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THIS WEEKEND**

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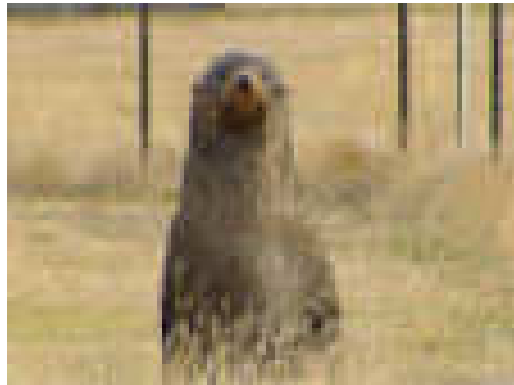
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### DIARY NOTES

- Annual Subscriptions were due last month please pay by calling the office 6248 5370
- Book your aircraft to fly the **BATTLE of BRITAIN DAWN PATROL** Saturday September 16th 06.30 sharp Big cooked breakfast afterwards just \$3. Everyone welcome to fly or just drop in to watch the Sortie. Enjoy Peter Fenton's Big Cooked Breakfast, lashings of bacon, eggs, toast, tomatoes and steaming hot coffees.



*Always wanted to Learn to Fly !*



A very heavy passenger, weighing more than 180kg, turned up at Cambridge. An Australian fur seal decided the horse agistment paddock opposite Par Avion was the ideal spot for a bit of a rest. The large healthy male seal made his 500 metre journey from Pitt Water, crossing the Cambridge runway and Kennedy Drive in the early hours of the morning to settle in for a sleep.

Concerned the seal retracing its path back to Pitt Water would be at risk from road and tarmac traffic Wildlife authorities were called in and it was decided to coax the animal onto a purpose built trailer, transport and release it back into the Bass Strait breeding grounds. At this time of year, Australian fur seals can be found anywhere around Tasmanian waters and it is not uncommon to find them resting ashore.

The seal was not far out of his range, they are highly mobile and agile and it is not unusual for seals to travel such distances, although his choice of resting spot a bit strange given the aerial activity, the horses and road traffic.

## FINE DAYS GETS 'EM FLYING



*Garry Burr in his Victa Air-*

There have been some terrific smooth air fine weekends over the last five weeks. Make the most of the still cold air days because we have as they say "Show Week" still to follow. ALACS Federation Team winning member Graeme Martin has been particularly busy flying the Skydivers and a handful of lucky Club members who have experienced soaring like a bird in the powered glider VH-WWW.



*L. Ron Flakowski & Graham Martin*

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