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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.



Photos from the Old Station Fly-In—More inside



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PRESIDENTS REPORT—

Hello fellow flyers,

Wow this year is scooting along and there has been plenty of flying opportunities for us all.

There were plenty of planes from the far north attending the annual Old Station fly in. This is a well-attended event with lots of fun, and spectacular flying skills demonstrated from Paul Bennet, Matt Hall and the Roulettes. For those not wanting to travel too far from home, Pinnarendi Station just past Mt Garnet, have a wonderful strip, Great hospitality, wonderful Pizzas and the best coffee and breakfast west of Cairns. Just recently a group of us camped there for the weekend.

Another trip we attended, hosted by the North Queensland Aero Club, was a weekend to Gilberton Station. Again a great weekend hosted by Robert and Lynn French. Maggie Mc Bride organised a wonderful weekend where we explored Aboriginal Art, Old Mine Sites and Learnt about the family history of Gilberton Station. Nice big fire with dinner served in the bed of the Gilbert River.

Pizza nights held on the first Friday night of the month are well attended. Thanks to all who support this monthly event. If you have not yet come along then get your act together and join in. We have a huge assortment of movies to choose from.

Remember the weather station is a wonderful tool and we are in the process of having it included on Oz Runways for their weather Cams

I am also organising someone from BOM in Cairn to come up and talk about weather and how they write TAFs and area forecasts for area 45. Will keep you posted on that.

I am thinking of running a small Workshop on OzRunways; if anyone is interested please contact me and I will set up a date and time where we can go over features.

Don't forget 7th July Pizza night and our next meeting and BBQ will be held on the 16th July starting at 10.30 am.

Hope to see you all there.

Fly safe,

David Graham

President

Atherton Aero Club



EDITOR'S NOTE - by Bill Gronbeck

Hello and welcome to Newsletter No 293.

Plenty of action on the fly-in front this edition. Great weather for the Old Station, Pinnarendi and Gilberton fly-ins. A thank you to Dave, Michelle, Catherine and Christian who contributed photos to this edition.

Please contact me with your newsletter contributions on any of the following: (07) 4036 2868 or 0408 073 142 or by email at - billgron@bigpond.com

Readers comments (constructive) and suggestions regarding newsletter content are most welcome. Better still—write an article yourself on any aviation related subject that you consider will be of interest to other flyers..

Watch the AAC's Facebook Page and Website for the latest on coming events.

Web Page http://www.athertonaeroclub.org/

Facebook https://www.facebook.com/AthertonAeroClub?ref=hl



Regards and safe flying.

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*.



FLIGHT TO CHILLAGOE (OR THE \$100 COFFEE)

Sunday the 14th May, a bright sunny day just begging for a flight somewhere. Kevin, Michelle and Bill take up the challenge in two aircraft. A bit of sorting out which way to land while the wind oscillates from northerly to southerly, then a ten minute stroll to the nearby Eco Lodge for a coffee and chat with the owners who showed us the upgrades being made to the lodge and then kindly bused us back to our aircraft. A good spot for a short flight and an optional overnight. Mid year is also the best time for viewing at the lodge's astronomical observatory.



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POSSIBLE HAZARDS AT LOCAL AIRSTRIPS

Take extra care if you intend flying in or out of any of the less frequently used airstrips in our area. A condition check with someone, preferably a pilot, who lives nearby would be most advisable.

Cardwell/Dallachy

The Council-owned Cardwell/Dallachy Aerodrome was recently vandalised by unknown persons who cut the wire perimeter fence and did burnouts on the runway in what appear to be various types of vehicles. Fortunately it was wet and slippery at the time and no ruts were created on the runway centreline. Council's management and the local police seemed to be unaware of the incident. However, once notified, Council had the fence fixed quite quickly and the surface was inspected by their local staff.

The official word (from the Council's inspecting officer): "the photos show the tyre marks as much worse than they really are. The runway is still in very good condition, just grass missing. Give it a couple of weeks and the grass will be back." I too can vouch for the integrity of the runway surface, so it is business as usual welcoming FIFO visitors to seaside Cardwell, the Kennedy Valley, and Hinchinbrook Island.

