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Welcome to the ScaleACT 2021 Bulletin

Since the last bulletin, the ACT Scale Model Society (ACTSMS) has made the decision to postpone ScaleACT 2021. ScaleACT 2021 will now be held from the **12th and 13th of February 2022**.

All current planning for the 2021 October event will simply rollover to February 2022. This includes the already announced subjects for the special categories such as the Sentinel Shield, Grail, Kittyhawk Cup and the special cars award "Best Open Wheeler".

Also, the much-anticipated RAAF centenary display that is set to be a one-of-a-kind display to celebrate the 100th birthday of the RAAF will still be on.

So, in summary ScaleACT 2021 being in 2022 will be a bit like Tokyo 2020 being held in 2021.

No doubt, you would have all read the reports, listened to news conferences on TV and the like and probably concluded in your own minds that the probability of the 2021 ScaleACT proceeding at the end of October was not feasible. Indeed, if it were to still go ahead it would have been very restricted. No visitors from interstate, no interstate traders and strong



possibility of ongoing restrictions in the ACT itself thereby limiting crowds etc. In summary not financially viable.

Note the word 'postpone' rather, than 'cancel', ScaleACT 2021. Outright cancellation was considered too easy and would have meant a hiatus of three years since the last show in 2019. Rather a sense of 'we can still do it, we must do it, but how, when and where'.

Initially we tried for the end of November/early December 2021 at a number of venues across Canberra, including Kaleen, but all were booked out.

Most States including the ACT, should have attained 70% & 80% vax respectively by then which would have made the show totally viable.

But not to give up, we hit upon the idea of a summer show early 2022.

Why not have one early in our 50th Anniversary Year topped off with a second show in November of the same year to get it back in normal sequence.

The decision-making process was done in conjunction with our key stakeholders, key society members and our head ScaleACT organiser Michael Grieve.

The 50th Anniversary Program will also be amended to accommodate the inclusion of the February show in addition to the 50th Anniversary themed November 2022 ScaleACT.

So there you have it. Lock the date in now and keep building.

The ACTSMS looks forward to welcoming everyone in February for ScaleACT 2021 that will be sure to be a great event.

Until then, stay safe and happy modelling.

Peter Davis,
President ACTSMS

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ACTSMS RAAF 100th Anniversary Display – ScaleACT 21

Planning for the display continues and there will be a further update in the Newsletter (which will include 50th Anniversary details) and an e-mail where we'll provide details of where we're at and what we're after.

We're currently working through several themes for the display, and some of these include:

- RAAF Aircraft Video/Slideshow
- RAAF Aerobatics Team display
- RAAF 2021 Aircraft inventory display
- RAAF Squadron badge display
- RAAF 100th Anniversary products display.

There are still many models needed, particularly in the Series 1 and 2 categories. The team needs your urgent help in locating the models or more importantly, offering your services to build one over the next four months. It is a Society event, and all members are asked to pitch in **urgently**. Please contact Tony Allocca or Ray Seppala to take up the offer.

We're planning for this to be the single largest, most comprehensive scale model display of RAAF aircraft and associated RAAF items of current and historic interest for their 100th anniversary.

If anyone is looking at attending ScaleACT 2021 and have models that would assist in the RAAF centenary display, please contact us at either of the below email addresses:

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