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September 2022

The Atherton Aero Club is an organization of aviation enthusiasts who promote the sport of aircraft building and flying.

The organization is associated with *Recreation Aviation Australia Inc.* The Club meets at Atherton Airport every third Sunday of the month. Food and drinks are available and visitors are most welcome.



Photo: Brendan Keeling

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EDITOR'S NOTE - by Bill Gronbeck

Hi All and welcome to edition No 333. In this September issue, great photos of local activities and links to interesting articles from elsewhere. Keep those flying adventures going and remember to send us your photos and stories.



A thank you to Neil, Brendan, Simon and Jane, and to the other Far North Clubs and Flying Groups who contributed content to this edition. Please contact me with your newsletter contributions on any of the following: (07) 4036 2868 or 0408 073 142 or email at -

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Watch the AAC, NQAC, Burdekin Flyers, FNQ Flyers, Donnington and Innisfail Facebook Pages for details of calendar changes and other short notice events. Check out the AAC Website for the YATN weather-cam and older AAC Newsletters.



The next **AAC Club Meeting** will be our monthly get together on **Sunday the 16th of October 2022** starting at **10:30am**.

Venue the **AAC Atherton Aerodrome** storage facility.

Visitors are most welcome.



FLYING IMAGES FROM WAY DOWN SOUTHWEST

Great photos by Neil Bates of his flying adventures a few months back.



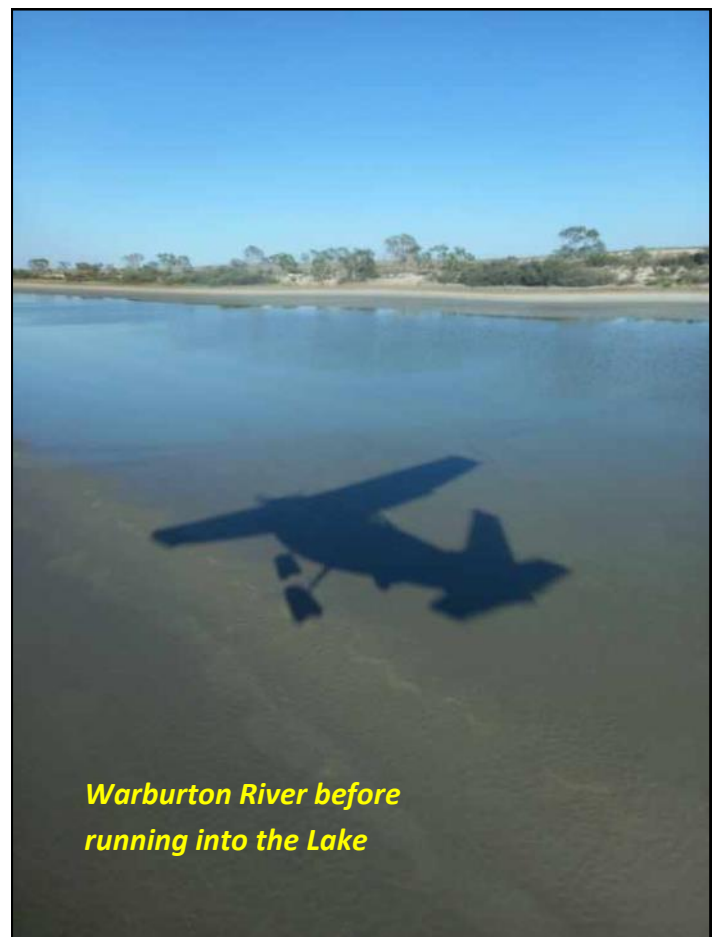
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Lake & Lake Eyre***



