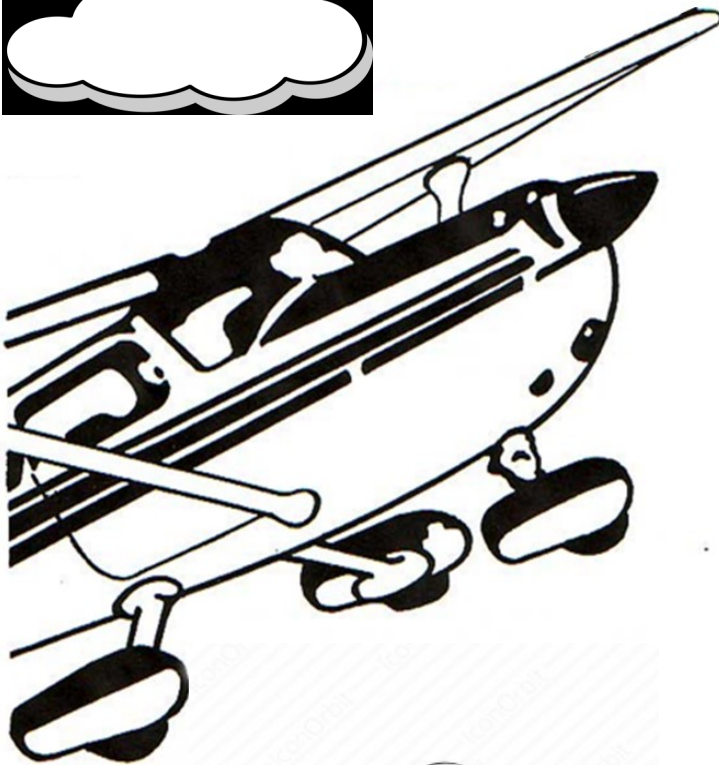
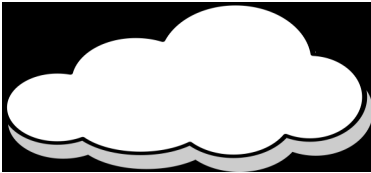


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Presidents Message

Hi all

The weather has been on the warm to hot, hot side. Not really pleasant flying weather and definitely not carby heat weather. Hopefully it will start to cool down in the next few weeks.

Nungarin is holding a Vintage Rally on Saturday 29th February. They hope to fire up a WW11 Generator and Anti-Aircraft Searchlight fitted with 800,000 candela. I believe some members will be driving up but I will be flying in and if anyone else would like to fly let me know. We will need to fly to Kununoppin Airfield and I will organise a bus to pick us up and return us. The Nungarin Museum is really worth seeing. Plenty of vintage farm and army equipment will be on display.

Some members mentioned a fly in to Jurien Bay at Easter Time. If you are interested let me know or if there is somewhere else you would like to go just let me know.

MJ you have to do better with name the planes that was in the last month's issue of Fly About . One of our very astute Flying Instructors rang me with the answer "they are all helicopters".

From all reports all is going along well in regards to hire of PGL in this hot weather and clocking up plenty of flying hours.

Sometime in the coming months when it cools down we will hold a busy bee to do a few things around the club house.

Cheers for now,
Happy Flying, Errol Croft

Editors Note: *Not too astute, the segment was renamed in January to "Pick the Aircraft", cheers, MJ*

Club Captains Report

Sunday 9 th February was our Monthly Flying Competition.
" I.F.R. NORTHAM" - (I Follow Roads-lots of them)

A local flight from 5 to 8 miles radius from Northam Airfield.
10 changes of course,
11 Ground Targets,
Then a straight in Approach from 5 miles .
Radio Calls and Landing Criteria also in the mix....
15 knots variable from the South, so Runway 14.

TEAM NAC PILOTS and CREW gathered in the Flight office in good spirits with a nice cuppa and cakes galore from our Ladies of the Kitchen! Thank You Beth and Kate!
Visitors also look forward to your scrumptious Morning teas!

The evergreen Ian Berry gave us the good oil on "BLIND RIVETS" and what may lurk sight unseen beneath, bloody interesting and thank you Ian!
Pilots had full Comp Sheets and Maps 30 days prior, most had actually FLOWN A PRACTICE RUN before Comp Day.

All Pilots flew well and ,Judges were besides themselves?
Judges were James and Ashley, we thank you for a pivotal job done well.
"Pilots did well with tricky wind variations late final, we were entertained".

