

# *Who are we.....?*

The **Albatross Aero Club Inc** (AAC) is an authorised flying training organisation fully accredited by the Civil Aviation Safety Authority, and which operates under the auspices of our own Air Operator's Certificate (AOC).

## **History**

- a. The AAC was established in 1990 to provide flying training and hire of aircraft to members of the Navy and other services of the Australian Defence Force and civilians in Nowra and the surrounding areas.
- b. Having evolved over the years the Club is now a not-for-profit organisation incorporated in the State of NSW, although still structured along the lines of a "Service" club. True to its origins as a Navy flying club, the AAC exists primarily to provide opportunities for safe and economical recreational flying and flying training for uniformed members of the Australian Defence Force (ADF) (principally HMAS ALBATROSS and lodger units, and other nearby ADF organisations), their families and friends. The Club is also open to limited numbers of civilian members from the local community.

## **Aims**

The aims of the AAC are to:

- a. Provide a safe environment within a CASA-approved flying training organisation in which Club members can learn to fly, or remain current once appropriately licensed.
- b. Make available a selection of civil-registered aircraft for hire by Club members, and the ADF if required.
- c. Foster and promote aviation safety amongst its members and the local community; and,
- d. Provide a social outlet for Club members.

## **Operations**

The Club operates from our small operations centre in the Fleet Air Arm Museum building at the **Royal Australian Naval Air Station, HMAS ALBATROSS**, Nowra on New South Wales' beautiful South Coast.

Flying operations generally take place on Saturdays and Sundays (and Friday afternoons over the daylight savings months) during the hours of daylight, weather permitting.