Cooper Creek

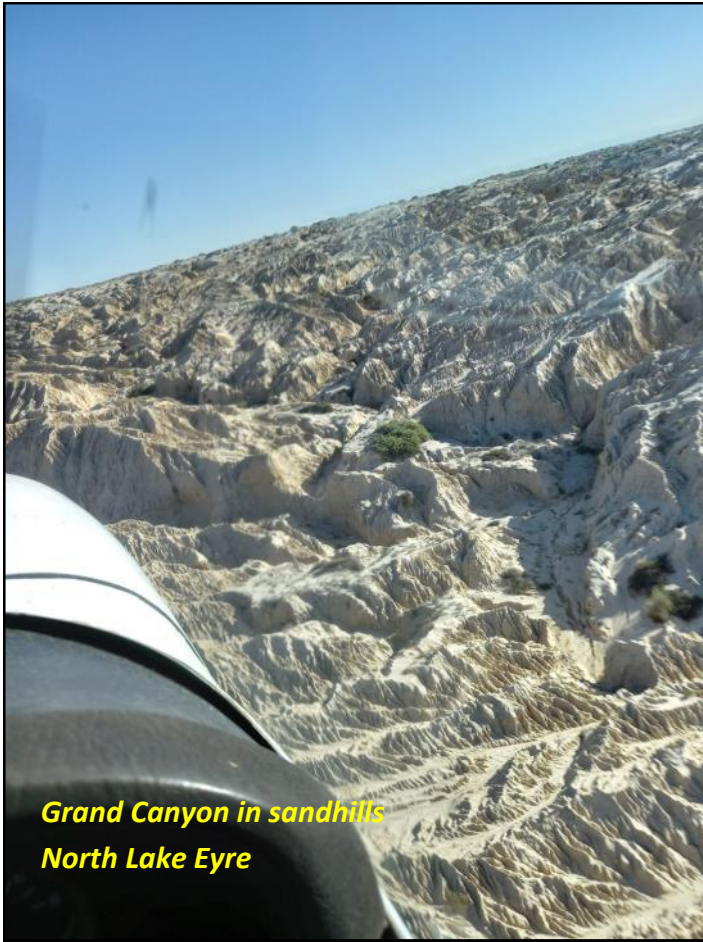


***Cooper Creek
(Low Flying Training)***

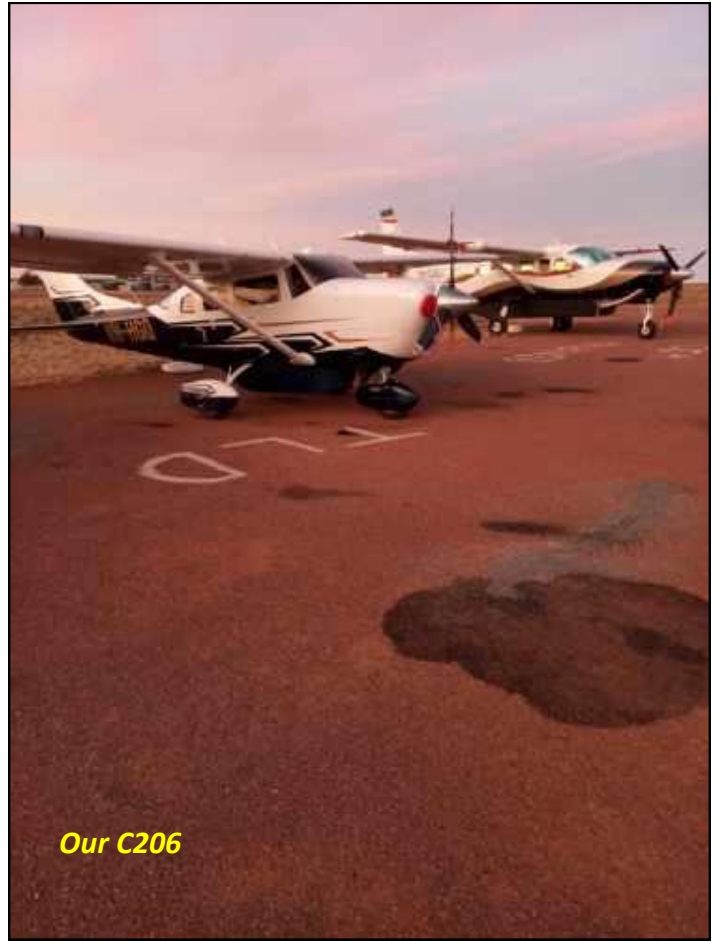


***Warburton River before
running into the Lake***

