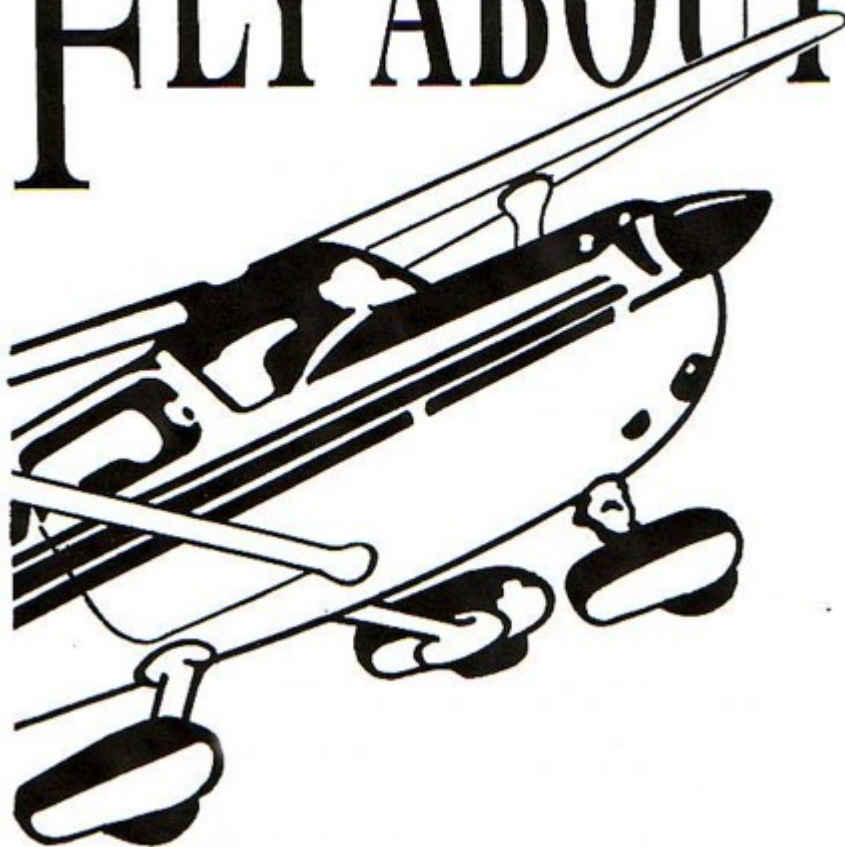


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Presidents Report

Hi All.

Time really flies. We are into May already with no rain around and perfect flying weather. We have two Instructors away just for a short while. If you have been watching the Commonwealth Games Australia has been doing exceptionally well with lots of medals.

Murray Bow is part of our Pistol Shooting team and you may have noticed we won gold in that event. We were hoping to have some photos. Murray cannot get over the amount of men with beards (The In Thing).

Royals have notified me that if we can get 3 or more pilots interested in doing formation flying they are quite happy to endorse us, whether down there or in Northam. Let me know if you are interested, I think a formation flight over Northam would look spectacular.

Lila Tame has moved to Bunbury to be closer to her family and we wish her all the best. Lila has contributed many years to both the Aero Club and the Ballooning. Thank you Lila for your dedication.

MJ our illustrious Editor is looking for interested parties for a Fly In to Forrest later in the year. The facilities there cater for planes and overnight accommodation. We will keep you posted on the actual date but please let me know if you are interested and we can make sure the date suits all.

The 50 Year Anniversary Committee has been kept very busy and as always still looking for information of past and present material.

PGL is kept busy clocking up flying hours which is great to see. Remember with this cooler weather coming on, don't forget to use carby heat. If you have engine problems, nose down for speed and then your F.C.M.I.T. check.

Cheers,

Errol

Footnote from The Editor:

I was hoping to host the inaugural "Editors Annual Dinner" later this year at Forrest in WA.

The Weekend I had in mind was the 22nd & 23rd September 2018.

If you are genuinely interested, please let Errol know and if the date suits I can start putting some firm plans in place.

PS the Dinner and Wine is on the Editor!!!

Club Captains Report

Sunday 8th April was our monthly Flying Comp.
Two circuits, radio calls & nominated times was our comp.
Each pilot nominated his own individual time so not a race
Just a very interesting and safe comp.
Judge: founding member Preston Smith.
"Scores were very, very, close, all pilots well up to speed...
Radio calls perfect and all flew safely."

RESULTS:

First Place with a Perfect Time was Ashley Smith, Second was Peter Hill and close behind in Third place was Ian Berry.
Once again, we thank our Ladies of the Canteen for another great morning tea!

NEXT COMP IS SUNDAY 13th MAY 9am **DEMPSTER/MURESK CROSS COUNTRY AIR TRIAL**

As usual all Pilots have a full Comp Sheet and Map with 30 days to go, so we can all be on the same page and

Club Aircraft is available at all times for TEAM NAC pilots who wish to fly a practice run or two.

