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Archerfield

Brisbane's Metropolitan Airport



Pictured from left: Chairman of *belong*, Jo Justo with Airport GM Heather Mattes, State Member Leeanne Enoch, Director of *belong*, Trish Cattermole and Federal Member Graham Perrett.

## Hangar for Hunger

Archerfield Airport Corporation (AAC) was pleased to be a Platinum Sponsor of a major fundraising function at Archerfield Jet Base recently which raised almost \$32,000 to assist a local food co-operative.

The Hangar for Hunger charity event was hosted by Leeanne Enoch, the State Member for Algester and the Minister for Environment and the Great Barrier Reef, Minister for Science and Minister for the Arts. Special guests were Deputy Premier, Jackie Trad and Graham Perrett, the Federal Member for Moreton.

Thank you to all who supported this very worthy charity, including those who donated so many great auction prizes (such as a scenic flight by V2 Helicopters which raised \$1,000). All proceeds will assist *belong*, which runs a food co-op from Acacia Ridge Neighbourhood Centre for the benefit of local residents in need.

## Runway resealing

Runway 10R/28L at Archerfield Airport has been resealed under a major preventative maintenance program.

The runway and adjoining stub taxiways A1 to A5 were last overlaid in 2005 and the new surface will ensure many years of future service as well as the runway's availability during proposed upgrades to the main runway scheduled for late 2019/early 2020.

## Major Development Plan – public consultation

AAC is about to implement **Archerfield Airport Project AIM: Airside Infrastructure Modernisation** (Project AIM) which plans to deliver several airside infrastructure improvements foreshadowed in successive airport master plans since 2000.

In accordance with the Master Plan 2017-2037, the airport is forecast to cater for between 170,000 and 260,000 aircraft movements per year. Project AIM will help facilitate this anticipated growth by improving and modernising existing ageing infrastructure and will enable the airport to continue to play a supportive role to Brisbane Airport for the foreseeable future.

The project works are valued about \$17.5 million. They include lengthening and strengthening the main runway and adjoining taxiways, and replacing the ageing ground lighting system with LED technology. These works, plus associated improvements, will provide safety, environmental, economic and operational benefits for the types and sizes of aircraft currently operating from the airport.

AAC has prepared, for public consultation, a preliminary draft Major Development Plan (pdMDP) for the runway lengthening aspects of the project. This will allow stakeholders to have input into the runway extension proposal before AAC completes a final draft of the Major Development Plan for approval by the Minister of the Federal Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities.

The public consultation period started on 5th December 2018 and concludes on 14th March 2019.

- Download a copy of the pdMDP from AAC's website ([www.archerfieldairport.com.au/mdp](http://www.archerfieldairport.com.au/mdp)) or view/purchase from AAC offices, top level of the Airport Terminal Building.
- All submissions in relation to the pdMDP must be in writing and received by AAC by Thursday 14th March 2019.
- Submissions may be emailed to [mdp@archerfieldairport.com.au](mailto:mdp@archerfieldairport.com.au) OR addressed to: Heather Mattes, General Manager, Archerfield Airport MDP, PO Box 747, Archerfield 4108

A message from the

## GENERAL MANAGER

Well 2018 has come and nearly gone, and we have done so much here at Archerfield.

Our first Major Development Plan for runway extension and Project Airport Infrastructure Modernisation upgrade are well underway in terms of planning, and hopefully we can start works in late 2019. Hangar for Hunger was so successful as we supported the belong food co-op to raise money for its continuing support of those less fortunate.

Throughout the year we have supported the Acacia Ridge Football Club junior teams and they have successfully held training programs. Brisbane Open House was rained on, but we had nearly 4,000 people through the airport; and we held a very interesting mock emergency exercise, "Broken Bird", supported by the response agencies to test our emergency plan effectively. Competitors in the Outback Air Race commenced their journey from Archerfield Airport, raising \$550,000 for the Royal Flying Doctor Service. Archerfield also hosted its first Remembrance Day in November with the Australian Air League.

Thank you to our wonderful team at Archerfield and all their hard work. Don and the boys worked tirelessly all year to keep the place safe and looking pristine.

Wishing you every happiness for Christmas and the New Year, and I look forward to catching up soon.

Safe landings.



**Heather Mattes**

General Manager

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## Fly Neighbourly changes

Archerfield Airport's Fly Neighbourly program has been amended to include:

- Anzac Day – no circuit training until 1pm.
- All training and aircraft operators to "sign up" and participate.
- Encourage no circuit training after 10pm.
- Fly Neighbourly program added to pilot handbooks and incorporated into training curriculum.
- Encourage pilots and operators outside tower hours to keep flight paths over major roads, train lines and industrial areas; and avoid residential areas where possible and safe to do so.
- Amend 'noise sensitive' areas and specify Canossa Hospital, Oxley Central, Rocklea, Acacia Ridge and Oxley Ridge.
- Engine failure practice in circuit on descent/climb.
- Staggering flying schedules for students.

## Aviation Awards

The Griffith Aviation annual awards evening was held at the Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre in November, with airport GM, Heather Mattes, among representatives of the university's industry collaborators.

Many of Griffith's Graduate Diploma of Flight Management (GDFM) students learn to fly at Basair Aviation College at Archerfield Airport; and the event was a formal opportunity to showcase the students' many achievements. The event was hosted by the MATES (Mentoring Aviators Through Educational Support) student body, with keynote speaker, Russell Shaw, Virgin Australia General Manager for Network, Revenue Management & Alliances.

## Remembrance Day

As a vital military facility for Australia during wartime, Archerfield Airport was a fitting venue on Remembrance Day 2018 for a special Commemoration of the Centenary of the Armistice.

AAC hosted the event in partnership with the Forest Lake Squadron of the Australian Air League, an organisation for young people with an interest in aviation as a future career or hobby. The cadets and guests rang hand bells after the Minute Sacred Silence to mark the significant anniversary of the end of World War I hostilities.

The commemoration program included a march by the Forest Lake Squadron, attended by the Drum Corps, Flag Party and Squadron members, and prayers led by Pastor Robert Mann. Airport General Manager, Heather Mattes, spoke about the airport's key military role in defence of Australia.



## AAC closure dates

Please note that the offices of Archerfield Airport Corporation will close for the Christmas-New Year break from 12.30pm on Friday, December 21; reopening on Tuesday, Jan 2, 2019. **Merry Christmas!**

We are keen to hear from you and interested in your feedback on our newsletter. Please forward any comments to [aac@archerfieldairport.com.au](mailto:aac@archerfieldairport.com.au)



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