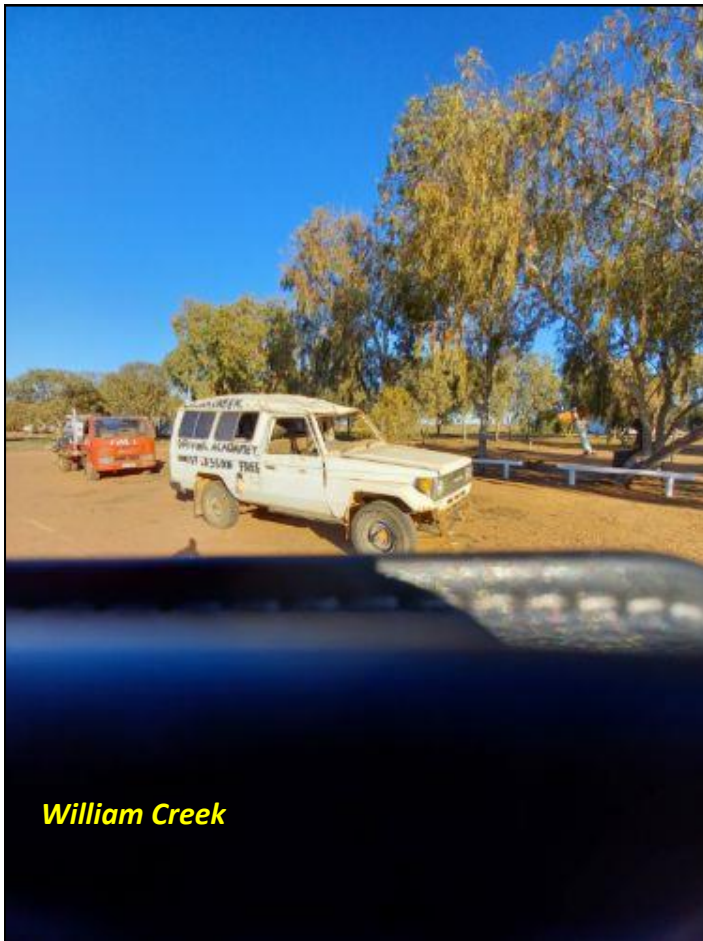
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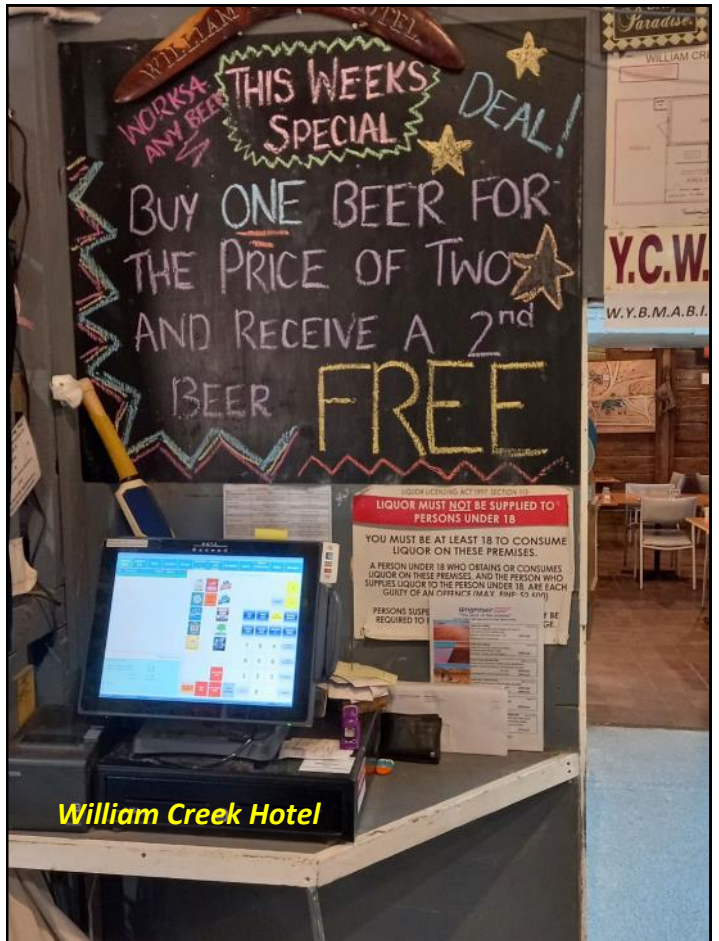
**Grand Canyon in sandhills
North Lake Eyre**



