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THIS WEEKEND**

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EXTRA RUNWAY FOR CAMBRIDGE

There are some big changes for Cambridge in the early part of this year. "Some of you will have already noticed the two new hangars being built and the storm water dams near runway 09 also the sewerage system is to be probably upgraded" said airport owner Don Wells. "Starting in February resealing of runway surfaces in particular the taxiway at runway 27 and some parking areas, those of you who keep current and fly at least a couple of times a month will have seen the beginnings of a 300 metre overshoot area on the end of runway 32."



Managing Director of Airlines of Tasmania Don Wells and the refurbished Nomad. Below: Gut it and start again.

Don has asked if we could stick to the yellow taxi lines to avoid hassles and the no go areas are going to be landscaped with low level shrubs in an overall beautification programme for the Airport. "We are endeavouring to maintain Cambridge as an airport without costs getting out of the reach of the average pilot - expect a slight rise in hangar fees but there will be no increase in landing fees in the short term". Don.

More good news the re-opening of runway 30 grass means pilots will be able to practice grass field techniques without leaving Cambridge. Also, "Aurora will be moving their operations to the Cambridge site adjacent to the winery which will include a 200 spot carpark." said Don.



Malaysia, the Nomad will provide the platform for airborne laser scanning and aerial photography.

DIARY NOTES

- Fine Wine lovers, **new this year** the Tamar Valley Wine Tour and overnight at George Town. BBQ & flyin with Freedom Flight on the Sunday. Make a note Mar 25 & 26.
- Keep your flying skills current for just \$45.00. 1st & 3rd Wednesdays in the month from 5.00pm onwards TLACS Flying. is great training, - fly at any experience level. You pilot one circuit - ride and watch for one. At only \$45.00 this is fantastic value for instructed flight and a sausage sizzle! **All pilots REGARDLESS OF SKILL LEVEL most Welcome.** Bar is open.
- ALACS - this year in Toowoomba Queensland. Thurs May 11 Practice day. Comp Days 12 & 13. Talk to Don Prairie 0438 346 623.

TOUGHER SECURITY TIGHTER ACCESS TO THE TARMAC.



Shaun King one of the contractors engaged to fence the perimeter of Cambridge Airport.

"You all understand about the need for an ASIC at Cambridge, there will also be some changes to the way you access the tarmac. ACST members will enter through the club room front door as side access will be fenced off. Those of you needing after hours access to your personal aircraft will need to apply for a key." Don said.

ACST is responsible for allocation of keys and the maintenance of a key register. Not everybody will have a key only those with a legitimate after hours need.

Operating in Australia, New Zealand,

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BOTHWELL FLYIN

To kick off the Summer / Autumn flying programme, Will Bignall has invited ACST and friends to a Farm tour and Millers Munch lunch at the family property just north of Bothwell. **Flyers from all over the state are welcome.** This is a family day and you can either fly or drive to arrive by **10.30 am sharp.** (see flyer for more).

- Sheep Milking, Cheese Making, Flour Milling Demos.
- Tour through the Salsifi Horse Radish & Wasabi crops
- "Millers Munch" lunch at historic Thorpe Water Mill includes Trout caught on the property with wasabi mayo, farm grown lamb & venison - complimented by Derwent Valley wine maker, Steve Lubiana Wines. Tour, Food and Bothwell airstrip air services just \$40. pp. Kids eat free.
- ALA & Grass field techniques . **A LOW COST OPTION** to brush up on your flying skills. Keep current with 3 instructed circuits at Bothwell airstrip only \$53.00

SUNDAY JAN 22 10.30am

GREATER PARTICIPATION IN ACST

Welcome to the "new look" Spinner and a Happy New Year to you all. Hello I'm Don Prairie and I'm your new ACST President.

I want something from you this year, **more participation in Club events.** I retired last year after running my successful sign-writing company for 53 years and I know that if the committee needs your participation they will have to give something in return. That's just good relations. Firstly you have a chance to win a flying holiday to Flinders Island and look out we have a bumper Summer/Autumn Calendar lined up with some new events.

Bothwell "Millers Munch" Flyin hosted by Will Bignall and the overnight George Town Tamar Valley Wine Tour are just two new events coming up. You will also be receiving each month by post, a copy of the "new look" Spinner. Mark Nichols ACST member, who also flies the C150 JKA, has been engaged by the Committee to produce the Spinner Newsletter. Mark, produced our ALACS videos and ALACS Gala Dinner night

last year.

I would very much like to thank David Chalk for the 10 years he edited the Newsletter, This has been a huge contribution to the Aero Club and I salute his dedication and sincerely thank him on behalf of all our Club members.

A bit about your new President, I am married to Carol, we have two children and four grandkids. I started flying with ACST in 1954 and hold a PPL, and endorsements to fly constant speed, re-



Don Prairie - new ACST President.

tractable, tail dragger, formation and aerobatics with hours in 23 different aircraft types.

You as Pilots have invested a lot to follow your passion. Don't let it lapse, it has cost a lot of money to get where you are today. I appreciate starting a family, buying a house, progressing your career put a lot of strain on finances, Don't let all you have worked towards go to waste, use the Wednesday Night competition sessions just \$45, or the "Flybuddy Co Pilot" cost share arrangement (Peter Waite 0417 735 495). **Please use all our Low Cost Options to keep current.**

I hope my time as ACST President will be constructive and I want to hear from You. Safe flying.