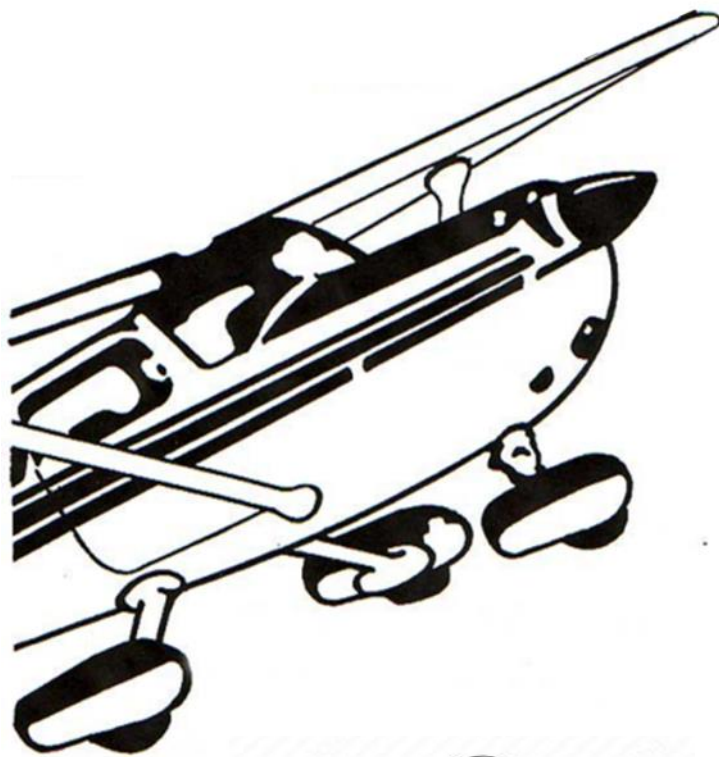


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Presidents Message

Welcome to April's President Report.

The weather has been perfect for flying Anyone who managed to fly to Cunderdin's 80 years of gliding event would have witnessed a very enjoyable weekend. They are all so proud of their history and rightly so.

Wyalkatchem have contacted me to invite us and the Royal Aero Club to their fly in being held on the weekend of 12th or 13th July. Bindoon are also keen for us to fly over and have a fly-in there as well.

Our deepest sympathies go out to Dave Beech for the loss of his dear wife, Anita. They shared over 50 years of a beautiful marriage.

It is that time of the year when elections are due for the Committee of the Northam Aero Club so give it some thoughts to whether you would like to be a Member of the Committee. The nominations form and positions will be advertised in the Fly About magazine.

With the cooler weather approaching, remember to use your carby heat.

Cheers,

Errol

Club Captain's Report

What a great morning to fly in the calm, cool weather and enjoy the scones and muffins with a coffee together. Thanks to those who provided it and those who came!

The exercise to fly was a navex east and north and return to Northam with easy targets. Crews had to describe information at the waypoints for the entertainment of those present at the debrief.

Six pilots took part using four aircraft.



The first item to ID was the geometrical shape that is apparently the epicenter of the Meckering earthquake.

Participants were asked to describe an obstruction in the paddock near the Greenwoods Valley way point giving more detail for more points. Unfortunately, not enough paper was supplied! As some navigators wrote a novel to describe the tank and its condition!

Once again the crews are too good **OR** the task too easy **OR** the Captain is too soft with the scoring...!

We had three equal firsts with 97 points.

An attempt to break the deadlock was a question from a past forecast :

“ What does PO stand for? ”

No one knew PO = Dust whirls/willys!!!

Club Captain's Report

RESULTS:

EQUAL FIRST	Peter Hill	C152 BFC	97 points
EQUAL FIRST	James Hill	C152 BFC	97 points
EQUAL FIRST	Paul Blain	C172 PGL	97 points
SECOND	Ashley Smith	C172 PGL	96 points
THIRD	Sir Errol Croft	C172 JXI	



Next Competition;
Sunday 12th May 2024. This is

MOTHERS DAY

so bring her along, take her for a fly. She maybe a better navigator than you think...!

Briefing at 9am.

Cheers

[Dave McFarlane](#)

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Around The Web



SHARE YOUR VIEWS

CASA are seeking your feedback to help them to improve their digital badge program and make sure it meets your needs.

In 2023, CASA introduced this program to recognise pilots' dedication to continuous professional development by attending CASA AvSafety webinars.

This brief survey should take no more than 5 minutes of your time.

TAKE THE SURVEY



Aviation Humour

Rare footage of a vegan plane refueling



Aviation Humour

This always happens when Concorde's meet a Concorde they haven't seen before.



HEARD OVER THE RADIO:

ATC to pilot at FL280 at 70 DME: Confirm you can reach FL180 by 60 DME.

Pilot: Negative.

ATC: But don't you have those new whizz bang spoilers to assist descent?

Pilot: Affirm, but they're for my mistakes not yours....

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL & APPAREL

Northam Aero Club Membership & Apparel Order Form

Name: _____

Not Renewing

Address _____

Phone: _____ Email _____

Type of Membership: Adult \$55.00

Junior \$10.00

Club Bank Details: BSB 036-107 Acc Number: 69-2937

Apparel: Club Polo Shirt \$35.00 – Size _____ Name on Shirt: _____

100% breathable polyester jersey knit, snag resistant. Knit collar with contrast tipping.

Mens sizes S M L XL 2XL 3XL or 5 XL (185gsm standard 3 button)

Womens sizes 8 10 12 14 16 18 20 22 or 24 (Ladies 215 gsm with open V with 2 press studs)

Club Cap \$25.00 plus \$8.00 postage

Caps also available from the Bar

Total enclosed \$ _____

If you would like to receive an invoice please tick

"Fly About" magazine Yes

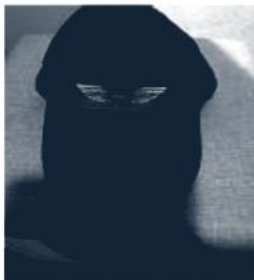
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Many thanks,

Northam Aero Club Committee

Northam Aero Club Cap \$25.00

Northam Aero Club Polo Shirt \$35.00 personalised



BAR

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

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NEXT CLUB COMMITTEE MEETING

Sunday May 12th at 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

0407 873 700

CLASSIFIEDS

Northam Aero Club Merchandise

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

Postage available—\$10.00 per order

Club Caps with logo—\$25.00

available at the bar

Stubbie Holders—\$7.00

available at the bar

Postage available—\$8.00



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NAC Cessna 172 — VH-PGL

Hire Fee Structure

- Private Hire - \$260 per hour
- Dual Training - \$410 per hour
- TIF's - \$205 per 1/2 hour
- Briefing - as required
- Instructor (in owner's aircraft) - \$150 per hour

Pre-paid Discounted Block Rates Available

- 5 hours - less 5%
- 10 hours - less 10%
- 20 hours - less 15%

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

Next Competition: 9:00am Sunday 12th May 2024

Cheers,

Dave McFarlane

Club Captain 0428 743 031

