

The Good, the Bad and the Ugly

There were so many great entries in our windsock competition - we just had to share them

Honourable mention



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A. Bradley Ballin Photo take at 1455 CST on 7 July, 2008 at Malyanginak (YMYA) outstation community S12, 39.71 E134, 46.46. Eastern Arnhem Land, NT Australia.

B. Adam Wagemakers Taken on 8 June 2008 around 06.30 am on site, at a private strip in the Proserpine area (Queensland 4800). Location on Google Earth is 20 20'45"S,148 35'26"E. The wind was very calm.

C. Nicholas Wilkins Taken at Romulus Station near Blackall, on 31 May, 2008. The 'windsock' is a strip of bubble-foam, the kind you use on

top of a mattress, held by a piece of fencing wire attached to a star picket.

D. Gary Gaudion This poor old windsock lives at the end of a 700m strip at Midge Point - strip for the Laguna Quays resort about 32kms south of Proserpine, on the Whitsunday Coast. Taken at 2.10pm on 29 July 2008, conditions clear and blustery.

E. George Commins Brigalow' Farm 1758 WHITTON NSW. Taken on 13 July, 2008 @ 2:20 pm EST, wind: at 060 at 6kts

F. Jamie Kidd 'Necessity is the mother of invention!' Taken on Ourdel station, Windorah, on our airstrip, 28 May 2008. (We were expecting more shots like this, but Jamie's was the one and only.)

G. Michael Greenway Taken on 26 July, 2008 at 4:00pm, Emu Airstrip in South Australia. Emu airstrip was on a large saltbush plain chosen as the site for the first atomic testing on mainland Australia, and was capable of taking the largest planes flying at the time. The 'township' was a tent city south-west of the airstrip.



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H. Ron Thorp Taken Inverell North airstrip 1pm, 27 July 2008 – it's a bit tricky to see the trailing end for the sock movement!

I. David Shrimpton: Captain – Flying padre. Taken July 28, 2008 late afternoon on a visit to Napier Downs Station in the Kimberleys, WA.

J. Gordon Clarke Taken at 11.30am on 12 June, 2008, on a private airstrip on the property 'Lorrimer', Mt. Russell. A home-build, late 80s windsock. Consisted of a skeleton frame with a windsock over it, mounted on a T-model Ford hub and stub axle to allow it to rotate 360

degrees depending on the wind direction

K. Thomas Scott Cecil Plains on the 9 August at 10:00am. Met conditions: clear blue sky, with wind blowing from the south.

L. Ben Longden 'International' Airport, Gunbower, Victoria, on Saturday 26 July 2008, right next to the Murray Valley Highway to the south east of the township Weather was scattered showers, and was just starting to sprinkle. Don't know about wind strength, but the direction indication was spot on!

M. Phil Treasure This is the 'windsock' at Munjina Airstrip. Taken at approximately 1600 on the 20 June, 2008, with wind gusting up to 35 knots.

N. Steve Ewen YRAT Abrolhos Islands off Geraldton Western Australia June 22 2008 08:15am QNH 1029, Wind 0702kt, Temp 15.

O. Donna Jacobs Taken at 5pm on the 2 July 2008 on dusk at a private airstrip in Gippsland; a beautiful place but I'm unsure how much longer it will withstand the harsh conditions this winter!