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**FLY AERO CLUB
 THIS WEEKEND**

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ACST PURCHASES CESSNA C172R

The Aero Club of Southern Tasmania has just purchased a Cessna C172R to add to the fleet of two C172P and Jabiru J160 it owns. This latest aircraft is a 2000 model Cessna purchased from General Flying Services at Moorabbin where it had been used as an Airline Pilot trainer.

VH-KOT has only 3700 hours total time on the clock and has a half life engine so Club members can expect many hours of use from this machine before it's first refurbishment. "We want to change, in time, our C172's to the R model so the members have the most modern aircraft to fly. VH-SIZ to make way for another R model within 18 months. KSR is up for sale, so if you are interested in buying a well maintained, suitably priced ex trainer then give Peter Fenton a call 6248 5370." said Andrew Richardson.

Peter Waite said "the first thing I noticed was the interior insulation had cut the noise back, the engine sounds different, very balanced to fly." "KOT is fuel injected, so the carby heat control has disappeared and the fuel injection means the start up procedure is different. The interior layout is more user friendly, the seating is much more comfortable, all round well appointed."



A: Albert Poon with VH-KOT at Phil Myer's Gippsland property. B: Impressively instrumented new interior with grey leather leather

DIARY NOTES

- Sunday April 15th Top Gun Tasmania Cambridge Open day. Let everyone know. Special low cost introductory flights at just \$59.00. Sunday April 15th only. If you know anyone who is thinking of learning to fly, get them to Cambridge Sunday April 15th for the \$59. TIF's. It is such good value, special low rate for Sunday April 15th only.
- Saturday April 21st ALACS practice day. The fence will be up, get in some last minute practice before Bundaberg.
- Wednesday April 25th Anzac Day Missing Man Formation. Book the observer seat early if you would like to go along. Phone 6248 5370



Peter Waite said "you will need a checkride to change over to the C172R, this is mainly to go through the fuel injection and a few things like the Autopilot and Radio stack, this doesn't take very long, just phone the office 6248 5370 and book in with one of our instructors."

Andrew Richardson said "because the fuel burn is more VH-KOT operates at \$165. per hour, also we have to insure it for it's replacement cost \$170,000, so it is a few dollars more to hire." At the end of the day VH-KOT is still a C172, so don't be frightened off by all the extra gear, once endorsed you can fly this as easily as KSR or SIZ. If you are interested in getting an instrument rating then you can do that in this aircraft at a very cost effective rate.

IFR EQUIPPED



VH-KOT has the King Nav 2 IFR package, two Com/Nav radios, ADF, Transponder, TSO GPS, and Auto Pilot

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