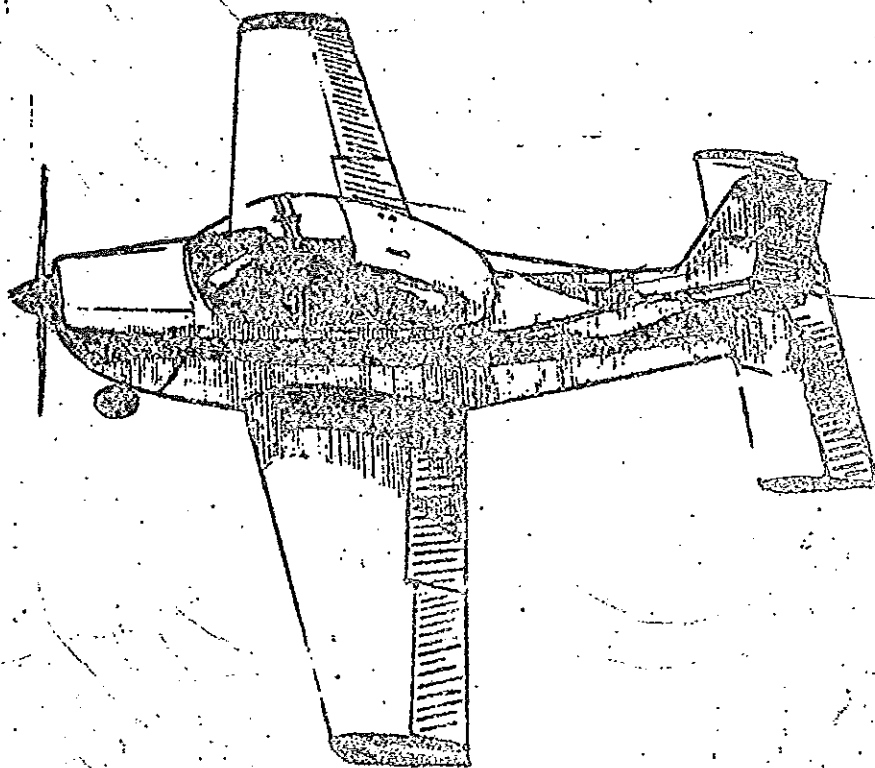


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Those of you who have read the January/February '82 edition of "Australian Flying" will have no doubt seen the photos of Association Secretary, Doug. Stott, flying the Shorts S.330 over Sydney, sporting the company's new name and logo - "Wings Australia"

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It is not without a slight touch of sadness that, after four and a half years, and some eighteen Newsletters, I will be handing over the job of Editor of this Newsletter at the A.G.M. in February.

In that time there have been many changes within the Association, not the least of which has been the creation of the Co-operative. It has been an essential part of the Newsletter to report on these changes and to keep the members in contact with these developments. With such a dispersed and widespread membership this can only be achieved through the pages of such a Newsletter.

Commitments at work and at home will not enable me to devote the time or resources necessary to continue as Editor. Naturally, I wish to see the Newsletter continue, and to this end I have a few articles to contribute to future editions.

The format and production of the Newsletter are now well established and should make the task less formidable for the next Editor. A team effort would lighten the workload of any one individual.

To the next Editor my best wishes for a continued success. A change of Editor may breathe new life into the Newsletter. The inclusion of 'News Bits' about our members will, hopefully, develop. Perhaps the next Editor has a flair for this style of writing.

To the President and Secretary, the Committee, and all those who contributed to this Newsletter, particularly the typist, my sincerest thanks. My thanks also to those who have assisted in the production and posting of the Newsletter.

Hope to see you all at Latrobe Valley.

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NOTICE OF MEETING

In accordance with the Constitution NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of the Airtourer Association of Australia will be held at . . . No.26 Flight A.T.C. Hall, Latrobe Valley Airfield, at 0930 hours on Sunday, the 21st February, 1982.

D.J.M. Stott, Honorary Secretary.