Yes, we know it is MOTHERS DAY Sunday 8th May, why not take our Mums up for a little Cross Country and they can be part of the Comp too?

Hoping to see Friends and Family at our Mothers Day Flying Comp at Northam Airfield Sunday 8th May 9am,

All most welcome and seats available in Club Aircraft at all times, just ask.

So, until then, Best Wishes, Stay Safe,
Peter Hill Club Captain NAC 0450415947 prh@aurora.net.au

Please see two following pages / full Comp Sheet and Map

for next TEAM NAC Flying Comp Sunday 13th May 2018.

All Pilots have 4 weeks to PRINT OFF / Understand and FLY a practice round or two.

Club aircraft is available at all times, as good a reason to fly as any eh?

Hope to see YOU at Northam for next NAC Flying Comp Sunday 13/05/2018.

Sunday May 13th

DEMPSTER STRIP / MURESK SORTIE'

PILOT: _____

A mini cross country air trial.

appr. 34 n.m.

CALL SIGN: _____

Take off & depart crosswind maintaining 1,500 ft.

RADIO: "Departure crosswind to the East
through -- ft on climb to 1,500 ft Northam" 10 Points.

At 5 miles along Gt. Eastern Hwy:

Find DEMPSTER AIRSTRIP North of Gt. E. Hwy. Grass Valley.

REPORT : Colour of Runway _____ 10 points.

Is hangar East or West end of strip? _____ 10 Points.

Now track 220 degrees to MURESK AG. COLLEGE.

CLIMB to 2,500 ft.

AT MURESK: are grain silos East or West of Oval? _____ 10 Points.

Now track North and CLIMB to 3,500 ft.

Track for the intersect of:

Northam Pithara Rd and 31 degrees ³³⁻⁵~~34~~ minutes South.

RADIO: "Northam Traffic ---8 miles South at 3,500 ft
tracking North to overfly Northam Airfield
at time--- Northam" 10 Points.

CLEAROFF CHECKS.....

RADIO: "Northam Traffic ---OVERHEAD Northam Airfield
Maintaining 3,500 ft tracking 360 NORTHAM" 10 Points.

AT POSITION 31 degrees ³³⁻⁵~~34~~ minutes/Northam Pithara Rd:

Identify farm building complex East side of road----

Describe here: 10 Points.

Now TRACK 130 degrees at 3,500 ft to DEMPSTER STRIP.

Check for activity this airstrip then return to base.

RADIO: "Northam traffic --- 7 miles East at 3,500 ft.
INBOUND estimate time----- circuit Northam" 20 Points.

Descend @ appr 200 fpm to 2,000 ft. and cross to the
dead side for a midfield crosswind circuit entry.

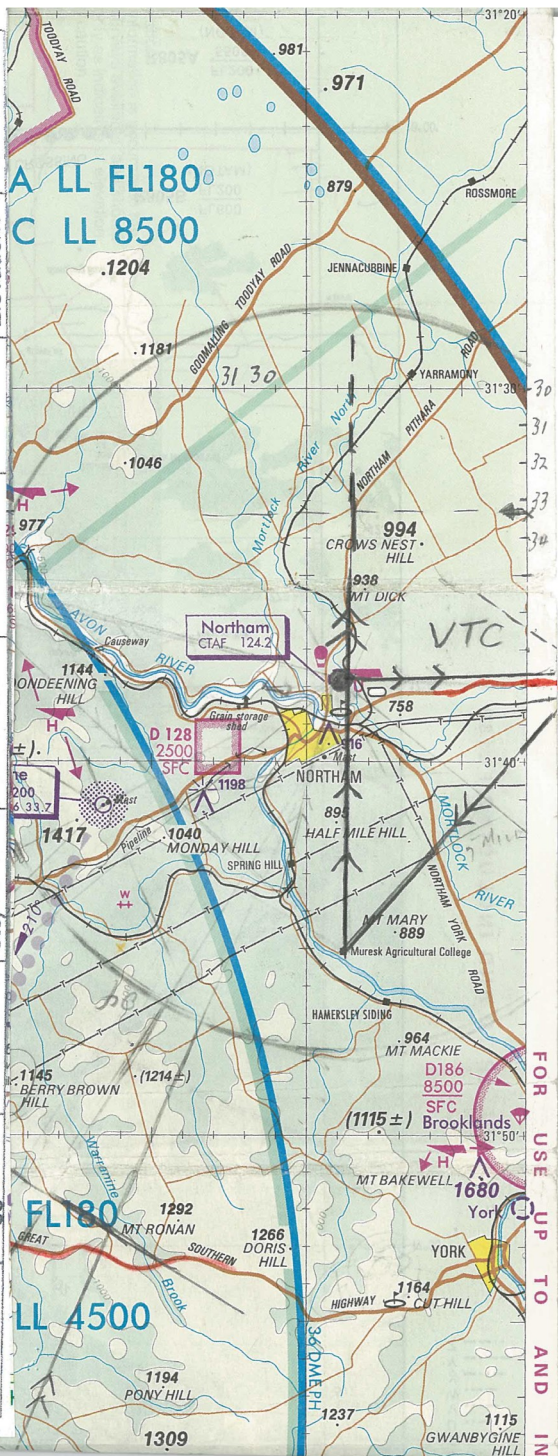
RADIO: "Northam Traffic--- overhead at 2,000 ft crossing
to the dead side and descending
for midfield crosswind circuit entry Northam". 10 Points.