Our C206



William Creek



William Creek Hotel

AROUND AND ABOUT THE FAR NORTH

Runway Dinner - Shute Harbour Aerodrome - Saturday 10th September 2022

A huge turnout for the event with the weather behaving and staying fine.

Photos by Simon and Jane



More photos next page:

Runway Dinner - Shute Harbour Aerodrome - Continued



DONNINGTON JABIRU FLOCK-IN



Great Jabiru Flock-In at YDOP

If you own a Jabiru, please mark the weekend of **October 22-23** as the Great Jabiru Flock-In at Donnington Airpark. Whilst all types of aircraft are welcome, we especially would like to see as many Jabs as can make it. It will be a great weekend for Jabiru owners to mix with each other, check out the various models and experience the camaraderie of shared type ownership. We hope to have input from the Jabiru factory, possibly even representation if they are amenable. We'll keep you posted as this event develops!



NORTH QUEENSLAND AERO CLUB NEWS & EVENTS

RAY FRY AIR RACE 18th September 2022



Congratulations to John Martin and Dave Camp, winners of this years Ray Fry Air Race. They ran the race in Jabiru VH-DOD. Well done chaps!

Thank you to our sponsors Ray Fry, Chiropractic Works, GKC Aviation Support and Our Place Restaurant.

Also, Thank you to the volunteers who helped out today, to run the breakfast BBQ and flag off the competitors.



NORTH QUEENSLAND AERO CLUB NEWS & EVENTS



Thankyou so much to the members that helped out at the Saturday working bee. The front of the hangar was painted, trees cut, signs erected and gardens tidied up. The place looks amazing, in fact, a visitor to the Club last week (before the working bee!) commented it was the nicest looking Aero Club he had seen. We think so too! Thankyou members.



FAR NORTH QUEENSLAND AVIATION MUSEUM



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The FNQ Aviation Museum is a brand new facility due to open in the near future showcasing the incredible contribution that aviation has played in Far North Queensland's history. The Museum will create employment, volunteering, educational and training opportunities that will benefit the community and boost tourism.

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FNQ Air Museum - September Activities



Introducing Mareeba Airport's latest addition - the 80th anniversary mural at the airport terminal! Daniel Wallwork has done an incredible job capturing the airport's contribution and identity over the last 8 decades. This includes RAAF Dakota C-47s during WWII, crop spraying, helicopter mustering & hot air ballooning.

This project was managed by FNQAM and supported by the Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) - a partnership between the Queensland Government and Mareeba Shire Council to support local arts and culture in regional Queensland.

Filming for our short film was conducted a few weeks ago and production is nearing closer to finalisation in the coming weeks! Thanks to everyone who was involved with this project and we look forward to sharing the finished product with you.

There's been plenty of activity happening on Saturday mornings with the installation of the Dakota tail fin, C-47 stairs being fabricated, manuals and magazines digitised, books catalogued & new instrument panels arriving. Along with plenty of other work behind the scenes. Thanks to all our volunteers!

