

Fly About

NORTHAM AERO CLUB (INC.) NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

WELCOME TO DECEMBER FLY ABOUT

Unfortunately there was no flying competition held this month due to very strong cross winds. We did, although, have another Father Christmas lunch on Sunday 14th December. Thanks once again to Sue Clements and all the people that helped and provided food.

A big thank you to Brad Whyte from Avon Valley Bakery who provided a beautiful Christmas cake.

I am writing this report onboard the '*Crown Princess*' having boarded in Singapore. Those of you might remember the evacuation of Singapore during WW11 and we are currently passing through Karimata Strait at 33kph next stop Lombok Indonesia.

Thank you to all our Members and friends for a wonderful Year and Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all.

Errol

P.S. - Can you seem me waving to you all from the photo below?



CLUB CAPTAINS REPORT

CAPTAIN'S REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2025

We had an interesting day weather wise for the December competition that proceeded Aero Club's Christmas Lunch. Due to the hot windy conditions and the threat of thunder storms only Ashley and our esteemed President Errol made themselves available to try out for the honors today.

The task was circuits with all landings onto the second runway stripe, soft field take off with a powered approach, a flapless approach and then a glide approach.

Ashley went up first and then Errol followed as the wind swung to almost 90 degree crosswind and really showed his skill in handling it. After I got back from judging the landings Errol was making a kings call to cancel the Comp due to conditions but changed his mind when told he had won the day by one point! *[Editors Note: Now very confused if Errol did or didn't win]*

Marg and Ashley took over the kitchen making fresh Muffins and Scones. Kate was organising the Clubroom for the Christmas lunch with the help of anyone who didn't look busy. Sue arrived with the makings of the fare, how lucky are we to be able to rely on her talents in catering.

***Wishing everyone a happy and safe Christmas
and tail winds in the New Year!***

Dave



Next Competition is Sunday the 8th February 2026

CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

In case you missed the FACEBOOK photos



*Sir Errol embracing the
Xmas spirit*



*Ashley Smith receiving a gift from
Santa*



The luncheon spread is always a hit with everyone

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SANTA arriving with a sack full of presents in tow (hope he did his weight and balance calculations correctly)

Liz Ellis wasn't on the naughty list and received a present from SANTA



Even SANTA checks his list (and checklists) TWICE !!!

BAR

The Bar will be open every Saturday evening from 17:00 — 19:00

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NEXT CLUB COMMITTEE MEETING

Sunday 8th Feb 2026 @ 13:00

Wanted - Aviation Memorabilia

- Books
- Artefacts
- Photographs
- Old Aircraft Parts
- Signs

If it's old and historic—I'm interested

Adam Price—0428 611 797

NAC Club Aircraft Bookings



Enquiries— Matt Bignell

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CLASSIFIEDS

Northam Aero Club Merchandise

Club Polo Shirts with name and club logo—\$35.00

Club Caps with logo—\$25.00

available at the bar or Postage—\$10.00 per order

Stubbie Holders—\$7.00

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Postage —\$8.00



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NAC Cessna 172 — VH-PGL

Hire Fee Structure

- ➔ Private Hire - \$270 per hour
- ➔ Dual Training - \$440 per hour
- ➔ TIF's - \$220 per 1/2 hour
- ➔ Briefing - as required
- ➔ Instructor (in owner's aircraft) - \$180 per hour

Pre-paid Discounted Block Rates Available

- ➔ 5 hours less 5%
- ➔ 10 hours less 10%

Student pilots may use the discounted block rate for aircraft hire costs only. Instructor fees remain as fixed price.

For all further enquiries please contact:

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NEXT CLUB COMPETITION

9:00 am Sunday 8th February 2026

Club Captain for the day will provide the briefing

