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NEWSLETTER February 2014

The Club Newsletter is produced with the aim of giving information both about events and interests for our members as well as news from other clubs and organisations. It will work best if all members feel part of it so please let us know if you would like an article or announcement included in future newsletters.



PRESIDENT'S PONDERINGS

On Saturday 18th January the Flying Tigers Club held our Annual Get - together for members, partners, family and friends.

I was pleased to welcome approximately 40 members and guests who attended the afternoon at the hangar and to encourage everyone to enjoy the relaxed social

atmosphere. After the heat of the previous week it was good to have a cooler afternoon.

Thank you to the organisers and our chef, Phil Chittock as well as all those who attended; those who provided salads and desserts – there was plenty for everyone.

Thank you also to those who donated prizes for the multidraw raffle.

Many members travelled considerable distances to attend. They came from Brisbane, Gold Coast, Logan, Ipswich and not least, Tony and Gail Foran and new family member Zena (a miniature fox terrier puppy who kept everyone entertained)) from Gunnedah NSW. We appreciate your efforts to attend.

The start of the year has not been too good for flying, but it is sure to get better, so we look forward to seeing members at the Clubhouse during this year.

Brian

SAFETY BRIEFING

We have received an email from FLTLT Andrew McWatters (RAAF Amberley) who you will probably recognise as the source of the Safety Bulletins we receive.

Andrew and FLTLT Chris Loadsman (new Unit Safety Officer) will be visiting the Flying Tigers to provide a Safety Briefing on Saturday 8th February at 1300hrs (1pm for us ordinary folk) The briefing will last for approx. 1 hour and will then be open for discussion/questions until 1500hrs.

They will be giving Safety Briefings at Watts Bridge during the morning of the same day

Please put a note in your diary for 8th February as this is important and should be most interesting.

TIGER'S TALES

Where to start?????????

The Club now has an inflight video camera (a HD sports camera system) for members' use, thanks to the generous donation by David Tonks. All users need is their own SD Card. Contact Brian re availability of the camera.

David also brought his flight simulator equipment to our get together. This once again proved of considerable interest and use. Thanks David.

Raffle going on.....

At the sale of raffle tickets Mike Sykes announced he had the winning ticket only to be told by Lou Nibrant that he had purchased the winning ticket.

No need to explain that both men had their eyes on the one prize!!!!!!

Well guess what happened.....The first ticket drawn was Mike and the second was Lou. Seemed like something dodgy was going on, but what it was we are not sure.



BOONAH AIRFIELD INC. NEWS/REPORT

BAI arranged with Council to repair the drain behind the Gliding Club. The repairs have been carried out.

The BAI is awaiting a quotation to level the aircraft parking area at the northern end of the airfield.

Mike Sykes
President, BAI

WHAT'S ON?????????????????

Don't forget:

➤ **Safety Briefing**- Saturday 8th February commencing at 1300hrs (See attachment)

➤ **Next Meeting**: Sunday 16th February commencing at 11.00am

BBQ Lunch follows the meeting



GETTING TO KNOW.....

Each month we profile one of our members and this month we get to Phil Chittock (Chef Extraordinaire)....



Phil has been a member of the Flying Tigers for about 10 years, having been introduced to Recreation Aviation by Lou Nibrant.

He started his flying career in 1963-64 – Royal Newcastle Aero Club on a Cessna 150.

1964-66 - South Coast Aero Club (NSW) on Victa Air

Tourer; C-172; C-182; C-210. He earned his Commercial Licence in March 1966; gained employment flying in Papua New Guinea in July 1966 and returned to Australia in April 1981.

With 8,500 hours Phil was endorsed on 7 Twin Engine Aircraft and was approved for Check and Training on Single/Multi Engine Aircraft.

Comments on Interesting Places he has flown:

“ Most airstrips in Papua/New Guinea are interesting and some are challenging.

Before going to PNG I did fly an AirTourer 115 from Bankstown (NSW) to Darwin with a 10 channel VHF Radio and no Nav aids (no GPS in 1966)”

Phil took a 10 year break from flying and acquired a small boatyard/marina on Cabbage Tree Creek in Brisbane until Lou introduced him back to flying. He now flies his Jabiru aircraft.



Cooking for Club Get together January 2014



Phil's Jabiru

TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE

Q&A's

Q 1: Which of the following statements is not true with respect to a passenger endorsement in an RA aircraft?

- A . Must hold a valid RA AUS Pilot certificate.
- B. must have 10 hours pilot in command time.
- C. Must have a minimum of 2 hrs pilot in command of an approved two seat recreational aircraft
- D. Must be 18 years of age.

Q 2: An aircraft that is overtaking another shall:

- A. Overtake by descending below the other.
- B. Overtake by climbing above the other.
- C. Overtake the other on the right at the same altitude.
- D. Overtake the other on the left at the same altitude.

Q 3: The magnetic compass system in an aircraft should:

- A. Always be accurate in flight
- B. Be accurate in un accelerated straight and level flight.
- C. Not be affected by turning errors.
- D. Not have a deviation tolerance of greater than 2 degrees.

Q 4: The operation of a Recreational aircraft :

- A. Within Restricted and Danger areas is strictly prohibited.
- B. Within Restricted areas is permitted outside the hours of activation of the area.
- C. Within Prohibited areas outside the hours of operation of the area.
- D. Is permitted as indicated in both B and C above.

WHY???????

Why do people order double cheeseburgers, large fries, and a diet coke?

Why is it that doctors call what they do 'practice'?

Why didn't Noah swat those two mosquitoes?

Why don't sheep shrink when it rains?

Ready to see how knowledgeable you are?

Quiz Answers:

- A 1: (D)
- A 2: (C)
- A 3: (B)
- A 4: (B)

(Source: Dave Briffa – Thanks Dave)

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CLUB GET TOGETHER JANUARY 2014

