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Welcome to our first online edition of Moorabbin Airport Corporation (MAC) Aero newsletter. Please forward to others who may be interested and let us know if you would like to add anyone to the distribution list. Your contributions are always welcome.

## Airside Works

### Taxiway Lighting Upgrades



Taxiway Alpha edge lighting works are nearing completion. Approximately 100 new distinctively

blue lighting raised units together with cabling, transponders, pits, conduits and power fixtures were installed along each edge of this 1.3 kilometre taxiway.

Over the last 12 months almost 4 kilometres of taxiway edge lighting have been replaced along both sides of Taxiway Golf and Alpha, the westernmost Moorabbin Airport taxiways.

Local Melbourne company, Airport Lighting Specialists, have worked with the Moorabbin Airport Ground Staff team to install the latest airfield lighting. The lights used are low/ medium intensity edge lighting which are manufactured in Melbourne. These are lightweight and incredibly durable.

Several operators have asked whether the light intensity can be dimmed and the short answer is no. Further lighting projects are planned and we will keep you updated.

The new system is now fully operational. Repairs to the shoulder of the taxiway should be completed by the end of September 2013. Once this work is complete the taxiway markings will also be refreshed.

## **Western Aircraft Parking Area**

Further sealing works for aircraft parking were carried out on a 500 sqm north western licenced area together with additional drainage works along the airside fenceline.

## **Hangar Maintenance**

The recladding of the western wall of Hangar 7, associated works and additional ground drainage have been completed.

## **Other Airside Works**

Line marking the 13/31 runways, western apron and runway holding points is continuing, as is the airside marker replacement program, airside drain maintenance works and programmed airside mowing.

## **Landside Works**



Recent landside works include:

- 200m hotmix asphalt footpath replacement in the Northern Avenue flight training precinct.
- Kerb replacement and associated hotmix road works on Second Avenue.
- Main car park hotmix patching in multiple areas.
- Patching various potholes on airport owned roads.
- Removal of older style treated pine log “fencing” across the airport.
- Tree trimming across the airport for low hanging branches.
- Landscaping the terminal, management centre and various garden beds around the site.
- CCTV camera replacement and cable works.
- Various fencing works.

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## Community

### Moorabbin Airport Community Aviation Consultation Group

The Moorabbin Airport Community Aviation Consultation Group (CACG) held its 64th quarterly meeting in June and discussed a range of issues including noise management, circuit training, community and airport projects. The minutes of the meeting are available on our website.

An excellent presentation was delivered by the Unit Tower Supervisor, Moorabbin Tower on “What the Tower Does” a copy of which is on the MAC website.

Aviation related topics included:

- Training over the eastern circuits.
- Whether circuits be redesigned to minimise impacts on residents.

- Fly Friendly procedures are appreciated by residents.
- How operators can help students to execute delayed turns for noise abatement; particularly over Woodlands golf course.

Kingston City Council is also distributing a Fly Friendly Flyer prepared by MAC to its residents in an upcoming mail out. The Airport regularly reports to the CACG regarding observance of the Fly Friendly procedures.

The next meeting of the CACG will be held on 20 September 2013. If you are interested in the work of the Group or wish to have an item of business considered at the next meeting, please send your submissions to Moorabbin Airport at [admin@moorabbinairport.com.au](mailto:admin@moorabbinairport.com.au).



## Community Events

### MAC working with Airport Businesses

We are always on the lookout to promote aviation businesses to the community. If you have a schedule of events planned why not provide us with a copy - we would be happy to include your event in airport promotional material.

A recent example was the fete at Kingston Central Plaza an airport retail precinct. MAC will cross promote all aspects of airport business and activity. Several thousand people attended the event in April and a number of aviation tenants had a stall and participated by offering prizes. The crowd for the event was drawn by a strategy that included:

- Local Leader newspaper advertising included two half-page ads run over two days (circulation approximately 50,000 copies).
- An event listing in the local Leader newspaper's 'What's On' section.
- 5,000 promotional flyers letter box dropped in surrounding residential suburbs.
- A4/A3 posters, point of sale strut cards and DL flyers were produced for the retailers to display.