PLEASE NOTE: Nominations for the positions of Office-bearers and Committee should be made in writing and handed to the President or Secretary prior to the meeting.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS OF THE AIRTOURER CO-OPERATIVE LIMITED

In accordance with the N.S.W. Co-operative Act, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of the Annual General Meeting of the Airtourer Co-operative to be held at the Latrobe Valley Aero Club, Latrobe Valley Airfield, on Sunday, 21st February, 1982, at 0900 hours. The meeting will receive the Minutes of the previous meeting, the Directors' Report and the Financial Statement, conduct the Election of Directors and General Business.

Guy Main, Secretary, Airtourer Co-operative Limited.

NOTE: Although it is not twelve months since the last A.G.M. of the Airtourer Co-operative was held at "Yarrandale" in September, 1982, it has been necessary to re-schedule this meeting in order to fulfil the requirements of the N.S.W. Co-operatives Act.

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NEWS BITS

(From Secretary, Doug. Stott)

CLIFF TAIT is crossing the Tasman again . . . .

Cliff was recently seen at Tullamarine by member Stewart Hilsberg upon his arrival from N.Z. via Lord Howe in a new RAAF CT4. Cliff sends his regards to all members and will be back again soon with another CT4, maybe we might see him at LV.??

Just goes to show that you can't keep a good man out of aviation even if it means flying over the water.

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Queensland member DES SETTER whose AT100 HTF was written off last year in a take-off accident has lashed out and bought AT100 from Norm Small in Sydney. Des's first love was his 'little yellow bird' and he was very 'down' after the accident (Des was not in the accident). He now has a new love and we expect lots of smiles from Des and, of course, his presence at our gatherings.

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Member BILL MONAGHAN, who, members will remember, looked after us so well at the Wagga Convention, has been promoted and transferred to RAAF Base, Williamtown. Bill is now an Air Commodore and is Officer Commanding at the base. Our congratulations, Bill.

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HILFRÉD KNIGHT has joined our ranks with the recent purchase of ex-Moorabbin AT115, VH-IQL. Hilfred lives in Wesley Vale, Tasmania, and we hope to see him before too long.

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Our Patron, HENRY MILLICER, is now living (!!) a life of retirement at Anglesea, down past Geelong (Vic.). We hear from time to time of all sorts of ideas and goings on at the Millicer ranch. We hope to find out more at MTV. All the best, Henry.

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Roving member, BILL KELLY, and wife EYVONNE, are hard to keep track of. Since building his own semi-trailer type caravan he has been all over the country. Towards the end of last 'dry season' he launched from Townsville (Q) across the top to the north west of WA and return. So, if you see a 48-foot semi-trailer caravan with an F100 as the prime-mover, a map of Australia on the side and an Airtourer in close formation. . . . that's Bill!!!

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LATROBE VALLEY - 1982BACKGROUND

Venue for this year's Convention, Latrobe Valley Airfield, is home of the Latrobe Valley Aero Club.

This year is one of special significance for the Club as it marks twenty years of continuous operation of the AIRTOURER with that Club. Appropriately, the Association accepted the offer of the I.V.A.C. to host their 1982 Convention in recognition of this achievement.

Latrobe Valley was one of the first Aero Clubs to operate Airtourers with the purchase of VH-MOA in mid-1962. Over the years the Club has owned and operated nine Airtourers. Although it now has only one Airtourer, VH-MOI, it has operated a fleet of up to five at any one time.

It would be appropriate at this time to thank the members of the Latrobe Valley Aero Club for hosting this Convention and assisting in the organisation. Aero Club members have been invited to participate in the planned functions.

Let's make this our best effort yet, (We had twenty-five aircraft at "Yarranvale" last year) and keep those registrations rolling in.

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REGISTRATION

The Registration Fee is \$30 and includes all planned activities and transport to and from the Airport.

The Registration Fee covers the following meals:- Saturday lunch and dinner, Sunday lunch and Sunday evening barbeque, and morning and afternoon tea.

