Official Newsletter of The Caboolture Aero Club

AIRWAVES

Editor's Apology

Due to prior commitments for the editors and the authors, there was no Airwaves published for June We apologise for any inconvenience.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I would like to begin with a thanks to all who assisted with the resurfacing of sections of both runways. A particular thanks to Myles and Bryan, and to those pilots who co-operated with the temporary closures of the runways. Those who have used the resurfaced sections have provided an encouraging report on the improvement. Please be a little cautious after our welcome rain as some soft spots may appear, these will harden with use. The causeway crossings on the northern access to the north/south taxiway has been concreted and after some earthworks should be open in a week or two. The turn off from the end of runway 30 and the taxiway near the palm tree lined car park will be repaired in the near future. I am sure you agree these repairs were highly necessary.

Several weeks ago the club held a safety meeting. Although this was brought about to discuss a couple of incidents, we all felt it was an apt method of keeping the communication line between operators open. We intend to hold quarterly meetings to discuss problems that arise in regard to safe and co-operative operations at the airfield. An important item discussed at length was the use of runway 24. I would like to remind all pilots of the operational requirement to only use runway 24 when limitations preclude the use of other runways. When the previously mentioned taxiway repairs are complete easier access to runway 12 will result. I do not want our committee to have to make more rules for the airfield operation because it is already spelled out quite clearly in the Enroute Supplement and information for the use of Caboolture Airfield. Caboolture Airfield is becoming a busy airfield so please use your pilot skills and keep an eye and an ear out for other traffic. Please make allowances for flying school training, such as engine failures on take off, or glider practice tow rope breakage etc. Better to be forgiving to the wrong doer than be "dead" right. This is not to be taken as a do as you like, and please write in or email any problems for us to discuss at our next safety meeting to be held on Saturday the 29th of September at 10am.

A letter is being sent to Council to hopefully open negotiations to extend the lease of the airfield even though the State Government report on airfields in SE Queensland has not been completed. The sub-committee has met with officers from the State Government Department of Strategic Planning to ensure they are aware of

We welcome contributions for story ideas from our members or any other club located here at Caboolture.

Contributions for the next Airwaves close 21 October 2007 and can be sent to PO Box 240 Grange QLD 4051 or emailed to cabaero@optusnet.com.au.

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our position and the enormous cost involved in building a replacement airfield currently being considered for Caloundra.

To stop the rumor mill from overheating the following is why you will notice earthworks from the commercial hangars along the side and at the eastern end of McNaught Road. This is the start of the commercial area upgrade which will take place over the next few months. This is at no expense to the Aero Club and will provide improved drainage to the private hangars in that general area. There will be disruptions to traffic so please bear with us as the end result will be worth it. And, yes, when complete access via the electric gate will remain!!!!!!

A private hangar fire equipment inspection is scheduled for Saturday the 15t of September and Wednesday the 19 of September. This service is provided at a reduced cost due to the large number of units inspected. Please support your club by making your hangar available for this inspection. Opting to have the inspection done yourself will not only cost more, but will result in our group concession being lost. If not done at all you run the risk of aircraft in the hangar not being covered by insurance.

The AGM will not be held in September as usual, but at a date to be notified. It will be held within six months of the end of the financial year.

Without being specific an incident with a motor vehicle occurred on the airfield so please ensure all people operating vehicles are adequately trained or supervised and observe the speed limit. There are a number of blind corners which require extra care when negotiating. A collision with an aircraft could be very expensive as your vehicle insurance will probably not cover you for this type of accident.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind members of our mission statement assembled at a conference held quite a few years ago, but is still very applicable.

"The mission is the promotion of aviation by the provision of a comprehensive and accessible public facility at Caboolture Airfield."

This aim necessitates keeping expenditure to a minimum and although some costs are unavoidable, simply pulling out the cheque book to solve a problem is not the answer. This club has succeeded and progressed through the hard work of volunteers. Please get involved in your club and join in one of our next working bees to be held on Saturday, 8 September 2007, followed by one on Sunday, 7 October 2007. We will try with a 10.00am start and have a free sausage sizzle at 2.00pm for the workers. Don't worry about your skills, we will find something that needs doing to suit you.

Safe flying.

Recent improvements to the airfield...

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OUR NEW WEB SITE IS LIVE!!

If you haven't already discovered it, the Club's new website has now up and running so please take a few minutes to visit it.

Many of the regular features have been updated and new ones added.

