

SUMMER 2016

CareFlight tours for Archerfield



The first regular guided tours are being planned for CareFlight's Heavy Maintenance Facility at Archerfield Airport.

Up until now, CareFlight has opened Hangar 6 to the public only on special occasions like Brisbane Open House 2015 or the recent Club CareFlight breakfast for business supporters, hosted for the first time. However regular guided tours will provide more opportunities for small community or school groups to see first-hand what goes on behind the scenes to keep CareFlight's vital rescue helicopters in the air.

To prepare for the introduction of the tours, CareFlight Fundraising Assistant Chris Brun is calling for volunteers interested in aviation and being trained as tour guides. Chris can be contacted at 5665 5853.



Brook Tozer with Jaimie Harrison.

New generation sweeper boosts safety

Archerfield Airport has the very first of the new generation Foreign Object Damage (FOD) sweepers to be invented, patented and manufactured in Australia.

The Phase 4 FOD* BOSS sweeper, which has improved runway safety and streamlined runway maintenance at the airport, was won by Airport Groundsman, Jaimie Harrison, during the Australian Airports Association's Airport Safety Week.

Brook Tozer from Aerosweep Speed Sweeping Solutions recently presented the latest model to Jaimie, using the occasion to launch the product to the world market. The sweeper is valued about \$8,500 and uses the force of friction and specially designed brushes to quickly remove potentially hazardous debris from runways, taxiways and aprons. As well as being used by large and small airports, the US Airforce, NASA and Boeing, the FOD* BOSS sweeps racetracks including the Daytona International Speedway in the USA.

Runway lighting activation 118.1

Archerfield Airport's new improved runway lighting system is a combined Aerodrome Frequency Response Unit (AFRU) and Pilot Activated Aerodrome Lighting (PAL) that is available when CTAF procedures apply (outside air traffic control hours). The one frequency (118.1) means pilots do not have to leave the CTAF frequency to activate airfield lighting; and faster activation requires just three fast clicks within five seconds. Pilots should refer to NOTAM and ERSA GEN 23.5 for more details.



A message from the GENERAL MANAGER

Happy New Year and welcome to 2016. We are now into the second month of the year and it's great to see the airfield busy over summer.

It is timely to remind everyone of our **Fly Neighbourly** code, especially students and new pilots. The code

encourages pilots to be mindful of flying over noise-sensitive areas such as residential locations and hospitals. Our neighbours are very supportive, so we must deliver this new message within the airport community to create a culture of awareness about where our neighbours live. The code also offers guidance on how to fly neighbourly.

I look forward to working with airport tenants on a range of exciting projects this year – all designed to further develop the potential of Archerfield Airport and grow aviation in Brisbane.

Safe landings,

Heather Mattes
General Manager

Road improvements planned

Work is due to start soon on the construction of a new entrance and intersection with associated turning lanes for Transition, Archerfield Logistics Estate on Boundary Road. AAC has been working cooperatively with Brisbane City Council and nearby neighbours to accommodate vehicle access into the new estate and to improve Boundary Road for future traffic growth. Transition will cater for aviation and non-aviation commercial and industrial developments.



Phil Walker (left) and Mark Peart.

Welcome Archerfield Jet Base

Welcome to Archerfield Jet Base, the airport's first full-service Fixed Base Operator (FBO) now located in one of Archerfield Airport's most significant buildings.

Hangar 5, where the first passenger-carrying flights left Australia for England in 1935, is being extensively renovated by AAC. This impressive 2,400sq.m. facility provides aircraft storage, a conference room, offices, a private VIP lounge and pilot lounges. Archerfield Jet Base should be fully operational in the coming weeks.

Directors Mark Peart and Phil Walker spent many years flying and managing corporate jets before partnering in the venture. They believe the base meets every requirement of domestic corporate jet owners plus easy access to the CBD and no air traffic delays. Their range of premium services extends to secure short and long-term aircraft storage, aircraft management, detailing, tarmac transfers, limousine shuttle services, catering, undercover vehicle parking, private charter, and 24 hour access and refuelling.

"We both worked in the industry and knew exactly what was missing," Phil explains. "We plan to set new standards in aircraft management and hospitality in Australia, but we also love the history and integrity of Hangar 5. AAC has been very supportive of our plans and has invested significantly in refurbishing the building to meet our needs."

