for having had the company and wisdom of 2 co-pilots, and women at that!).

## Air Rally Race results

Adrian Menhennitt & Michael Fischer joint winners, each with perfect score of 25 out of 25  
Claire & Paul Middleton in second place with a score of 23 out of 25  
Andy Hain & Ray Killen in third place with a score of 22 out of 25  
Peter Duncan from Polo Flat had a technical DNF.

Here an excerpt from Ray Killen's email to the committee

*"Those who participated truly expressed their appreciation. I can only hope that word of mouth will increase the numbers should we do another air rally next year...."* and *" I would like to express my thanks to Peter Lenkeit who arrived Friday evening and stayed until Sunday afternoon and looked after the shop for us while the rest of us were out flying the rally. His assistance and company was appreciated. My thanks also to Adrian Menhennitt for his moral support and assistance with some technical issues regarding the rally, likewise to Allen Caldwell who entered the rally who attended breakfast even though he knew work commitments would prevent him from participating him from taking part."* and *"If Gitta could publish the results on our webpage and perhaps inform members via email it would be greatly appreciated."* **Done...**

**.... and I hope you all enjoy this photo reportage of our club's Air Rally**

*Gitta*