- Notice of the event by direct email.
- Invitations and follow up press releases sent to the local Leader newspaper editors.
- An article in the Moorabbin Leader in the week prior to the event focusing on Kirkhope Aviation's involvement and the fete competition.
- Post-event news opportunity with our competition winner taking their joy ride flight.
- Establishment of an event Facebook page for participant and public communications prior to the event.

## **Annual Kingston Charitable Fund Dinner and Charity Auction**

MAC attended the Annual Kingston Charitable Dinner recently. Several airport operators, including MAC, donated prizes for this event raising money to support local charitable purposes.

## **Other Community Events**

MAC routinely allows community based and not for profit organisations to use airport land. Recently such community organisations have included:

- Holden Car Club – State Titles that saw 50 vehicles and more 100 people on airport.
- Honda Car Club – 25 vehicles and 50 people on airport.
- Young Eagles an organisation targeted at school students, the program has been responsible for thousands of introductions to the challenge and rewards of flying a light aircraft.
- Australian Air League weekly meetings and parades.

We will be publishing the Spring Issue of this newsletter in October – so if you would like to let other airport users know of an upcoming event please let us know the details and we will publicise your event.

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## **MAC News**

### **Moorabbin Airport Website**

MAC is working on a new website with drafting new content for the site well underway. The site will include the following pages:

- Aviation
- Community
- Corporate
- Environment
- Media
- Property Management
- Property Development

A business directory, job board, upcoming events will be included on the new site. We are targeting to have the site up and running by October 2013.

## **New invoicing Procedures**

Recently new invoicing and payment procedures were introduced. We would welcome feedback regarding the new arrangements and how we can improve the service.

Property Management issues can be raised with Anthony Gill who is contactable as follows:

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# MAC - Growing Aviation & Supporting Operators

## Local Planning Scheme Amendment – C111

As many of you are aware a planning panel has recommended the Southern Road Industrial Estate be rezoned to residential uses. The area is on the south west airport border and includes the Hella Lighting factory site.

MAC lobbied three levels of government, made three submissions over the past two years, engaged noise experts, planning experts and aviation experts and coordinated with State and Commonwealth Transport senior officers to object to the rezoning. The Panel has recommended the rezoning proceed. More information is available on their [website](#).

We would be interested in your opinion as to this rezoning approximately 250 meters away from aviation activity on the Western apron.

## MAC Participates in South East Asian Trade Mission

In June MAC participated in the Victorian Government trade mission to Indonesia, Singapore and Vietnam. The mission has allowed MAC to further refine and identify:

- Airport infrastructure required to better support future general aviation & flight training.
- Implement improved planning outcomes required for general aviation through a better understanding of what other airports have done and what international GA users expect of Australian training airports.
- More accurately forecast flight training movements (we plan 20 years +).
- Work with GA businesses and education institutions at Moorabbin Airport to offer flight training and aviation products to the SE Asian market.
- Assist with the preparation of the 2015 MAC Master Plan.
- Gather further information regarding community advisory tools used in SE Asia to explain airport and GA operations.

## Youth Engagement in Aviation

MAC is progressing its youth engagement strategy. Many organisations on airport have a long and active history to promote aviation. We would be interested to hear what programs and events your organisation participates in and whether a coordinated approach would be a

beneficial outcome.

The outcomes we are seeking are:

- Increased interest in general aviation.
- More flight training students on airport - our target is to increase the current 800 students to 1,600 over the medium term at Moorabbin Airport.
- State and Commonwealth policy for youth engagement with aviation.
- Aviation related VCE subjects.
- Seed funding from government for organisations that promote aviation.
- Primary school subjects under the maths and science discipline to include aviation related examples and case studies.
- Government websites, phone apps etc to promote flight training.
- Improved coordination between governments and departments regarding youth policies.
- Increased RAAF presence at GA airports particularly operator events.
- Additional information and research on flight training and local and international markets.

