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Intricate model of Houdini's bird is plane magic

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Ian Satur and Lions' Silvan Francis with Mr Satur's one-third scale replica of the Houdini Voisin II biplane to mark the first powered Australian flight. KRIS REICHL N10MT205

A MELTON resident has spent nearly 10 months constructing a replica of magician, escapologist and stuntman Harry Houdini's Viosin II biplane.

The replica plane will go on show next March as part of 100-year celebrations of the first powered flight in Australia in Diggers Rest.

Ian Satur researched and replicated the design from photos, drawings and articles on the internet.

He described the one-third scale model replica as "a labour of love".

"I just wish I had a larger garage," he said.

"The plane has a 4m-long fuselage and a 3m-long wingspan."

The Lions Club of Diggers Rest has provided all funding for the project.

Melton Mayor Renata Cugliari said the model plane would form an integral part of the 100-year anniversary celebrations next year.

"I encourage all interested members of our community to view this wonderful scale model at the Houdini celebrations in Diggers Rest on March 18 next year," she said."

Other events planned to celebrate the 100th anniversary include a commemorative ceremony at Diggers Rest on March 18 and a fly-in at Melton Airfield on March 20.

Details: melton.vic.gov.au/houdini

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Posted on 8 Oct 09 at 08:29pm

The effort and workmanship of the model "Voisin biplane" is an absolute credit to Ian Satur and will most definitely be a significant attraction to the Diggers Rest Houdini celebrations in March 2010.

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