

# **Flying Saucer, Balloon Bursting Features**

## **Of Gala Inter-Town**

# **AIR CARNIVAL HERE**

# **BY DUBBO,**

# **NARROMINE MODELS**

Spectacular balloon bursting by model planes will highlight the inter-town Model Aero carnival between Narromine and Dubbo Clubs at the Dubbo Club's river bank field on Sunday.

Modelling enthusiasts from Trangie and Peak Hill will be guests of the two clubs and will compete in the teams racing and stunting events.

Dubbo's own "flying saucer" will be seen in flight for the first time here, when young Ray Reynolds gives it a trip around the flying field.

At their last meeting, Narromine modellers defeated Dubbo 2-1, taking off the A class team racing and stunting. Dubbo's win was the B class team racing.

However, Dubbo club officials claim that the local team has overcome inexperience in the A class racing and predict a 2-1 victory at the carnival.

"Narromine will probably win the stunting section," one official

said.

Narromine member, Mr. Dave Jones, top stunt pilot of the West, will give an exhibition stunting performance.

In the A class, Ken McDonald is regarded as Dubbo's main hope.

His plane is a fast model, powered by an EO 256cc diesel and is capable of a speed of 75 mph.

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New talent to the local racing ranks comes from John Armati, Brian Tracey and Jim Brook.

Young Armati recently cracked the club's junior speed record.

The flight of the saucer should delight local spectators. The saucer is seven feet in circumference and rises from the ground like a helicopter.

Instead of whirling around, it bobs up and down like an airliner in an air pocket.

The balloon bursting event is

a new novelty to Dubbo flying activities.

It is done by tying a balloon to a stick and planes make low passes at it till they contact and burst the balloon.

A winning hope in the B class section is a special plane built by McDonald and Reynolds.

This plane is powered by a Sabre 29 glowplug engine, which is noted for its quick start and high revs.

A guest at last night's club meeting was the Secretary of the Model Aircraft Association of Australia (Mr. J. Dunkerton), who hinted that Dubbo was the outstanding site for model acrobatics in Western NSW.