Courtesy Gareth Davey

<u>Dimbulah</u>

Wet season rains and the aerodrome being used as a shortcut by farm vehicles, caused heavy erosion exposing large rocks at the northern end. A council work team has since removed the rocks, however, parts of the strip remain in poor condition and there is a high risk of damage during aircraft operations at the Dimbulah airstrip.

Courtesy John Buljubasich

The **next Club BBQ** will be our regular Third Sunday of the month get together on the **16th of JULY 2017** commencing 10:30 am.

Venue: The Club's STORAGE FACILITY, Atherton Airport. Visitors welcome. See you there.



And don't forget, first Friday of each month:

Movie & Pizza Night: Friday 7th July at the Club's Atherton Facility.





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Charles Edward "Charlie" Taylor is not a household name. He is, in many respects, a typical "Forgotten Man," whose contributions have been all but forgotten throughout aviation history. Charlie Taylor, born May 24, 1868 in Cerro Gordo, Illinois, quit school at age 12, was essentially self-educated, and had a brilliant, mechanically inclined mind. He settled in Dayton, Ohio where, through serendipitous circumstances, he met Orville and Wilbur of Wright brothers' fame.

Fast forward...and Charlie began working for the Wright Brothers on June 15, 1901 repairing bicycles and keeping shop, allowing Orville and Wilbur freedom to pursue their work with flying machines. Charlie accomplished many tasks for the Wrights while they pursued their dream of powered flight, allowing Charlie to demonstrate his genius. When the Wrights could not interest nearly a dozen automobile manufacturers to build a powerful, lightweight engine needed for their purpose, Charlie took on the task. Without instruction books, formal drawings, manuals, handbooks, or tooling, Charlie completed the task in just six weeks. The rest is history.

Charlie worked for the Wrights for over a decade, and logged many "firsts" as a pioneering icon in aviation maintenance. In addition to building the first aircraft engine, he became the first Airport Manager. He participated in building the first military airplane, and he engineered the first transcontinental flight. He was the first person to investigate a fatal powered flight accident, and Charles E. Taylor was inducted into the USAF Museum as the very first airplane mechanic.



ULTRALIGHT FLYING AT DONNINGTON AIR PARK IN THE 1970s



PHOTOS FROM OLD STATION May 2017



Photos by Dave Graham and Michelle Hardie







MORE PHOTOS FROM OLD STATION May 2017









Great weather conditions on the way to and from the Old Station Fly-in

PINNARENDI STATION FLY-IN 10th—11th June

Another great weekend fly-in although from some of the photos it looks as if it was a bit cold overnight. Photos courtesy Catherine, Dave and Christian



















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The Line Up at Pinnarendi Station

PHOTOS FROM GILBERTON STATION FLY-IN 17th—18th June

Greet weekend at Gilberton Station. Thanks to our hosts Lyn and Rob French. Thanks to Maggie for organising this top weekend. Aboriginal Art, mine shafts, bush camp fire and dinner in the Gilbert River. The history was amazing and good companions. We will be back.

