



# SSAC NEWSLETTER

**Perfect Weather and Something for Everyone  
at our June Fly-in**



Young pilots check out a Jabiru for size and below; this scale replica SE5a owned and flown by Mark McCleary from Kerang was a welcome visitor



**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Dear Members,

To all members who helped at the fly-in, please give yourselves a big pat on the back, as it was a great success. We did it again with our visitors going home very happy by all reports that I have heard back. Once again a big thank you to all who pitched in to help from setting up Friday evening, the BBQ lunch, cuppa's and cakes supplied by the ladies, the dinner Saturday night, breakfast Sunday morning and the big clean up Sunday afternoon. Once again a very big thank you for your efforts.

The dinner Saturday night and the breakfast Sunday morning was the best attended I have seen for a while. The weather was perfect for the weekend which always helps to get people to come to fly-ins. We had the best rollup of vintage cars and motor bikes I've seen at our fly-ins which always helps the atmosphere and gives the public plenty to look at. There was a steady stream of people coming through the gates. Some only stayed for a ½ hour or so while others stayed for most of the day. Hopefully we will get a few new members out of the weekend as Cliff was on the go with trial instructional flights.

We will be having another working bee soon to put the cladding on our BBQ area and the store shed as the frame is already up. The date for this working bee will be made known when decided.

The next meeting will be on Sunday the 14<sup>th</sup> July at 10am. See you all then.

Safe flying as always.

John Powell President SSAC

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PERFECT WEATHER AND SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE



After some badly needed rain the previous week, Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June dawned with the kind of weather one can only dream about for a fly-in. Bright sunshine and a light breeze made the perfect setting for a great day with around 38 aircraft occupying the parking area.

The glorious weather, combined with the excellent publicity that Brian Middleton had organised for the lead up to the event, saw a continuous flow of visitors throughout the day. The display of vintage cars and motorcycles enhanced the event. The Bar-B-Q and morning and afternoon teas proved to be very popular, and kept some of our members very busy.

It was great to see John's Spitfire in the air again for a couple of demonstration flights and a flock of Jabirus from Murray Bridge gave an interesting display of formation flying.

Doug Pardew again did a great job of providing a lot of interesting information for the benefit of the visiting public. Several people took advantage of being able to take a trial instructional flight with Cliff and hopefully this will result in an increase in our pilot numbers.

Saturday evening saw 80 people in the clubroom to enjoy a delicious 3 course meal prepared by our small dedicated band of Chefs ably assisted by the team of ladies in the kitchen. Sunday morning saw 30 people back at the clubroom to enjoy breakfast before they departed back to their respective destinations. Early figures from our Secretary and Treasurer indicate that the Fly-in was also a success financially for the club. Well done and a big thank you to all members involved in the organization and running of this event.

Below: Masterchef at work



SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE AT OUR FLY-IN



Above: Blue skies, cars, bikes, aeroplanes and interested young ones. What more could you ask for? Many thanks to Brad Pike who provided the great photos and much of the informative text.

**MAJOR COMING EVENT**

**The Following information has been supplied by the Aero Club of Broken Hill**

**THE AERO CLUB OF BROKEN HILL  
75TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS  
18 - 20TH OCTOBER 2013**

The Aero Club of Broken Hill was officially incorporated on the 15th July 1938.

A great weekend program has been planned for all to enjoy. The Club is also pleased to mark the 85th anniversary of the Royal Flying Doctor Service at this event.

A Fly-in has been scheduled for the weekend of the 18th, 19th and 20th of October 2013. The Club aims to provide avid aviators from all over Australia with a unique outback cultural experience with a distinct aviation theme.

Friday the 18th of October will see a hangar get-together to acquaint with old and new friends over a feast of fresh yabbies, camp oven stews, damper and a quiet (noisy!) beer. Saturday the 19th will showcase a static display of modern and vintage aircraft and for the thrill seekers among us, an 'Extra 300' aerobatic aircraft will be on the field to take those who desire on the ride of their life! The display of aircraft will include a vintage Drover, one of the first aircraft used by the Australian Aerial Medical Service, the forerunner of the Royal Flying Doctor Service. It is fitting then that our display will be located at the RFDS hangar at Broken Hill where you will be able to view demonstrations of this vital out-back service in action and tour the base and visitor centre. Also on display will be vintage aircraft from the Vintage Aircraft Society of Australia, warbirds, modern ultra-lights, light aircraft and light-sport aircraft together with modern corporate aircraft.

In keeping with our outback location we have endeavored to incorporate some legendary and iconic Australian places of interest. A planned unique outback adventure will follow the Fly-in on Saturday with a late afternoon bus trip to the outback town of Silverton, where the filming of 'Mad Max' took place. The 'Old Gaol' and 'School House' museums will be privately opened for our friends and visitors, followed by a short walk to the most renowned and filmed hotel in Australia; the iconic 'Silverton Hotel' where a special buffet dinner of 'gargantuan' proportions will be served with some complimentary wines. Other drinks may be purchased from the bar.

The highlight of the evening will be our guest speaker. Captain David Evans, Qantas A380 check and training captain, will speak on his unique experience and the crucial role teamwork played in the safe recovery of a crippled Qantas A380. The aircraft suffered a catastrophic uncontained engine explosion soon after take-off from Singapore on 4th November 2010.

Also on the night will be a 'Silent Auction' with funds raised being donated to the Royal Flying Doctor Service.

**FOR THOSE WISHING TO ATTEND THIS UNIQUE WEEKEND FLY-IN  
PRE-REGISTRATION IS ESSENTIAL.**

A number of packages have been put together for the weekend. Information on packages and registration forms are available at:  
[www.brokenhillaustralia.com.au/event-calendar](http://www.brokenhillaustralia.com.au/event-calendar)