Links to local weather can be located under the "Information" tab.

Links to ERSA and VTC information of Caboolture Airfield have now been added, but we encourage everyone to consult the latest versions of the documents.

Membership applications are now available online, so if you have anyone ask you how to join please refer them to the website.

An Events page has been added and we will use it to advertise any coming event, either for the club or for any group using the airfield, as well as advertising events for which Caboolture Aero Club has been invited. Included on this page will be any important details for events, such as runway closures or other restrictions, so please check this regularly. This will not replace any requirements for NOTAMS.

A Forum for general discussions and the more specific subjects of selling and purchasing of Aircraft and Hangars, and the renting of Hangars. The administrator will be reviewing the pages regularly and won't be allowing negative comments against any person or group. The goal in starting this forum is to foster goodwill amongst all airfield users.

We have added a "Gallery" that will feature photos of Aircraft from Caboolture, not necessarily at Caboolture, or of visitors to the airfield. These pictures will be changed from time to time so keep a look out you never know what aircraft might be displayed. Please feel free to send any interesting pictures of aircraft or even of our airfield over the years to our webmaster at webmaster@cabaeroclub.org.au.

All the clubs and groups associated with the airfield are to be invited to have links included on the site, with the intention that it be a gateway to all activities.

An "Aircraft" page is new to the site, and we are inviting all members to submit some pictures and information about their aircraft so they may be shared with other members or guests to the site.

WORKING BEES

Reduce your Member Maintenance Levy for this years membership!

Participate in the Working Bees in September and or October and pay your membership renewal before the AGM and you save.

Attend one day, & it's only four hours, & save $30 attend both and save $60.

Saturday, 8 September 2007
&/or
Sunday, 7 October 2007

Commencing at 10am and concluding at 2pm with a free Sausage Sizzle for our volunteers.

To claim the discount & your lunch sign in at the Clubhouse.

Contact The President for more information… 0412 104 727.

FIRE EQUIPMENT INSPECTIONS - HANGARS & CLUBHOUSE

Saturday, 15 September 2007
&
Wednesday, 19 September 2007.

Hangar owners will be contacted to book a time.

SAFETY MEETING

Saturday, 29 September 2007, 10 am

And then the last Saturday of each quarter.

All members welcome, or if you are unable to attend and have an issue for discussion feel free to email our safety officers or the President.

2007 EVENTS CALENDAR

September			
7-9	Shute Harbour YSHR	www.mooney.org.au	Sun-Seeker Fly-in
8-9	Kingaroy YKRY	www.peanutfest.southburnett.com.au	2007 PCA Peanut Festival Fly-In
October			
13-14	Wentworth	www.antique-aeroplane.com.au	AAAA - Auster Rally and AGM
November			
11-12	Goolwa YGWA	www.antique-aeroplane.com.au	AAAA Chipmunk Rally
24-25	Noosa YNSH	www.antique-aeroplane.com.au	AAAA Toy Run

The Events listed are taken from the aeroclub.com website, the websites of clubs in the region and from members of the Caboolture Aero Club.

If you have an event you would like included in Airwaves please contact the Editor at airwaves@cabaeroclub.org.au or by telephone on 0437 832 814.

Humour

All too rarely, airline attendants make an effort to make the in flight "safety lecture" and announcements a bit more entertaining. Here are some real examples that have been heard or reported:

On a Southwest flight (SW has no assigned seating, you just sit where you want) passengers were apparently having a hard time choosing, when a flight attendant announced, "People, people we're not picking out furniture here, find a seat and get in it!"

On a Continental Flight with a very "senior" flight attendant crew, the pilot said, "Ladies and gentlemen, we've reached cruising altitude and will be turning down the cabin lights. This is for your comfort and to enhance the appearance of your flight attendants."

On landing, the stewardess said, "Please be sure to take all of your belongings. If you're going to leave anything, please make sure it's something we'd like to have.

"There may be 50 ways to leave your lover, but there are only 4 ways out of this airplane"

"Thank you for flying Delta Business Express. We hope you enjoyed giving us the business as much as we enjoyed taking you for a ride."

As the plane landed and was coming to a stop at Ronald Reagan, a lone voice came over the loudspeaker: "Whoa, big fella. WHOA!"

7. After a particularly rough landing during thunderstorms in Memphis, a flight attendant on a Northwest flight announced, "Please take care when opening the overhead compartments because, after a landing like that, sure as hell everything has shifted."