Results:

First	Peter Hill	160 Points.	
Second	Ashley Smith	159 Points.	
Third	Jesse Stewart	153 Points.	Welcome to TEAM NAC Jesse!
Fourth	James Hill	151 points.	
Equal Fifth	Russell Steicke and Nock Osz	so close	
Sixth	Ian Berry	ditto	

SINCERE CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL COMPETITORS!

A couple of changes at Jandakot

What's even scarier than flying into Jandakot? Change! There are a couple of useful changes that have happened at Jandakot recently. One is the change to inbound points from the south and east. Previously if you flew down from Northam via Mount Dale or the ever-scary controlled airspace of Victor 66, you reported inbound at Armadale or Six South. The problem with Six South was that was a bit of a nebulous concept, somewhere around that set of east-west powerlines that was sort of somewhere south of Forrestdale Lake. "I'm at Six South" was never a particularly accurate description of your position.

The new reporting point is Oakford, which is a much better and easier point to fix. It's the south end of Nicholson Road, where it intersects Thomas Road. It's near enough to 3nm directly south of Forrestdale Lake, and it's just east of a very easy feature to find, which is the Tonkin Highway-Thomas Road intersection. Tonkin Highway, being a 4-lane divided road that runs down the east side of Forrestdale Lake, is very easy to pick, and Nicholson Road runs down the west side of the lake.

The new inbound point at Armadale is called Brickworks, which is the Austral Brickworks site a mile south of the Albany Highway-South Western Highway-Armadale Road intersection, between the SW Highway and the railway line to its west. See the attached snip from Google Maps highlighting the points. (Yes, the view is from considerably higher than 1500 ft, but that's so both inbound points fit on the same page).

Runway 12/30 extension

For maybe the first time in the 20-odd years since Jandakot Airport Holdings bought the airport (or more correctly the lease), they've done something other than extend their business park, and actually made a contribution to aviation. They've extended Runway 12/30, which is now 1500 metres long.

Operations on that runway are the same as before. The main change is the taxiing. There's a new taxiway on the south of the extended runway. See the attached diagram for the taxiway layout and designations.

A brief summary of taxing for daytime departures and arrivals is:

Departing off Runway 12

Same as before. Taxi to the holding point at the western end of Taxiway Bravo.

Landing on Runway 12

Vacating via S1, S2, S3 or S4 – you need clearance to cross 06L and 06R;

Vacating via K4 – get a clearance to cross Runway 12 at K3 or K2, then clearances to cross 06L and 06R;

Departing off Runway 30

Taxi via Bravo and hold short of Runway 30;

Get a clearance to cross 30, and clearances to cross the undershoots of 06L and 06R;

Taxi to holding point K3 or K4.

Landing on Runway 30

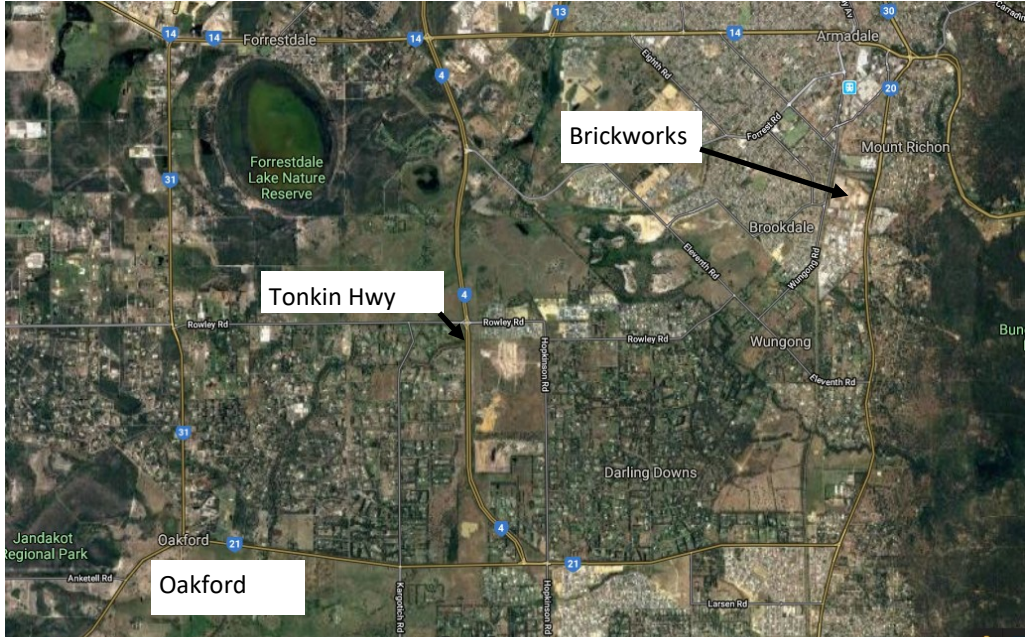
Vacate via S1, S2, S3 or S4;

Just a reminder – Jandakot is no longer a GAAP aerodrome. It's now Class D, just like Kar-ratha or Albury or Alice. That means firstly, you need a clearance to taxi anywhere, and secondly, by day all runways are active, not just the ones nominated on the ATIS, so you need a clearance to cross them.