Dave Graham



More GILBERTON STATION PHOTOS 1



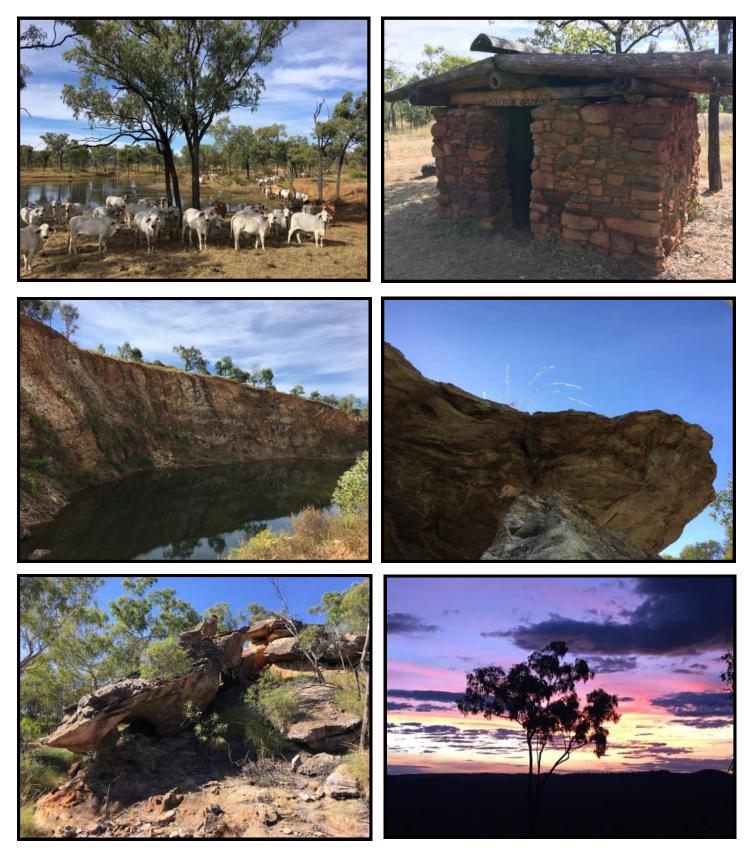
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More GILBERTON STATION PHOTOS 2



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NORTH QUEENSLAND AERO CLUB NEWS & EVENTS



Another great weekend fly-away at the beautiful Gilberton Outback Retreat. Six aircraft and fourteen people. Thanks Maggie McBride for organizing this event. A place definitely worth a regular re-visit. (*Photos elsewhere in the newsletter*).

Also, Check out the NQAC FaceBook site for Linda Jodner's excellent video clip.





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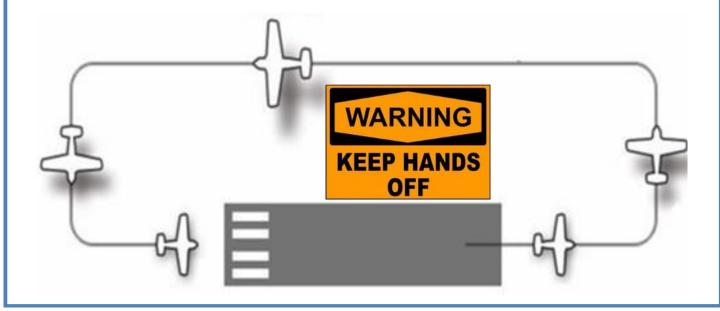
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NORTH QUEENSLAND AERO CLUB NEWS & EVENTS

The next NQAC Competition is fast approaching, the Hand's Off Control Column Circuit, Sunday 2nd July. Are you up for the challenge?

If so ring 40922043 or email the office <u>admin@nqaeroclub.com.au</u> to reserve your spot.

There will be 2 divisions a PPL Division and a Student Division. Cost \$75 per person



FLYING TRAINING INFORMATION NIGHT

A thank you to all who attended our May 24th Information Night and a special thank you to the guest speakers Bill Kentish, Jason Peck, Mick Jess, Bill Gronbeck and Hamish Jacob, all exemplary industry professionals. It was fascinating to hear their career pathways and stories. We will be running another of these Information Nights later in the year.



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2017 Theory Courses



Recreational Pilot Licence Course

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Course 5	Day 1	Saturday 16 th September 2017	Day 2	Sunday 24 th September 2017
Course 6	Day 1	Saturday 18 th November 2017	Day 2	Sunday 26 th November 2017

Private Pilot Licence Course

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Course 4	Day 1	Sunday 16 th July 2017	Day 2	Saturday 22 rd July 2017
Course 5	Day 1	Sunday 17 th September 2017	Day 2	Saturday 23 rd September 2017
Course 6	Day 1	Sunday 19 th November 2017	Day 2	Saturday 25 th November 2017

IFR & PIFR Theory Course

Covering these topics: Flight Planning Departures & En-route Descent & Instrument Approaches IFR Rules & GNSS Radio Navigation Aids