RADIO: "Northam Traffic --- JOINING MIDFIELD CROSSWIND
RUNWAY--- NORTHAM". 10 Points.

RADIO: "Northam Traffic --- TURNING MID DOWNWIND
RUNWAY -- NORTHAM". 10 Points.

RADIO: "Northam Traffic --- LANDED and CLEAR
RUNWAY --- NORTHAM". 10 Points.

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Compass	Log	Engine	Altitude	Radio	Orientation	Fuel	Forced Landing	Satime
Compass & DG Aligned?	10 min Marks? ETA Logged? ATD Logged?	Lean Mixture? RPM? Temps & Pressures?	Hemishp? Assigned? Limitations (eg. Cloud, Terrain, etc)	Correct Freq? Transponder? Nav aids Usable? Radio Calls?	Where am I? Fix/Pinpoint if possible!	Contents? Log!	Where to go? Wind direction? Ground Elevation?	When does it expire? Does it need amending?



From the Archives

Who can remember 15 years ago!!!

Dawn Raid 2003

by Joy



Last Sunday 17 aircraft that left Jandakot at dawn invaded NAC. It is always very exciting preparing breakfast and waiting for the 'Dawn Raid' visitors to arrive - The air is usually crisp as the sun comes up - But alas the radio announced 28 degrees as I left home at 6.00am and it did not take long to reach the dreaded 40 degrees. The heat was forgotten as three aircraft came over 'in formation' and these were soon followed by five Tiger Moths together above the airstrip. Our visitors enjoyed a cooked breakfast and oodles of iced orange juice before taking leave, either to return to Jandakot, or compete in "The Presidents' Cup" competition that Ray had organised. Sixty people were fed and thanks go to our cooks, Gren and Jeff, with the kitchen staff of June, Anne and Sue and our drinks coordinators, Errol and Mike. Robyn and I would like to thank all helpers and especially June for shopping for all the food during the week. PS: Would someone at Royals tell 'Dennis' (Ticket No. F60) that he won the raffle and needs to return to Northam to get the Pilot's case?





On-the-spot Class 2 Medicals

Tuesday 3 April 2018

From tomorrow 4 April, all designated aviation medical examiners (DAMEs) will have the option to issue on-the-spot Class 2 medical certificates.

The changes being introduced include optimisation of the CASA medical records system (MRS) to instantly process certificates that meet the required medical standard. If MRS flags a review is needed, every DAME now has the option to either conduct that review themselves and assess whether a certificate can be issued – or refer the assessment to CASA. The only exception will be for conditions of psychosis, irreversible dementia or epilepsy – or if an applicant has previously had a Class 2 application declined. This means that CASA's medical team will be involved in Class 2 assessments only where a DAME chooses. It's important to know that some assessments can be complex and your DAME may elect to refer it to CASA. To further streamline processing, the CASA Class 2 application fee has been reduced to \$65 and will need to be paid through MRS prior to visiting your DAME. The fee will be further reviewed later this year when the remaining Class 2 reforms have been completed.

Where a DAME has assessed you as fit to fly, you should receive your Class 2 certificate by email before you leave the surgery. DAMEs need to have completed a short online eLearning module to use the new system features. When you make your next appointment, ask your DAME "*Are you set-up to offer on-the-spot Class 2 medicals?*"

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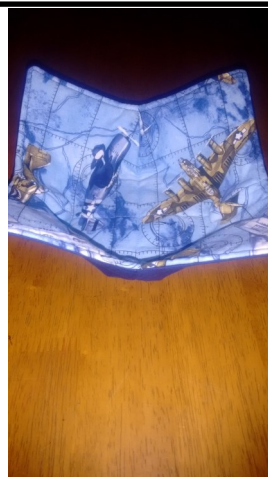
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14th-15th	-	Mick
21st-22nd	-	Crofty
28th-29th		Howie

May		
5th-6th	-	Matt
12th-13th	-	Peter
19th-20th	-	Mick
26st-27th	-	Crofty

June		
2nd-3rd	-	Howie
9th-10th	-	Matt
16th-17th	-	Peter
23rd-24th	-	Mick
30th		Crofty

JULY		
1st	-	Crofty
7th-8th	-	Howie
14th-15th	-	Matt
28th-29th	-	Peter

Bar Hours

Sat. 5pm—7 pm

Sun. 5pm—7pm

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NEXT CLUB COMPETITION

9am Sunday 13th May 2018

The Northam Aero Club

**Committee meeting will be held at the
club rooms**

Sunday 13th May 2018 at 12:00 noon