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**FLY AERO CLUB
 THIS WEEKEND**

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Phil Myer & his new "glass" C182

like a racing cyclist helmet, all up another 4 knots faster with a cruising speed of 130kts.

Rolling out of the Kansas factory in October, KHW was assembled in Australia by John Walsh at Flight Safety. "I had to put in 6 hours on the simulator to get familiar with the Garmin screens and then the aircraft was delivered to my farm on the Bellarine Peninsula near Geelong. They picked me up and I did a little NAVEX to Tyabb and back to make sure I could handle automated flight then I flew it to Cambridge in little over two and a half hours".

One of only eight in Australia at the moment Phil's new C182 is a stunning example of the future of aviation. Essentially the same aircraft as Rick Gumley's C182 the 450 thousand dollar price tag brings with it one major difference the glass cockpit.

"This is not the original aircraft which Sam Merlo did his full instructor conversion training on at the Cessna factory in Kansas last year" said Phil. "The original aircraft Sam flew to New Orleans just days before the hurricane hit. The aircraft survived but was stuck in a hangar for 12 weeks, so not wanting an aircraft known as a Hurricane Survivor, Cessna sorted out VH KHW for me".

Powered by a Lycoming 230HP fuel injected engine the airframe has seen some minor alterations from the previous model. The air filter is flush to the cowl, fences installed at the ends of the wings, the VOR antennas are flat fins rather than the rods that were prone to icing. Airbags are fitted inside the lap on all seat belts. The wheel spats have a ballooned shape and look very much



information is automatically transferred to the other. Three basic analogue instruments remain".

"There is a lot to learn, all engine systems are operated by the computer, there is a two battery system for backup and should one screen fail all vital

Not for private hire at the moment VH-KHW will be available on line for advanced dual instruction for commercial and IFR with Sam Merlo. Sam is one of only two Cessna trained instructors in Australia for conversion to this aircraft type. KWH is available to pilots from all over the state for dual advanced training. Enquiries can be made at the ACST office phone 6248 5370.



Conventional instruments remain

DIARY NOTES

- NEXT BIRTHDAY SUGGEST YOU WOULD APPRECIATE A **AERO CLUB GIFT VOUCHER**. FOR THE PERSON ORGANISING YOUR GIFT, CREDIT CARD AT THE READY, CALL THE OFFICE **6248 5370** AND THE OFFICE STAFF WILL BE PLEASED TO ORGANISE YOUR SURPRISE OVER THE PHONE.
- ALACS TOOWOOMBA QLD. THURS MAY 11 - 13th. SATURDAY NIGHT SALUTE RFACA 80th YEAR AND DARLING DOWNS AERO CLUB 60th ANNIVERSARY.

"A bit nervous going from analogue to glass, but it's a dream"