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Zenith Transoceanic Model H500

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Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting will be held on Sunday 27th July 2013 in the church hall at the rear of St. Cyprian's Church, Melbourne Street, North Adelaide. A short General Meeting will be held at 1300 hours, followed by the A.G.M. and an auction. As there are bound to be many vacancies, please think about nominating for a position.

Forthcoming Meetings

Sunday 30 June	General Meeting at Alan Taylor's. See above for Alan's address.
Sunday 28 July	General Meeting, A.G.M. and auction.
Sunday 31 August	General Meeting at Les Jane's. His address will be circulated by e-mail.
Sunday 28 September	General Meeting at Colin Wagener's, Wistow
Friday 26 October	Auction at Tony Bell's, Broadview
Sunday 30 November	TBA.
Saturday Early December	Christmas Luncheon, date to be announced.
Sunday Late January	Annual Picnic, date to be announced.

Retirees' Luncheons

Luncheons are held for retirees at the Buckingham Hotel, corner of Walkerville Terrace and Northcote Terrace, Gilberton. Meeting time is 1200 for a 1230 luncheon. Dates for the rest of the year are;

Wednesday 9 July

Wednesday 10 September

Wednesday 12 November

President's Report

Welcome to the first newsletter delivered by our website. First, a big thanks to Peter, our website manager and Tony standing in while we await the appointment of a permanent newsletter editor. Also thanks for the contribution of Morrie as he commits hand-written articles to an Electronic form. On that subject, members are encouraged to provide more articles for our newsletter to allow us to further enhance our fast-growing website as we strive to grow our membership. It is our aim to provide a higher profile view to a fascinating and rewarding activity with the public, particularly with 'younger' members but of course all age-groups are welcome. While on the subject of raising our profile, the suggestion has been made we involve ourselves in a joint combined display with provision for selling items as well with the Australasian Telephone Collectors Society. This would be at a future date to be determined and personally, I feel this is just the kind of publicity we need to attract new members. Let me know what you think. As the AGM in July is approaching rapidly, I would encourage members to think about nominating for a committee position as I for one won't be nominating after three years in the chair. I think it's time for a change and don't forget the usual AGM auction as I have only a single booking at the moment. Finally, don't forget this month's meeting on Sunday 29th at our Secretary Alan Taylor's home.

Front Cover

This is not the Transoceanic that I bought at Miles auction, but could easily be so. The H500 was built between 1951 and 1953. There was also a Military Specification version, the R-520/URR manufactured in 1953.

Editorial.

I note that I “stepped in to the breach” a year ago to produce the mini-newsletter and here I am again. For the first time in the history of the Group, we have not had a news letter for the last four months. I do believe that a newsletter is important in providing a long term record of the Group. For those that think we can keep records ‘in the clouds’, 20 years ago I was using Word Perfect and recording on a 5 inch floppy disc. Imagine trying to resurrect information in that format now. There will be two versions of the newsletter, in sequential pages for on screen reading or booklet printing and the second version for double sided landscape printing with short edge flip.

A previous editor managed to get the Volume No. out of kilter with the year. As Vol. 1 No. 1 was in August 1991, this newsletter should be volume 24 No. 1. To get back into kilter, I will continue this volume until May/June next year.

And for those aspiring editors that would like to produce an 8 or 12 page publication, you are quite welcome to take over.



Above: the
Crowd at the
May meeting.

Right: Victor
giving his
presentation