Commencing Sat 29th July 2017

Every Saturday for 5 weeks

9am to 4pm

Prepayment due by 1st July 2017

Registeryour interest with Sally:

cfi@nqaeroclub.com.au

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AIRCRAFT FOR SALE (PRICE REDUCED) Jabiru UL500

Make & Model:	Jabiru UL500 Calypso					
Engine:	Jabiru 4 Cylinder 2200CC					
Engine Serial Number:	1467, Solid Lifters					
Engine Modification:	Converted to Liquid Cooled Cylinder Heads					
Registration:	19-3905					
First Registered:	30/07/2003					
Registration Expires:	04/09/2017					
TTIS Engine/Airframe:	663.4 HRS Total Landings: 1039					
Incidents/Accidents:	Nil					
Owner/Pilot/Maintainer:	LAME					
Propeller:	Revolution 2 Blade Ground Adjustable Composite					
Propeller Spinner:	Cummins Polished Aluminium					
Fuel Capacity:	85 LTS Fuselage Tank					
Cruise:	98 – 100 TAS @ 2700 RPM					
Cruise Fuel Burn:	11 LPH					
Instruments:	ASI; Digital Altimeter; VSI; Magnetic Compass; RPM/HR Meter; MGL 12 Channel EGT/ CHT; FC10 Fuel Flow; Oil Pressure; Oil Temperature; Cooling Liquid Temperature; Fuel Quantity.					
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Transponder:	MicroAir T2000SFL					
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CONTACT:	Danny Cosgriff on 0468 931 895 for further information.					

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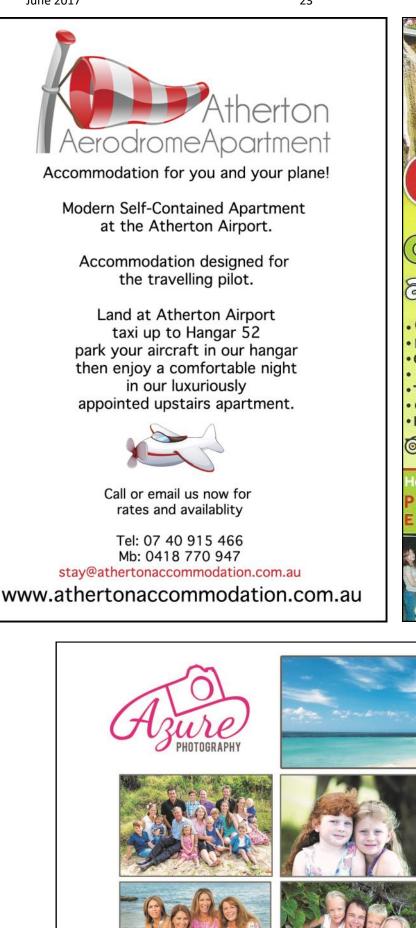
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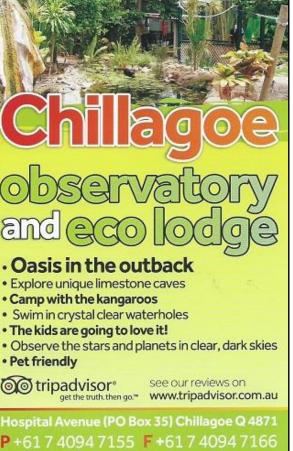
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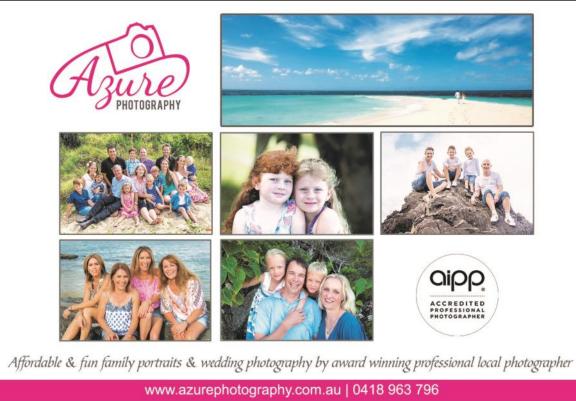
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INTERESTING AVIATION LINKS:

https://www.avweb.com/news/features/Flight-Training-in-Marginal-VFR-Do-It-228999-1.html

