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FLY AERO CLUB THIS WEEKEND

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**SPINNER ENQUIRIES to
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A lot of hard work has gone into flying by the following people who must be congratulated on their aviation achievements. A big well done to our new GFPT pilots: Ian Balmer, Tabitha Hui, Ron Carthew, Phil Petersen and Hugh Garnham. PPL was achieved by Scott Tilyard. Congratulations Rod Haigh on becoming an Instructor grade 3.

Adam Scott who obtained his Command Multi Engine Instrument Rating. Sam Merlo got his tailwheel endorsement as did Phil Myer who also added floating hull and aerobatics to his list of achievements.

The Club's, Top Gun Tasmania OPEN DAY was a flying success. Full credit must go to Mark Nichols who orchestrated this event, negotiating with Top Gun Warbird Flights to be our major sponsor, using the Provost Jet and the Nanchang as drawcards, together with TV coverage by Southern Cross, radio with Heart 107.3 and press by the Mercury, as a result of this promotional help, saw almost 2000 adults and their children through the gate.

To all the Club members who rallied on Saturday to clean the club rooms, hangar, tarmac and aircraft, install the safety fences, mow the grass, clean the windows

737 ENGULFED in FLAME

A special invitation from the Aviation Rescue and Fire Fighting Services at Hobart Airport to view a simulated 737 Crashsite and Fire Fighting demonstration on the Boeing 737 fuselage, look over the fire fighting trucks, and equipment and enjoy a hot morning tea at the Airport Fire Station.

WHEN: SATURDAY MAY 26th **COST:** \$20. per person

TIME: 07:30 am (back at Cambridge by 10.45am)

WHERE: CAMBRIDGE: BOARD THE BUS IN THE CARPARK

WELL DONE ACHIEVERS

etc. and to the members who turned up on Sunday just to support the Club by being there, my personal thanks.

A special thanks to the Sausage Sizzle crew who cooked all day and refused a break. also to the members and non members who supplied their aircraft for the static display including Simon McCormack for flying down from Launceston in his 1929 Pietenpol. Vaughn Latimer for arranging the cloud seeding Cessna Conquest and being on hand to show people through the machine.

The instructors were kept busy all day with TIFS (trial introductory flights) the booking queue at times lined up out of the Club House and onto the sun deck., plus flying special scenic flights. The object was to have the public up close and personal to an aeroplane, which is our aim, to promote aviation and in passing pick up the life blood of our Club "students".

The beautiful Autumn day, the Glenorchy City Concert Brass, and Poppet the Clown with the kids, added that special bit, that made the exercise a crowd pleasing success. Well done members and congratulations Mark.

By the time you read this Newsletter the 20 plus strong team from the Club will be at the Australian Light Aircraft Championships in Bundaberg, Queensland, some flying there in Club aircraft, some by commercial Jet and some in their own private Aircraft.

The club has participated in this annual event since the early seventies when Chris Davey won the bronze medal for the Spot Landing in 1975.

Since that time over 50 gold, silver, and bronze



Don Prairie - Hat - Tarmac parking attendant

medals have been won by Club members in the four disciplines of Forced Landing, Spot Landing, Formation Flying and the Streamer Cut..

A 737 Crash, the fuselage engulfed in flame, engine and wheels on fire. You get to see what happens next when the Aviation Rescue Fire Service at Hobart Airport swings into action. Fire Commander Phil McGowan, has arranged a special visit for the Aero Club of the Station and the Fire Drill Ground. This is a great opportunity, we travel as one group by bus, you can bring a friend along, you need to wear your ASIC and you can take photos and video for personal or Club use. See you in the Cambridge Carpark Saturday morning May 26th at 7.30am.

Remember to checkout the revamped website www.acst.com.au Safe Flying.

Don Prairie