This is an ongoing strategy and initial components include:

- Engage Primary & Secondary Schools (commenced)
- Engage teachers from schools with an aviation curriculum (commenced)
- Collect aviation curriculum material from other states (commenced)
- Engage Flight Training Organisations (commenced)
- Engage Industry Bodies (commenced) including Aviation Aerospace Australia, Australian Airports Association, Moorabbin Airport Community Aviation Consultation Group
- Engage Government – local, State & Commonwealth (commenced)
- Engage Other GA Airports (commenced)

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## Aviation Tenant & Operator News

### Avia Welcomes Advanced General Aviation Flight Simulator

Moorabbin Airport is now home to the world's largest and most advanced full motion general aviation flight simulator following its unveiling at AVIA Aircraft's new Training and Simulator Centre. The Victorian Minister Responsible for the Aviation Industry, Gordon Rich-Phillips, officially opened the Centre and was first to test the new AVIA Simulator.

The AVIA Simulator offers life-like scenarios for all levels of pilot training across a range of aircraft types including Cirrus SR20/22, Cirrus Vision SF50, twin engine piston, Beechcraft King Air 200, Embraer Phenom 100 and Boeing 737NG.

Featuring 6 degrees of freedom, 200 degree visuals, Garmin G1000 avionics and a CAPS Parachute, the AVIA Simulator replicates the most dangerous emergency conditions thanks to its realism-rarely simulated correctly in general aviation.



## **CAE Oxford Aviation Academy launches Tigerair Program**

CAE Oxford Aviation Academy (CAE OAA) has signed a contract with Tigerair for a Multi-crew Pilot License (MPL) program. Under the agreement, CAE OAA will train new A320 First Officers for the Singapore-based carrier in a competency-based MPL program to be conducted at training locations in Singapore and Moorabbin. Following a joint CAE Oxford Aviation Academy and Tigerair assessment and selection process, an initial group of 10 cadets will enrol in the MPL Program later this year.

The Tigerair cadets will undertake the core and basic phases of flight training at CAE Oxford Aviation Academy's flight school in Melbourne before returning to Singapore to complete the intermediate and advanced phases of the training on CAE's A320 Full Flight Simulator.

## **New Summer Tower Hours**

Air Services Australia has proposed to extend the operating hours of the air traffic control tower this coming summer to meet the increases in demand for circuit training. If implemented, the tower will operate from 8am to 10pm (Monday to Thursday) from October to March.

## **Emergency Exercise October 2013**

Planning is well underway for the Moorabbin Airport's emergency exercise on 31 October 2013. There is a lot of coordination in place between the Airport and the critical emergency services;

Victorian Police, Fire Brigade and Ambulance. We will keep all airport users up to date with important operational details on the exercise closer to the day.

## Eastern Drainage Works

The extensive works program in the eastern side is underway, with the land clearing works started. At this stage there is no aviation impact.

A full method of works will be prepared shortly and Moorabbin Airport will consult with all relevant stakeholders on the works which will be undertaken from September 2013 to February 2014.

## Security Awareness



A reminder that Moorabbin Airport is a Security Controlled airport and is subject to security audits by the Office of Transport Security. Whilst Moorabbin Airport is responsible for the overall security operations, tenants who have leases that form part of the airside / landside barrier are responsible for their leased sites and should have control procedures over their access points. We ask you share in maintaining a safe a secure environment at Moorabbin.

## High Visibility Vests

The use of high visibility vests by pilots and staff who work airside is an individual company matter. It is highly recommended employers conduct a risk assessment for those working near traffic, mobile plant or equipment including aircraft as they are regularly exposed to the potential hazards of impact.

Please refer the industry to review the following document Draft of CASA CAAP 5.14-2 (0) - Flight Component Training Elements Appendix D available on the CASA [website](#) which

encourages to wearing of high visibility vests.

## Driving Airside – Check Your Speeds

Please remember to drive safely at all times while airside on Moorabbin Airport. Our security officers are constantly monitoring airside drivers and will infringe those who are not following the requirements. We ask you observe all speed limits, report any hazards and keep your knowledge up to date.

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