Join in the conversation Facebook Member Group

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Hot Air Balloon Cairns

Another beautiful day is in store for hot air ballooning on the Atherton Tablelands. The clear blue sky will make for a perfect backdrop as you drift through the air, taking in the stunning scenery below. So get ready for an unforgettable experience! 🍷 ❤️ 🎈 🌞

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Hi Everyone,

Pinnarendi Cafe will be **CLOSING** on the **12th May**, re-opening after Easter 2023.

We look forward to seeing you again then. Please ring ahead for airstrip status.

Ronnie, Nadine, Joy, Carol, Stacey and Kids

Pinnarendi Station Stay & Café

<https://www.facebook.com/Pinnarendi/>

Ron Atkinson 0419 201 622



An advertisement for Azure Photography. At the top left is the logo, which features a camera icon and the word "Azure" in a pink, cursive font, with "PHOTOGRAPHY" in a smaller, black, sans-serif font below it. To the right of the logo is a large photograph of a tropical beach with turquoise water and a clear blue sky. Below these are six smaller photographs arranged in a 2x3 grid, showing various family portraits and group photos. At the bottom right of the grid is a circular logo for "aipp. ACCREDITED PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHER". Below the grid, the text reads "Affordable & fun family portraits & wedding photography by award winning professional local photographer". At the very bottom, a pink banner contains the website "www.azurephotography.com.au" and the phone number "0418 963 796".



AAC EVENTS CALENDAR

(Check Your Club Website or Facebook Page For Short Notice Changes)

Atherton Aero Club 2022 Events

Oct Sun 16th **AAC Meeting & BBQ**—1030 Atherton

Other 2022 Events

Oct Sat 22nd & Sun 23rd **Donnington Jabiru Flock-In**

Oct Saturday 29th **NQAC AGM**

Nov Saturday 12th **NQAC Wings Night**

Dec Friday 9th **NQAC Christmas Party**



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You've joined our Containers for Change team doing our best to make a real difference in our communities and to our environment. We're super excited to have you on board.

Here's your Containers for Change scheme ID. Your scheme ID makes it even easier to return containers and receive refunds directly to your bank account.

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Android users



If you don't have WalletPasses installed, you will need to download it from the Play Store.

Northern Flyers

Donnington Airpark (YDOP)



Burdekin Flyers (YAYR)