A deposit of \$10 per head is required. A registration form is included in this Newsletter.

ACCOMMODATION

The Association has pre-booked motel accommodation in Traralgon for the weekend at the following motels:-

Heyor Motel  
Strzelecki Motor Lodge  
Connell's Hotel.

Expected cost of rooms is between \$28 and \$32 per night. There should be no problem about accommodation on the Friday for those requiring it.

A Deposit of \$10 per bed should accompany your registration.

FUEL

The official Convention Re-fuelling Agent is Latrobe Valley Aero Club, a Mobil Agent. Fuel (100/130 Oct.) and oil, will be available both Saturday and Sunday throughout. Payment can be made by Carnets (Mobil), Cash or Cheques.

TIE-DOWNS

A tie-down and parking area has been made available on the grass adjacent to the Primary Wind Direction Indicator (see map). Bring your own tie-downs.

COMMUNICATIONS

Latrobe Valley Airfield is within the Melbourne Flight Service Frequency Area of 124.0 MHz. VHF communication is possible on the ground. A public telephone is located in the Aero Club porch.

MAINTENANCE

If any unscheduled maintenance is required over the weekend Gippsland Aeronautics can make an engineer available. (They are normally closed at the weekend)

LATROBE VALLEY - 1982 (Contd.)

FACILITIES

The L.V.A.C. have kindly made available their Clubhouse, Hangar and Barbeque facilities for our Convention. In addition, the Social Club is undertaking most of the catering.

The Aero Club members have volunteered to provide transport to and from the Hotels and the Airfield.

No. 26 Flight of the Air Training Corps has allowed us to use its Lecture Room for our Annual General Meeting.

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P R I Z E S

PRESIDENT'S TROPHY

Once again, the President's Trophy (perpetual) for the secret time of arrival will be presented to the crew of the Airtourer/Aircruiser/CT-4 whose arrival time is closest to that of a pre-determined time. Those arriving on the Friday and Saturday will be eligible for the award.

CLIFF TAIT TROPHY

This year the Cliff Tait Trophy will be awarded to the winner of an Air Trial. This is much the same as the Nav. Trial of past years only less formal and, it is hoped, more enjoyable.

ASSOCIATION TROPHIES

- |   |                             |   |   |
|---|-----------------------------|---|---|
| 1 | The Most Improved Airtourer | 2 | The Best Presented Airtourer                          |
| 3 | The Longest Distance        | 4 | Competition Trophy -<br>Competition(s) to be advised. |

AIRTOURER ASSOCIATION - LATROBE VALLEY - 1982

REGISTRATION FORM

TO: J. TREBLE, 73 AVIATION ROAD, LAVERTON, VIC., 3028

I, ..... will be attending the Convention at Latrobe Valley  
(Name)

I will arrive at Latrobe Valley by <sup>Air</sup>Car at about ..... on .....  
(Time) (Day)

and will be accompanied by .....

I will require motel accommodation for ..... nights.  
I will not

I am enclosing my cheque to cover:-

Motel Accommodation \$10 per bed \$.....
Convention Deposit \$10 per head \$.....
TOTAL \$.....

Signature ..... (Cheques to be made payable to:  
AIRTOURER ASSOCIATION

Name (Block Letters) .....

Address .....

Telephone No. ....