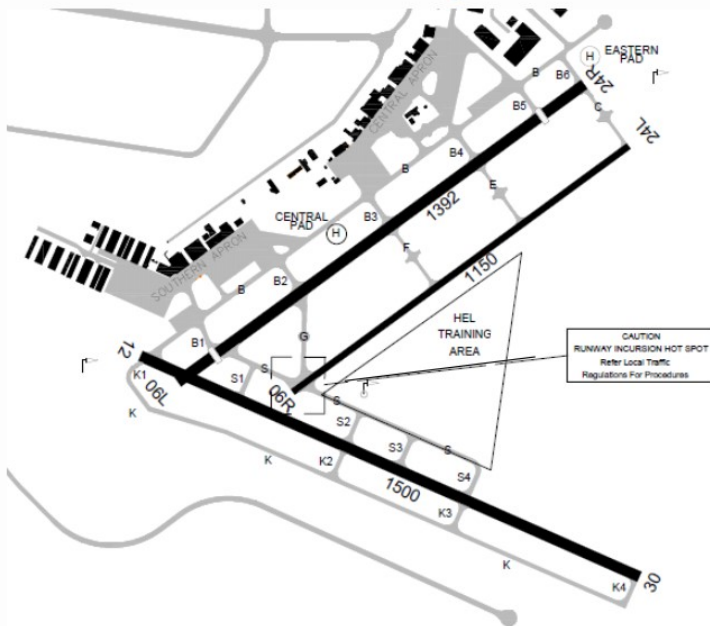
Another change is that Taxiway K infringes on the runway strips of 06L and 06R (ie. within the gable markers), which is why you need clearances to cross the undershoots. You've never needed that at Jandakot before, although some of us can remember taxiing to what's now holding point C for 24R and saying "Request to cross undershoot of 24 Right" when you taxied to 24L. You weren't actually crossing an undershoot; you were crossing at the take-off threshold which was (and still is) generally only used by larger aircraft using the full length of 24R.

And always remember if you're on the ground at Jandakot and it's all getting too scary, "Request taxi guidance" is a very useful phrase. It doesn't make you sound ignorant or unprepared; it makes you sound safe.

The attached diagram is from an Airservices document detailing the changes. I can't find it online, but please email me (kevinlathbury@gmail.com) if you'd like a copy. And as always, if you're planning to fly into Jandakot and you haven't done it for a while, have a look at ERSA, and give Murray or me a call if you have any questions. We're both pretty familiar with the place.



New aerodrome layout



Fly-In to Nungarin

Vintage Cars . Army Tanks . Trucks . Tractors . Food . Music . WWII Anti-aircraft Searchlight

WHEN	Saturday 29 February 2020	Everything's Vintage: cars; trucks; tractors; army tanks; military vehicles and so much more
WHERE	Nungarin Heritage Machinery and Army Museum 26 Second Avenue Nungarin	After Dark: see what 800,000 candela looks like when we rev up the WWII Anti-aircraft Searchlight
FROM	1000 to 2200 full day 1800 to 2200 evening	Where to Eat: Nungarin Heritage Museum; The Woolshed Hotel; McCorry's Old Hotel; Wegners Rural
ENTRY	\$10 (children under 16 free) includes evening WWII Searchlight Party	Where to Stay: McCorry's Old Hotel & The Woolshed Hotel
		Caravans Welcome at: Nungarin Caravan Park; Mangowine Homestead; McCorry's Old Hotel
		Other Events: Sunday 1 March 2020 Nungarin Markets

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Next Club Competition

NEXT NAC FLYING COMP is Sunday 8th MARCH.

"AVON GOLF TOUR RECONNAISSANCE"

A mini Air Trial Cross Country tour of various Golf Courses around the Avon District. TEAM NAC PILOTS have full details with Map and Comp sheets with 4 weeks to go, so please MARK YOUR CALENDARS for SUNDAY 8th MARCH at Northam Airfield for some more entertaining flying.

