



The Old Fliers Group

Royal Aero Club of WA

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51 attended lunch today.
31 registered to attend.
Consequently, there was not enough food to go around. That didn't seem to bother the crowd, neither did the threat of an imminent storm.
Paul Andriessen gave a ten minute quiz in which I had the easy questions, and Stan Schur was the patsy. Great fun.
Garry Coombe was our guest speaker.
His subject: The naval war in Vietnam.
Garry is a good presenter and, as he was involved in this conflict, spoke from experience.
He details the various zones of operation and vessels of all sizes involved. From aircraft carriers to shallow river craft.
1,842,000 US Navy personnel served and 13,500 Australians. Sadly, 3,600 navy personnel were killed.
Garry spoke of the action in the air too, detailing the various aircraft that were employed.

We hope to have Garry back again as he is researching a story on the US Aircraft carriers.
To those who attended we offered the chance to form an OFG Lotto syndicate.
A System 11 ticket was bought with the \$390 raised.
28 members took part.
Fingers crossed!
Next month I have invited Tony Atkinson to speak to us.
His subject? The daring pilots of the Aeropostale.
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