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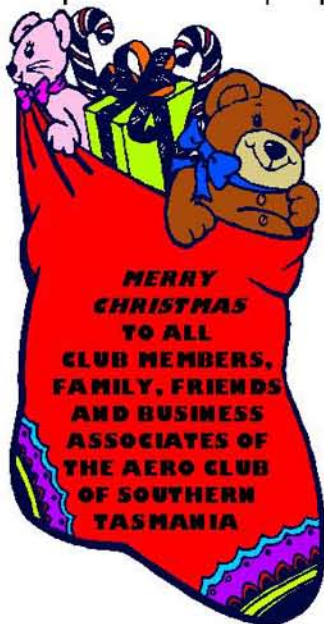
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SUMMER COMPS
TOP 5 LEADER BOARD
ROUND 4

RON FLAKOWSKI DON PRAIRIE	1
DAVID PRINCE	2
PETER RENNIE	3
STAN TILLEY	4
IAN AIKEN	5



SUBWAY PAYS THE TRAINING

Pat has completed his year 10 studies at Newtown High School, & moves on to Elizabeth College next year.

said "Once I get my PPL then I'm going to try for the Airforce, if that doesn't workout, I'll become an instructor and then hopefully move onto the Airlines." Pat has not saved every cent since grade five not to turn flying into a career.



Pat Humphries has always wanted to fly, when he was five his Uncle started him off building model aircraft like the Spitfire and a 747-400, by the time he got to grade five he had already started saving his pocket money for flying lessons.

"Because I'm not old enough for a car drivers licence, my parents help me get to and from Cambridge but financially I have to do the rest. I work at Subway two afternoons a week which gives me 10 -15 hours and all the money I earn, goes into flying plus I had a bit saved because I have always been going to do this since grade five." Pat said.

He completed his RAA Pilot's Certificate in September and is now going for his GFPT in the Cessnas. All done in just under 12 months.

Pat said "I have found the Cessnas a lot easier to fly and it is a different perspective out of the cockpit from the Jab. I also find the Cessna is a lot smoother. I started out in the Jab, moved over to the Skyfox which is a little bit slow but so much fun."

Pat is continuing on with his civilian training, but he has a plan, has goals to achieve. Pat

"I have always known that I have wanted to fly, with flying, everything is so amazing, the freedom of it I think. All my mates at school think it's a bit weird that I can fly but I can't drive yet."

commercial ratings, during the year.

Thank you to all those pilots who at their own cost and time, use their formation skills to fly the flag for the Club when special flights are requested. Also the office staff, the instructors, both staff and honorary, for keeping the Club in the air, and to those members whom when things need to be done put their hands up well done.

Thank you for your support of the Club throughout 2007 and I look forward to seeing you all at some exciting events we have planned for 2008. I wish you and your family a Happy Christmas, safe Driving and Flying over the break.

Don Prairie

PRESIDENT REFLECTS

Hours wise it has been a fairly average year for the Club. Our old enemy the weather, hampered our training hours, however we were more fortunate with our activities like Lagoon Bay, the Open Day, Jericho and more recently the Boobyalla flyin. It is great to be able to join in with other Clubs such as the TAC with their social activities. There are more planned for 2008 with TLACS at Wynyard on March 8th.

The Harold Gatty Wilderness Won-

ders time trial the weather beat us from doing this season is the first scheduled '08 activity. Our lunch spot has moved to Devonport where we meet up with the Devonport Aero Club. Also convenient to re-fuel.

Congratulations to all those Pilots, new and veterans who reached their personal goals by obtaining their RAA certificate, GFPT, PPL, Instructor and