Hangar 5 was built by Qantas in 1931. The renovation work includes re-roofing, repainting, window refurbishment and new offices and amenities.

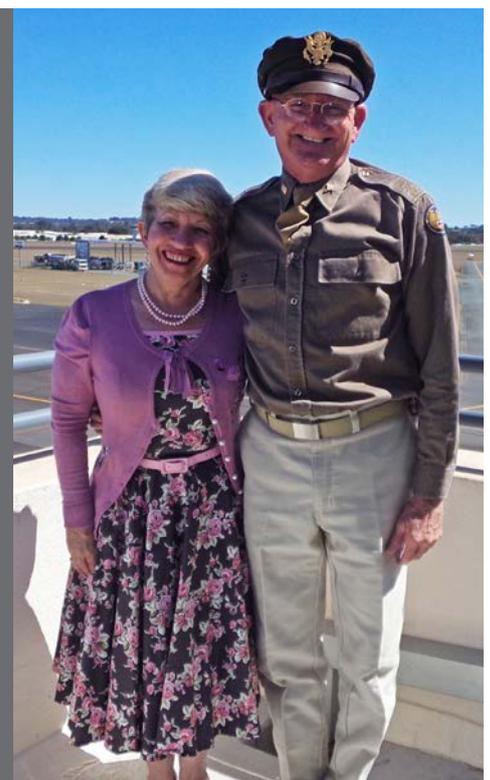
A step back in time

When Rick Choules and Janeice Pegg of Moorooka (pictured) enjoyed Brisbane Open House at Archerfield Airport recently, they 'dressed up' for the occasion. Rick wore a replica American airforce uniform while Janeice modelled the fashion of the 1940s.

For this couple, dressing up is all about educating young people about their passion – Brisbane's wartime history. Archerfield Airport was a key air base for the Allied forces under the command of General Douglas Macarthur during the Pacific Campaign of WWII.

Rick and Janeice love to visit the airport terminal building and are trained tour guides at the Macarthur Museum in Brisbane's AMP Building. For some years, Rick was a museum supervisor where he spoke to school groups about Brisbane's vital wartime role. Rick has a personal link with the airport too... he worked for Curley Air Maintenance during the 1970s and his father and uncle both learnt to fly at Archerfield, were members of the Royal Queensland Aero Club, and worked at the airport during the war.

Rick recalls one occasion when his father missed dinner after working on General Macarthur's aircraft. He accepted an invitation to go on what he thought was a brief test flight, but the crew flew all the way to Rockhampton and Charleville before returning to Archerfield.





Spotlight on...

CLAUDIA BIRNBREIER AAC Senior Property Manager

Meet Claudia Birnbreier, one of the longest serving members of the AAC team.

Claudia has worked at Archerfield Airport since 1990. At that time the airport was operated by the Federal Airports Corporation, and

Claudia was employed as receptionist and clerical assistant before moving into payroll and accounts for several years. Following the airport's privatisation in 1998, Claudia joined the commercial leasing side of the AAC business and was soon appointed Property Manager.

In this role, Claudia manages all leasing aspects of the corporation's on-airport and off-airport properties. She liaises with about 180 tenants in various aviation and non-aviation businesses, looks after day-to-day maintenance issues, arranges site inspections, coordinates property marketing and advertising, and assists tenants with paperwork and compliance.

Over the years, Claudia has witnessed major change and growth at the airport, and made a number of firm friends. She said that while her job could be challenging at times, it was very satisfying. Claudia's behind-the-scenes involvement in the Battle of Britain 50th Anniversary Air Show at Archerfield Airport in 1990 stands out as one of her most memorable events in what has been a highly rewarding career.



Nova broadcasts live

The last Nova 106.9 radio breakfast program for 2015 was broadcast live from Archerfield Airport in December in a holiday-themed event hosted by air charter specialists, AVMIN. Guests met the Nova crew of Ash, Kip and Luttsy and enjoyed breakfast as well as free helicopter rides. Airport GM, Heather Mattes, used an interview opportunity to promote the airport's modern facilities and recent upgrades.

Safety focus

The start of a new year is a good time to remind ourselves that the health and welfare of everyone in the workplace is a priority.

AAC is committed to the highest possible standards of safety management and to establishing and maintaining a safety culture in which a shared responsibility is embraced. This is integral to achieving the best outcomes and we look forward to working with you on this.

