# **NSWRA Newsletter**



**New South Wales Rocketry Association Inc.** 

October 2020

Apologies for the delay in issuing this newsletter. The issues with COVID-19 and then insurance have occupied a lot of time and effort by the committee. As the situation was constantly changing it was important to keep members informed regularly by email rather than through newsletters. The committee has been doing everything possible to ensure that we could continue launching in a safe and responsible manner.

With the support of Blacktown City Council we were able to resume launching in July.

Unfortunately the pandemic meant that we had to suspend launches at Mullaley in 2020.



**Tripoli Rocketry Association** 

Thank you to all members for submitting their Tripoli membership application forms so promptly. Tripoli is a non-profit rocketry organization based in USA, with members in 22 countries worldwide.

If you haven't already done so, you should check out the Tripoli webpage which has a lot of useful information: <a href="http://www.tripoli.org/">http://www.tripoli.org/</a>. Note that the Australian insurance coverage is \$20 million (actually US\$15M).

NSWRA is now the third Tripoli prefecture in Australia, the others being the Canberra Rocketry Group <a href="https://canberrarocketry.no-ip.org/">https://canberrarocketry.no-ip.org/</a>, and the prefecture in Victoria, which was the first in Australia and so was set up with the name "Tripoli Australia" <a href="http://www.tripoli.org.au/">http://www.tripoli.org.au/</a>. This name may cause a little confusion to those unfamiliar with the arrangement.

## **Next launch day**

The next launch day is scheduled for Saturday 31st October. Due to current weather conditions, Blacktown City Council has currently closed fields for all sports. An update as to whether the sporting fields will be reopened will be made by Council on Wednesday 28 October. Please check the NSWRA website and your emails for confirmation

## AGM and end of year party

Our last launch at Whalan for 2020 is scheduled for Saturday 28th November. We will be holding the AGM after launching is complete, at the same venue as last year, the Sawmillers Restaurant at the Quakers Inn (7 Nirimba Drive, Quakers Hill). We will be shutting down the range just after 11:00, to allow time to pack up, travel to the venue (15-20 minutes' drive), check in and get comfortable.

The AGM will be followed by the end of year party paid for by the club, which will include a light lunch and your first drink.

Further details will be sent closer to the date.



### **Upcoming Events**

All launches are at Whalan Reserve unless otherwise noted

#### October

31 Launch Day

#### **November**

28 Launch Day – last for 2020 AGM and end of year party