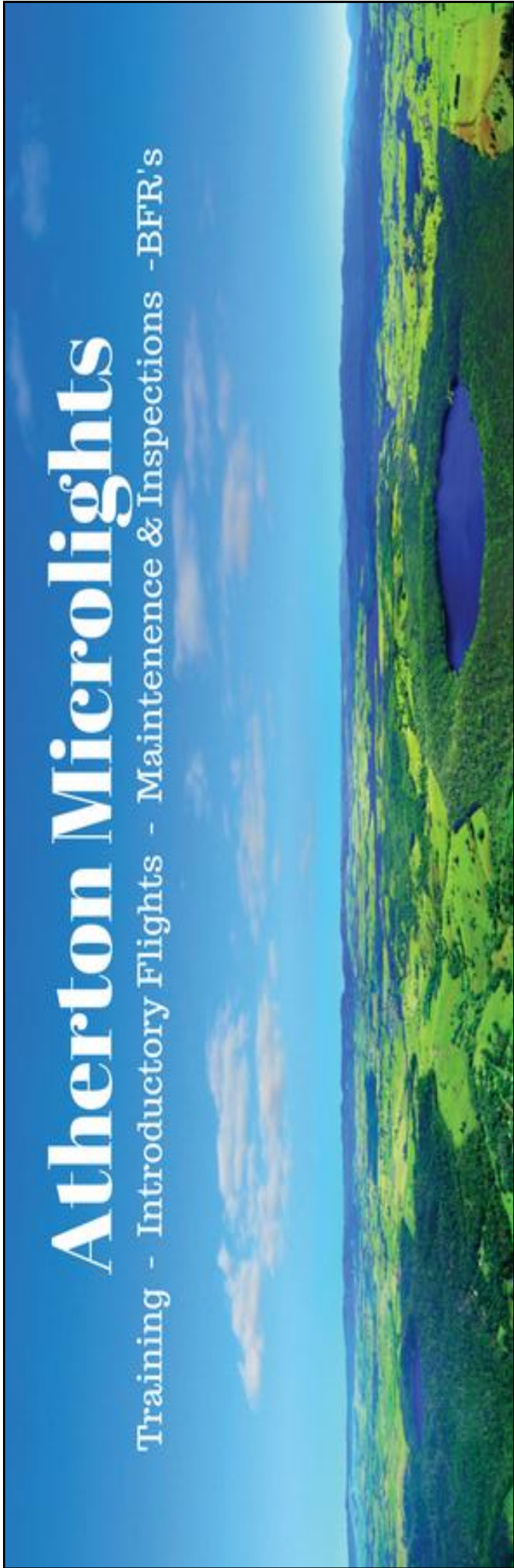


Atherton Aero Club (YATN)



Atherton Microlights

Training - Introductory Flights - Maintenance & Inspections - BFR's



Atherton YATN
Elevation 2460 feet

Flight Strip
Length 1286 mtrs Width 90 mtrs
Grass Runway
Length 1166 mtrs Width 30 mtrs

(CHECK ERSa & NOTAMS FOR CHANGES)

NOTICE



The **Atherton Aero Club** is now an ASIC Issuing Agent for **Aviation ID Australia**.

Those seeking the issue or renewal of an Aviation Security Identification Card (ASIC) should apply directly to **Aviation ID Australia** via the following link:

<https://aviationidaustralia.net.au/application.html>

Once the ASIC card has been approved the applicant will be advised and the required “face-to-face” identity check carried out locally by an Atherton Aero Club representative. On the satisfactory completion of the identity check the local agent will hand over the ASIC card to the applicant.

AIRCRAFT FOR SALE AND WANTED

If you have, or know of, an aircraft for sale please contact me directly by telephone or email with full details. The AAC offers free advertising in the club newsletter as a service to local flyers. Direct emailing of your advert to aviators on the club mailing list is available should your advert be received after the publication cut-off date. *Bill Gronbeck, EDITOR.*



INTERESTED IN BUILDING YOUR OWN AIRCRAFT?

The Sport Aircraft Association of Australia (SAAA) is an organization that has mentored and assisted many owner builders, for both VH and Ultralight registered aircraft.

Further information on the SAAA's National and FNQ Chapter 34 websites:

<http://www.saaa.com/>

<http://www.saaafnq.com/>

Local contact is:

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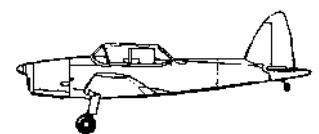


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Atherton Aero Club - Membership Application / Renewal

New Member

Returning Member



PERSONAL DETAILS

Full name		Date of Birth	
Street address		State	Postcode
Postal address		State	Postcode
Email address	Occupation		
Telephone	ah	bh	mobile

MEMBERSHIP

<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ 60.00	Single Member	Single member with voting rights
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ 100.00	Family Member	Two members with voting rights
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ 50.00	Associate Member	Single member with NO voting rights
<input type="checkbox"/>	no charge	Student Member	Single member with NO voting rights

PAYMENT

Forms to be sent to: <i>The Treasurer</i> <i>Stephen Klaproth</i> <i>PO Box 227</i> <i>ATHERTON QLD 4883</i>	or email to: <i>sjklaproth@gmail.com</i>
Payments can be made by: <i>EFT, Cheque, cash, or at the Bendigo Bank</i>	
EFT Details: <i>Atherton Aero Club BSB 633000 ACC 114331796 (Ref - Your Name)</i>	

I hereby apply for membership to the Atherton Aero Club and agree to abide by the Constitution and any rules and regulations thereof. I further agree that my contact details may be made available to other members of the association as the Management Committee deems necessary.

Signed _____ Dated _____

Print name: _____ Print name: _____

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Membership type		Receipt No		Fee Paid	\$
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