Avoiding incidents is ideal. Identifying and reporting hazards can achieve this, and we encourage you to use AAC's Hazard Report form to alert us to any hazards on airport.

The good news, according to statistics published by Safe Work Australia, is that work fatalities are decreasing. The fatality rate has fallen by 46 percent from 2.96 fatalities per 100,000 workers in 2007 to 1.61 in 2014 (188 workers). Even one fatality is one-too-many and we must do everything we can to prevent injury, or worse, in the workplace.

We look forward to you joining us on our journey towards making our airport as safe as possible. Keep in good health and look after each other.

Sheryl de Bruyn

Airport Planning and Compliance Manager

New vehicle escort policy

Archerfield Airport has introduced a new vehicle escort policy to improve safety. Any vehicle accessing the airport airside must be driven by a person holding a valid Authority to Use Airside (AUA) for the vehicle and a valid Airside Driving Authority (ADA) for the driver. Alternatively the vehicle must be escorted by a driver who does hold a valid AUA and ADA and who has escort rights. More details are at: www.archerfieldairport.com.au/vehicleaccess.

Griffith Aviation appointments

Griffith University's internationally recognised aviation team is going from strength to strength with several recent appointments.

Last year, Professor Tim Ryley became Head of Griffith Aviation, joining from Loughborough University in the UK. In January, Associate Professor David Newman and Lecturer Sravan Pingali brought extensive experience in aviation research and teaching.

There are now over 400 Griffith Aviation students, with more than 50 flight training at Basair and the Airline Academy of Australia at Archerfield Airport. Programs include a Bachelor of Aviation, Graduate Diploma of Flight Management, Bachelor of Aviation Management, Master of Aviation Management and Graduate Certificate in Aviation Management.



Familiar faces

LAWRENCE SPRINGBORG

is Leader of the Opposition and State Member for Southern Downs, a South West Queensland electorate covering more than 30,000sq.km. He uses charter flights to and from Archerfield Airport to service his constituents and fulfil his role as Opposition Leader. Mr Springborg's family home is over 300km from Parliament House; and unlike most MPs, he doesn't have a local airport with regular Brisbane services.

"If I wasn't able to take charter flights from Archerfield I'd have to make the nearly eight hour return drive, sometimes several times a week; and it would probably be more convenient for me to live further away in Mount Isa or Cairns with airports that have regular commercial services.

The terminal at Archerfield is always neat and tidy, and access in and out of the airport is efficient and reliable. It would be a lot tougher to be a rural MP if we didn't have access to airports like Archerfield to offer more flexible services for what can be a demanding job."

For lease

The following airport premises are now available for lease...

Hangar 605 – A steel/Colorbond hangar with an adjacent two storey administration office on Victar Avenue.

Buildings 013/014 – Comprise admin/multiple offices/classrooms and recreational area.

Hangar Annex 005B – Comprises freshly painted, carpeted office plus warehouse/roller door entrance.

Site 667 – A freestanding metal clad warehouse and office space on Loes Bonney Drive with easy access to main arterial roads.

Hangar 665 – A well positioned, immaculate hangar on the Mortimer Road side of the airport.

Hangar 003 – An excellent hardstand in the airport's commercial heart with high exposure to busy Beatty Road.

For more details, visit www.archerfieldairport.com.au or call AAC Property Manager, Claudia Birnbreier on 07 3275 8000.

tower talk

Staying safe is just as important on the ground as in the air, so please read these tips to reduce the risk of airside taxiing accidents...

- Plan your taxi. Ensure you have correct airport charts and ERSAs, and check NOTAMS.
- Ensure you understand airport markings, signs and lights.
- Minimise 'heads down' activities while the aircraft is moving.
- Resist pressure to take short-cuts.
- Listen and comply with ATC instructions and clearances.
- Obtain a clearance to enter, cross, backtrack and taxi on any runway including runway overshoots (where marked).
- Before entering a runway, look out for approaching aircraft or vehicles.
- Be aware of 'blind spots', intersections, building corners and taxi lane entrances.

Happy flying and have a safe summer.

George Lane

Manager, Archerfield Control Tower



Emergency training

Airport representatives attended emergency training exercises held at Wivenhoe Dam recently by Queensland Fire and Emergency Services and QGAir Rescue. The exercises were an opportunity for AAC reps to observe rescue experts in action and to review procedures that may be relevant to the airport's emergency plan.

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