Plenty of time for a PRACTICE RUN, why not?

UNTIL THEN, STAY SAFE

Cheers,

Peter Hill NAC CLUB CAPTAIN 0450415947

Bar Roster

Bar Hours - Saturday 5pm - 7pm

If unable to do your rostered days, please make arrangements to swap with someone.

February		
1st	-	Matt
8th	-	Crofttry
15th	-	Howie
22nd	-	Adam
29th		Dave

May		
2nd	-	Matt
9th	-	Crofttry
16th	-	Howie
23rd	-	Adam
30th		Dave

March		
7th	-	Peter
14th	-	Mike
21st	-	Matt
28th	-	Crofttry

June		
6th	-	Peter
13th	-	Mike
20th	-	Matt
27th	-	Crofttry

April		
4th	-	Howie
11th	-	Adam
18th	-	Mike
25th	-	Dave

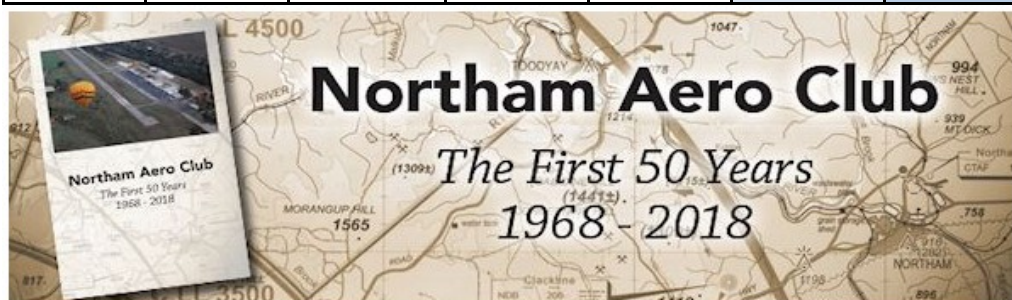
July		
4th	-	Howie
11th	-	Adam
18th	-	Peter
25th	-	Dave

IF UNABLE TO DO YOUR ROSTERED DAYS
PLEASE MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO SWAP WITH
SOMEONE

February/March 2020



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
17	18	19	20	21	22 Bar Adam	23
24	25	26	27	28	29 Bar Dave Nungarin Fly-In	1
2	3	4	5	6	7 Bar Peter	8 Club Comp & Committee Meeting
9	10	11	12	13	14 Bar Mike	15
16	17	18	19	20	21 Bar Matt	22
23	24	25	26	27	28 Bar Crofty	29



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NAC Club Aircraft Bookings



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‘Fly About’ Magazine: Yes ☐ I would like to receive it by ☐ email (preferred) ☐ post

No ☐ I do not wish to receive it

Many thanks,

Northam Aero Club Committee

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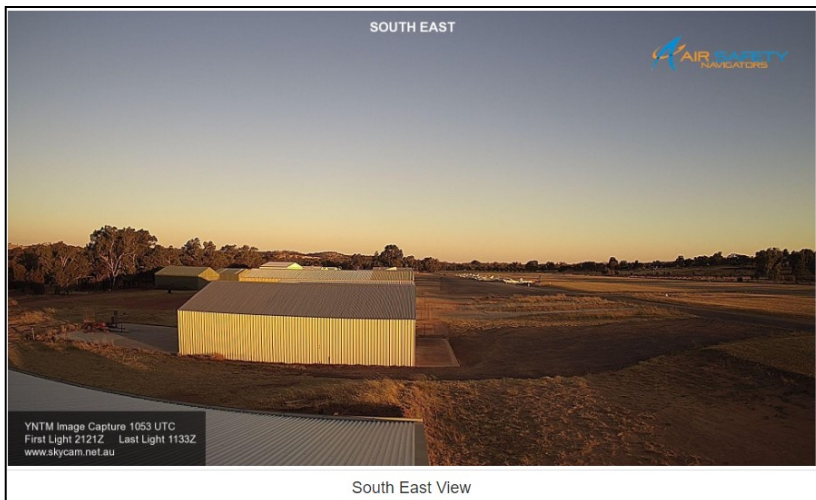


NORTHAM AIRPORT SKYCAM

Northam Airport now has a Skycam:

<http://www.northam.skycam.net.au/>

The Skycam system at the Northam Airport has been installed to improve pilot situational awareness with regard to the weather. This webcam is funded and will be maintained by Air Safety Navigators as part of our commitment to aviation safety, the local flying community and in support of our home airfield. Images are now available on Ozrunways and Avplan



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