Instructors Thoughts on Flight Training in Marginal VFR Weather

https://www.avweb.com/news/pilotlounge/The-Pilots-Lounge-26-Scud-Running-Discussing-a-Delicate-Subject-182679-1.html

The Dangers of Low Level Flying

https://www.avweb.com/news/features/Top-Five-Landing-Tips-228983-1.html

Top Five Landing Tips

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_iw7iTt3wwk

Another serious crash at Lukla Airport, Nepal (Back of the Drag Curve)

http://www.flightsafetyaustralia.com/2017/05/the-lost-art-of-taking-off/

The Lost Art of Taking Off

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VdU1Lrrv1H8

Test Pilots Documentary





Atherton Aero Club

AAC-2017 EVENTS CALENDAR

Third Sunday every month—Morning social & BBQ Lunch

First Friday every month—Pizza & Film Night

OTHER AVIATION EVENTS

(Check the RAAus Web site for other Coming Events)

August Saturday 5th & Sunday 6th—Ingham Fly-In & Italian Week

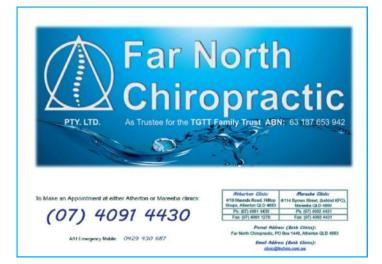
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North Queensland Aero Club

NQAC-2017 EVENTS CALENDAR

- July Sunday 2nd July—Hands-Off Competition Saturday 15th to Thursday 27th—Tag Along Outback Tour
- **August** Sunday 6th—Spot Landing Competition Sunday 20th—Dunk Island Day Trip
- *Sept* Sunday 3rd—Norship Marine Air Race

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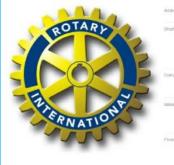




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Returning Member



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\$ 50.00	Associate Member	Single member with NO voting rights		
no charge	Student Member	Single member with NO voting rights		

PAYMENT

Forms to be sent to: The Treasurer Jon Collins PO Box 1360 ATHERTON QLD 4883 or email to: jc4487@gmail.com

Payments can be made by: EFT, Cheque, cash, or at the Bendigo Bank

EFT Details: Atherton Aero Club BSB 633000 ACC 114331796 (Ref - Your Name)

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.

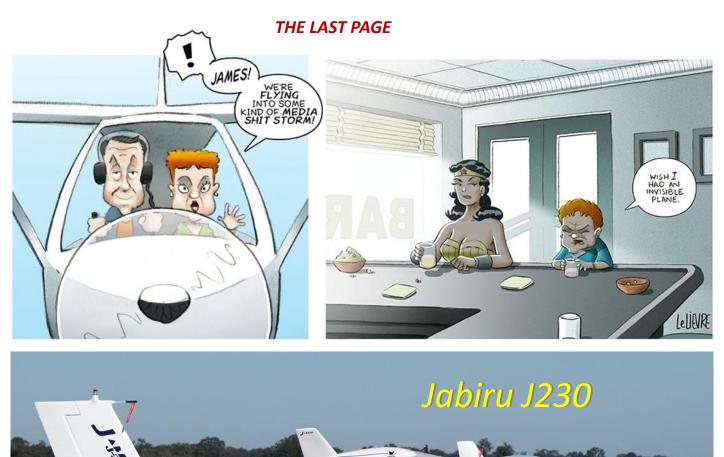
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(As flown by "One Nation")

Last night, my kids and I were sitting in the living room and I said to them,

'I never want to live in a vegetative state, dependent on some machine and fluids from a bottle. If that ever happens, just pull the plug.'

Shitty Advice

They got up, unplugged the computer and threw out my wine!!

The little bastards.



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Frankly, Murphy, I don't like the looks of it.