## AIRTOURER ASSOCIATION

## FLY-IN / CONVENTION AND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

FEBRUARY 1982 - LATROBE VALLEY

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P R O G R A M

- FRIDAY, 19 February P.M. ARRIVALS - TRANSPORT to MOTELS  
EVENING Meal and Entertainment (own arrangements)
- SATURDAY, 20 February A.M. ARRIVALS  
12.30 P.M. SANDWICH LUNCHEON at Aero Club  
1.30 P.M. BUS TOUR of S.E.C. Complex, MORWELL, and  
Visit to OLD GIPPS TOWN Folk Museum, MOE  
5.30 P.M. RETURN TO MOTELS  
7.30 P.M. TRANSPORT from MOTELS to AERO CLUB  
8.00 P.M. EVENING MEAL (Colonial Cooking) L.V.A.C. Hangar  
11.30 P.M. TRANSPORT to MOTELS
- SUNDAY, 21 February  
8.30 A.M. COURTESY CAR TRANSPORT from MOTELS to AERO CLUB  
9.00 A.M. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - AIRTOURER CO-OPERATIVE  
LIMITED - Aero Club  
9.30 A.M. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
(A.T.C. Building at Airfield)  
1.00 P.M. SALAD LUNCHEON at Aero Club  
1.30 - 2.00 P.M. START AIR TOUR  
3.30 P.M. AFTERNOON TEA, Sale Airfield  
4.00 P.M. Return to L.T.V. AIRFIELD  
4.30 - 5.30 P.M. DISPLAY FLYING  
5.30 P.M. COURTESY CAR TRANSPORT from AIRFIELD to MOTELS  
7.15 P.M. COURTESY CAR TRANSPORT from MOTELS to AIRFIELD  
7.30 P.M. BARBEQUE MEAL at Aero Club. Informal Evening  
and Presentation of Trophies, Films, etc.  
11.30 P.M. TRANSPORT to MOTELS
- MONDAY, 22 February  
8.30 A.M. TRANSPORT to AIRFIELD, as required.  
Informal Flying, Discussions, Departures etc.  
Lunch (if required)

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AIRTOURER ASSOCIATION  
 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
 21 FEBRUARY, 1982  
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4 CORRESPONDENCE

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6 SECRETARY'S REPORT

7 FINANCE -- TREASURER'S REPORT

8 ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS AND COMMITTEE :

PRESIDENT :

VICE PRESIDENTS-(2) :

HONORARY SECRETARY :

HONORARY TREASURER :

COMMITTEE (2) :

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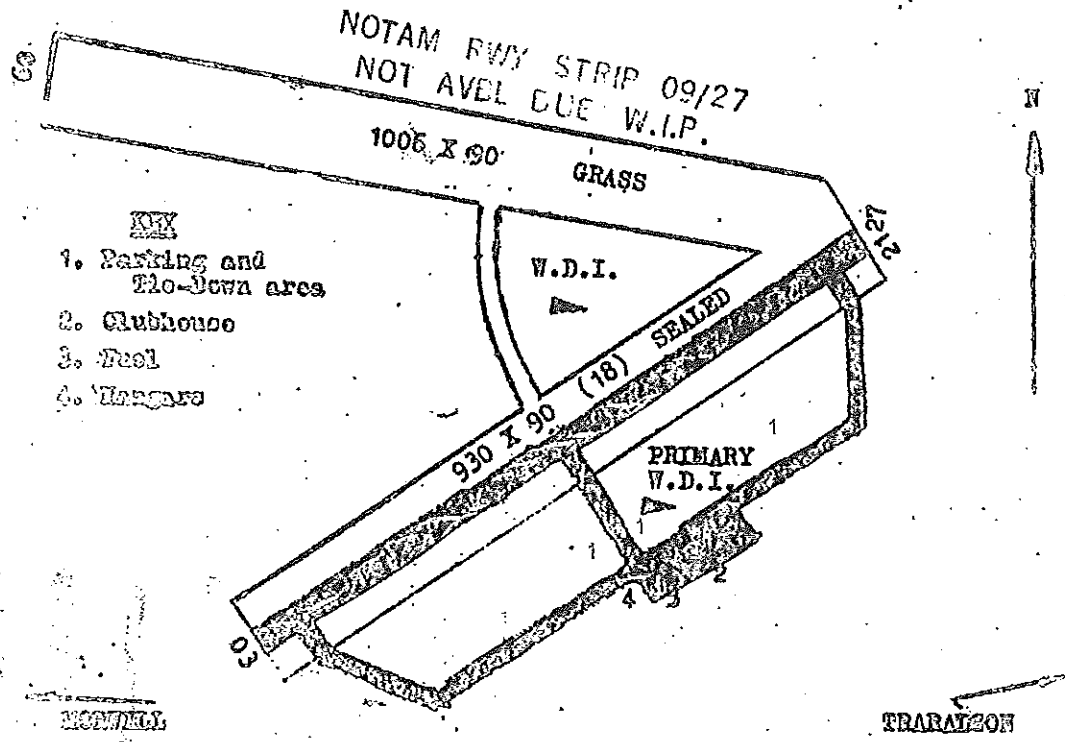