8. From a Southwest Airlines employee: "Welcome aboard Southwest Flight 245 to Tampa. To operate your seat belt, insert the metal tab into the buckle, and pull tight. It works just like every other seat belt; and, if you don't know how to operate one, you probably shouldn't be out in public unsupervised."

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9. "In the event of a sudden loss of cabin pressure, masks will descend from the ceiling. Stop screaming, grab the mask, and pull it over your face. If you have a small child travelling with you, secure your mask before assisting with theirs. If you are travelling with more than one small child, pick your favourite."

10. "Weather at our destination is 50 degrees with some broken clouds, but we'll try to have them fixed before we arrive. Thank you, and remember, nobody loves you, or your money, more than Southwest Airlines."

11. "Your seat cushions can be used for flotation; and, in the event of an emergency water landing, please paddle to shore and take them with our compliments."

12. "As you exit the plane, make sure to gather all of your belongings. Anything left behind will be distributed evenly among the flight attendants. Please do not leave children or spouses."

13. And from the pilot during his welcome message: "Delta Airlines is pleased to have some of the best flight attendants in the industry. Unfortunately, none of them are on this flight!"

14. Heard on Southwest Airlines just after a very hard landing in Salt Lake City the flight attendant came on the intercom and said, "That was quite a bump, and I know what y'all are thinking. I'm here to tell you it wasn't the airline's fault, it wasn't the pilot's fault, it wasn't the flight attendant's fault, it was the asphalt."

15. Overheard on an American Airlines flight into Amarillo, Texas, on a particularly windy and bumpy day: During the final approach, the Captain was really having to fight it. After an extremely hard landing, the Flight Attendant said, "Ladies and Gentlemen, welcome to Amarillo . Please remain in your seats with your seat belts fastened while the Captain taxis what's left of our airplane to the gate!"

16. Another flight attendant's comment on a less than perfect landing: "We ask you to please remain seated as Captain Kangaroo bounces us to the terminal."

17. An airline pilot wrote that on this particular flight he had hammered his ship into the runway really hard. The airline had a policy which required the first officer to stand at the door while the Passengers exited, smile, and give them a "Thanks for flying our airline." He said that, in light of his bad landing, he had a hard time looking the passengers in the eye, thinking that someone would have a smart comment. Finally everyone had gotten off except for a little old lady walking with a cane. She said, "Sir, do you mind if I ask you a question?" "Why, no, Ma'am," said the officer. "What is it?" The little old lady said, "Did we land, or were we shot down?"

18. After a real crusher of a landing in Phoenix, the attendant came on with, "Ladies and Gentlemen, please remain in your seats until Capt. Crash and the Crew have brought the aircraft to a screeching halt against the gate. And, once the tire smoke has cleared and the warning bells are silenced, we'll open the door and you can pick your way through the wreckage to the terminal."

19. Part of a flight attendant's arrival announcement: "We'd like to thank you folks for flying with us today. And, the next time you get the insane urge to go blasting through the skies in a pressurized metal tube, we hope you'll think of US Airways."

20. Heard on a Southwest Airline flight. "Ladies and gentlemen, if you wish to smoke, the smoking section on this airplane is on the wing and if you can light 'em, you can smoke 'em."

21. A plane was taking off from Kennedy Airport. After it reached a comfortable cruising altitude, the captain made an announcement over the intercom, "Ladies and gentlemen, this is your captain speaking. Welcome to Flight Number 293, non-stop from New York to Los Angeles. The weather ahead is good and, therefore, we should have a smooth and uneventful flight. Now sit back and relax... OH, MY GOD!" Silence followed, and after a few minutes, the captain came back on the intercom and said, "Ladies and Gentlemen, I am so sorry if I scared you earlier but while I was talking to you, the flight attendant accidentally spilled a cup of hot coffee in my lap. You should see the front of my pants!" A passenger in Coach yelled, "That's nothing, you should see the back of mine."

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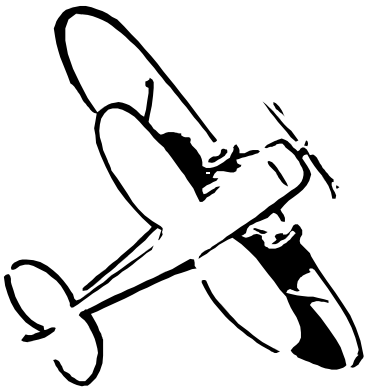

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