**AERODROME DIAGRAM - LATROBE VALLEY AIRFIELD (LICENCED)**

**Position :** 38°13' S 146° 28' E

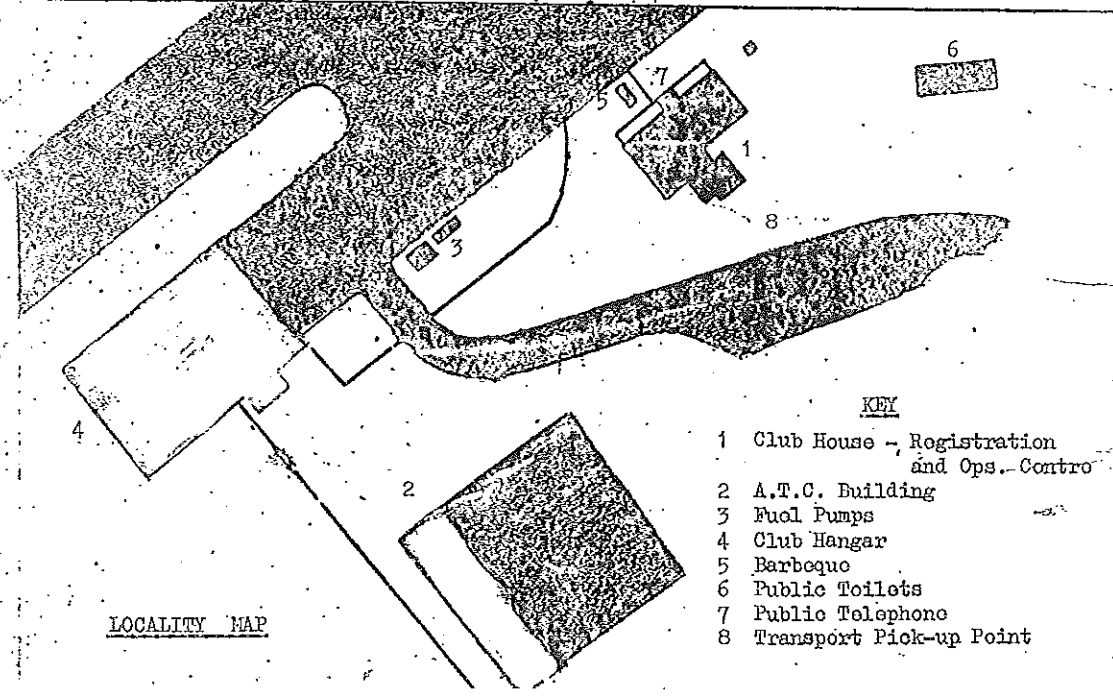
**Elevation :** 282 Feet

**Frequency :** 124.0 MHz. (Melbourne Flight Service Area Frequency)



**Remarks :**

1. All circuit directions LEFT HAND.



# AIR SPECTACULAR MANGALORE '82

The S.A.A.A. Planning Committee for Mangalore '82 advises us that preparations are now well in hand for the largest yet S.A.A.A. Fly-In.

A special trophy for the Best Airtourer will be awarded.

An Aviation Art and Photographic Competition is to held again and entries are urgently sought. Details from S.A.A.A. (see address below).

Registration for the four days is \$5.00 and allows access to the display flight line. Accommodation is at a premium and most nearby hotels are already booked out.

Details can be obtained from the :

S.A.A.A. NATIONAL FLY-IN CONVENTION COMMITTEE,  
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